

Parish Notices.

1. The Autumn edition of the Catholic Outlook is out at the back of the Church to collect for free.
2. I will be in Melbourne next weekend on a special invitation from the Maltese Community who are celebrating the feast of the Annunciation. Any queries please direct them to Fr Marcus.
3. There will be a Mass on Easter Monday and the Monday 17th April at 9.10am.
4. Joseph Portelli, one of our young parishioner is going to WYD with the Diocese of Sydney. If people want to support him, raffle tickets are on sale with credit cards. \$5. First prize is a car.
5. From today, the offertory gifts will be brought up from the back of the Church by parishioners for all weekend Masses.
6. On Sunday 16th April – Divine Mercy Sunday, there will be adoration between 3-4pm in our Sacred Heart church with the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. All are welcomed.



Sacrament of Confirmation

**FORMATION SESSIONS in the Parish HALL
at 4pm till 5.15pm**

Saturdays:

29th April (parents must attend)

6th May

13th May

20th May

**CONFIRMATION on SUNDAY 21st May at
11AM MASS**

Parents are invited for all other sessions.

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; Maureen Farquharson.

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

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES Nena Abrigo; Lena Aziz; Aurelio Batarao; Pros Batin; Clarito Enriquez; Romeo Cruz; Alfonso Del Fierro; Rosita Escaro; Ramon Eusebio; Boy Guerrero; Leandro Hernandez; Matthew Holmes; Sobhi Hormoz; Ricardo Jionloc; Gabie Jose; Isidro Llave Jr; Gwendoline McLoed; Armando Lugod; Evelyn Merjudio; Rosita Merjudio; Gregorio Merjudio; Teresa, Jesus, Antonio MIGUEL; Fr Renato Panas; Emilio Panlaan Sr. Jesus Paras; Erdulfo Penafiel; Domingo Penales; Mareta Penese; Maria & Louis Pereira; Andrew Rylweski; Maryam Toma; Elisa San Jose; Marciana Uy; Melicio Vergara.

Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

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EASTER SUNDAY (A)

9th April 2023



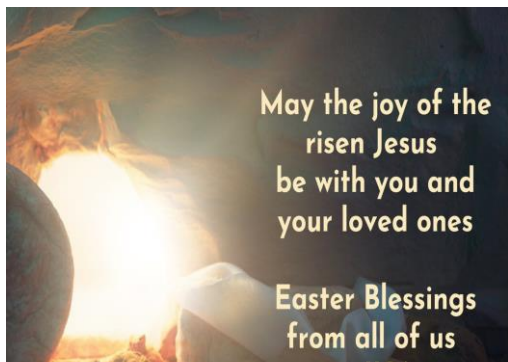
From Deacon Rod's desk

At Easter Vigil the cantor sings: 'Oh, truly necessary sin of Adam, blotted out by the death of Christ! O blessed fault, which won so great a redeemer!'

It sounds not right to sing in praise of sin. Even though Christ's death has taken our sin away, is it right to rejoice about sin? Original sin was not really a good or blessed event. Yet we rejoice. Without sin the reason for Christ's coming would have been absent. With it, Christ's healed arms can sweep us up, comfort and absolve and hold us. So, we are blessed beyond words. In its midst, night carries the promise of light. In their revolt, sins carry the pledge of forgiveness.

"O truly blessed night, in which earth is wedded to heaven, and humans to God!"

The light is coming. Several rows of people have their candles lit. Over there, several more. Soon half the church awakens to Christ's gentle light. Then all. Morning has eased their faces into daylight, into the soft, humble glow. Christ became the light. Christ is the light.



A BIG
Thank
YOU

*To all who assisted in the
preparation of the TRIDUUM
Liturgy.*

Fr Marcus & Deacon Rod

Sunday Masses **Saturday** 7.00 pm **Easter Vigil (A)**
Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am.

Weekday Masses Monday 9.10 am Easter Mon
Tuesday 9.10 am Easter Tues
Wednesday 7.00pm Easter Wed
Thursday 9.10 am Easter Thurs
Friday 9.10 am Easter Friday
Saturday 6.00pm Easter Sat
Confessions Saturday: 5.00-5.30 PM

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Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia,

Responsorial Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; Therefore, let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

| Readers | 6.00pm | 7.30am | 9.00am |
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| 8th April EASTER VIGIL 7pm | Grace Bondoc Aloysius Wong Jeric Salazar Gloria Cardoza Fadi Antown | 9th April EASTER Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes | 9th April EASTER Matthias Wong Mary Zore |
| 15th/16th April 2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy | Wendy Farquharson Luisito Villapana | Thomas Merjudio Philip Tonks | Jovita Bugayong Herbie Cruz |
| 22nd/23rd April 3rd Sunday of Easter | Hermina Villarica Pio Vergara | Elijah Merjudio Vinod Nagaraja | Bethany Buhagiar Herbie Cruz |
| 29th/30th April 4th Sunday of Easter | Edna Gemzon Jeric Salazar | Grace Bondoc Thomas Merjudio | Mark Buhagiar Florita Abolencea |

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Schoenstatt Graces of the Shrine Reflection: 16 April

The Men's Ministry at the Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, Mulgoa, is hosting a reflection on 'Mission', one of the graces of the Schoenstatt Shrine on Sunday 16 April from 9am to 10.30am, with an optional Mass at 11am. Having found a home in our Shrine and having had a conversion of heart, how can we now go out in mission and tell the Good News? For more information, please contact Jim on 0432 487 927.

Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend: 6-7 May

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. The next Engaged Encounter Weekend will be held on 6 – 7 May. If COVID restrictions prevent a face-to-face weekend, it will be held via Zoom. For further information and to register, visit www.engagedencounter.org.au/

CHURCH CLEANING:
Nirmala & Irene

MET FaithLIFE Scripture Course: Starting 2 May

Want to learn more about different ways to pray? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on "Prayer" with Br Barry Donaghue, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Tuesday: 2 + 9 + 16 May. Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>

Liturgical Music Workshop: 4 May

Musicians, Clergy & Liturgy Planners are invited to attend a Music Workshop Presented by Eric Grella on Singing the Psalms & Chant on Thursday 4 May from 7pm - 8:30pm at 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP by 1 May to hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org

Diocesan Food and Toiletries Drive for Refugees

Each week, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) and the House of Welcome (HoW) provide much needed food and toiletry items to hundreds of Refugees from across the Diocese of Parramatta. These services depend on donations. You can organise a food and toiletries drive in your parish, school or workplace, or make a cash donation to support JRS and HoW. Find more information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

Kellyville Parish Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations: 16 April

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, on Sunday 16 April starting with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 1pm followed by a Procession, Rosary in five languages, Divine Mercy Novena, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction before Holy Mass at 3pm. Confessions from 1pm. Piety items for sale. Bring pictures and statues for special blessing. Refreshments available after Holy Mass. Everyone is most welcome.