

## ***Parish Notices.***

1. We thank all parishioners for the efforts and financial support to the Parish. There will be a fete evaluation meeting on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October after 9am Mass.
2. Neo-catechumenal way annual catechesis continues Thursdays and Sundays evenings from 7:30pm – 8:30pm in the Parish Hall.
3. We congratulate the 10 children who made their first Sacrament of Penance this weekend. Forth formation session for parents and children on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> September at 4pm. First Holy Communion, the following day 25<sup>th</sup> September 9am Mass.



### **Fete raffle WINNERS.**

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize: Zaine Ahmed (Black F55) – not claimed yet  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Lyam (Blue B090) – not claimed yet  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Rizel Merjudio  
4<sup>th</sup> prize: Marie Buhagiar  
5<sup>th</sup> prize: Sr. Mary Louise

**Thank you to all.**

**We fund-raised \$18, 111.15**

**Fete Evaluation Meeting:**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @10.15am (after the 9am Mass)**

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY**

**SICK:** Maria Belisario, Annette Buttigieg; Alice Cassar; Stella Edwards, Maria Llave, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Ernie Merjudio, Marjorie Tonks; Fara Vargas;

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Marlon Blando; Nancy Kwan; Raymond Sica; Pero Kotarac; Beverly Panlilio; Rocky Deomampo; Teresita Parducho Alignay; Nadia Gomez; Perla Mansibang; Odile Nicholas; Perla Mansibang; Jaime Bal; Judelyn Gatchalian-Garcia; Douglas Kerr; Anthony Leong

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Ester Abelardo; Marija Blazevic; Irene Britto; Bonifacio Cabahug; Edwin Cardoza; Gregoria & Juan Castro; Peter Constatine; George D’Cruz; Michaelangelo Della-Bon; Manual Dias; Francis Duffy; Regina Eronico; Primitivo Enriquez; Aproniano Estoque; Rene Felix; Melyn Fernandes; Bernabe Funelas; Andrew Gove; Lourdes Guerrero; Naziha Maklouf; Ernesto Ontiveros Jn; Louis, Xavier & John Manuel Pereira; Benjamin Recto Jn; Clair De Los Reyes; Aurora Verna;



## SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 tel: 98323896

**25th Sunday Ordinary Time**

**18<sup>th</sup> September 2022**



From Deacon's Rod desk:

Why would the defrauded master in Jesus' parable "commend his dishonest steward?" What lesson did Jesus intend to teach with this disturbing parable? Was the unjust steward dishonest or just clever?

The dismissal of the steward is effective immediately. Quickly the shrewd steward realizes he has a "window of opportunity" before the news reaches the renters in the village. He summons debtors and instructs them to "sit down quickly" (Lk 16:8) and generously alters their debts.

When the master discovers the steward's strategy, he faces a genuine dilemma. If he rescinds the steward's new contracts, as he is legally entitled to do because they are unlawful, he will alienate the renters and the entire village. They have already been celebrating the master's generosity.

If he allows these reduced contracts to stand, he will be short of produce this year, but his "honour" will spread far and wide (as also will the "honour" of the shrewd steward for arranging the deals). People will praise the noble and generous landowner.

Lesson: Jesus urges us to use wealth in such a way as to gain favour with the One who is both the ultimate client and the ultimate landowner—God. Jesus spotlights the opportunistic shrewdness of the steward. The application for the "children of light" is that they too are to be clever opportunists, by using wealth in the ways that Jesus elsewhere advocates the use of resources—feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, lending but asking nothing in return. This is the reason why we have so many Popes who have been as critical of materialistic capitalism as they are of atheistic communism?

**Sunday Masses**      **Saturday**      **6.00 pm 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)**  
**Sunday**      **7.30 am & 9.00am:**

**Weekday Masses & Communion Services**

Monday      9.10 am      25th Week of Ordinary Time (Com Service)  
 Tuesday      9.10 am      Sts K Taegon and P C Hasang & companions  
Wednesday      7.00pm      **St Matthew**  
Thursday      9.10am      25th Week of Ordinary Time  
Friday      9.10am      Saint Pius of Pietrelcina  
 Saturday      9.10am      25th Week of Ordinary Time (Com. Service)  
Saturday:      5.00pm - 5.30pm

**Confessions**

**Pastoral Director:**      **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**  
**Resident Priest:**      **Fr Florito Apalias**  
**Parish Chairperson:**      **Teresa Samuels**  
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**Website:**      <https://southmoundruitt.org.au>  
**Baptisms & Weddings:**      By arrangement only

**Pastoral Formation Sacraments Short Course: Starts 6 October**

Want to enhance your sacramental vision of life? Over two Thursday nights (6 and 13 October), discover more with Sr Mary Louise Walsh from the Diocese of Parramatta's Worship team. Face-to-face from 6.30pm – 8.30pm at Bishop Bede Heather Centre LIMITED SEATS. Register by September 21 via [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org)

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION SESSIONS: WHERE: Parish HALL AT 4.00PM**

**SAT 24<sup>th</sup> Sept (Parents & Children)**

**First HOLY COMMUNION MASS. SUNDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2022 at 9am**

<b>Readers</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>17/18<sup>th</sup> September</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Grace Bondoc Jerome D'Rozario	Herbie Cruz Aloysius Wong
<b>24/25<sup>th</sup> September</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary	Herminia Villarica Gloria Cardoza	Nathan McKenzie Elijah Merjudio	Matthias Wong Mary Zore
<b>1/2<sup>nd</sup> October</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary	Montana Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Grace Bondoc Thomas Merjudio	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong

**Entrance Antiphon:** I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

**Psalm:** Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

**Communion Antiphon:** You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

## DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

### Office for Safeguarding Spring Training Opportunities

The Office for Safeguarding is offering a range of opportunities to complete your Safeguarding training this spring.

1. Full-day training session on Monday 17 October from 9.30am to 2.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.
2. Weekly training sessions on Monday 24 and 31 October and Monday 7 November from 10am to 11.30am at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong.
3. Full-day training session on Saturday 29 October from 10am to 3pm at St Matthew's Parish, Windsor.

To register for one of these options, please email [safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org)

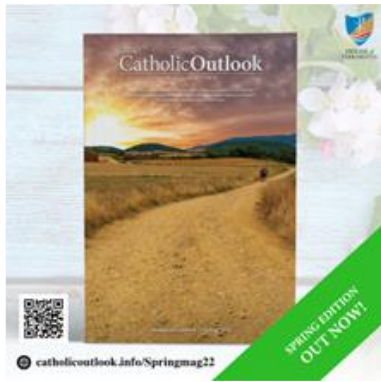
### MET Worship Formation for Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying: 22 October

MET – Worship will be hosting a formation session for those already active in the Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying on Saturday 22 October from 9.30am – 3pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. The formation day includes a reflection on the Spirituality of Suffering, Working within Safeguarding Guidelines and the Practicalities of this ministry. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or [mary.gale@parracatholic.org](mailto:mary.gale@parracatholic.org)

### Glenbrook Parish Memorable Melodies Concert: 23 October

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a memorable melodies concert for voice, violin and organ on Sunday 23 October at 2pm in the parish church. The concert will feature Rebecca Daniel (violin/soprano) and Michael Taylor (organ). Entry is \$15 adults or \$10 concession. For more information, contact the parish office on (02) 4742 6958 or email [glenbrook@parracatholic.org](mailto:glenbrook@parracatholic.org)

Donate your second collection by direct debit straight to the parish account on weekly basis. Contact the Parish Office: **98323896**.



## Caritas AUSTRALIA Pakistan Flood Crisis appeal

The devastating floods in Pakistan have left a trail of destruction across the country, claiming the lives of more than 1,100 people. The United Nations estimates that around 33 million Pakistanis have been affected by the flooding. There are fears that the death toll will continue to rise.

**Caritas Australia's partners are responding to support flood-affected communities who need immediate assistance. Your generous support can help provide emergency support to help families recover and rebuild from disaster.**

Donate now by visiting <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pakistan-floods>

**CHURCH CLEANING THIS WEEK:  
24th Sept: Legion of Mary Juniors**