

Parish Notices

- This weekend the census of our parish will take place after Communion.
- Parish Formation Nights in the PARISH HALL @ 7PM this Thursday 17th February – “Understanding the MASS”.
- Young Adult Formation (18-35yrs): today Sunday 13th February from 7-8.30pm at **“The Hussle” Purdy St, Minchinbury.**
- Registration forms for the Sacrament of **CONFIRMATION 2022** are at the back of the Church. Children in Year 7 and upwards are eligible to receive this Sacrament.
- Establishing a Liturgy Committee – If you are interested contact Deacon Rod.
- We are calling for new Catechists for the schools to spread the Good News to our students who may never hear the Word of God. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.
- The Minister of the Word who proclaims the 1st reading will also read the ‘prayers of the faithful’ from next Sunday onwards.

gospel focus

Treated as the prophets

As part of his sermon, Jesus announces, ‘Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man... This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.’ The prophets of the Old Testament were the chosen spokesmen of God. Their message was often unpopular and they were often threatened and berated for challenging the social order. To be treated in this way is in fact something of an affirmation that one’s words and actions are reflecting the message of God. The Word of God is confronting and challenging!

Find the opposites of the following words, then use the circled letters to make a word we use that describes heaven.

— — ○ ◀ **HAPPY**

WEAK ▶ — — — — ○

○ — — — — ▶ **FULL**

ASLEEP ▶ — — — — ○

HEAVY ▶ — — — — ○

LITTLE ▶ — — — — ○

— — — — ○ ▶ **OPEN**

Heaven is God’s — — — — —

PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave, Stella Edwards, & Fara Vargas, Marjorie Tonks; Alice Cassar.

Gina Tomicic; Clifford Blas Ulep, Ester Obra Blando

RECENTLY DECEASED: Gina Tomicic; Clifford Blas Ulep, Ester Obra Blando

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Alfred Schembri; Florence Andrews; Henry Fares; Neville Menezes; Gladys Herft; David Foley, Patricia Wiggins; Lena Ferreira; Illuninada Ronguillo; Moises Chua; Pastora & Amor Bala; Vic Guinto; Lolo & Lola Relevo; Don Eduardo Aboitiz; James Brett; Mr Torralba. Sean Vaz, Stefan Staszak, Josip Kosta.

Names submitted to Parish for prayers will show for 4 weeks at a time.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 <tel:98323896>

6th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (C)

13th February 2022



The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing that comforts and heals, physically and/or spiritually, people who are seriously ill and those in danger of death. The ritual consists of prayers, scripture message and anointing the forehead and palms of

the sick with the Oil for the Sick by a presbyter.

The Gospel of St. Mark (6:12-13) gives us an indication of this sacrament of the sick when he tells us that the apostles, going forth, “preached those men should repent, and they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many sick people, and healed them.” Likewise, the letter of St. James clearly describes the sacrament as he wrote:

Is anyone among you sick? Let him bring in the presbyters [priests] of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him (James 5:14-15).

This sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, along with the Sacrament of Penance is relevant this time of pandemic as there are many who got sick physically and spiritually who long for healing. It is also an important invitation to parishioners to pray, care for the sick and elderly members of the community. And with St. James’ encouragement, may I invite members of our parish, if there are sick members of our community needing the Sacrament of Anointing and Penance, or sacrament of communion, kindly inform the parish office.

God bless you with good health of mind and body.

Fr Florito.

Sunday Masses Saturday **6.00 pm Vigil.** 6th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (C)
Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am;**

Weekday Masses & Communion Services

Monday 9.10 am Saints Cyril and Methodius : *Communion service*
Tuesday 9.10 am 6th week in Ordinary time
Wednesday 7.00 pm 6th week in Ordinary time
Thursday 9.10 am 6th week in Ordinary time
Friday 9.10 am 6th week in Ordinary time
Saturday 9.10 am 6th week in Ordinary time: *Communion service*

Confessions Saturday: 5.30pm Fr. Florito Apalias

Pastoral Director: **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**
Resident Priest: **Fr Florito Apalias**
Parish Chairperson: **Mark Buhagiar**
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Email: moundruittsouth@parracatholic.org
Website: <https://southmoundruitt.org.au>
Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

Buy your Catholic Weekly from the back of the Church (\$2.00). There are a few back issues that you can take home for free or a coin donation to cover the costs.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING SUNDAY 20th
February 2022 @ 7pm**

**PARISH FORMATION Nights in the
PARISH HALL @ 7PM on THURSDAYS
during February.**

Come and keep your faith alive.
17th, 24th for 1 hour.
PRESENTER: Fr Florito –
“Understanding the MASS”.

| Readers | 6.00pm | 7.30am | 9.00am |
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| 12/13th February 6 th Sunday Ordinary time | H. Villarica S. Fernandez | A. Wiggins J. D’Rosario | F. Antown J. Bugayong |
| 19/20th February 7 th Sunday Ordinary time | M. Farquharson W. Farquharson | N. McKenzie E. Merjudio | M. Buhagiar B. Buhagiar |
| 26/27th February 8 th Sunday Ordinary time | E. Gemzon J. Salazar | T. Merjudio J. Mendes | M. Bugayong H. Cruz |

Entrance Antiphon: Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

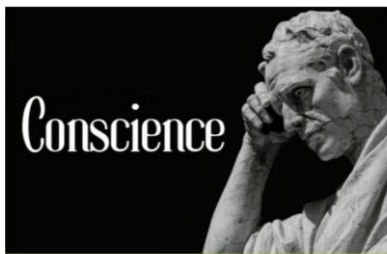
Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

Communion Antiphon: They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

God's Word 2022 daily reflections booklet available at St Pat's Gift Shop.

God's Word 2022, a book of daily reflections, offers a great service for all who wish to unite their prayer with the Sacred Liturgy and be spiritually nourished by the Word of God. Copies are now available from St Patrick's Gift Shop, located in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta for \$19.95. Visit the website www.stpatricksgiftshop.com or grab in store on Tuesdays or Fridays 10am-3pm and Sundays 9am-1pm.



Join Deacon Andrew Rooney for a talk and discussion on **Conscience** followed by fun, fellowship and pizza!

YOUNG ADULTS FAITH FORMATION



For adults 18-35

The Husle
Unit 4
4-6 Purdy St
Minchinbury

SUN 13TH
FEBRUAR
7:00-8:30

Suggeste
donation: \$

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Pastoral Formation offering leadership and formation courses in 2022

Diocese of Parramatta has two programs FOR YOU – all offered in a COVID-safe manner.

- 1) Ministry Leadership Program: Perfect for current and aspiring ministry leaders. 10 or 20 sessions (\$10/session).
- 2) Themes of Faith Program: Ideal for people interested in asking life & faith questions in discussion groups. 10 sessions (\$5/session).

See our website pfparra.org.au or email <mailto:met@parracatholic.org> for more details

Caritas Project Compassion 2022 starts in 2 weeks

Caritas Australia's Lenten Project Compassion campaign will start on Project Compassion Sunday (27 February) and lead us all the way towards Easter. This year's theme For All Future Generations comes from the biblical story of the great flood (Genesis 9:12-15). It reminds us that the good we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Find out more at caritas.org.au/project-compassion or contact our Diocesan Director of Caritas on Sebastian.Salasko-Lentern@parracatholic.org or 0409 399 505.

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2022

Getting married in 2022? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the website. For more information email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Celebrating Holy Week formation workshop for Acolytes and Ministers at the Altar: 26 February

from 9:30 am to 3pm at the Bede Heather Centre (formerly the IFM), Blacktown. The workshop will focus on Holy Week celebrations. If you are interested please contact the Office For Worship at anne.stanton@parracatholic.org or (02) 8838 3456.

COVID-19 Rules in places of worship.

1. Do not come to Church if feeling unwell or have flu-like symptoms.
2. Use hand sanitizer before and after leaving Church.
3. Wearing of face masks in the Church is mandatory.
4. QR code when entering the church is mandatory.
5. Keep doors and windows open for good circulation
6. No capacity limits in the church but try to keep 1.5 metres from anyone that is not your family.
7. Social gatherings are discouraged.