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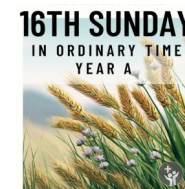
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Parish Priest
Fr. Wojciech Sliwa

Assistant Priest
Fr. Zachary Lewis

Ordo Sancti Pauli Primi Eremitae



Year A
19 July
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	8:30am-8:55am
		Wednesday	9:00am & 7:00pm	Thursday	8:30am-8:55am
Vespers	10:30am 5:15-5:45pm 6:00pm	Thursday	9:00am	Friday	8:30am-8:55am 6:30pm-6:55pm
		Friday	9:00am & 7:00pm	Saturday	8:30am-8:55am 4:30pm-5:55pm
		Saturday	9:00am		

FIRST FRIDAY:

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

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursday-Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am - 2:30pm
4th Sunday of the month: 1:00pm - 1:30pm - Divine Mercy Devotions
1st 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 - 1st Saturday of the month after 9:00am Mass
Divine Mercy - 4th Sunday of the month: 1:00pm - 3:00pm (3:00pm - Holy Mass)

BAPTISMS:

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month
(not during Advent, Month of January, Lent, Divine Mercy Sunday & Corpus Christi Sunday)
Baptism Preparation: 2nd & 4th 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

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

FIRST READING

Wisdom 12:13.16-19

A reading from the book of Wisdom

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Lord, you are good and forgiving.

- O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice. **(R.)**
- All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God. **(R.)**
- But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Romans 8:26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner’s servants went to him and said, “Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?” “Some enemy has done this” he answered. And the servants said, “Do you want us to go and weed it

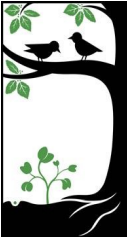
out?” But he said, “No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.”’ He put another parable before them, ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.’ He told them another parable, ‘The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.’ In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy: I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world. Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, ‘Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.’ He said in reply, ‘The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!’

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me,
I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

MEDITATION

 Good and evil are sown in our hearts like tiny seeds which germinate, and in due time yield a harvest of good or bad fruit. Charles Read said: "Sow an act and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character. Sow a character and you reap a destiny." In the day of judgment each will reap what he or she has sown in this life. Those who sow good will shine in the kingdom of their Father. They will radiate with the beauty, joy, and fullness of God's love. Do you allow the love of Christ to rule in your heart and in your actions? **Lord Jesus, let your word take root in my heart and may your all-consuming love transform my life that I may sow what is good, worthy, and pleasing to you.**

**17TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A**

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
26 JULY 2026**
**17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
(Year A)**
First Reading: 1Kgs 3:5, 7-12
Second Reading: Rom 8:28-30
Gospel: Mt 13:44-52

**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION
JULY 2026**
For respect for human life
Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

**WELCOME FR ZACHARY LEWIS!**
Fr Zachary is our young, passionate assistant priest with a big heart for serving the Lord and His people. We're grateful to have him join our parish family and look forward to getting to know him and sharing this next chapter together.

**NOVENA TO ST. CHARBEL
(15 JULY - 23 JULY 2026)**
Novena to St. Charbel commence from **Wednesday, 15 July** and will conclude on **Thursday, 23 July** after Morning and Evening Mass.
Feast of St. Charbel will be celebrated on **Friday, 24 July 2026.**



**AT ST. MARGARET MARY'S PARISH**
Every 3rd Sunday of the Month, **(19 July 2026)** there will be a Children's Mass at 10:30am followed by Morning Tea in the Pastoral Centre.

YOUTH GROUP @ STMM
Pauline Junior (Meeting: 24 July)
Our youth group for Primary School Students, meets on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month starting at 5:30pm to 6:30pm.
Pauline Teen (Meeting: 24 July)
Our youth group for High School Students, meets on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month starting at 7:30pm to 9:00pm.
Pauline Young Adults (Meeting: 19 July)
Our young adults group (*ages 18 to 35 years*), meets on 3rd 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 **parish@stmm.org.au**



PARISH CAR BLESSING
SUNDAY - 26 JULY 2026 after 10:30am MASS
 St. Christopher known as the patron saint of travellers protecting them from danger and illness. Through his intercession of safe travel and protection, for all our Parishioners who wish to have their car blessed.
After 10:30am Mass kindly stand where your respective car is parked and Fathers will walk around and bless the cars.

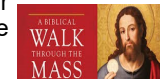
PARISH BBQ FUNDRAISER
Sunday - 26 July 2026
after 9am & 10:30am Mass
The Parish is organising a **BBQ Fundraiser**. Proceeds of sale will go towards replacement of the Church pews.
Sausage sizzle + bottled water = \$5 only
Soft drinks on sale for \$2 only



**DIVINE MERCY**

SUNDAY - 26 JULY 2026
1:00 – 1:30pm *Silent Adoration*
1:30 – 3:00pm *Devotions*
3:00 pm *Holy Mass*
All are welcome to come and pray with us.

A Biblical Walk through the Mass
Wednesday after 7pm Mass in the Pastoral Centre
This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.



**JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE**
In the *Psalms: The School of Prayer*, discover how these sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us.
All are welcome on Thursdays at **7:00pm** in the Pastoral Centre.

**80th Anniversary
CELEBRATION
Of Our Parish**

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026
 Sacrament of First Holy Communion program is divided into two groups taught by the Sacramental Coordinator.
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAM:
All preparation sessions will be held on **WEDNESDAYS** with two time slots to choose from: **5:00 - 6:30pm** or **7:00 - 8:30pm**
Session 1: 22 JULY
Session 2: 29 JULY
Session 3: 05 AUGUST
Session 4: 12 AUGUST
Venue: Parish Pastoral Centre.
Rehearsal: Thursday, 20 August at 6pm - 7pm
Mass on Sunday, 23 August at 3pm.

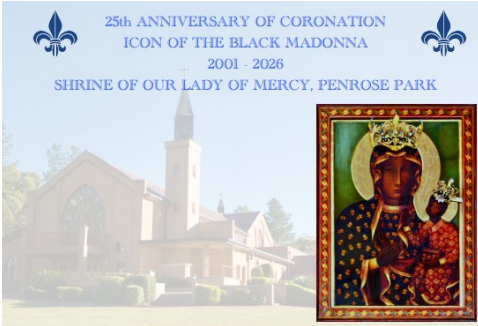


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**ALL PILGRIMS ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG
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THIS SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY!!!**
The Solemnity for the Pilgrims on Sunday 23rd August 2026
9am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Lauds in the Shrine Church
10:30am: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Singing of the Pauline Litany of the B.V.M (Kleczi)
11am: Solemn Reception and Mass of the Anniversary
Celebrant: *The Most Rev Brian Mascord DD*, Bishop of Wollongong
The Solemnity Proper - Wednesday 26th August 2026
9:30am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Lauds in the Shrine Church
10:30am: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Singing of the Pauline Litany of the B.V.M (Kleczi)
11am: Solemn Mass of the Solemnity / Anniversary
Celebrant: *The Very Rev Jaroslaw Zan OSPPE*, Provincial Superior
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- ◆ Sam Bartolo
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Save the Dates...
15 November 2026 (Sunday) 10:30am Solemn Mass
Celebrant: Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv
17 November 2026 (Tuesday) 7:00pm Solemn Mass
Celebrant: Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE
22 November 2026 (Sunday) 1:00pm - 7:00pm
Parish Luncheon Banquet at Aria House

