

## ***Parish Notices.***

1. Easter Raffle tickets are available for sale: \$5 for 3 tickets, \$2 for one ticket. Write your phone number at the back of the ticket to know who to ring if you are the winner. Volunteers needed after each Mass to sell the tickets at the doors.
2. Please check the times of the Liturgy for the Triduum.
3. Easter | Autumn 2024 Catholic Outlook Magazine out now. Pick up from the back of the Church or online: [catholicoutlook.org/magazine](http://catholicoutlook.org/magazine).
4. Please bring with you, the Caritas Project Compassion Boxes on HOLY Thursday or beforehand to offer them in the Maundy Thursday Mass.

### **Catechists NEEDED. What is an SRE Catechist?**

SRE Catechists are parish volunteers who:

will be given support, training, and teaching materials. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in finding out more about becoming an SRE Catechist.

### **Synod 2023 Update: Decree issued and Development of Diocesan Plan Begins.**

In January, the Synodal Decree from our inaugural Diocesan Synod was issued, enabling us to move forward in the development of a Diocesan Plan. Join us in the next phase of our journey, as we discern a new path forward for our local Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. The Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church will launch at the Diocesan Gathering on Saturday 10 August. Learn more at [parracatholic.org/synod](http://parracatholic.org/synod)

**MET FaithLIFE Theology Short Course: from 16 April** Considering learning about theology? Sign up now for the 3-session FaithLIFE Theology short course with Dr John Collins on Tuesdays 16 + 23 + 30 April! Registration via [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org)

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY**

**SICK:** Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Jolanda Pavlovic; Stella Edwards & Maria Belisario; Mila Moser.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Sheila Glennon; Fracia A. Florido; Manuel Escaro; Roy Stephens; Francisca Fronda; Antonio Lapuz; Vesna Demark; Teresita de Guzman; Savio Francis; Baby Faith; Teodora Luna Liwanes; Rowena Cacanindin;

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Lily Abneo; Jesus Alvares; Virgen Antown; Purisima Acuna; Zenaida Bal; Eugenia Bell; Esperanza & Simeon Bonifacio; Estefania Chua; Lourdes Cruz Zabala; Carmelita David; Jesus Danan; Isaac & Antonia Delmonte Nazal; Ana Esquillon; John Fraser; Sofija Grgic; Leslie Herft; Rodrigo de Jesus; Nafeba & Balto Korial; Julia Lumbao; David Newton; Connie Nawmanea; Basilisa Nueles Nunez; Marciano Payongayong; Neville Pentony; Domingo Penales; Eduardo Penafiel; Mercy Punongbayan; Arnela Plan; Domingo Romero; Reginald Santos; Irene & Salvacion Stewart; Turi TeWhata; Jovy Reyes; Conchita Roberts; Ivan Sablic; Leo Salazar; Danilo Sioson; Janja Soldo; Hazel Sorwav; Vdo-Janv: Joe Xuereb.



## SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 tel: 98323896

**Palm Sunday of the Passion (B)**

**24th March 2024**



### **From Fr Marcus' desk ..... Let us enter "Holy Week."**

In 2015 at our seminary, Pacific Regional Seminary (PRS) in Suva, Fiji, our community was blessed with the presence of the Father Superior of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts (Jesus and Mary). The religious order is commonly known as the 'Picpus' Fathers. This is the community in which St. Fr Damien of Molokai was a professed member. On Palm Sunday that year his homily was focused on the upcoming Holy Week. I will never forget his simple outline of the Holy Week which my other brothers of PRS and I will love to share with you. He emphasized the symbols of the Liturgies that we are preparing for:

**Palm Sunday:** -Symbol: Palm branch Welcome the Lord as the King

For the **Chrism Mass:** - Symbols: The Holy Oils of Chrism, Catechumen & Sick. It is also a special time for us, your servants when all the priests will renew their vows.

**Holy Triduum:**

Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) Symbols- The Altar (Christ gifted us the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the Holy Priesthood; Washing of the feet reminds us of being servants.

Good Friday-Focus on the Cross on which "Hung our Salvation."

Easter Vigil-The Paschal Candle (Christ is our Light) and water of our Baptism. (New members of the Church are welcomed.)

The Triduum concludes:

**Resurrection Sunday:** - Symbol: The Empty Tomb.

This is a simple outline that can guide us through the solemn Liturgies of this week. Let us reflect and journey together in faith.

**A blessed Holy Week to you all.**

**Fr Marcus.**

**Young Adult Faith Formation** sessions continue on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at The Hustle (Unit 4, 4-6 Purdy Rd Minchinbury) at 7pm. The speaker is Dr Rev Paschal Corby who will talk about and lead discussion on the bioethics of IVF and contraception.

<b>Sunday Masses</b>	<b><u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u></b>	<b>6.00 pm 7.30 am &amp; 9.00am.</b>	<b>Palm Sunday (B)</b>
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	Monday	9.10am	Mon of Holy Week(CS)
	Tuesday	9.10 am	Tues of Holy Week
	<u>Wednesday</u>	9.10 am	Wed of Holy Week
		<b>7.00pm NO MASS</b>	
	<u>Thursday</u>	9.10am	Thurs of Holy Week
		7.00 pm	<b>The Lord's Supper Mass</b>
	<u>Friday</u>	<b>3.00pm</b>	The Lord's Passion
	Saturday	7.00pm	EASTER VIGIL
<b>Confessions</b>	<u>Saturday:</u>	9.45- 10.15 am & 4.30pm - 5.30pm (during LENT)	
<b>Pastoral Director:</b>	<b>Deacon Roderick Pirotta</b>		
<b>Resident Priest:</b>	<b>Fr Marcus Hazelman: 0405 453 902</b>		
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<b>Parish Chairperson:</b>	<b>Teresa Samuels</b>		
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<b>Baptisms &amp; Weddings:</b>	By arrangement only		
<b>Sacred Heart Primary School:</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Sacred Heart Primary School   Mt Druitt South (sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au)</a></u></b>		
	Tel: 9625 8733		

<b>Readers</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Palm Sunday</b>	Wendy Farquharson	Grace Bondoc Thomas Merjudio	Bethany Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>7.00pm</b> Herminia Villarica Thomas Merjudio	<b>Good Friday 3PM</b> Wendy Farquharson Jeric Salazar	<b>Easter Vigil 7.00PM</b> 1. Gloria Cardoza 2. Leo Macatangay 3. Pio Vergara 4. Fadi Antown 5. Mary Zore
<b>31<sup>st</sup> March</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>		Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Aloysius Wong Matthias Wong
<b>6/7<sup>th</sup> April</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Gloria Cardoza Luisito Villapana	Thomas Merjudio Phil Tonks	Leo Macatangay Sr Agnes

**Entrance Antiphon:** The children of the Hebrews, carrying olive branches, went to meet the Lord, crying out and saying: Hosanna in the highest.

**Responsorial Psalm:** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Communion Antiphon:** Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

**Confirmation Sessions at  
Sacred Heart School at  
3.15pm:**

1. *Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> April.*
2. *Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April.*
3. *Wed 1<sup>st</sup> May.*
4. *Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May.*

Parents and candidates  
MUST attend all  
sessions.

**CONFIRMATION  
DATE:**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> MAY  
2024 at 9AM MASS**

**2024 Diocese of  
Parramatta Holy Week  
Mass Times**

Holy Week Mass and  
Reconciliation Times  
from parishes across  
Western Sydney and  
the Blue Mountains are  
available now on our  
Diocesan website  
([www.parracatholic.org](http://www.parracatholic.org))  
and on Catholic Outlook  
([www.catholicoutlook.org](http://www.catholicoutlook.org)). Let us embrace the  
hope, love and joy that  
this season brings.

**Church Cleaning:  
30th March: Volunteers**

*Save  
the  
Date*

**PARISH FETE 2024  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES**

**Pontifical Holy Land Good Friday Collection: 29  
March**

Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in every Catholic church to support the people and places of the Holy Land. Your donation is a direct way to make a difference in the lives of people who are keeping alive the Christian presence in the land of Jesus, often in the face of great difficulty in recent years. Make your donation this Holy Week via the envelopes in your parish or donate directly via Commissariat of the Holy Land, 47 Victoria St. Waverley NSW 2024 or [holyland@franciscans.org.au](mailto:holyland@franciscans.org.au)



**MASS TIMES AT SACRED HEART PARISH 2024**

**CHRISM MASS** (Wed 27th March) at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta at 7.30pm. Mass at 9.10am ONLY on Wednesday.

**HOLY THURSDAY** (Thu 28th March) – Mass at 9.10am.  
**Commemoration of the Last Supper MASS at 7.00PM.**

Confessions after Mass.

8.30pm till 12 midnight: Jesus in the Gethsemane (Altar of Repose) in Fr Ashton Hall – (Chaldean meditation 9pm - 10pm)

**GOOD FRIDAY (Fri 29th March)**

**7.00am** Way of the Cross (Samoan Com) in car park.

**10.00am.** Way of the Cross with Mary in the Church.  
Confessions after Stations of the Cross.

**3.00PM – Liturgy of the Passion of the LORD**

**Saturday 30th March**

9.00am: Liturgy of the Hours - LAUDS.

**7.00pm: Easter Vigil MASS**

**EASTER SUNDAY:** (31st March) 6.00 AM (Chaldean Mass)  
**7.30am & 9.00am MASS**