



Parish Collections Week- Ending 17/6/2018  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection \$2,198.05 goes to Fr. Jarek & Fr Wojtek as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$2130.40 and \$1857.20 Loose Money.  
*Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!*

All Parishioners are invited to join with:  
**Fr Joseph Maria OSPPE**  
as he celebrates each Mass on the  
**Weekend of 23/24 June**  
*The Nativity of St John the Baptist*  
His official Celebration will be at the  
10:30am Mass on Sunday 24 June  
St Benedict's Shrine  
Followed by Parish BBQ in the  
Montefano Hall  
*Please bring a plate to share.*  
Looking forward to celebrating his Ordination together in  
our Parish!

**Pauline Vocations Day**  
July 20th at St. Gertrude's Smithfield  
The Order of St. Paul the First Hermit is organizing a  
vocations day for young men discerning a vocation to  
religious life, as an opportunity to reflect upon what God is  
calling them to.  
RSVP: [vocations@paulinefathers.org.au](mailto:vocations@paulinefathers.org.au)

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June ~ Solemnity  
~ **Sts PETER & PAUL, Apostles** ~  
7am: St Therese's, Fairfield West  
9:30am: Whole School Mass ~ St Benedict's Church,  
Smithfield.

**ALTAR SERVERS MEETING**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 4.30 – 5.15pm  
St Benedict's Church

Smithfield **YOUTH** MASS  
Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at the  
6pm evening Mass  
Next Mass: Sunday 1 July at 6pm  
Youth Program is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month .  
7pm - 8pm in the Montefano Hall.  
All Youth Welcome!  
Next YOUTH PROGRAM: 15 July 2018

### THE HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND.

The Holy Father's Appeal is on next weekend. The appeal highlights the global charitable causes of Pope Francis and is aimed at alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, the refugee crisis and poverty, to name a few. It's an opportunity for us to get involved in an important initiative of the Catholic Church on a local level, and we ask you to give what you can.  
To give, please use the appeal envelopes provided or phone the Fundraising Office on during office hours on 1800 753 959. Thank you.

### CONFIRMATION 2018

Last weekend, over 70 candidates from our Parish Community received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations! Your reverence and participation in the ceremonies is to be commended. We pray that you will continue your faith journey through life with heightened awareness of the power of the Holy Spirit within you.  
Thank you to the Very Rev. Michael McLean EV for celebrating the Masses in our Parish – the ceremonies were beautiful. A big thank you to our Parish Priests and brothers, the newly confirmed, Parents, Catechists, School, Teachers, Acolytes, altar servers, Choir, decorators, flower donations and PowerPoint operators – and all who helped in any way with the Sacramental Preparation, including the Retreat Day and Confirmation Mass. We are most grateful.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children in Year 3 and above who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Reconciliation, are eligible to enroll in the First Holy Communion Programme. Enrolment will be accepted when PARENTS AND CHILDREN participate in the **ENROLMENT CEREMONY** during the Vigil or Sunday liturgies this weekend and 30 June/1 July. Enrolment forms have been distributed through the schools, available in the church and on the Parish Website.

Enquiries Helena - 9725 4317 (Tuesday or Friday).

### ST BENEDICT'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

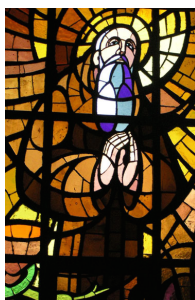
Celebrated by Fr Richard Green

When: Sunday 8th July 2018

Time: 10:30 am Mass

Reception in the Montefano hall to follow after Mass.  
All are Welcome.

*Please bring a plate to share. Food donations can be placed  
in the Montefano hall before Mass.*



### Safeguarding news:

It is now expected that ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS have attended Safeguarding training and/or read & signed a Code of Conduct.  
If you are a volunteer, who has not signed the Code of Conduct, please make an appointment ASAP.  
**ANY VOLUNTEER WHO HAS NOT READ AND SIGNED THE CODE OF CONDUCT ARE REQUIRED TO CEASE THEIR MINISTRY IMMEDIATELY UNTIL THIS MATTER HAS BEEN RESOLVED.**  
Please speak to Fr Jarek, Maria, Helena or Parish Office if you have any questions or concerns – 9604 1199 or [PSSO@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:PSSO@stgertrude.org.au).

An individual is considered a Parish Volunteer if they do any of the following jobs: Acolyte, Extra-Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Reader, Counter, Offertory Procession, Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, help prepare for the Parish BBQ, Youth Group, Children's Liturgy, Maintenance, choir, cleaning, assist with the Collections, Mass Coordinators, operate the PowerPoint projector, Welcomer, usher, decorator, and if you help in any way within the Parish.

The purpose of the Code of Conduct is in the best interest of the entire parish community. It brings our attention to the expectations placed on all volunteers within the Archdiocese of Sydney, and how we can work together to ensure the safety of children, teenagers, vulnerable young people and all within the community. Thank you for your cooperation.

### World Youth Day Panama 2019 Subsidies on Offer

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD 2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.

How does the subsidy work? Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese of Sydney will then add \$1,000 to your account.

The indicative cost of the pilgrimage, provided by, is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that, should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full.

How do I make a deposit?

Step 1: Reference your deposit using: WYD19 + FULL NAME (Ex.WYD19PETERHARRISON)

Step 2: Select and pay your deposit amount to:

BANK ACCOUNT: Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney  
BSB: 062 000 ACCOUNT: 10289801

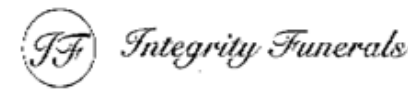
Step 3: Email [abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org) the details of the transaction. Step 4: Wait for an email confirming your deposit. Once registration officially opens, your deposit and subsidy will be transferred into your COSMOS account.

We are all excited to journey with you and enjoy this experience of a lifetime. For more information, you can contact me on [abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org)

### Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July** at St Marys Cathedral, Sydney at 10.30am. All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or [LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org). Registered couples celebrating 50<sup>th</sup>, 55<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries will receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher. Special recognition will also be given to couples who were married at the Cathedral.

**The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office**  
If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.



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