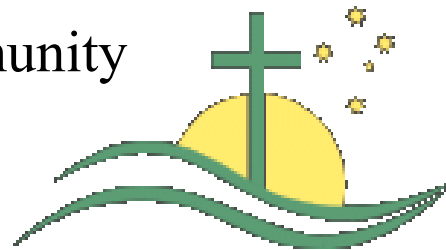




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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C, 1/2 October, 2022

JUBILEE-ICON

This weekend, we will celebrate two things here at St Paul Apostle. Many will remember that in 2020, our Passionist Congregation celebrated 300 years since foundation. To mark this special event, an icon was commissioned, and began travelling around the entire congregation. COVID added a few delays, however we have finally been given an opportunity to host the icon. It will be at the foot of the altar for all of this weekend's Masses.

This weekend, we also celebrate another big milestone for us Passionists here in our Holy Spirit Province (Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, and Vietnam). We celebrate 100 years as a Province.

This icon is full of symbolism, and so to enrich our experience of hosting it, Brian Traynor CP has written an explanation of this symbolism below for those interested. You might like to spend some time before the icon prior to, or after each of our weekend Masses, as we give thanks to God for 300 (302, now!) years of the Passionist Charism.



Weekday Masses

Monday
9am Mass

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

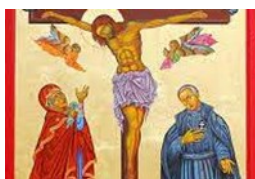
Sunday
9am, 11am & 6pm Mass

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow

https://youtu.be/o_VOK5vzJro

Reconciliation
Saturday 10am—10.30am



In the centre frame St Paul of the Cross has taken St John's place, to signify his charism and invitation (symbolised by his left hand) for others to come to the cross as companions. Here life is to be found and God's overwhelming love experienced and to share this message with others. His right hand touches his heart where the Passionist sign is. This heart has become a living memorial of the Passion.

Mary and Paul are both standing on (new) green vegetation, a sign of a new community that will bring life to others. Above them are two lamenting angels. Below, the cross penetrates into the world of evil. Above the cross is the Passionist sign surrounded by God's hand of blessing together with the symbols of creation and ongoing life - the sun and moon.

On the top right hand side is a portrait of St Gabriel Possenti who died aged 24, before ordination. The skull is a symbol of mortality. Gabriel is the patron saint of youth and of Passionist students.



Below Gabriel is a portrait of Blessed Dominic Barberi, and Italian from Viterbo who realised Paul of the Cross' dream of Passionists preaching in England. Dominic won over many people by his simplicity and humility as well as his willingness to accept ridicule because he was an outsider. George Spencer CP was a Great-great-great uncle of Princess Diana and a great uncle of Winston Churchill. George was an Anglican priest and became a Passionist because of Dominic and took the name Ignatius. He has been declared 'Venerable' by Pope Francis. Famed Cardinal John Henry Newman became a Catholic because of Dominic's witness, learning and inspiration.

On the top left is another Italian St Gemma Galgani who was a lay Passionist, who died as age 25, similar to Gabriel, from TB. Although she never met Gabriel, she described him and his Passionist habit to her future director after a vision she had and was inspired to live her life faithfully by his example. She has suffered the death of both parents and a brother while a teenager and suffered from extremely poor health. Gemma had the stigmata, was under the spiritual direction of a Passionist. She is buried in the grounds of the Passionist nuns in Lucca.



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Below Gemma in the icon is Blessed Isidore De Loo who grew up on a farm in Belgium and became a Passionist Brother. He was referred to as 'Brother of the Will of God' from the time, four years after he entered that he developed cancer in his right eye and had to have it removed. During the Great War three years later he was the official porter (answering the front door) and he became renowned for his compassion and understanding of people. In 1916 cancer had taken its toll. Isidore was often seen with his head in his hands, barely able to endure the pain. He died that year at the age of 35 and he has shown the power of a 'hidden' life. He is the patron saint of cancer.

The Icon will now travel the rest of our Province, before continuing on with its journey to visit all of our Passionist communities around the world.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

If you have registered your child into this year's Sacrament of Confirmation program, please note that the **FIRST FAMILY NIGHT** is on **TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER** at 7pm in the Church. Candidates must attend this session with one or both of their parent. Sign in will start at 6.45pm

ENDEAVOUR HILLS ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Last weekend, from the special collection conducted during all Masses, Endeavour Hills St Vincent de Paul raised \$1646.05 for their winter appeal. Thank you for your generous support to this important cause

VOLUNTEER REQUIRED

St Paul Apostle SOUTH School is planning to start a 'chess club' at the school for their students. If you are able to play chess and wish to help the school (on a volunteer basis) please contact Paul Gleeson, principal of the South School, on 9700 3663. Please note that you **MUST** have a current and valid Working With Children Card.

WELLSPINGS FOR WOMEN is having Fundraising Dinner on **THURSDAY, 6 October, 2022** at Springvale City Hall (405 Springvale Rd, Springvale) 6.30pm to 10.30pm. Cost is \$85 per person. There will be Music, Raffles and Door Prizes.

We are offering two options for registration and payment

Option 1: via this link <https://events.humanitix.com/wellspingsfundraisingdinner2022>

Option 2: Via direct deposit into our bank:

A/c Name: Wellsprings for Women

Bank: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633 000

Account No: 129467502

Reference: Surname Dinner or Surname Donation

If you choose option 2, please email your details and dietary require-

ments to: jasmine@wellspringsforwomen.com

REMEMBERING JIM HELM - will be remembered at our 7pm Wednesday Parish Mass on 28th August. This will be followed by a cuppa and stories to share at the gathering space. We invite you to bring a plate to share

SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER

Is having a MISSION FETE on SATURDAY, 8 October, 2022 from 9am to 2.30pm. At the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver, 154 Cotham Rd, Kew 3101

For more information please call 9817 3715

PARISH BINGO NIGHT

Please note that **FRIDAY, 21 OCTOBER** is our next bingo night. at 7pm in the Annexe. Contacts are Louis 0419 008 173, Vianney 0438 700 675 or Joe 0419 385 441

FUNDRAISING BY THE CONVENT OF ST.ELISABETH, BELARUS

Unfortunately, this event has to be cancelled as the goods which were supposed to be on sale were missing during the delivery to where they are staying. We will pray that their goods will eventually arrived in the correct destination

WORKING BEE - SEEKING BOBCAT

With improved Spring weather and sunnier days, our church garden is becoming overrun by weeds. Therefore, we are planning a working bee next Saturday (8th October). At this stage the main focus, aside from weeding, is transferring a mountain of mulch near the garage door, under the church. Unfortunately, it has been there for quite some time and has become quite solid. We are hoping that one of you have access to a BOBCAT which will make it easier for us to break up the solid mulch. We expect it will take 1 hr to 1 1/2 hrs at the most. Others are welcome to bring their shovels along to help spread it once it has been loosened. Please let us know if you have, or have access to a bobcat. See you on the 8th of October at around 8.30am



This weekend we pray for:

Those whose sick

Betty Scanlan, Vernon Law, Angela Schink, Roy Conyers, Sandra D'Costa, Monica Evans, Rosetta Alberti, Adelina Frante, Horace Stolke, Christakis Isodiou, Mary Hili, Nestor Santos, Collette, Marcia Fernandes, Annette Perera, Ronald Peters, Godfrey Joseph, Kirk Smaller, June Smaller, Camilla D'Rozario, Esric Jackson, Emily Broadbent, **and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Fr. Jim Elmore CP, Brett Joseph Daly, Helene De Silva, Lowstein Cano, Vernon Clifford Kern, Victor Jayamaha, Queen Elizabeth II, James (Jim) Helm, Francika Zerebni, Andre Machado, Jim Boy Tortosa, George Overlunde, Marc Kelaart, Corazon Alvarez, Carlos De Jesus, Manuel Duarte, Dwayne Edmonds, Shelton Kurumbalapitiya, victims of natural disaster **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace



Readings:

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab 1: 2-3, 2: 2-4;
2 Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14;
Lk 17: 5-9

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kg 5: 14-17;
2 Tim 2: 8-13;
Lk 17: 11-19
www.universalis.com

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

