Pastoral Announcements (cont.)

- On Sunday, 24th December, we will have our 4pm English Mass as normal (but without Eucharistic Adoration before Mass).
- On Christmas Day (Monday, 25th December) English Mass will be @4pm.
- On New Years Day (Monday, 1st January 2024), there will only be Polish Mass @11am. NO English Mass.
- Just a friendly reminder, that our shrine is open from 7am til evening Mass each day, for private prayer.
- We invite all young children who would like to participate as Altar Servers at our 4pm Sunday English Mass from next year onwards, to please approach Fr Kamil, Nina or Alveera with their parents after Mass. Once enough numbers are reached, a training session will be held with the utmost care and safety, to teach new Altar Servers the ropes. We invite parents to encourage their children to sign up.
- Our shrine is the House of God, with Jesus truly being present in the Holy Eucharist. As such, please remember to maintain your reverence while in the church, by silencing phones/ devices, wearing modest clothing, and by maintaining silence. This is also considerate to those wishing to stay for personal prayer, after Mass.

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Mass Times

~ Weekend Masses ~

Saturday

6:00 pm Polish

Sunday

9:00 am Polish 11:00 am Polish

4:00 pm English

~ Weekday Masses ~

(Chaplet of Divine Mercy starts 15 minutes before each Mass)

Monday

7:00 pm Polish

Tuesday

7:00 pm English

Wed - Fri

7:00 pm Polish

~ Reconciliation/Confession ~

Sunday

3:00 pm

Mon - Fri

6:45 pm

Opening Hours

Church

Every Day

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Office

By Appointment

Dairy of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

NOTEBOOK V, 1442

+ When I arrived at Midnight Mass, from the very beginning I steeped myself in deep recollection, during which time I saw the stable of Bethlehem filled with great radiance. The Blessed Virgin, all lost in the deepest of love, was wrapping Jesus in swaddling clothes, but Saint Joseph was still asleep. Only after the Mother of God put Jesus in the manger, did the light of God awaken Joseph, who was also praying. But after a while, I was left alone with the Infant Jesus who stretched out His little hands to me, and I understood that I was to take Him in my arms. Jesus pressed His head against my heart and gave me to know, by His profound gaze, how good He found it to be next to my heart. At that moment Jesus disappeared and the bell was ringing for Holy Communion.

NOTEBOOK V, 1443

(58) My soul was languishing with joy. But toward the end of the Mass, I felt so weak that I had to leave the chapel and go to my cell, as I felt unable to take part in the community tea. But my joy throughout the whole Christmas Season was immense, because my soul was unceasingly united with the Lord. I have come to know that every soul would like to have divine comforts, but is by no means willing to forsake human comforts, whereas these two things cannot be reconciled.

NOTEBOOK V, 1444

During this Christmas Season, I have sensed that certain souls have been praying for me. I rejoice that such spiritual union and knowledge exist already here on earth. O my Jesus, praise be to You for all this!

Pastoral Announcements

- We need volunteers at our monthly working bees, to help clean the church. If you can and would like to help, please give your name and number to Nina or Alveera in the foyer, after Mass.
- December marks the beginning of the liturgical season of Advent - a time of preparation for Christmas. Though all the festivities during this period can be magical, please don't forget to remember the true meaning of Christmas - the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- On Friday, 8th December, we celebrate the feast of "The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary", with special prayer in the church from 11:30am - 1pm. All are welcome.
- There will be NO English Healing Mass & Service on Tuesday, 12th December, with Fr Rojan. Instead, the Polish Community will be having their retreat in the church.
- On Sunday, 17th December, Fr Jerzy will be celebrating his final farewell and thanksgiving Mass at the Divine Mercy Shrine, as he is being transferred to become the new parish priest for a local church in Brisbane. Though we are sad to see him go, and are sure to miss him greatly, we wish him all the very best for his new parish. God Bless you Fr Jerzy! Please note, this will also be the final Eucharistic Adoration (starting @2:30pm) we will have before our 4pm Sunday English Mass this year, with Eucharistic Adoration resuming again on 4th February 2024.
- Friday, 22nd December, will be the last weekday Reconciliation/Confession (starting @7pm) at the Divine Mercy Shrine, before Christmas.

