



CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

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Mass Times

Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sun: 8am & 10am

Mon: 8am

Tue - Fri: 9:00am

Sat: 9:30am

Family Mass with Children's Liturgy:

3rd Sunday of the
Month 10am Mass

Filipino Mass:

1st Sun 11:30am

Il Gruppo di Rosario

Italiano: Il gruppo di
preghiera Italiano, si
raduna ogni giovedì alle
ore 10 nella sala
parrocchiale.

Sacraments Confession

Sat 8:30—9:20am,
4:45pm or any time by -
appointment

Baptism

Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th
Sunday 11.15am

Marriage

At least 6 months notice
required

Anointing of the Sick

By appointment

Devotions

Every Friday

Adoration

3-4pm

Rosary & Benediction

Sat 8:30-9:30am

Elsa George Rosary

Group Second
Saturday of every
month at 2.30pm
9716 6676 All welcome

Novena to Our Lady

of Perpetual Help

Wednesday 7pm

Stations of the Cross Fridays through Lent
at 7pm. Beginning on 16th of Feb, 2018.

**A PROGRAM FOR THE SACRAMENT
OF RECONCILIATION**, 2018 is now
ready. CLASSES at 9 am SUNDAYS-
MARCH 04, 11 in the Parish Hall and in
the Church. Mass of your choice Sundays 8
or 10 AM. **SECOND RITE** 13TH MARCH- 6
PM – TUESDAY NIGHT.

Mass for the Anointing of the sick: will be
on the **first Saturdays** of June, Sep, and Dec.
It will be during the regular Saturday
Morning Mass.

YOUTH GROUP

The Year of Youth has begun!

Ages 10-15: 4pm-5:20pm before Mass

Ages 15-18: 6:30pm-8pm after Mass

Young Adults: Select days regularly

For more information or if you are interested
in becoming a leader, call **Rian** on **0402 135
637** **Youth nights: Mar 10, Apr 14, May
12, Jun 16, Jul 14, Aug 4, Sep 16, Oct 13,
Nov 10, Dec 15.**

Project Compassion: The project
compassion boxes and envelopes are now
available at the back of the Church for all
who are interested in participating in this
great cause.

Help around the house: If you have some
handyman jobs that need doing around the
house and find that you don't currently have
the capacity to do them, Dave the Job Man
will be happy to help. For more information
call 0484622288 or go to
www.davethejobman.weebly.com.



CHOCOLATES FOR SALE after Mass on
the 17/18th of March. P.A.T.H. (an anti
slavery action group) will sell chocolates to
support their campaign against human
trafficking. These are produced fairly; with
just wages for producers and workers with no
forced labour. Please support their work and
learn how modern slavery exists.

Choir Practice will be on Mondays at **7pm
in the Church.**

Adoration with Bishop Richard Umbers:

Monthly adoration with Bishop Richard. On
the following Fridays at 7pm: April 6th, May
11th, June 8th, July 13th, August 10th,
September 14th, October 26th and November
16th. All are welcome.

SAINTS of the WEEK (5 – 11 Mar, 2018):

Wed, 7th: Collect of Sts. Perpetua and
Felicity, martyrs.

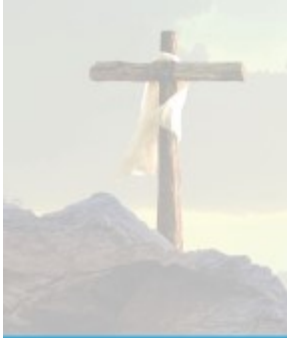
Thur, 8th: Collect of St. John of God,
religious.

Fri, 9th: Collect of St. Frances of Rome,
religious.

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

Saints Perpetua and Felicity, watch over
all mothers and
children who are
separated from each
other because of
war or persecution.
Show a special care
to mothers who are
imprisoned and
guide them to
follow your
example of faith
and courage. Amen





A Life-Changing Study for the Whole Parish!

Week Three — Embraced in Mercy: The Rite Explained

God, in his wisdom and mercy, has given us a beautiful gift in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Whether you go to Confession regularly or you haven't gone since second grade, this session guides you step-by-step through the deeper meaning of every aspect of the rite—what it is, why we do it, and how it impacts your life. God's merciful love shapes every word and action of the Sacrament, and when we prepare for it honestly and prayerfully, we will be open to receiving the fullness of his grace.

This week, login to formed.org and watch *A Lent to Remember*, Episode 3.

FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

The Designated Driver

A reflection on Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

The concept of the designated driver is one that is quite universally known. That one person would attend a function with their friends, but refrain from indulging so that they may ensure the safety and wellbeing of others. It doesn't stop them from enjoying, but sets them apart because of the responsibility that they hold for good of others.

The readings this weekend remind us of this concept. From the Old Testament, through the New, we are constantly reminded that we are a people set apart; the designated Drivers for the world around us. Much like being the sober one and dealing with our drunken friends, sometimes this is a burdensome task. There is a word we use to describe something or someone who is set apart for God: Holy. Holiness isn't just for ourselves but for those around us, as we are meant to pray for them and help them to come to know God.

As a long-time mentor of mine said to me, “The Ten Commandments are like a basic, beginner’s book on how to love. After all, if you love someone, you don’t need to be told not to kill them, do you?” as we head through the Bible, these lessons on how to love are fleshed out and we are shown the dangers of living otherwise. Through it all, we are reminded that the proper love of God comes first; shaping the way in which we live the rest. It is this focus on God that leads us to live our relationships in Holiness.

Christ not only finishes these instructions of how to love, He sums them up with His teachings, and living as an example. The Israelites would participate in sacrifices in order to live their faith. Those who were not able to provide larger animals or richer sacrifices were allowed to provide in another way, often with particular animals that they could catch or with what they could afford to give. The sellers in the Temple had cornered the market; catching and selling the animals, as well as raising their rates when changing the various currencies into the appropriate coinage for the Temple. The poor who struggled would struggle even more, and often the focus became the affordability, rather than participation in faith.

The cleansing of the Temple brought the emphasis back; freeing the Israelites to focus on living as a people set apart for God. After all, it is not healthy when we focus on the cost rather than how we are to best live our relationships. While the Old Testament illustrated the responsibility of God’s people to be Holy, Christ in the New Testament reveals that it is the sign of our faith: “By this shall all know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

During this Lenten period, we are encouraged to give something up, take something on, participate in alms giving, and deepen our prayer lives. It seems like a lot, and yes, we should be able to feel it, but the focus isn't on what it costs us. It is about growing in relationship with the Lord; opening ourselves up to receive the grace of Easter so that we can be better witnesses and participants of our faith in Jesus.

As the designated driver, we must remind ourselves that it isn't about the cost, but the love we bear for those around us. It is this love that unites us with Christ, who reminds us of the sacrificial nature of love. Our going without helps us to appreciate what we have, and helps us to focus on what is truly important. We refrain from indulging because we love. The question is, how often do we show love for others in our actions?

PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER 10-11 March 2018

Acolyte:	5:30pm Philip 8am Andre 10:00am Ricardo
Readers:	5:30pm R. Lazarus & R. Da Silva 8am A. Di Donato & K. Wanstall 10am J. Duru & C. Alam
Music:	5:30pm Sri Sutjipto 8am Justine Sy 10am Beauti & Choir
Cleaning:	Genero & Lloyd Beltran
Laundry:	D. Cremona
Environment:	Margaret
Counters:	A. Di Donato & I. Pinto

With St Paul of the Cross

we pray ...

For the sick

Luke, Victoria Pacheco,
Cathy Consentino, Anne
Keogh, Grace, Owen
Gallagher, Josieann, Eileen
Joyce, Lucia Nicotina, Anna
Pezzuto, Anne Keogh,
Alfonso Costantini, Sonia,
Rodolfo Estrada, Domenic
Capello, Marlowe, Jacutin,
Sonny Martinez, Annette
Rodriguez, Onofrio Ferraro,
Salvatore Ferraro, Lolita A
Japtan, Felisa C Hao, Nolene
Conn, Anna Pezzuto, Lucia
Ferraro, Frank Di Napoli

Recently Deceased

Frances, Narelle Ravallion

Death Anniversary

Michael Ravallion, Elizabeth
Williamson, Daniel Day,
Angela Chiarella, Umberto
Chiarella, Jacob Elkazzi

For the Souls of

Felic & Angela Marquette,
Fouad and Wadad Jaja &
their parents, and all
forgotten Souls and Holy
Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions

Maria de Silva, Francesco
Geraciano, Pasquale Errigo,
Rosina Screfone, faith of the
Hoang Family children,
especially for Vi to come
back to God, Rian Galliot