

Parish Notices.

1. Young Adult formation (18-35 yrs) are meeting on Sunday 4th February at the Hustle Minchinbury. Topic: 'The Principles of Catholic Moral Thinking' by Dr Mariusz Biliniewicz.
2. Parish Finance Committee will meet on Monday 5th February at 7.30pm in the new meeting room.
3. **Safeguarding:** Cyle 1 Modules 1-3 will be held in our parish Hall on Saturday 17th Feb 2024 from 10am -3pm. If you are new to Parish Ministry, all volunteers in religious ministry are Mandatory Reporters.
4. Confirmation 2024 at Sacred Heart: 12th May 2024. Celebrant: Bishop Vincent Long.
5. **Liturgical Ministry Course returns in February 2024.** We need more ministers of the Altar and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist for the sick.
6. Death anniversaries for the month of **January 2024 ONLY** can be written on the **Family book of Remembrance** at the back of the Church.



In the last Parish Pastoral Council meeting, it was proposed that on the 1st death anniversary of Fr Carl's, we will name our Parish Hall in honour of him. Hence the Hall will be named:

"Fr Carl Ashton Hall".

The new meeting room will be named:

"**Mt Schoenstatt Meeting Room**", to acknowledge the pioneers of this parish.

Any comments or ideas of alternate names are welcomed.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Maureen Farquharson; Jolanda Pavlovic

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sheila Glennon; Fracia A. Florido; Manuel Escaro; Roy Stephens; Francisca Fronda; Antonio Lapuz;

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Jeffery Atoa; Florence Andrews; Esther Blando; Akenese Malia Faamausili; Olivia Galicia; Angelo Merjudio; Marie McLeod; Amelia Osbual; Alfred Schembri; Gina Tomicic.

Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

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3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 21st January 2024



From Fr Marcus's desk

Call to Repentance and Conversion:

Both Jonah's message to Nineveh and Jesus' proclamation in the Gospel emphasize the need for repentance. This theme invites the faithful to reflect on their own lives and the need for ongoing conversion.

- **Divine Mercy and Forgiveness:** The story of Nineveh's redemption highlights God's mercy and readiness to forgive when people turn away from their wrongdoings and seek His forgiveness.
- **Guidance and Trust in God:** Psalm 25 speaks to seeking and trusting in God's guidance, emphasizing the importance of humility and faith in God's paths and truths.
- **The Urgency of the Gospel Call:** The immediacy with which the disciples respond to Jesus' call in the Gospel of Mark reflects the urgent nature of embracing the Gospel and following Christ.
- **Transience of Worldly Life:** In the second reading from 1 Corinthians, there is an emphasis on the fleeting nature of earthly experiences and the importance of focusing on eternal truths.
- **Vocation and Discipleship:** The call of the first disciples illustrates the concept of vocation and the transformative journey of following Jesus, changing one's life direction to align with His mission.
- **God's Kingdom is at Hand:** Jesus' proclamation that the kingdom of God is near invites reflection on the presence and reality of God's kingdom in our lives and world.

Church Air Conditioners Appeal: The two front air conditioners in the Church are not working and beyond repair. Donations to install two new aircons are welcomed. Currently we are getting some quotes.

Thank you in advance.

Sunday Masses	Saturday	6.00 pm	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)
	Sunday	7.30 am & 9.00am	
Weekday Masses	Monday	9.10am	Mon 3 rd Week Ordinary Time (CS)
	Tuesday	9.10 am	Tues 3 rd Week Ordinary Time
	<u>Wednesday</u>	7.00pm	St Francis de Sales
	<u>Thursday</u>	9.10am	Conversion of St Paul (Feast)
	<u>Friday</u>	9.10am	Australia Day
	Saturday	9.10am	Sat 3 rd Week Ordinary Time
Confessions	<u>Saturday:</u>	4.30pm - 5.30pm (during Advent)	

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Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
20 th /21 st January 3 rd Sunday OT	Goria Cardoza Jeric Salazar	Philip Tonks Vinod Nagaraja	Bethany Buhagiar Jovita Bugayong
27 th /28 th January 4 th Sunday OT	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Grace Bondoc Elijah Merjudio	Bethany Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
3 rd / 4 th February 5 th Sunday OT	Luisito Villapana Herminia Villarica	Thomas Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Agnes Polu Matthias Wong
10 th / 11 th February 6 th Sunday OT	Pio Vergara Sara Mandonca	Vinod Nagaraja Philp Tonks	Mary Zore Leo Macatangay

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

Responsorial Psalm: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Music for Lent Workshop: 12 February 2024

Musicians and Liturgy Planners are invited to attend an evening exploring Music for Lent on Monday 12 February 2024 from 7pm to 8.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. The session will be presented by Eric Grella, Music Formation Facilitator, Mission Enhancement Team. To RSVP, please contact mary.gale@parracatholic.org by 5 February 2024.

Bishop Vincent presents a conversation with Monsignor Tomas Halik: 12 February

The Diocese of Parramatta invites you to a conversation with Czech priest and theologian Monsignor Tomas Halik on Monday 12 February at 6pm at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta. Registration is free, but places are strictly limited. Visit <https://parracatholic.org/events/tomashalik/> to register.

Diocesan World Day of the Sick Mass: 10 February 2024

A Mass for the World Day of the Sick, including the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, will be held at 11am on Saturday 10 February 2024 at St Patrick's Church, Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown. All are welcome, including those who may be sick, and those who care for the sick and dying and health care professionals. RSVPs are required by 6 February 2024 to mary.gale@parracatholic.org

NEW Diocesan website launched

The new parracatholic.org website is now here with exciting new features and functionality including a comprehensive 'Find a Mass' function which includes Daily and Weekend Masses, Reconciliation and Adoration times; a centralised event calendar; Daily Mass readings and different ways you can contribute to the Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. Check it out today!

Liturgical Ministry Course returns in 2024

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in February 2024. 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 enrol: www.parracatholic.org/contribute/volunteer/liturgical-ministry

CHURCH CLEANING:
27th January: Sara Mendoca