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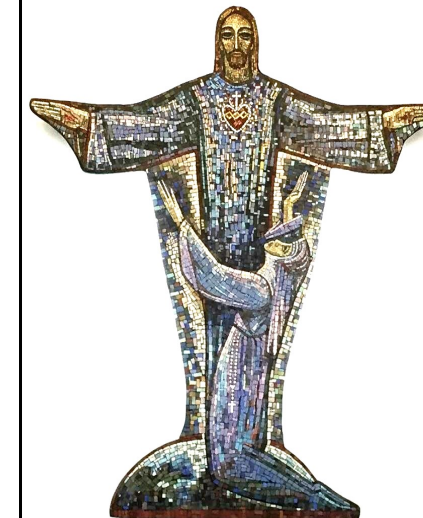
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**Parish Priest**  
Fr Janusz Pawlicha

**Assistant Priest**  
Fr Joseph Maria Buckley



**Ordo Sancti Pauli Primi Eremitae**

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Website: stmm.org.au

**PARISH GROUPS CO-ORDINATORS:**  
**Secretary:** Denise Fernandes  
**Finance Committee:** TBA  
**Parish Council:**  
♦ **Chair:** Gwen D'Silva  
Fr Janusz Pawlicha, OSPPE  
♦ **Secretary:** Monique Kairouz

**Fundraising Committee:**  
♦ Mike Jacobson - 0438 590 136

**Catechists:** Sonia Abi-Rached

**Music :** Kerry van der Linden

**Sacraments:** Fr Joseph Maria Buckley

**Acolytes / RCIA :** Peter Carroll - 0414 070 082

**Readers:** Gwen D'Silva

**YOUTH GROUP:**  
**Pauline Teen:** Fr Joseph / Rita Jacobson

**Legion of Mary:** Merwyn D'Souza - 0478 109 569

**Playgroup:** Nicole Gadd - 0402 350 170

**St Vincent de Paul:** 88619757



**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Year C**  
**09th October 2022**

**RISE UP & GO YOUR FAITH HAS MADE YOU WELL**  
LUKE 17:19

| <u>WEEKEND MASSES:</u>        | <u>WEEKDAY MASSES:</u>            |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Saturday:</b> 6:00pm Vigil | <b>Monday:</b> 9:15am             |
| <b>Sunday:</b> 7:30am         | <b>Tuesday:</b> 9:00am & 7:00pm   |
| 9:00am                        | <b>Wednesday:</b> 9:00am & 7:00pm |
| 10:30am                       | <b>Thursday:</b> 9:00am           |
| 6:00pm                        | <b>Friday:</b> 9:00am & 7:00pm    |
|                               | <b>Saturday:</b> 8:30am           |

## PRAYER: HOLY FATHER-POPE FRANCIS'

### MONTHLY INTENTION: OCTOBER

#### For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

#### FIRST FRIDAY:

11:00am: Maltese Mass

07:00pm: Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross followed by Exposition

#### ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursdays-Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30 am - 2:30pm

4th Sunday of the month: 1:00pm - 1:30pm - Divine Mercy Devotions

1st Friday of the month: approx. 8:30pm - midnight

#### VESPERS- SUNDAY EVENINGS

5:15 pm - 5:45pm

#### RCIA SESSIONS- SUNDAY MORNINGS

9am Mass followed by Session 10 am - 11am

#### DEVOTIONS:

- ♦ **Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Succour)**  
**Wednesday:** after morning Mass  
**Wednesday:** 6:00pm before 7:00pm Mass (Marian Movement Cenacle)
- ♦ **Veneration of the Holy Face of Jesus:**  
**Tuesday:** 7:30pm - 8:30pm
- ♦ **Divine Mercy Devotions**  
**4th Sunday of the month:** 1:00pm - 3:00pm, 3:00pm - Holy Mass

**BAPTISMS:** 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

#### RECONCILIATION:

**Tues - Fri** 8.30 - 8.55am

**Sat - 9am - 9.30am and 4.30pm-5.30pm**

**MARRIAGES:** By appointment only (6 months required)

**SICK CALLS:** 9637 2526- option 3 or 0412 625 187 - any time





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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

## FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of the Kings

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

*The Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

1. Sing a new song to the Lord  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. **(R.)**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the house of Israel. **(R.)**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth,  
ring out your joy. **(R.)**

## SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

*The Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
For all things give thanks to God,  
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising

ing God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## MEDITATION:



If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbors? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbor in their time of need and support? **Lord Jesus, may I never fail to recognize your loving kindness and mercy towards me. Fill my heart with compassion and thanksgiving, and free me from ingratitude and discontentment. Help me to count my blessings with a grateful heart and to give thanks in all circumstances.**

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA THURSDAY — 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

You are invited to join St Margaret Mary's parish for the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima on Thursday, 13 October 2022 at 9:00 am Holy Mass followed by: Procession of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima & Blessed Sacrament with recitation of Holy Rosary / Litany of Blessed Virgin Mary / Act of Consecration & Benediction. **Please bring a plate to share for Morning Tea in the Pastoral Centre. ALL WELCOME**



**THE ROSARY** is a prayerful exercise comprised of both meditation and vocal prayer.

While praying the prayers of the Rosary, meditation focuses on the lives of Jesus and Mary. There are four mysteries of the Rosary: Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious. During the month of October, there will be recitation of The Holy Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of every Morning Mass.

### AIR CONDITIONING (REVERSE CYCLE) SYSTEM IN OUR PARISH

The Parish is also looking into installing an air conditioning split system inside the Church before summer begins and we are currently looking at different price quotations. St Margaret Mary's Parish humbly requests our generous Parishioners for their financial support towards these projects. **Donation envelopes are placed in the church pews and for other payment options kindly contact our Parish Office.**



## PRAYER REQUESTS

◆ Reuben Dias  
◆ Leonardo Pedavoli  
◆ Shelly Barnes

◆ Robbie Barnes  
◆ Therese Nicolas  
◆ Ivy Aza

◆ Hermie Alves  
◆ Fr. Gabriel Taylor  
◆ Nancy Surace



Father, pour out Your Spirit upon the people of this parish so that inspired by Your word, nourished at Your table and graced by Your empowering love, our lives may be devoted to the service of our brothers and sisters and the building up of Your Kingdom. May our parish community truly be, for this place and time, the Body of Christ Your Son, through whom we make this prayer. **Amen**



## SUPPORT

We request our generous Parishioners, if possible to kindly continue to financially support our Parish by contributing towards their Planned giving, Sunday Collections or donations to the Church.

Payment options are:

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### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION THURSDAYS 9:30am to 2:30pm



The Lord invites us to take some time out of our busy lives to spend some time with Him in quiet adoration, prayer and reflection. If you can spare 1/2 hour or more, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed after morning Mass every Thursday until 2.30pm. **ALL ARE WELCOME**



### ALLIANCE OF THE TWO HEARTS

Please join us in responding to 'Our Blessed Mother's Appeal for Prayer & Reparation for World Peace & the Sanctity of Family Life'.

**Every First Friday of the month** after 7pm Mass, Scriptural Rosaries, Stations of the Cross, Adoration, & Nine Office of the Sacred Heart of Jesus until Midnight.

Every Friday (except 1st Friday of the month) the Adoration Service will commence after 7:00pm Mass until 10:00pm

## SCRIPTURE STUDY



You are invited to experience the joy of **"the Word of God"** in a weekly discussion meeting on Thursdays at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary's Pastoral Centre. For further queries, contact Gwen on 9632 9097



**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**  
**16 OCTOBER 2022**  
**29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**(YEAR C)**  
Ex 17:8-13; 2Tim 3:14, 4:2; Lk 18:1-8



## GOD'S WORD 2023

We request our Parishioners to support our Parish with their generous purchase of **GOD'S WORD 2023** for a **special price of \$20**. Purchases may be done from the Parish Office as well during working hours. **Thank you.**



### Table Tennis social nights

Every Tuesday evening, in the Pastoral Centre from approx 7:30 pm after the evening Mass. All are welcome.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM CONFIRMATION 2022



Sacrament of Confirmation Enrolments commence from **Tuesday, 23 August 2022** until **Friday, 07 October 2022**. (Enrolment Fee \$50 per child)

Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website or are available at our Parish Office during working hours.

Sacrament of Confirmation program is divided into two groups taught by Fr. Joseph Maria Buckley & assisted by Monique Kairouz.

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAM:

All preparation sessions held on **MONDAYS** or **WEDNESDAYS** at 6:00pm.

**Parents Night & Session 1:** 10 October or 12 October 2022

**Session 2:** 17 October or 19 October 2022

**Session 3:** 24 October or 26 October 2022

**Session 4:** 31 October or 02 November 2022

**Rehearsal:** 07 November or 09 November 2022

**Venue:** Pastoral Centre



**CONFIRMATION** Saturday, 12 November 2022 at 6:00pm



### CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT PRAYER

This weekend (**08 - 09 October**) Saturday Vigil and Sundays Masses, all the children enrolled for the Sacrament of Confirmation are requested along with their parents to attend any one of the weekend Mass.

At the end of the Mass, they will be invited forward to say the Enrolment Prayer as a spiritual beginning to the child's formation in the Sacrament. All children enrolled in the program are expected to attend.

## YOUTH GROUP @ SMM

**Young Adults (Next Meeting: 16 October)**

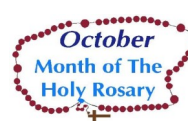
Our youth group for young adults aged 18-30. It meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after 6pm evening Mass.

**Pauline Junior (Next Meeting: 14 October)**

Our youth group for Primary School Students. It meets on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month starting at 5:15pm ending just before the evening mass.

**Pauline Teen (Next Meeting: 14 October)**

Our youth group for High School Students. It meets on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month after 7pm evening Mass.



The Legion of Mary, will be visiting homes, during October to pray the Rosary together with families. Members will bring the statue of Our Lady to the homes for families to pray with and keep for a week.

**If you wish to have the statue of OUR LADY in your home during October, a member of The Legion Of Mary will be in the foyer after Mass to take bookings for the home visit.**

*The need to pray the Rosary is highly recommended by His Holiness Pope Francis, to pray the Holy Rosary as a family.*

## DEVOTIONAL RELIGIOUS CANDLES

A variety of devotional candles are being sold at the Parish. We request our Parishioners to support our Parish with their generous purchase. These candles are perfect for your own personal devotion or as a treasured gift to share with others.



**Small candle \$5 each (burns upto 70 hours)**

**Large candle \$10 each (burns upto 7days)**

Kindly contact the Parish Office during working hours for purchase of candles or further details. **Thank you.**

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



On **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** of each month, couples celebrating their wedding anniversary during that month are invited for a special blessing at the 10:30am Mass.

The next blessing will be on **Sunday, 09 October 2022**.

Couples celebrating a milestone anniversary may contact the Parish office with their relevant details.