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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIME:

Mon. 7.00am Tues 6.00pm
Wed. 9.00am Thurs 7.00am
Fri 9.00 am Sat 9.00am

HOLY HOUR: Tues.5.00pm–6.00pm

Saturday 8.00am – 9.00am

CONFESSION: 10 mins before Mass and Saturdays 8.00 – 8.55am

Tuesday 5.15pm – 5:45pm

BAPTISMS: at 9.30am Sunday Mass

BAPTISM Prep: Thurs. 4th April. 7pm

WEDDINGS: By appointment.

ANOINTING MASS: 6th / 7th April 2019

Sat: 9am: +Ivan Furda.; **Vigil 5pm:** +Eileen Low; **Sun: 8am:** Vianney 3rd Birthday; **9.30am:** Special Intention; **Mon:** For Living Souls; **Tues:** +Anton Demol; **Wed:** +Ester Copetti; **Thurs:** +Natale & Caterina Costa; **Fri:** For Relief and Deliverance of Souls in Purgatory, FOSS; **Sat:** +Giuseppe Pasqua

Twelve-year-old Thandolway would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolway to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

Please donate to **Project Compassion 2019** and to provide clean water and a future full of hope for vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or calling **1800 024 413**

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Annual St Patrick's Day Mass
The Masses will take place at St Patrick's Church Hill on Sunday, 17th March at 12.00pm and in St Mary's Cathedral, on Monday, 18th March at 10:30am.

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 5810.
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Discernment Retreat for Men on 20 – 22 March at the Good Shepherd Seminary, 50-58 Abbotsford Rd. Homebush. Cost \$99.Reg. www.vocationcentre.org.au under "Vocation Centre Events".

Stations of the Cross will be each Friday during Lent at 6.30pm. Please join this penitential Lenten practice.

Sacrament of Confirmation on Sundays 19th and 26th May. Both celebrations are @ 11am. Those candidates to be admitted to the sacrament are to have fulfilled **all** the requirements related to the preparatory journey. Fr. Jerzy.

Those who (only adults) missed out on some sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation) are most welcome to contact the Parish Office or Fr. Jerzy directly. You will be assisted to make your (RCIA) journey to the full participation in the life of the Church.

Our sick: Terry Crowe, Ron Payne, May Kenny, Carmen Camilleri, Jan Gurba, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Lonza Busuttill, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Joan Hagley, Amy Zuschmann, Steven Marinilli and all dear friends from Mildred Symons House & housebound.

March Birthday Cake for the Celebrants on 10th March, Sunday at 11.45am in the hall.

St. Patrick's College Sutherland, Open Day, Tuesday 12th March. Guided tours 4pm – 6pm. Information session 6pm to 6.30pm. www.stpatscoll.nsw.edu.au

Our sincere condolences to Therese Demol and her children at the loss of her spouse Anton RIP. Also we express our sympathy to Patricia Low and her family at the loss of their mother Eileen RIP.



Shroud Tuesday and pancakes to end carnival

Our Parish is looking for help to teach (SRE) in our State Schools. Training will be provided. Contact the Parish Office on 95280205

Every Wednesday morning, Holy Communion is taken from the 9am Parish Mass to Catholic residents at the Mildred Symons Aged Care Home in Lenna Place Jannali by volunteers. This Communion to the Sick provides great comfort as well as a wonderful opportunity to pray with the residents. Please consider joining this small group of volunteers. If interested, why not accompany us on a Wednesday and see what it is all about? Or, for further information, please give the Parish office (9528 0205) your name and contact details and we'll be in touch.

Please read Catholic Weekly, only \$2 per copy.

<http://catholicfaitheducation.blogspot.com.au/> [HTTP://CATHOLICREADINGS.ORG](http://CATHOLICREADINGS.ORG)
<https://www.compellingtruth.org>
www.vocationcentre.org.au

<http://www.ibtministries.org>
EWTN-Kids (catechism for Kids)

Catholic News Service, Catholica; Zenith News; **Fish Eaters**
<http://www.liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/>
www.catalystforrenewal.org.au
<https://www.cruxnow.com>
The Catholic Thing: First Things

Lara Keir: This January I had the opportunity to attend World Youth Day in Panama City. Prior to World Youth Day week, we spent a week in Mexico where we had the opportunity to see a number of religious and non-religious sites. In Mexico, we visited a number of awe-inspiring churches one being the church of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of Mexico. Our Lady of Guadalupe also known as the Virgin of Guadalupe is an image of Mary held in the minor basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. The image itself is quite remarkable and has been involved in a number of accidents, such as a spill of cleaning acid, which should have destroyed it but there are no signs of damage or ageing. In Mexico, we also had the opportunity to climb the ruins of the Aztec temples, taste fried crickets and visit the national museum of anthropology. We then travelled to Panama for World Youth Day week. The atmosphere of World Youth Day week was incredible. We spent our time in Panama meeting people from all over the world despite language barriers, enjoying concerts even when we didn't understand a word that was said and attending masses leads by the Pope. Listening to the Pope was extremely inspiring. His main message throughout World Youth Day was encouraging the youth of the world to take action now not later. He encouraged us to stand up for what we believe in and to say yes to God no matter how difficult it may seem at the time. After World Youth Day week we spent 2 nights in a resort in Panama for our retreat. This retreat featured large sessions with all the other bus groups lead by Steve Angrisano and smaller sessions with just our bus group. We spent time reflecting on what we had seen, done and experienced during our time away in these sessions and we had a lot of free time which we spent by the pool. I would like to thank the parish community for their prayers and well wishes for this trip.

Be Kind: 1. don't be a jerk;
2. honour the absent; 3. give people the benefit of the doubt.



A New Parish website (the same address) will be soon in operation – hosted by the Archdiocese.