

## Parish Notices.

1. Evaluation meeting of the Parish fete will take place this Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am after the 9am Mass.
2. Thank you for the Father's Day appeal for retired priests. Envelopes are still on the pews. Thank you for your generosity. The amount collected was \$1,400. You can still donate via the envelopes provided on pews.
3. Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at The Hustle (Unit 4, 4-6 Purdy Rd Minchinbury) at 7pm. The speaker is **Fr John Rizzo** who will talk about and lead discussion on purgatory and heaven. All adults 18-35 are encouraged to come along and enjoy some faith formation, pizza and fellowship. If you have any questions, please call Mark on 0477004687.
4. Our Parish and the Diocese of Parramatta are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people, and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work to build and support safe communities for all people. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023](http://www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023)
5. Plants for sale after each Mass this weekend. Money will go towards the fete and the needs of the parish.



## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 9am MASS. Registrations OPEN.

Preparation sessions for children & parents. Saturdays: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup> September & 7<sup>th</sup> October at 4PM in the PARISH HALL

## 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, Felise Laugutu Faleono; Douglas Kerr; Anthony Leong; Victor Sultana; Fr Lolesio Teo; Fr Faauli Lagaia; Fr Niusila

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Ester Abelardo; Jaime Bal; Marija Blazevic; Irene Britto; Mariano Bunag; Bonifacio Cabahug; Edwin Cardoza; Gregoria & Juan Castro; Bailia Chua; Peter Constatine; George D'Cruz; Michaelangelo Della-Bon; Manual Dias; Francis Duffy; Regina Eronico; Primitivo Enriquez; Aproniano Estoque; Paul (Saki) Faleono; Rene Felix; Melyn Fernandes; Bernabe Funelas; Maxima Gemzon; Andrew Gove; Lourdes Guerrero; Victor Hawkins Sr; Flocerfida Katigbac; Naziha Maklouf; Ernesto Ontiveros Jn; Jose Padilla; Louis, Xavier & John Manuel Pereira; Benjamin Recto Jn; Clair De Los Reyes; Verginia Sant; Benny Sultana; Aurora Verna; Minnie Williams.

**Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.**



## SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

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**23rd Sunday Ordinary Time (A)      10th September 2023**



### **From Deacon Rod's desk .....**

#### **The Sacrament of the SICK.**

When a Catholic is very sick, the Church anoints the person with oil in a special ritual of healing called Anointing of the Sick. Traditionally referred to as Extreme Unction or Last Rites, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is administered both **to the dying** and to those who are **gravely ill or are about to undergo a serious operation**, for the recovery of their health and for spiritual strength. It is a ritual of healing appropriate not only for physical but also for mental and spiritual sickness.

*"Is any man sick among you? Let him bring in the "priests" of the church, and let them pray over him." – James 5:14*

This sacrament is a true sacrament instituted by Christ and proclaimed by St James. It is administered by anointing with blessed oil accompanied by prayer. Only a priest can validly administer it. It can be received by **any baptised person who has reached the age of reason** and is on account of sickness or age in danger of death. Its effect is the strengthening of the soul, often of the body as well, and in the necessary conditions remission of sins. This rite is one way in which the Church continues the healing ministry of Jesus. The healing offered by this anointing is forgiveness of sins, hope and inner peace, sometimes physical healing, and an assurance of God's steadfast care, even in death.

In the past, this sacrament was often kept strictly for those close to death. In more recent years the Church has encouraged greater use of this sacrament for illness which is not necessarily life-threatening. As with all the sacraments, this anointing has significance for the whole Church. It reminds us of our call to wholeness and our call to be a sign of salvation to the world. Wherever there is brokenness, we are to be instruments of Christ's healing touch.

A person may be anointed during any weekday Mass before surgery or medical treatment, and at other times by request to a priest. *(source: Archdiocese of Adelaide)*

**Sunday Masses**

**Saturday  
Sunday**

**6.00 pm 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time (A)  
7.30 am & 9.00am.**

**Weekday MASSES & Communion Services (CS)**

Monday 9.10 am Mon 23rd week of Ordinary Time (CS)  
Tuesday 9.10 am Tues 23rd week of Ordinary Time  
Wednesday 7.00pm **St John Chrysostom**  
Thursday 9.10 am The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Friday 9.10 am **Our Lady of Sorrows**  
Saturday 9.10am **Sts Cornelius and Cyprian Martyrs**  
Saturday: 9.45-10.15 AM & 5.00-5.30 PM

Confessions

**Pastoral Director:**

**Deacon Roderick Pirotta**

**Resident Priest:**

**Fr Marcus Hazelman:**

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**Parish Chairperson:**

Teresa Samuels

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**Parish Website:**

<https://southmoundruitt.org.au>

**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:** You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Responsorial Psalm:** O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

**Gospel Acclamation.** Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

| <b>Readers</b>   | <b>6.00pm</b>                          | <b>7.30am</b>                   | <b>9.00am</b>                |
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| 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> September<br>23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday OT  | Pio Vergara<br>Gloria Cardoza          | Thomas Merjudio<br>Grace Bondoc | Mark Buhagiar<br>Fadi Antown |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> September<br>24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT | Jeric Salazar<br>Herminia Villarica    | Philip Tonks<br>Vinod Nagaraja  | Aloysius Wong<br>Mary Zore   |
| 23/24 <sup>th</sup> September<br>25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT                | Luisito Villapana<br>Wendy Farquharson | Grace Bondoc<br>Joaquim Mendes  | Matthias Wong<br>Mary Zore.  |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup> October<br>26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT    | Gloria Cardoza<br>Edna Gemzon          | Elijah Merjudio<br>Philip Tonks | Sr Agnes<br>Leo Macatangay   |



**To all parishioners & Sponsors for your support towards the Parish Fete 2023.**

**Fete Raffle WINNERS**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Suzie; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Mary Zore  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Hubert; 4<sup>th</sup> Prize: Lennie &  
5<sup>th</sup> Prize: Monica.

## 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/>

### **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.

### **Glenmore Park St Padre Pio Feast Day Celebrations**

Everyone is invited to join us for our parochial feast of St Padre Pio. Three Day Triduum:

**Thursday 21 September – 7.00pm** Novena to St Padre Pio and Mass

•**Friday 22 September – 7.00pm** Novena to St Padre Pio and Mass

•**Saturday 23 September – 5.30pm** Novena to St Padre Pio and Vigil Mass Feast Day: Sunday 24 September. At 10am: Solemn Procession with the Relic of St. Padre Pio, Solemn Feast Day Mass, Enquiries: 4789 2232.

### **Spring | Season of Creation 2023 Catholic Outlook Magazine out now.**

The Spring | Season of Creation 2023 edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine – the news and views of the Diocese of Parramatta – is out now! In this edition, we welcome home our World Youth Day pilgrims and we ground ourselves spiritually and environmentally in this Season of Creation. Pick up your free copy from parishes and offices across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains today or read it online via [catholicoutlook.org/magazine](http://catholicoutlook.org/magazine).

### **Masterclass for Sponsor Married Couples: 19 October**

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 Thursday 19 October at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on Sponsoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance in-person or via Zoom or to ask further questions, please email [marriage@parracatholic.org](mailto:marriage@parracatholic.org) or phone Marisa on (02) 8838 3460.

### **CHURCH CLEANING:**

Sat16/9/23: Jerry & Gloria