

## **Parish Notices.**

1. Last chance: Plants for sale after each Mass this weekend by donation. Money will go towards the fete and the needs of the parish.
2. Catholic Outlook is now available. Pick a free copy from the back of the Church.
3. After communion during the 9am Mass this weekend, we will have two pilgrims from World Youth Day (WYD23) sharing their experiences with us.
4. Preparation for the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion continue every Saturday at 4PM in the Parish Hall.

### **Kairos Prison Ministry for Women Weekend: 10 – 12 November**

This support group is for women who have family members serving a prison sentence. Live-in weekends are held twice a year at Mt Schoenstatt, Mulgoa. This is a safe space where women can meet and share with others their challenges. The next weekend will be held November 10 – 12, 2023. If you would like more information, please contact your parish team.



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

Preparation sessions for children & parents. Saturdays: 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; Eugenia Wrzosek; Ralston Pietersz.

**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'Crux; 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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**24th Sunday Ordinary Time (A) 17th September 2023**



## **From Fr Marcus's desk .....**

### ***Forgiveness comes from God.***

In the blink of an eye a beautiful moment turned into the worst moment of my life," she said between tears. "I will never forget being there and feeling helpless, as much as I tried to help I couldn't. "I struggled so much to forgive myself let alone to forgive the driver." "But by forgiveness and hope helped me through it. (Mabelle Kassas-survivor of the tragedy crash at Otlands three years ago)

We were all shocked when this happened, and in astonishment that the mother, Mrs Leila Abdulla and her husband Mr David Abdulla, publicly forgave the young drunk driver. This great act of forgiveness has helped their family members through this tragedy. Their story eventually made it to the Vatican where they shared their experience with Pope Francis. We all have our own "tragedies" that have hurt us to the core of our hearts. It is very normal reaction for us to feel resentment, rage and revenge towards those who have hurt us.

Jesus today tells St. Peter to forgive others and like St Peter, we are not always ready to accept this. It is challenging but in order to forgive, we need God to help us: we need faith, humility and a great effort on our part to understand forgiveness. Mabelle, who is a young person, learnt this in the hardest way but she tells Australia and the world that forgiveness and hope helped her profoundly. Let us turn to God to help us to forgive because: *"the Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, but rich in compassion."*

*Fr Marcus*

**Sunday Masses**      **Saturday**    **6.00 pm 24th Sunday Ordinary Time (A)**  
**Sunday**            **7.30 am & 9.00am.**

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

Monday            9.10 am    Mon 24th week of Ordinary Time (CS)  
Tuesday            9.10 am    Tues 24th week of Ordinary Time  
Wednesday       7.00pm    Sts A. Kim, P. Ha-sang & Comps.  
Thursday        9.10 am    St Matthew Apostle and Evangelist.  
Friday            9.10 am    Fri 24th week of Ordinary Time  
Saturday          9.10am    **St Pius of Pietrelcina**  
Saturday:        9.45-10.15 AM & 5.00-5.30 PM

Confessions

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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:** Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

**Gospel Acclamation.** Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

<b>Readers</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> September 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT	Jeric Salazar Herminia Villarica	Philip Tonks Vinod Nagaraja	Aloysius Wong Mary Zore
23/24 <sup>th</sup> September 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT	Luisito Villapana Wendy Farquharson	Grace Bondoc Joaquim Mendes	Matthias Wong Mary Zore.
30 <sup>th</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup> October 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT	Gloria Cardoza Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Philip Tonks	Sr Agnes Leo Macatangay
7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> October 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday OT	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Vinod Nagaraja Thomas Merjudio	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong

## DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

### **Ordination to the Presbyterate: 21 September**

Bishop Vincent Long and the Diocese of Parramatta invite you to the Ordination to the Presbyterate of **Tom Green on Thursday 21 September at 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral**, Parramatta. Please RSVP to [hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org](mailto:hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org) if you can attend.

### **Diocesan Interfaith Commission Walking Together for Peace gathering: 21 September.**

The Interfaith Commission Diocese of Parramatta invite you to an interfaith gathering to mark the *UN International Day of Peace*. Have a real conversation and positive dialogue with people from faiths different to your own. The gathering will be held on **Thursday 21 September from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.**

### **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:**

Sat 23/9/23: Legion of Mary Jn.