

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH

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MASS TIMES FOR THE LORD'S DAY IN GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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

FIRST READING TODAY. Leviticus is thought to be the work of many hands, adapting the Law of Moses to later needs. Today's **Gospel:** our Lord's teaching of universal love in the Sermon on the Mount starts from Leviticus.

SECOND READING. St. Paul is combating disunity in the Church in Corinth where factions aligned themselves with different Church leaders. Paul says that damaging our Christian community is like vandalising a sacred place.

THIS WEDNESDAY is **Ash Wednesday** which begins **LENT**, a season of prayer, self-denial, generosity, leading to Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.

In Catholic Church law, Ash Wednesday (like Good Friday) is a day of **some fasting from food and drink** (for Catholics aged 18 to 60 years) and also a day of **abstaining from meat** (for Catholics aged 14 and older).

There will be **2 Masses here** with distribution of ashes: **one at 9 a.m.** with Good Shepherd Primary Schoolchildren, teachers, parents and other parishioners and another Ash Wednesday Mass for all parishioners who can attend **at 7 p.m.**

PROJECT COMPASSION supports Caritas (Australian Catholic Relief Overseas Aid) in its work for the poor in developing areas and among those in distress because of war & disasters. Our priest asks adults to use **Project Compassion envelopes**, trying to give a fixed amount for each of Lent's 40 days. Children and pensioners are asked to use **Project Compassion boxes**. **Any** donations of \$2 and over to Project Compassion are tax-deductible.



"SPIRIT AND TRUTH" LENTEN BOOKLET. Would your family or friends be willing to meet each week during Lent to pray together, discuss the Lent Gospel readings and perhaps give encouragement for the Parish or for our lives? If you would like more copies of this booklet please see our priest Brother Pat.

WEEKDAY MASSES HERE THIS WEEK: Monday (Ordinary Time) **8 a.m.** Tuesday (Ordinary Time) **7 p.m.** **Ash Wednesday 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.** Thursday (Lenten Mass) **7 p.m.** Friday (Lenten Mass) **9 a.m.**

RECONCILIATION (Confession & Forgiveness) Our priest is available in the Reconciliation Rooms Tuesday & Thursday **6.20 p.m. to 6.50 p.m.** (before 7p.m. Mass) and Saturday **4 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Other times by appointment.



GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL TOURS

**Wednesday 1st MARCH:
9 - 10 am and 5 - 6 pm.**

Register at

gshoxtonpark.syd.catholic.edu.au

A SAMOAN MASS WILL BE TRIALLED ON FIRST SUNDAY EACH MONTH. It will be celebrated here in Good Shepherd Church at **11.30 a.m.** from **Sunday 5th March** by the new Samoan Chaplain Fr. Fala Niko Leota. Brother Pat would like to trial this Samoan Mass for a few months.

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

FEB. 25 / 26	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator Reader	Angela Agius TJ Bruce	Marc Ghignone Chona Pasion	Anna Obmasca Catherine Pinnell	Mary Almeida Angel Albarico
Communion Ministers	Marque Kane Maria Doculara	Susan Ives Vincent Ogu	Sharon Ama Tonette Aguilar	Andrew Fraser Yohan Perrera
Servers	Luiken Bruce Jessica Samaan	Michael Bernabe	Jerome Ama	Nicholas Picone Benjamin Picone

MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE (appears regularly). Child sexual abuse is a **crime**. The appropriate people to deal with crime are **police**. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Or there is the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office **9390 5810** 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.