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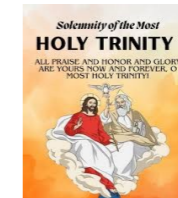


**Parish Priest**  
Fr. Wojciech Sliwa

**Assistant Priest**  
Fr. Jeremy Santoso



**Ordo Sancti Pauli Primi Eremitae**



Year A  
31 May  
2026



SUNDAY MASSES	WEEKDAY MASSES	RECONCILIATION
Saturday 6:00pm Vigil	Monday 9:15am	Tuesday 8:30am-8:55am 6:30pm-6:55pm
Sunday 7:30am 9:00am	Tuesday 9:00am & 7:00pm Wednesday 9:00am & 7:00pm	Wednesday 8:30am-8:55am Thursday 8:30am-8:55am
Vespers 10:30am 5:15-5:45pm 6:00pm	Thursday 9:00am Friday 9:00am & 7:00pm	Friday 8:30am-8:55am 6:30pm-6:55pm Saturday 8:30am-8:55am 4:30pm-5:55pm
	Saturday 9:00am	

**FIRST FRIDAY:**

11:00am: Maltese Mass  
07:00pm: Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross followed by Exposition

**ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Thursday-Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am - 2:30pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month: 1:00pm - 1:30pm- Divine Mercy Devotions  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month: approx. 8:30pm- midnight  
Every Saturday Adoration: 4:30pm-5:45pm

**DEVOTIONS:**

Veneration of the Holy Face of Jesus - Tuesday: 7:30pm - 8:30pm  
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Succour) - Wednesday after 9:00am Mass  
Novena to The Holy Family - Wednesday after 7:00pm Mass  
Novena to St. Margaret Mary every Friday morning mass  
Marian Movement Cenacle - Friday: 5:00pm (Children's Rosary)  
Saturday: 8:00am before 9:00am Mass  
Men's Rosary Crusade - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month after 9:00am Mass  
Divine Mercy - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month: 1:00pm - 3:00pm (3:00pm - Holy Mass)

**BAPTISMS:**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month  
(not during Advent, Month of January, Lent, Divine Mercy Sunday & Corpus Christi Sunday)  
Baptism Preparation: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month - 10:30am Mass followed by session.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Sunday morning: 9:00am Mass followed by session 10:00am - 11:00am

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

**SICK CALLS:** 9637 2526- option 3 - any time

 Please remember to switch off your mobile phone

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Blest be God the Father,  
and the Only Begotten Son of God,  
and also the Holy Spirit,  
for he has shown us his merciful love.

**FIRST READING**

**Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9**

A reading from the book of Exodus  
With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**(R.) Glory and praise for ever!**

- You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. **(R.)**  
Blest your glorious holy name. **(R.)**
- You are blest in the temple of your glory. **(R.)**  
You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. **(R.)**
- You are blest who gaze into the depths. **(R.)**  
You are blest in the firmament of heaven. **(R.)**

**SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL**

**John 3:16-18**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  
Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

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

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Since you are children of God,  
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,  
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

**MEDITATION**

The Lord Jesus has revealed to his disciples the great mystery of our faith - the triune nature of God and the inseparable union of the eternal Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Jesus' mission is to reveal the glory of God to us - a Trinity of persons - God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - and to unite us with God in a community of love. The ultimate end, the purpose for which God created us, is the entry of God's creatures into the perfect unity of the blessed Trinity. How can we grow in our understanding and experience of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? It is the Holy Spirit who reveals the Father and the Son to us and who gives us the gift of faith to know and understand the truth of God's word. Through baptism we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Lord renews the gift of the Spirit in each one of us as we open our hearts with expectant faith and yield to his work in our lives. Jesus promised his disciples that he would send them the Spirit of truth who would be their Teacher and Guide. Ask the Lord Jesus to renew in you the gift of the Holy Spirit who strengthens us in the seven-fold gifts of wisdom and understanding, right judgment and courage, knowledge and reverence, and holy fear in God's presence (Isaiah 11:2-3).



*May the Lord Jesus put his hands on our eyes also, for then we too shall begin to look not at what is seen but at what is not seen. May he open the eyes that are concerned not with the present but with what is yet to come, may he unseal the heart's vision, that we may gaze on God in the Spirit, through the same Lord, Jesus Christ, whose glory and power will endure throughout the unending succession of ages. (prayer of Origin, 185-254 AD)*

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**  
**07 JUNE 2026**  
**The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (Corpus Christi) (Year A)**  
First Reading: Deut 8:2-3, 14-16  
Second Reading: 1Cor 10:16-17  
Gospel: Jn 6:51-58

**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION**  
**MAY 2026**  
**That everyone might have food**  
Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

**40 HOURS WITH THE LORD JESUS**  
**IN PREPARATION FOR THE CELEBRATION**  
**OF CORPUS CHRISTI**  
**Are you ready to spend an hour next to the King of Kings?**  
"Could you not watch one hour with me?" - Matthew 26:40

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5 Chetwynd Road Merrylands NSW

**Event Schedule**

- 5 June 2026 FRIDAY 10am to 12 midnight 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Vigil
- 6 June 2026 SATURDAY 1am to 12 midnight 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Vigil
- 7 June 2026 SUNDAY 1am to 7am 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of Vigil
- 7 June 2026 SUNDAY 11:30am FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI  
St Margaret Mary's Church Grounds, PROCESSION

Fellowship at 1pm St Margaret Mary's Pastoral Centre  
Please bring a plate to share  
ENQUIRIES: ANNIE 0414652479 Email: divinemercyteam3@gmail.com

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS**  
Everyday during the month of **June**, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the Morning Mass and recitation of the Litany of Sacred Heart and Act of Consecration.

**FIRST FRIDAY**  
**ON 05 JUNE 2026**  
**AT 7:00PM UNTIL MIDNIGHT**  
**(ALLIANCE OF THE TWO HEARTS)**

**MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE**  
**SATURDAY - 06 JUNE 2026**  
**@ 10:00AM**

**Solemnity of**  
**The Most SACRED HEART of JESUS**  
**Friday - 12 June 2026**  
**9:00am (Morning Mass)**  
After 9am Mass there will be **Litany & Act of Consecration**  
**7:00pm (Evening Mass)**  
After 7pm Mass there will be **Friday Devotions**

**YOUTH GROUP @ STMM**  
**Pauline Junior (Meeting: 12 June)**  
Our youth group for Primary School Students, meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month starting at 5:30pm to 6:30pm.  
**Pauline Teen (Meeting: 12 June)**  
Our youth group for High School Students, meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month starting at 7:30pm to 9:00pm.  
**Pauline Young Adults (Meeting: 21 June)**  
Our young adults group (ages 18 to 35 years), meets on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month starting at 7:00pm to 8:30pm.  
An Introduction to the Theology of the Body  
Session 7: Marriage as a Sacrament  
Venue: Parish Pastoral Centre  
For further information please contact Fr. Jeremy at [Jeremy.Santoso@parracatholic.org](mailto:Jeremy.Santoso@parracatholic.org)

**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, 14 June 2026**.  
Couples celebrating a milestone anniversary may contact the Parish office.

**AT ST. MARGARET MARY'S PARISH**  
Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month, (21 June 2026) there will be a Children's Mass at 10:30am followed by Morning Tea in the Pastoral Centre.

**SOLEMNITY IN JUNE**  
**The NATIVITY of ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
**Wednesday - 24 June 2026**  
**STS. PETER and PAUL**  
**Monday - 29 June 2026**

**80 Anniversary**  
CELEBRATION  
Of Our Parish

**Wisdom: God's Vision for Life**  
**Wednesday after 7pm Mass in the Pastoral Centre**  
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**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**  
**First Collection (Priests) Pauline Fathers**  
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**Second Collection (Parish)**  
Account: Merrylands Catholic Church  
BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 00438  
**Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.**

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**AVAILABLE ON SATURDAYS VIGIL**  
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**Save the Dates...**  
**15 November 2026 (Sunday) 10:30am Solemn Mass**  
**17 November 2026 (Tuesday) 7:00pm Solemn Mass**  
**22 November 2026 (Sunday) 1:00pm - 7:00pm**  
**Parish Luncheon Banquet at Aria House**  
**More details to follow soon.**