

Parish Notices.

1. Young Adult formation this Sunday at the Hustle Minchinbury at 7pm. Speaker: Deacon Tom Green on Faith and Reason.
2. Funeral of Mary Mallet (parishioner) at St Aiden's Church Rooty Hill on Wed 8.3.2023 at 11am.
3. Lenten program this Thursday 9th March at 7pm- The Samaritan Woman: reflections, questions and prayers, Leader: Fr Marcus.
4. This Friday Mass is at 7pm followed by "The Way of the Cross" at 7.30pm led by the Legion of Mary.
5. Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is open. Please contact the office on 98323896 or take a registration form from the back of the church and email it to the parish office.
6. Pastoral council meeting on Monday 20th March at 7.30pm. A representative of each ministry of the parish to attend.

Project Compassion



Tereesa's story

Australia

Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. Through the Baabayn Young Mums and Bubs Group, Tereesa was able to reconnect with her culture and create a better future for her children.



PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Maria Belisario, Stella Edwards, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Ernie Merjudio, Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Virgilio Manalac; Rita Schembri;

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anthony Leong; Paul (Saki) Faleono; Thomas Dubier; Roxanne Cavanagh; Primitivo Capistrano Obra; Marjorie Tonks; Eduardo Diocera; Mary Mallet

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Lily Abreo; Alfredo Jose Aviles; Estafania Chua; Rodrigo de Jesus; Tony & Grace Esquilla; Malcolm Farquharson; Helen Foley; Veronica Fowler; John Fraser; Keith Freer; Edwin Gabell; Howard Himes; Alice Iglesias; Monica Joson; Battoh & Najeba Korial; Pat Lavis; Dancy Lim; Anday Llave & husband; Romulo & Concordia Llave; Joseph Lukasiewicz; Nilo Mercado; Emilia Nacua; Zofia & Jan Nawrocki; Jose & Matilde Nicodemus; Armie Osual; Domingo & Dominigo Penales; Neville Pentony; Arnella Plan; Conchita Roberts; Leo Salazar; Dawood & Jamil Shabo; Tereza Shamon; Jozefa Staszak; Juanta & Rocardo Tionloc; Gerald Vaz; Genoveva Vergara; Patricia Wiggins; Turi TeWhata;

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

2nd Sunday of Lent (A)

5th March 2023



From Deacon Rod's desk The Glory of the Transfiguration.

Jesus defines glory very differently than we do. Real glory, for him, is not the glory of winning a gold medal, of being a champion, of winning an Oscar, or of being an object of envy because of our looks or our achievements. Glory consists in being deep in compassion, forgiveness, and graciousness—and these are not often spawned by worldly success, by being better-looking, brighter, richer, or better muscled than those around us.

We all nurse the secret dream of glory. Partly this is healthy, a sign that we are emotionally well. However, this is something that needs to grow and mature inside of us. Our secret dream of glory is meant to mature so that eventually we will begin, more and more, to envision ourselves as standing out, not by talent, looks, muscles, and speed, but by the depth of our compassion and the quality of our forgiveness.

Deacon Rod

SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

Gospel Parallels

The account of the Transfiguration appears in all three synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke). The word, synoptic, means 'seen together' and these three gospels can be seen together because they have so much material in common. It is now accepted that the gospel of Mark was the first written as so much of it appears in the other two, while the gospels of Matthew and Luke both seem to have also drawn on another source of Jesus material (known as the 'Q' source). Despite the parallels, each writer uses the same story to convey the particular message of that gospel.



On Thursdays during LENT: Reflection on the Sunday Gospel at 7pm.

On Fridays: Mass at 7pm followed by the Way of the Cross.

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm 2nd Sunday of Lent (A)**
 Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am.**

Weekday Masses & Communion

Services Monday 9.10 am Mon 2nd^t Week of Lent (**comm serv**)
 Tuesday 9.10 am Tues 2nd^t Week of Lent
 Wednesday 7.00pm Wed 2nd Week of Lent
 Thursday 9.10am Thurs 2nd Week of Lent
 Friday **7.00pm** 2nd Week of Lent.
 Saturday 9.10am Sat 2nd Week of Lent
Confessions Saturday: 5.00-5.30 PM

Pastoral Director: **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**
Resident Priest: **Fr Marcus Hazelman**
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Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only

Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday 7.30pm (Adults 18+). Junior meeting every Friday (those of Holy Communion age and above to 18). This is a Catholic action group which is found worldwide and has been based in this parish for over 30 years. The aim of this lay apostolate is to spread the Word of God and self-sanctification. For further info please contact **JOHN BUHAGIAR** on:0434717782.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
4th/5th March 2 nd Sunday of LENT	Gloria Cardoza Jeric Salazar	Vinod Nagaraja Philip Tonks	Mary Zore Fadi Antown
11th/12th March 3 rd Sunday of LENT	Luisito Villapna Herminia Villarica	Grace Bondoc Thomas Merjudio	Agnes Polu Florita Abolencea
18th/19th March 4 th Sunday of LENT	Edna Gemzon Jeric Salazar	Joaquim Mendes Elijah Merjudio	Bethany Behagiar Leo Macatangay
25th/26th March 5 th Sunday of LENT	Pio Vergara Wendy Farquharson	Philip Tonks Grace Bondoc	Aloysius Wong Matthias Wong

Entrance Antiphon: Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

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. 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) 8838 3460.



CHURCH CLEANING
11th March: Jerry & Gloria

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.

Greystanes Parish is hiring! Maintenance and Cleaning

Two employment positions at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes, are available for 8-10 hours a week, or the possibility of combining both roles.

Role 1: Maintenance and improvement works in the buildings and grounds – Requires proven handy-person skills with trade experience or equivalent.

Role 2: Cleaning and hygiene care for offices, bathrooms and meeting areas – Requires practical experience and pride in work
Role descriptions are available. Please contact Christine via (02) 9631 8135 or parishoffice@olqp.org.au

Mt Schoenstatt 24 Hours for the Lord: 17 – 18 March

Come and spend some time with Our Lord and Our Lady in the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine, Mulgoa, beginning with 6pm Mass on Friday 17 March, followed by Reconciliation from 7:15pm – 10pm. On Saturday, Reconciliation will be held at 10am-12pm, and at 3pm-4.45pm with a Vigil Mass at 5pm. The Shrine will be welcoming people for prayer for the full 24 Hours. Groups to lead prayer are welcome. Contact paulandramani@gmail.com