

32nd Sunday in ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON    Cf. Ps 87:3

Let my prayer come into your presence.  
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

FIRST READING            2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

A reading from the second book of Maccabees

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig’s flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, ‘What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.’

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, ‘Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.’

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, ‘It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.’ The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, ‘Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men’s hands, yet relying on God’s promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.’

The word of the Lord.  
All:        Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM    Ps 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15. R. v.15

(R.)    Lord, when your glory appears,  
my joy will be full.

1.        Lord, hear a cause that is just,  
pay heed to my cry.  
Turn your ear to my prayer:  
no deceit is on my lips. (R.)

2.        I keep my feet firmly in your paths;  
there was no faltering in my steps.  
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.  
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. (R.)

3.        Guard me as the apple of your eye.  
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.  
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face  
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of  
your glory. (R.)

SECOND READING            2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord’s message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.  
All:        Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION    Rv 1:5. 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;  
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.  
Alleluia!

GOSPEL    Lk 20:27-38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, ‘Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man’s married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?’

Jesus replied, ‘The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.’

The Gospel of the Lord  
All:        Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

COMMUNION ANTIPHON    Cf. Ps 22:1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,  
near restful waters he leads me.

Next Week: 33rdSUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME  
Readings:    Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3:7-12; Lk 21 21:5-19

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ST GERTRUDE’S PARISH

St Benedict’s Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street  
SMITHFIELD

Sunday Masses:  
Saturday Vigil 6.00pm;  
8.00am (Italian); 10.30am; 6.00pm.


Weekday Masses:  
9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday;  
7pm Wednesday

Weekday Public Holidays: 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:  
Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to  
St Benedict until 8.30pm; Saturdays from  
4.45pm—5.45pm; & Fridays after the 9.15am Mass

First Friday of the Month:  
7pm Mass & Adoration

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass



Parish Priest  
Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

Assistant Priests  
Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE &  
Fr Peter James Strohmayer OSPPE

St Theresa’s Church

Corner The Boulevarde & Stella Street  
FAIRFIELD WEST

Sunday Masses:  
Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese);  
7.30am & 9.00am; 12 noon (Spanish); 5pm (Arabic)

Weekday Masses:  
Mon - Fri 7.00am; Saturday 8am

Weekday Public Holidays: 8.00am


First Friday of the Month:  
from 6.30am

First Saturday of the Month:  
7am Rosary 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy:  
Tuesdays after Mass

32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

10 November, 2019



Congratulations to

Gayle FERNANDES & Cecil FRANCKIEWICZ

Married in our Parish

May God confirm them in their love.

We pray for the sick of this parish

Fr Anthony David OSPPE,  
Kevin Dicconson, Santina Pomili,  
Adam Westwood, Emile & Mary Kodsy,  
Kartia Grace Russell, Gino Mifsud & Ivy Fernandes.

Bless our sick today so that they may bear  
their illness in union with Jesus’ sufferings and  
restore them quickly to health


Please remember in your prayers

Rosario Violi Maria Szady, Gaetana Catania,  
Eliba Morelli, Gloria O'Brien, Giuseppa Garozzo,  
Grace Saliba, Nancy Maklouf

Recently Deceased

And for those whose Anniversaries occur  
at this time :

Antonio Mammone, Carmela Stivala,  
Betty Stepkovitch, Yole Costa,  
Allanah Cassar.



PARISH INFORMATION

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Liturgy: 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert  
liturgy@stgertrude.org.au

Adult Sacraments (RCIA) Mariola Herbert  
Every Sunday at 8.30am in the  
Crying Room (in front of St Benedict’s)  
Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

Children’s Liturgy  
Mariola Herbert

Reconciliation:  
Smithfield - Sat 4.45—5.45 pm  
(or by appointment)

Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199  
1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month during the  
10.30am Mass at St Benedict’s Church; &  
Every 3rd Sunday at 12noon St Benedict’s

Marriages: Parish Office 9604 1199  
By appointment only (6 months required)

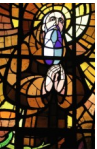
Sick Calls: 9604 1199  
Any Time

Pope’s Intention: NOVEMBER  
Dialogue and Reconciliation in the  
Near East


That a spirit of dialogue,  
encounter, and reconciliation  
emerge in the Near East, where  
diverse religious communities share  
their lives together.

Novena to St Benedict

Every Wednesday after the 7pm Mass  
with Rosary & Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament



Reconciliation is available during this time.  
Everyone is encouraged to  
participate!



Have you  
thought?  
Life after death

The ancient Greeks, Romans and Egyptians all had detailed mythologies about life and death. For the most part, any concept of what occurred after death revolved around images of an underworld of torment and misery. The Jewish idea of a life after death begins to take shape based on the notion that the love of God for each person is so abundant and so indulgent that it is not limited even by death. However, the notion of resurrection developed to be an understanding of what would happen ‘one day’ – a great resurrection of all people at the end of time.

Church Cleaners

Weekending 16 November  
Group D—Grace & Pina, Helen,  
Suong



### Weekend Parish Collections Week- Ending 03/11/2019

**1<sup>st</sup> Collection** goes to Fr. Jarek, Fr Wojtek & Fr Peter James as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit \$1,954.00

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$1,891.50**

**Loose Money: \$1,083.05**

*Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!*

### Renowned Catholic Speaker

Mr John Pridmore will be speaking at all Masses on this weekend **9th & 10th November.**

*John did a Mission in our parish approximately 4 years ago and was well received. He was once a gangster but is now a renowned Catholic speaker. <https://www.johnpridmore.com>*

### Thank you! CHARITABLE WORKS FUND (CWF)

*This parish wishes to express its thanks to our generous parishioners who supported last weekend's Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal. To give is to trust in God, His love that embraces us all and His power to provide. Thank you for making that choice. \$1,879.15 was collected.*

16/17 November

### Parish Feast Day of St Gertrude's

We will celebrate this feast at each Mass on the weekend of the 16th & 17 November  
Main celebration will be held on **Sunday 17 November at the 10.30am Mass with Bishop Peter Ingham**

### New Members for Parish Council are needed!!

Parish Council Nominations Forms are available from the Church Foyer. Elections are to take place on 17 November.

**Please note:** You cannot nominate members that are currently on Parish Council and who have already served their term.

### November Masses

During the Month of November we pray for all our deceased relatives and friends. During this month a total of 30 Masses will be collectively offered for the intentions of the deceased at both St. Benedict's Shrine and St. Therese's Church.  
*(On Sundays the Mass will be at 10.30am at St. Benedict's Shrine and 9am at St. Therese's Church as well as the daily Masses during the month.)*

A Book of Remembrance will be available in both churches if you wish to include the names of your deceased loved ones in these collective Masses offered for the deceased during the month of November

† November Mass Envelopes are available from the church foyers.

### Plenary Indulgence

A Plenary Indulgence may be gained, by those rightly prepared, which is applicable only to the souls in purgatory, who devoutly visit a cemetery or church and pray for the departed. The indulgence is plenary each day from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of November, on other days of the year it is partial. A November plenary indulgence can be gained only once a day. In order to obtain it, the faithful must,

- have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin;
- visit a Cemetery or Church
- receive the Holy communion
- pray for the intentions of the supreme Pontiff (one Our Father and one Hail Mary is the minimum, but any other additional prayers may be added)

### First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2020

enrolments will take place this weekend, 9/10 Nov, at Parish Masses.

Enrolment forms are available from the church foyer, parish office, parish website and have been distributed through our local schools.

For all enquires please contact Helena  
- [sacraments@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:sacraments@stgertrude.org.au) or **9725 4317** (Tues/Wed, 10 am – 4 pm).

### Altar Servers Meeting

Next meeting Tuesday 19 November 4:30 - 5.15pm

### ~ Wedding Anniversary Blessing ~

**Sunday 10 November ~ at the 10:30am Mass**

All Married couples celebrating a Wedding Anniversary during the month of October are invited to attend and receive a Blessing.

### YOUTH GROUP ~ MUSIC REHEARSALS

Monday 11 November at 7.30pm Group 1

*(Second Monday of the Month)*

Monday 25 November at 7.30pm Group 2

*(last Monday of the Month)*

### Widows & Widowers GROUP MEETING ~ F/ WEST

**CHURCH & HALL** Friday 13th December

10:00am: Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church

10:30am: Coffee, tea, a chat and line dancing for beginners in the hall

**PARISH BBQ** Saturday 16 November after the 6pm Mass  
Feast of St Gertrude.

**Men's Rosary Group Meeting ~ 7pm on Thursday  
14 November at St Benedict's**

### ATTENTION!!

**~ All Acolytes & Extraordinary Ministers ~**

- \* A compulsory training is scheduled for Thursday 21 November at 7pm
- \* Renewal of your mission on the Feast of Christ of King Sunday **23 & 24 November at ALL MASSES**

**\* Parish Working Bee ~** Scheduled for 30th November to prepare our Churches for Christmas. Please mark this date in your calendar!

**Visitation of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima & Icon of Our Lady of Jasna Góra continuing**

The schedule for this year is now full. A new list will be available beginning of next year.

**La FEDERAZIONE CATTOLICA ITALIANA** S/Field  
**Annuncia Le Attivita' Del Mese di Novembre & Dicembre**

**\*Riunione dei Membri Associati il 12 Novembre.**

alle 7.30 pm Nella sala di St Teresa

**\*TOMBOLA Il primo e Terzo Venerdi del Mese**

**\* BUS TRIP TO ORANGE ( CHERRY PICKING )** 7 Dicembre.

Prezzo \$35 . adulti \$25. Bambini meno 12 anni.

**\*Pranzo di NATALE Venerdi' il 13 di Dicembre** 12pm to 5pm

Prezzo \$30. A persona. Pranzo 3 pietanze ,musica con **Lucio**  
Molto Grazie. Tony Coiera. 9757-1961 or 0409 908 424

Gina Morosin 9604 2458 or 0417 203 908

### Safeguarding

The **Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney** have introduced new requirements for volunteers 18yrs and over. All volunteers must sign a **Volunteer Acceptance Form, a Code of Conduct for Working with Children** and complete a **Safeguarding Induction Training Course**. The **ONLINE Induction Training Course** is available to new parish volunteers. Please register by following this link:-

<https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1>.

Additionally, some new volunteers are also required to attend an interview. These include \* Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Children's Liturgy, Catechists, Collectors, Acolytes etc.

Thank your for your co-operation. Any concerns please contact [psso@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:psso@stgertrude.org.au). or the Parish Office [office@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:office@stgertrude.org.au)

### The Journey to AUTHENTIC MANHOOD

How can parents raise boys to become authentic men in today's world? Come listen to Robert Falzon who is a husband, father, businessman, co-founder of Menalive and published author.

**Monday 11 November 6pm - 8pm FREE ENTRY**  
Patrician Brother's College Fairfield.

Please RSVP via  
GOOGLE FORM <https://bit.ly/2Vsu6yv> by 6/11/19.

### Walk with Christ

Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the **Feast of Christ The King on November 24 at 2.30pm.**

Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city.

Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm on November 24.

### Book of Intentions

You can write your prayers of petition, especially those who are sick, housebound, in need, grieving or lonely. This will be placed near the altar.

**Reflection day for Women - Preparing our Hearts for Advent, 23 November**

At: Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality centre, Mulgoa, Family Hall  
\$25 includes morning and afternoon tea - BYO lunch  
RSVP by 20th November to [infor@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:infor@schoenstatt.org.au) or 02 4773 8338

**The Maltese Welfare** is organising a seminar on how to avoid being SCAMMED on social media, phone calls, messages and emails. The Scammers target in particular the elderly in our community. Its important to know how to deal with this situation.

Speaker: Detective Senior Constable Shawn Schussler.

When: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7pm.

Where: Dun George Preca Hall, OLQP Church, Greystanes. Free entry. All Welcome.

**A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY**

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



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