Parish Notices.

- 1. Sun 7th April is Divine Mercy Sunday, there will be adoration between 3-4pm in our Sacred Heart church with the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. All are welcomed.
- 2. Young Adult Fatih Formation meets on Sunday 7th April at 7.00 pm
- 3. Registrations for Confirmation 2024 has been extended until Friday 12th April.
- 4. Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal (for Seminarians) on weekend 20th and 21st April
- 5. Easter | Autumn 2024 Catholic Outlook Magazine out now. Pick up for free from the back of the Church.
- 6. Funeral of Joseph Alexander is on Wednesday 10th April at 1pm.
- 7. Collections during Easter Weekend: Holy Land collection =\$1,745; Project Compassion = \$3,876.70; Easter Raffle = \$705 profit.
- 8. Do not forget to turn the clocks back one hour.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Sessions at Sacred Heart School at 3.15pm:

- 1. 1st Session Repeated: Sat 20th April
- 2. Wed 10th April. Sat27th April
 - 3. Wed 1st May. Sat 4th May
- 4. Wed 8th May. Sat 11th May

At 4pm Parish Hall

Parents and candidates MUST attend all sessions.

CONFIRMATION DATE:

Sunday 12th MAY 2024 at 9AM MASS

PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

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

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. Cherry Avicaga; Aurelio Batarao; Marciana De Chavez Uy; Rosita Escaro; Olivia Galicia; Irenea Hnonyevo; Gwedoline McLeod; Virgilio Manalac; Gregorio Merjudio; Evelyn Merjudio; Macaria Payonga Yong; Houis & Maria Pereira; Sharmilee Rao; Hegino Salazar; Berna Undan;

Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.



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Second Sunday of EASTER (B)

7th April 2024



From Fr Marcus's desk Divine Mercy Sunday.

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her *Diary* entry 699:

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet..... "

In all, St. Faustina recorded 14_revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast.

Nevertheless, Divine Mercy Sunday is NOT a feast based solely on St. Faustina's revelations. Indeed, it is not primarily about St. Faustina — nor is it altogether a new feast. The Second Sunday of Easter was already a solemnity as the Octave Day of Easter. The title "Divine Mercy Sunday" does, however, highlight the meaning of the day.

Men at the Shrine is a monthly hour of adoration at the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mulgoa, next held on Wednesday 10 April. The hour begins with a brief reflection before a period of personal silent prayer. Confessions are available. The evening finishes with a simple cup of tea. All men are welcome. No RSVP is necessary. Any questions, contact Bernard, 0416 106 871.



Sunday Masses	<u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u>			
Weekday Masses	Monday Tuesday Wednesday	9.10 am 9.10 am 7.00pm	Annunciation (<i>Communion Service</i>) Tues 2 nd Week of Easter Wed 2 nd Week of Easter	
Confessions	Thursday Friday Saturday Saturday:	9.10 am 9.10pm 6.00pm 5.00-5.3		

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Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only

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Entrance Antiphon: Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,

his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
31st March	Gloria Cardoza	Thomas Merjudio	Leo Macatangay
EASTER SUNDAY	Luisito Villapana	Phil Tonks	Sr Agnes
6/7 th April	Pio Vergara	Joaquim Mendes	Fadi Antown
2 nd Sunday of Easter	Wendy Farquharson	Elijah Merjudio	Jovita Bugayong
13th/14th April	Edna Gezmon	Joaquim Mendes	Mark Buhagiar
3 rd Sunday of Easter	Herminia Villiarica	Vinod Nagarajan	Aloysius Wong
20 th /21 st April	Luisito Villapana	Phil Tonks	Matthias Wong
4th Sunday of Easter	Gloria Cardoza	Thomas Merjidio	Mary Zore

Our recruitment for the Administration Assistant has been successful.

WELCOME Donna Gauci who will start on Wed 10th April 2024.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Young Adult Faith
Formation sessions
continue on Sunday 7th
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.

Natural Fertility Billings Ovulation Method Instruction Session: 23 April

The next session in our **Natural Family Planning** series is our first for the Billings Ovulation Method®. Meet Margaret Coakley, accredited Billings teacher, and you'll be set up to chart immediately to help you reach your family planning goals. The session will be held on Tuesday 23 April from 7.15pm to 8.15pm via Zoom. To book your place or for further information, please contact Catherine on catherine.bourne@parracath olic.org or call 0400 427 605.

CHURCH CLEANING: 13th April: Jerry & Gloria

MET FaithLIFE Theology Short Course: from 16 April

Considering learning about theology? Wanting to expand your language for expressing your faith? Seeking ways to deepen the way you put your faith into practice? 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

Exploring Music for the Solemnities following Easter: 30 April and 2 May

All are invited to the next music workshop organised by the Office for Worship and presented by Eric Grella. This workshop is perfect for all parish musicians and also for anyone who wishes to learn more about music for the Solemnities after Easter. As there has been a large interest in these workshops there will be two locations.

- 30 April at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown from 7pm
- 2 May at St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith from 7pm.

RSVP by 28 April to lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

Catholic Care Mamre Supported Playgroup

Free supported playgroup which operates on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm during school terms at Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd, Orchard Hills. If you are interested in enrolling, please contact Mamre Supported Playgroup on (02) 8843 2506.



Easter Raffle draw Prizes

1st Prize: Grazian Anthony 2nd Prize: Patrick Mariadasan

3rd Prize: Carmelo Agius

4th Prize: Brad Wilkinson.