

Parish Notices.

1. Father's Day appeal envelopes are on the pews to be collected next weekend 2-3 September.
2. Music workshop presented by Eric Grella on selecting music for the Mass on Thursday 7th September 2023 at the Bede Heather Centre. 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown. Register now. Phone:0460037795.
3. Diocesan Adult Confirmation: 5 September 2023.at 7:30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral with the Catechesis and Formation Day to be held on Saturday 2 September at 9:30am – 2pm at the Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.
4. From today until Thursday 7 September 2023, you can nominate an outstanding individual who has contributed to the Catholic Church and society for a Papal Honours Award, Please visit parracatholic.org/awards. The Awards Ceremony will be held in November. More details to come.
5. Fr. Marcus' day off is on Mondays. We will have Communion Service on that day. Deacon Rod's Day off is on Thursdays. Parish Office is closed on that day.

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal: Caring for those who have cared for us

Our priests never stop giving their lives in service to our community. They dedicate themselves to carrying out God's ministry for as long as they are able. This Father's Day, let us show our thanks and appreciation for our priests' lifelong gifts of faithful service. Your compassionate donation will help our Clergy Support Foundation to care for our priests, and provide them with personalised health and wellbeing support. Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or scan this QR code. Thank you.



PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Maria Belisario, Stella Edwards, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Ernie Merjudio, Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Sheila Glennon.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Audrey Patchell; Max Taylor, David Healy; Adoracion Atega; Fr Carl Ashton; Rita Schembri; Nadia Gomes; Paciencia P Danza.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Doreen Austin; Augustus del Castillo; Stephanie Fancis; Cora del Fierro; Gloria Fraser; Anastasia Glennon; Frank Healy; Marjorie Holmes; Hermoso Mesa; Gerry Montiero; Maria & Louis Periera; Mary & Anatolio Plan; Diedre Ranasinghe; Juana Reyes; Patrochinio & Edgar Michael Rosal; Julia Salazar; Vincent Sant; Alfred Schembri; Vicky Shuberg; Thomas Wiggins

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

21st Sunday Ordinary Time (A)

27th August 2023



From Deacon Rod's desk

THE CHURCH

The Church that emerges in the early years after the resurrection-ascension of Jesus is understood to be the intention of Jesus.

That Church is a confessing Church; it is a community of disciples which acknowledges that Jesus is 'the Christ [= Messiah], the Son of the living God' (16:16). Its divine origins are to be noted. First, Peter's confession comes not from insight or intuition: it is a revelation from God (16:17). Thus, the Church comes into being through divine revelation. Second, the builder of the Church is Jesus himself and the Church is his: 'I will build my church' (16:18). The Church is unintelligible apart from the revelation of God and the work of Jesus Christ. These divine origins account for the Church's ability to withstand the power of the underworld and death (16:18).

In this Church Peter has a unique role. First, he is singularly 'blessed' (18:17) - the only apostle to be so blessed in any of the gospels. Second, Peter (the rock) is the foundation of the Church. This is metaphorical language; in other New Testament traditions the foundation is Jesus himself (e.g., 1 Cor 3:11), or the apostles as a group (e.g., Eph 2:20; Rev 21:14). The point in Matthew is to highlight Peter's special status. This is indicated by two prerogatives given to him by Jesus: the keys of the kingdom and authority to bind and loose (16:19).

Arise Women's Retreat: 16 September

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a day of reflection, inspiration and encounter with Christ at this year's Arise Women's Retreat: 'Arise – Talitha Koum – Little girl, I say ARISE' on Saturday 16 September from 8.30am to 8.30pm. The retreat will include Mass, meditation, talks, praise and worship, creative expression, spiritual direction and healing Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. All meals are included. For **bookings and more information**, please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1078404>

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm 21st Sunday Ordinary Time (A)**
Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am.**

Weekday MASSES & Communion Services (CS)

Monday 9.10 am **St Augustine (CS)**
Tuesday 9.10 am **The Passion of St John the Baptist**
Wednesday 7.00pm Wed 21st week Ordinary Time
Thursday 9.10 am Thurs 21st week Ordinary Time
Friday 9.10 am Fri 21st Week Ordinary Time
Saturday 9.10am Sat 21st Week Ordinary Time
Confessions Saturday: 9.45-10.15 AM & 5.00-5.30 PM

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Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only
Sacred Heart Primary School: [Sacred Heart Primary School | Mt Druitt South \(sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au\)](http://SacredHeartPrimarySchool|MtDruittSouth(sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au)) Tel: 9625 8733

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
26 th /27 th August 21 st Sunday OT	Gloria Cardoza Edna Gemzon	Vinod Nagaraja Phil Tonks	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong
2 nd /3 rd September 22 nd Sunday OT	Sr Agnes Luisito Villapana	Joaquim Mendes Elijah Merjudio	Bethany Buhagiar Leo Macatangay
9 th /10 th September 23 rd Sunday OT	Pio Vergara Gloria Cardoza	Thomas Merjudo Grace Bondoc	Mark Buhagiar Fadi Antown
16 th /17 th September 24 th Sunday OT	Jeric Salazar Herminia Villarica	Philip Tonks Vinod Nagaraja	Aloysius Wong Mary Zore

PLAN GIVING PROGRAM – Direct DEBIT.

2nd collection: BSB: 067-950 Acc No: 0000453

Account Name: Sacred Heart Mount Druitt South (s153)

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Nine-Week Novena for the Diocesan Synod

All are invited to pray a Nine-Week Novena for the Diocesan Synod. The Novena began the week of Sunday 13 August and will conclude the week of Sunday 8 October in the lead-up to the Synod Assembly: Friday 13 to Sunday 15 October. You are invited to pray once a week as a parish community, with your family, ministry groups or during personal prayer. More information:

<https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/>

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course commencing Monday 4th September 2023.

This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

CHURCH CLEANING:
Sat 2/9/23: Paul's family

Please join us for the Novena for the Feast of



at
Sacred Heart Parish, South Mount Druitt
9 Ropes Creek Road, Mount Druitt
from
30th August to 8th September

Novena Programme:

Wed, 30/08 - 7pm Mass followed by Rosary and Novena
Thur, 31/08 - 7pm Rosary, Novena and Benediction
Fri, 01/09 - 7pm Mass followed by Rosary and Novena
Sat, 02/09 - 6pm Mass followed by Rosary and Novena
Sun, 03/09 - 7pm Rosary, Novena and Benediction
Mon, 04/09 - 7pm Rosary, Novena and Benediction
Tue, 05/09 - 7pm Rosary, Novena and Benediction
Wed, 06/09 - 7pm Mass followed by Rosary and Novena
Thur, 07/09 - 7pm Rosary, Novena and Benediction

FEAST DAY - Birthday of Our Lady

Fri, 08/09 - 7pm Mass followed by light supper

Dads at the Shrine is a monthly hour of adoration held at the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mulgoa, next held Wednesday 13th September. The hour begins with a brief reflection before a time of silent prayer. Confessions are available. The evening finishes with a simple cup of tea. All dads are welcome. No RSVP is necessary. Any questions, contact Bernard, 0416 106 871.