

Parish Notices.

1. Today at 3PM we have the Devotion for Divine Mercy led by Fr Marcus.
2. Parish finance meeting is on this Monday 2nd October at 7.30pm.
3. Devotion of the Two Hearts this Friday 6th October. Mass at 7.00pm followed by adoration during the night.
4. Last session for the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion continue next two Saturdays at 4PM in the Parish Hall.
5. This coming Sat. **7th October**, we will have the Sacrament of the Sick within the 9.10am Mass. Those who are eligible and wish to receive the Sacrament, can come forward to receive the Sacrament after the homily.
6. Summertime begins today. Put your clocks forward by 1 hour.

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region - The Caqliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 months) volunteers for departure in January 2024 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31st, 2023. Send us an enquiry - www.caqliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

YOUNG ADULTS' FAITH FORMATION

Sun 8 October @ The Hustle

Speaker: Fr John Rizzo on
"Heaven and Purgatory"

7.00-8.30PM

Confessions: Saturday 7th October
@5.15pm.

First HOLY Communion

Sunday 8th October 9am MASS.

Preparation sessions for children & parents. Last session: 7th 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: 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; Ian Henry Marks.

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

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 tel: 98323896

26th Sunday Ordinary Time (A) 1st October 2023



From Fr Marcus' desk

The readings for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A focus on staying on the path of discipleship. When we do sin, we need to turn back to God. He will show us the way. It requires a humble heart to admit we have sinned and seek to get back on the right path. Christ is our model of obedience and humility.

- **Parable of Two Sons:** The parable of the two sons highlights the theme of obedience and response to God's call. The contrast between the two sons' initial reactions illustrates the importance of genuine actions over empty promises.
- **Repentance and Actions:** The son who initially refused but later obeyed his father showcases the theme of repentance and transformation. This emphasizes the possibility of change and the significance of aligning one's actions with God's will.
- **Hypocrisy and Self-Deception:** The theme of hypocrisy and self-deception is evident as Jesus contrasts verbal agreement with actual obedience. He challenges the religious leaders' outward appearances that mask their lack of genuine response.
- **Tax Collectors and Prostitutes:** Jesus' reference to tax collectors and prostitutes entering the kingdom ahead of the religious leaders emphasizes the theme of unexpected redemption. This highlights God's willingness to forgive and transform even those society deems less worthy.
- **Belief and Transformation:** The parable's focus on the son's eventual change highlights the theme of belief leading to transformation. This emphasizes the importance of faith that results in authentic life changes.
- **Humble Acceptance of God's Will:** The son's shift from rebellion to obedience showcases the theme of humbly accepting God's will. This emphasizes the value of yielding to God's plans rather than asserting our own desires.

WE NEED CATECHISTS in COLYTON Primary School.

If you feel called to teach the Good News to children, please contact Deacon Rod with your interest. Formation and support will be given.

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm 26th Sunday Ordinary Time (A)**
Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am.**

Weekday MASSES & Communion Services (CS)

Monday 9.10 am The Holy Guardian Angels. (CS)
 Tuesday 9.10 am Tues 26th Week of Ordinary Time
 Wednesday 7.00pm **St Francis of Assisi.**
Thursday 9.10 am Thurs 26th week of Ordinary Time
Friday 9.10 am Fri 26th Week of Ordinary Time
 7.00 pm Devotion of Two Hearts Mass.
 Saturday 9.10am **Our Lady of the Rosary**
 Saturday: 9.45-10.15 AM & 5.00-5.30 PM

Confessions

Pastoral Director:

Deacon Roderick Pirotta

Resident Priest:

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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://Sacred Heart Primary School | Mt Druitt South (sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au) Tel: 9625 8733

Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Responsorial Psalm: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation. Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
30 th /1 st October 26 th Sunday OT	Gloria Cardoza Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Philip Tonks	Sr Agnes Leo Macatangay
7 th /8 th October 27 th Sunday OT	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Vinod Nagaraja Thomas Merjudio	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong
14/15 th October 28 th Sunday OT	Pio Vergara Herminia Villarica	Philip Tonks Grace Bondoc	Bethany Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
21/22 nd October	Wendy Farquharson	Joaquim Mendes	Matthias Wong

Advertisements: 1. **Chrysalis law Group.** Wills, Power of Attorney, Enduring Guardianship. Wills Hotline: 0493780719; francis@chrysalislegal.com.au

2. **Mathematics Tuition** available for Year 7 - Year 12. Contact: 0469078225

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

YOUNG ADULTS FAITH FORMATION



Join Fr John Rizzo to discuss

HEAVEN & PURGATORY

followed by fun, fellowship and pizza



For adults 18-35 **SUN 8TH
OCTOBER**
The Hustle 7:00-8:30
Unit 4
4-6 Purdy St Suggested
Minchinbury donation: \$5

Week 8 of the Nine-Week Novena for the Diocesan Synod

This Sunday 1 October is the beginning of Week 8 of the Nine-Week Novena for the Diocesan Synod. Join the whole Diocesan community in continuing to pray for our first Diocesan Synod 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/>

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 or phone Marisa on (02) 8838 3460.

Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass: 29 October

The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 29 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3460 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome.

Positions Vacant:

Prevention, Healing and Support Specialist – Diocese of Parramatta – **Applications close 13 October 2023**
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

CHURCH CLEANING:

Sat 7/10/23: Paul & family..