

Parish Notices.

1. Finance meeting on Monday 20th February in the parish hall at 7.30pm.
2. There will be 9.10am Mass and 7pm on Ash Wednesday 22nd February.
3. Please start bringing your palms and olive branches from last year. Place them in the baskets provided at the doors of the church.
4. Lenten program 2023 is called "Triumph". It will take place every Thursday during Lent from 7-8 pm: Sunday Gospel reflections, questions, and prayers.
5. On Fridays during Lent we will contemplate "The Way of the Cross" at 7.30pm by different ministries in the parish. There will be no morning Mass on Fridays during LENT. It will be replaced by 7pm MASS followed by the Via Crucis.



CONFIRMATION 2023 Sacred Heart Mount Druitt South SUNDAY 21ST MAY 2023 AT 11 AM MASS

Formation sessions: Saturdays between 4.00 – 5.15pm

Session 1: 29th April 2023 (all parents **MUST** attend).

Session 2: 6th May 2023

Session 3: 13th May 2023

Session 4: 20th May 2023

Parents are encouraged to attend all sessions.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Maria Belisario, Annette Buttigieg; Stella Edwards, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Ernie Merjudio, Marjorie Tonks; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Rudi Zele; Virgilio Manalac.

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; Paul (Saki) Faleono; Thomas Dubier; Roxanne Cavanagh; Primitivo Capistrano Obra; Marjorie Tonks

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: James Brett; Jose Canlas; Moises Chua; Ezzat Deak; Henry Fares; David Foley; Lena Ferreira; Rudy Fernandez; Gladys Herft; Vic Guinto; Allen Mcleod; Norna Meuo; Nilo Mercado; Neives Marchino; Neville Menezes; Arnella Plan; Lolo & Lola Relevo; Alfred Schembri; Stefan Staszak; Turi TeWhata; Mr Torralba; Sean Vaz; Patricia Wiggins; Joseph Xuereb.

Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 tel: 98323896

6th Week Ordinary Time (A)

12th February 2023



From Fr Marcus's desk

Greetings to you our Sacred Heart Parish of Mt Druitt South. My name is Fr Marcus Hazelman, and I am a diocesan priest of the Archdiocese of Samoa-Apia. I was born and raised in Samoa and I am 40 years old. I was ordained in 2016 in Samoa with my other two Samoan-priest brothers. In 2019, I was appointed by my Archbishop to be Chaplain for the Catholic Samoan people of the Diocese of Parramatta. During these three years, I was the Assistant Parish Priest of St Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills. We, the Samoan people are always thankful for Sacred Heart Parish for having your church for our people to gather and worship during the time of Fr Carl Ashton and Fr Florito. I am deeply humbled to be your priest of the parish. I thank our Bishop and the Diocese of Parramatta for the opportunity to serve you. I thank also to Msg Ron McFarlane and Deacon Roderick for your pastoral care. Thank you, Fr Ashton for your prayers and support for the parish. To Fr Florito, although for a short period of time, he has devoutly cared for our parish. We entrust ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Without any doubt, we will have plenty of challenges ahead of us which look difficult, but the Lord is always with us.

BABYSITTER NEEDED:

One of our parishioners is looking for a babysitter on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 8-10 pm in Mt Druitt. Contact Martha on 0450215922

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm 6th Week Ordinary Time (A)**
 Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am**

Weekday Masses & Communion

Services Monday 9.10 am Mon 6th week Ord Time (*comm serv*)
 Tuesday 9.10 am **St Cyril and Methodius**
 Wednesday 7.00pm Wed 6th Week Ord Time
 Thursday 9.10am Thurs 6th Week Ord Time
 Friday 9.10am Fri 6th Week Ord Time
 Saturday 9.10am Sat 6th week Ord Time
Confessions Saturday: 5.00-5.30 PM

Pastoral Director: **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**
Resident Priest: **Fr Marcus Hazelman**
Parish Chairperson: **Teresa Samuels**
Church Office: 22 Ropes Creek Rd, Mt. Druitt Ph: 98323896
Email: moundruittsouth@parracatholic.org
Website: <https://southmoundruitt.org.au>
Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only

Masterclass for Mentor Married Couples: 24 March The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than 5 years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give time limited assistance to couples preparing for marriage? Join us for a Masterclass on Friday 24 March at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on Mentoring engaged couples in your Parish. using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance or to ask further questions, please email met@parracatholic.org or phone Marisa on (02) 88383460

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
11/12th February 6 th Week Ordinary	Hermi Villarica Wendy Farquharson	Annette Wiggins Elijah Merjudio	Leo Macatangay Aloysius Wong
18th/19th February 7 th Week Ordinary	Pio Vergara Montana Farquharson	Grace Bondoc Thomas Merjudio	Matthias Wong Jovita Bugayong
25th/26th February 1 st Sunday of LENT	Sara Mandonca Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Grace Bondoc	Mark Buhagiar Herbie Cruz
4th/5th March 2 nd Sunday of LENT	Gloria Cardoza Jeric Salazar	Vinod Nagaraja Philip Tonks	Mary Zore Fadi Antown

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 follow the law of the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation: Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

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

MET FaithLIFE Scripture Course: Starting 23 February

Want to learn more about the Bible? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on Scripture with Dr Michele Connolly rsj, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Thursdays: 23 February, 2 March and 9 March. Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP via <https://pfarra.org.au/faitlife/>

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pm to view weekend course dates in the New Year, 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 0419 242

CHURCH CLEANING
18th Feb: Ingrid & Nirmala

MET – Worship Celebrating Holy Week Seminar: 4 March

The MET - Worship team is organising a seminar for acolytes and ministers at the altar (senior servers) in preparation for the celebration of Holy Week. Presented by liturgist Chris Ohlsen, the session will be held on Saturday 4 March from 9.30am to 3pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. To RSVP by 28 February, please contact mary.gale@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3456.

Read up on Sr Nathalie Becquart's visit to Australia

The Diocese of Parramatta has created a number of resources, including video, on the Australian visit of Sr Nathalie Becquart XMCJ, the most senior woman in the Vatican. Read about her public events across the country, including an interview with veteran journalist Geraldine Doogue, on the 'St Nathalie Becquart' hub on the *Catholic Outlook* website - catholicoutlook.org

MET Lenten Music Formation Session: 13 February

Musicians and liturgy planners are invited to attend an evening exploring music for Lent on Monday 13 February from 7pm to 8.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. The session will be presented by Eric Grella, Music Formation Facilitator, MET, and Assistant Music Director at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. To RSVP, please contact hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org