

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time $\widetilde{}$ Year H

22. Jan 2017

Mass this Friday ~ 27th January

The normal Masses at St Clare's and St Paul's will not be offered this coming Friday. Instead, there will be a special Mass at St Paul's at 8:30 AM. The teachers and ancillary staff from Mater Dei, St Paul's, St Clare's and Magdalene will be present. Mass will be resourced with sacred music and Father Michael will share reflections after the Gospel for about 10 minutes. All our parishioners are warmly invited.



Few Statistics from 2016

Weddings: There were 41 weddings in the parish which includes Mater Dei. Some of the weddings are from couples living outside the parish but the big majority live within the parish.

Funerals: A total of 52 funerals were commemorated. Around 50% were in the form of a Requiem Mass with the others simply the shorter funeral ceremony with the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Baptisms: There were 309 baptisms in the parish. From this number, 264 were aged up until the first birthday. Another 35 were aged between 1 and 7. Five of the newly baptised were aged between 7 & 15, and the remaining five over the age of 15. From St Paul's and St Clare's, a total of 90 children can be accepted into kindergarten each year at each school. For 2017, both schools have full enrolment. The number of baptisms in recent years seems to indicate that demand will continue to be quite strong for the foreseeable years.

Parish Website

A process is now being undertaken to update our website. Much of the text has already been completed, having come from our Welcome Pack. But we're looking for more photos as well. So if you have any good photos relating to the parish, please contact the parish office

Diary Dates

For those parishioners who like to be especially organised, Ash Wednesday falls on 1 March. Palm Sunday falls on the 9th April and Easter Sunday on the 16th April.

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Breast Screen NSW

The mobile van will be located at the Onslow car park opposite Camden Sports Club from 16 January to 17 March. Appointments on 132050. Recommended.