



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 31st of July and 1st of August 2021—Year B

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Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a welcoming, inclusive community that aims to live our Christian faith by example in our daily lives.

Our Lady of the Pines Parish is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish web-site or contact our parish office for our child-safe policy."

We pray for Better Health: : Brian Sullivan, Kath Potger, Alden Ong, Lisa Dallow, Josephine Noli, Teresa Talia, Sharon Rodrigo, Laurel Wood ,John Goold ,Meredith Barnes and Judith Frood

Anniversaries: . Pasquale Calderone
(1month)

Recent Death: Kevin Lawlor

Parish Mission Community Meeting

In view of our snap lockdown, our important parish meeting was temporarily postponed. At this stage we are permitted to meet for religious ceremonies only. As soon as a new date for this meeting has been scheduled, we will advise the community.

Resumption of Weekend weekday and weekend Masses

We are pleased that we are once again able to gather for our Masses. All of our Mass times will return to normal. In addition to this, we will still be having our weekday Zoom Masses at 9.00 am on Wednesdays and Fridays.

All of our Zoom Masses are available on the following link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?pwd=NGpkK2RsQTN1WkszdEdTTW5KSnl0Zz09)
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Meeting ID: 259 756 4312
Password: 689922

Due to the density limits allowed, we are only able to have 100 parishioners in our church. We will not be taking bookings and attendance will be on a "first come , first served basis". Once our limit has been reached, we will not be able to allow anymore in and we do appreciate your understanding on this matter.

The wearing of face masks within the Church is mandatory. We do have spare face masks if you have forgotten to bring yours. Contact Tracing via the QR code is also mandatory. Please ensure that you check in on your arrival. If you are having trouble, please see one of our Covid Captains. The QR code below will also help you check in before mass.

Thank you all so much for helping us stay open by helping us maintain our Covid responsibilities.



Location code XZK FBA

Sacrament of Confirmation

We regret that for the third time, the sacrament of Confirmation which was scheduled to take place on the 1st of August will have to be postponed. We apologise to all families concerned. This has been outside of our control due to the lockdowns. In view of this, we have now rescheduled this Sacrament to take place at Our Lady of the Pines on Saturday the 16th of October. This date has now been confirmed by the Archbishops Office and we are now actively working towards confirming our children on the 16th of October, lockdowns permitting. Times of masses will be confirmed shortly.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

A very warm welcome to any new parishioners. Please make sure you take one of our 'Welcome Packs' home with you (they are located on a table in the foyer) and kindly provide your contact details in the New Parishioners' Register (on the same table). Thank you for joining us here at Our Lady of the Pines. Please feel free to make yourself known to one of our COVID Captains or any of our lovely parishioners and we would love it if you would stay back after Mass for a cuppa and a chat. Should you require any further information, please contact our Pastoral Worker, Trish Keley on 9841 8354.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE HOME "Let's Talk Gospel"

Please join us for this six week series via Zoom to explore the Gospel from the comfort of your own home. Each week we will view a short video and have a discussion about the coming week's Sunday Gospel.

All you need to do is bring a cuppa, turn on your computer and log-in!

The sessions commence on Wednesday, 4th August at 7.30 pm. The final session on Wednesday, 8th September will be an "in person" get together followed by refreshments, at a venue to be advised.

Zoom log-in details can be found below and on the parish website.

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This is a joint initiative between SsPP and OLOP.

For further information please email Trish Keley, Pastoral Worker, OLOP at trish.keley@cam.org.au or Cheryl Tay, Pastoral Worker, SsPP at cheryl.tay@cam.org.au or

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St Joseph – an encounter

Prayer For The Year Of St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

With thanks to Catholic-link.org for the prayer and Sisters of St Joseph for the image.

A father “in the shadows,” centred on Mary and Jesus

Taking a cue from *The Shadow of the Father* — a book by Polish writer Jan Dobraczyński — Pope Francis describes Joseph's fatherhood of Jesus as “the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father.”

“Fathers are not born, but made,” says Pope Francis. “A man does not become a father simply by bringing a child into the world, but by taking up the responsibility to care for that child.” Unfortunately, in today's society, children “often seem orphans, lacking fathers” who are able to introduce them “to life and reality.” Children, the Pope says, need fathers who will not try to dominate them, but instead raise them to be “capable of deciding for themselves, enjoying freedom and exploring new possibilities.”

This is the sense in which St Joseph is described as a “most chaste” father, which is the opposite of domineering possessiveness. Joseph, says Pope Francis, “knew how to love with extraordinary freedom. He never made himself the centre of things. He did not think of himself, but focused instead on the lives of Mary and Jesus.”

Happiness for Joseph involved a true gift of self: “In him, we never see frustration, but only trust,” writes Pope Francis. “His patient silence was the prelude to concrete expressions of trust.” Joseph stands out, therefore, as an exemplary figure for our time, in a world that “needs fathers,” and not “tyrants”; a society that “rejects those who confuse authority with authoritarianism, service with servility, discussion with oppression, charity with a welfare mentality, power with destruction.”

True fathers, instead, “refuse to live the lives of their children for them,” and instead respect their freedom. In this sense, says Pope Francis, a father realizes that “he is most a father and an educator at the point when he becomes ‘useless,’ when he sees that his child has become independent and can walk the paths of life unaccompanied.” Being a father, the Pope emphasizes, “has nothing to do with possession, but is rather a ‘sign’ pointing to a greater fatherhood”: that of the “heavenly Father” (7).

Extracted from Vatican News

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOSPITALITY TEAMS— Aileen, Dolly, Corrinne
and Jo Ann Ng

READERS & COMMENTATORS

Sat 5.00 pm: Mary Ann Payne and
Ophelia Wong

Sun 9.30 am: Jo Ann Ng and Ross Stewart

PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 5.00pm : Maria and Lynn

Sun 9.30am : Leonard Healy

Covid Captain:

5.00pm : Roy and Rose Tavenor

9.30am : Joanne and Godwin Bonavia

Money Counting Roster:

Group5: Geoff Mullane, David Sowersby,
Anna Basa and Claire Davis

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GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and how you are to clothe it. Surely life means more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, for all his worrying, add one single cubit to his span of life? And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin; yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his regalia was robed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the grass in the field which is there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will he not much more look after you, you men of little faith? So do not worry; do not say, "What are we to eat? What are we to drink? How are we to be clothed?" It is the pagans who set their hearts on all these things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on his righteousness, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow: tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.' (Matthew 6:25–34)

Extract from "The Summit" Online

MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale & Ss Peter & Paul's, Doncaster East

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	No Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Mass—Rosary a. er Morning Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Thursday	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Friday	9.00am Mass—Rosary after Morning Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Saturday	5.00pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Mass and 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.30am Morning Mass— Rosary after mass	8.00 and 11.15am Morning Mass