

# ST PAUL'S

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## Bulletin Highlights

*Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B*

*30th Sept 2018*



For about 15 years our own parish has been on a roster with our parishes across Sydney to travel on Sundays to St Canice's Parish at Elizabeth Bay (near Kings Cross) to prepare wholesome meals for the many people who are not so fortunate. Our own team makes the trip about three times a year. Here is the latest report from Lynda, our coordinator. Any parishioners who may be interested in can contact our parish secretary, Elizabeth.

*On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September our volunteer group, numbering twelve, travelled to St Canice's Kitchen in Elizabeth Bay, as part of our parish's ongoing commitment to feed Sydney's many homeless people. In addition to our usual BBQ fare we were able to offer our guests baked potatoes and corn on the cob browned nicely on the grill. We served 130 meals approximately and were able to offer around 60 take-aways for later. We introduced take-aways containers after noticing many of our guests were attempting to store extra food in a very makeshift way. The end of lunch saw many happy faces and full tummies. Our volunteer group left for home tired but very pleased with another successful day.*



### *First Holy Communion*

Gratitude is extended to the wonderfully large number of parents who have been bringing their children to Mass for the programme. Books have now been ordered. Please see Father Joe or Father Michael after Masses with any matters outstanding. So far, so good. And please keep up to date on reports that appear in our parish bulletin. These can also be viewed on the parish web site.



## *Parish Pastoral Council Meeting*

Have you ever wondered what might be discussed at our meetings of the Parish Pastoral Council? Here is a list of the agenda items from our most recent meeting last Tuesday: (■) Advent Event, (■) Reader Fellowship Group, (■) Awareness Mass, (■) Catholic Cemetery, (■) Kneelers, (■) Parish Web Site, (■) Plenary Council, (■) Other Business.

In preparation for the Plenary Council in 2020, all parishes and schools have been advised to appoint a **Parish Animator**. Our own appointment has been Mr Ken Garland who provided a very interesting presentation of developments so far. There will be considerably more news in next week's PCN about the invitation extended that is extended to parishioners to provide their own views on the Church.

Another feature of the most recent meeting was a little tribute to Brian Jenkins who on the same day celebrated a milestone birthday. It's probably a little impolite to provide exact details of age but parishioners might be able to make an educated guess. Warmth, fraternity and light refreshments were enjoyed after the meeting. Memorable evening with Father Joe providing his legendary spring rolls!



**Return & Earn** With gracious thanks to a kind-hearted parishioner who generously donated \$250, Father Joe is able to take \$1,000 in parish donations with him on the Magdalene Immersion trip this coming week. We wish them a safe trip and look forward to hearing all about their works upon return.