

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH

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THE FOUR MASSES FOR THE LORD'S DAY IN THIS CHURCH

SATURDAY 5.30 P.M. SUNDAY 8 A.M. 10 A.M. 5.30 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES HERE WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS.

MONDAY (Feast of St. Stephen) **9 a.m.** **TUESDAY** (Feast of St. John) **7 p.m.**

WEDNESDAY (the Holy Innocents) **9 a.m.** **THURSDAY** (Christmas Season) **7 p.m.**

FRIDAY (Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph) **9 a.m.**

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession and Forgiveness) Our priest is in the Reconciliation Rooms Tuesdays and Thursdays 6.20 p.m. to 6.50 p.m. and on Saturdays from 4 to 5 p.m. **At other times** by appointment.

THE FILIPINO FEAST OF THE HOLY NAZARENE will be celebrated here in our grounds and Church on **8th January 2023**. The procession will begin **11.30 a.m.** and the Mass then at **12 Noon**. Then follows a communal get together with food and drink in the school grounds.

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

Dec. 31/Jan1	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator Reader	Mark Gates E. Sokwala	Fernanda Soares Cosette Noujaim	Gloria Rivera Cesar Santos	Kevin Ambosta Enina Matautia
Communion Ministers	Maria Doculara M. Samonte	Susan Ives Rodil Espino	Sharon Ama Angela Jong	Zelinda Murphy David Di Bartolo
Servers	K. Villaverde Jasmin Kamal Nathaniel Beshai	Michael Bernabe	S. Riviera-Flower Jerome Ama Chiara Beretta	Anthony Raheem Emilio Petkovic Jessica Samaan

Normally Tracey is available in the Parish Office **Monday to Friday** from **8.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.** But this week with the two Public Holidays Tracey will be having a well-earned break. Brother Pat however will be floating around and will answer or respond to any calls or messages.

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2023

1. FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION (Confession & Forgiveness) Children of the Parish in Year **3** or a higher class in any school can be prepared for this. Church law requires children must have begun receiving Reconciliation before eligible to begin receiving Communion. **ENROLMENT EVENINGS** when parents include children in the preparation: **for all Catholic fathers: Saturday Feb. 11th 2023 at 6.45 p.m. in Church.** **for all Catholic mothers: Sunday Feb.12th 2023 at 6.45 p.m. in Church.** Parents who are not Catholic are very welcome. The meetings are definitely **not** for the children and will take place in the Church after the 5.30 p.m. Mass. The child's **Baptism Certificate** is needed, unless the Baptism took place here. **FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION Sunday 26th March at 12 or 2 p.m.**

2.. CONFIRMATION. Young members of our Parish who are in Year **6** in in **2023** any school or who are in any High School are eligible. These Candidates need to have been **Baptised** and to have begun receiving **Reconciliation** and **Holy Communion**. Because the Confirmations will take place in our beautiful Mother Church: St. Mary's Cathedral in the city, we plan for the Candidates, their Sponsors and parents to have coaches from here to the Cathedral where our Archbishop Anthony and Assistant Bishops will administer Confirmation. **ENROLMENT** when parents can include their youngsters in the preparation: **for all Catholic fathers: Saturday May 6th 2023 at 6.45 pm in Church.** **for all Catholic mothers: Sunday May 7th 2023 at 6.45 at 6.45 pm in Church.** Baptism, Reconciliation, Communion Certificates not needed if youngsters received these Sacraments in Good Shepherd Church. Otherwise, they are.

3. FIRST RECEIVING OF COMMUNION. Children of the Parish in at least **Year 3** in any school can be prepared,, provided they have received Reconciliation. **ENROLMENT EVENINGS** when parents include children in the preparation **for all Catholic fathers: Sat. October 14th 2023 at 6.45 p.m. in Church** **for all Catholic mothers: Sun.October 15th 2023 at 6.45 p.m. in Church** As always parents who are not Catholics are very welcome to the Enrolments Each child's Baptism & Reconciliation Certificate needed, unless from here. **First Communion will be on Nov. 25 / 26 Feast of Christ the King 2023.**

MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE (This will appear regularly).

Child sexual abuse is a **crime**. The appropriate people to deal with crime are the **police**. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Or there is the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office 93905810 which has a legal obligation to report crimes to police. Our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer MAJA PETKOVIC is also available through the Parish Office for support and guidance.