

Parish Notices.

1. Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal (for Seminarians) on weekend 20th and 21st April.
2. Those who requested a receipt for Project Compassion boxes, please collect it from the back of the church.
3. **CHANGE OF CONFIRMATION DATE:** Wednesday 15th May at 7pm MASS. Bishop Vincent Long is the Presider.
4. **LIFTED SPORTS DAY:**
The Lifted Sports Day is soon approaching, and we are looking for both male and female participants between the ages of 13 & 35 years old to join our team for the following events: Soccer, Touch Football, Basketball & Volleyball. The event is being held on **Sunday the 28th of April** at Parramatta Marist High School. Please contact Mitchell Farquharson on 0422 643 160 if you are interested.
5. Thursday 25th April - Anzac Day Mass at 9:10am



Sacrament of Confirmation

Session	Sacred Heart School 3:15pm	Parish Hall 4pm
2		27th April
3	2 nd May	4 th May
4	9 th May	11 th May

Parents and candidates **MUST** attend all sessions.

CONFIRMATION DATE:
WEDNESDAY 15th MAY 2024 at 7 PM

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; Dorethea Sheen

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; Irene Hnonyevo; Gwedoline McLeod; Virgilio Manalac; Agostino Melodia; Perfecto S. Mendiola; 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.



SACRED HEART PARISH
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Fourth Sunday of EASTER (B) 21st April 2024



From Father Marcus's desk

Last weekend and this week have been challenging ones. The Easter season that we are continuing to celebrate is about Christ's victory over darkness, sin and death. Sadly, we have seen from these troubling events that evil still lingers and sorrow, shock, disdain, horror and sadly death. The people who have been deeply affected by these horrible attacks are in unimaginable pain.

Despite evil being at the spotlight, the *goodness* of humanity shined through evil being acted. Strangers came to the need of others, the nation of Australia came together to condemn these attacks. Thoughts, prayers and support have been flooding in from the country but also from the world. Indeed, faith and support have become the new *stones* shown from the public. Let us continue to pray for those who have lost their lives, for those who are recovering and for the *CONVERSION* of hearts.

St. Peter fearless and *filled with the Holy Spirit* preached to his people about Christ, *the stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone*. Christ in the Gospel speaks that He is the Good Shepherd and His love and *knowing* of His Father. God's Word for this 4th Sunday of Easter does not come to us as a coincidence but comes as providence for us with the current trials as a nation, people, church and personally.

We pray for hope for Australia, the world and us all.

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm 4th Sunday of Easter (B)**
Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am**

Weekday Masses

Monday	9.10 am	Mon 4 th Week of Easter
Tuesday	9.10 am	Tues 4 th Week of Easter
Wednesday	7.00pm	Wed 4 th Week of Easter
<u>Thursday</u>	9.10 am	Thu 4 th Week of Easter
<u>Friday</u>	9.10pm	Fri 4 th Week of Easter
Saturday	6.00pm	Sat 4 th Week of Easter

Confessions Saturday: 5.00-5.30 PM

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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: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, Alleluia.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
20th/21st April 4 th Sunday of Easter	Edna Gezmon Herminia Villiarica	Joaquim Mendes Vinod Nagarajan	Mark Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
27th/28th April 5 th Sunday of Easter	Luisito Villapana Gloria Cardoza	Phil Tonks Thomas Merjidio	Matthias Wong Mary Zore
4th/5th May 6 th Sunday of Easter	Wendy Faquharson Jeric Salazar	Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Leo Macatangay Agnes Polu
11th/12th May The Ascension	Gloria Cardoza Pio Vergara	Vinod Nagarajan Phil Tonks	Bethany Buhagiar Jovita Bugayong

What is an SRE Catechist?

SRE Catechists are parish volunteers who:

- Teach and share their faith with children of their parish who attend government schools.
- Have a passion for sharing the gift of faith with young people.
- Have an hour per week to prepare and share their time and talents with young people.
- Are people who respond to the central mission of the Church to make Jesus known and loved.

New volunteer SREs 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.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL NSW CELEBRATING PENTECOST EVE "ANOINTING"

Please join the Catholic Charismatic Renewal NSW in celebrating Pentecost Eve "Anointing" on Saturday 18th May at Servants of Jesus Centre 15 Park Road Seven Hills for an afternoon of Praise & Worship, Testimonies and Prayer Ministry from 4-7pm hosted by youth from different streams. Booking is essential, register with link. <https://www.trybooking.com/CPMXQ?qr=true>.

Any inquiries email:
email@ccrnsw.org.au

Central Europe Pilgrimage with Fr Joseph Lam OSA: May 2025

Cosmos Tour Operators are organising a Central Europe tour for 17 days from 8 to 24 May 2025, travelling through Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Austria and Czechia, accompanied by Fr Joseph Lam OSA from St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook. Prices start from \$5,076 per person, excluding flights. For more information, or to register your interest, please contact the parish office on secretary@stfinbars.org.au.

CHURCH CLEANING:
28th April: Samoan
Community

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 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.

CCD Formation Opportunities: May and June 2024

SRE catechists and all members of our faith communities are invited to participate in a series of formation opportunities organised by the Diocesan Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD). Delve into St John's Gospel with a scripture expert, Dr Laurie Woods, over 5 weeks on 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 May. Continue your Journey of Faith for 5 weeks with Merylyn Hancock (Head, CCD) on 7, 14, 21, 28 June and 5 July.

All sessions will be held at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, from 9.30am to 1.30pm. For SRE Catechists to be accredited with Level 3 training, they must attend both sessions. Morning Tea will be provided. Enrol for one or both sessions via parracatholic.org/events or email ccd.training@parracatholic.org

Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal for our Holy Spirit Seminarians

We will support our seminarians to "go out into the Will deep" and serve?
Your compassionate generosity and prayers will help our future priests cast their nets wide to nurture faith and meet the spiritual and pastoral needs of our community. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal