

PARISH NOTICES:

1.Thank you to everybody who contributed in any way to make the Parish Fete an absolute success! The Fete raised a whopping \$ 20,835! The generosity of time, donations of money & goods is truly remarkable & a true testament of building & being together as a Faith Community.

2.Congratulations to the following winners of the Fete Raffle:

1st Price- Orange ticket- D56- Ray

2nd Prize-Orange ticket- A76- Jonathan

3rd Prize- Green ticket A09- Pete Taateo

4th Prize- Blue ticket C14- L. Taateo

2. Preparation Lessons for the Sacraments of Penance & First Holy Communion: **Sacred Heart Primary School** - Wednesday 3:15pm- 16th October (last session)

Fr Ashton Hall - Saturdays 4pm -28th September 5th, 12th & 19th October.

Registrations for these sacraments is now closed.

3.The Spring 2024 edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine is now available. Please take your free copy from the back of the church

4.Collect your free copy of Diocese of Parramatta's Pastoral Plan for a Synodal Church available at the back and side of the church.

5.Available now – Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference publication- "Truth & Peace- A Gospel word in a violent world". Get your free copy from the back and side of the church.

6. Looking for 2 parishioners who would like to be Godparents to two Chinese children. Speak to Deacon Rod if you are interested.



Pere Achte Nursery renovation in Uganda.

Marisa Pongan has recently updated us on the renovation of the Nursey. She wanted to pass on the gratitude to the Parishioners of our Parish who generously contribute to enriching the lives of many children in this community!

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK: Alice Cassar, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Stella Edwards & Maria Belisario; Mila Moser; Dalveno Bronsan; Leonie Baybay

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jovencio R Linguete; Giuseppe Silvestri; Robert John Byrne; Dorothea Leah Sheen; Vincent Sammut; Tualalesa Puletini Tuala; Leulua'i Tofiga Fa' afea; Damien; Sulpicio Jun Santelices Jr; Anthony Giaquinto; Cynch Velecina

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:

Godofredo Gonzales; Felix Prudenile Jr; Bernabe Funelas Sr; Felise Laugutu Faleono; Maxima Gemzon; Juan Castro; Gregoria Castro; Ester Abelardo; Andrew Gove; Verginia Sant; Basilia Chua; Victor Hawkins SR; Irene Britto; Jesus Alvarez- Gonzales; Purisima Acuna Africa; Mosilyn Farquharson; Vincent Nio; Mariano Bunag; Raymond Hawkins; Stephen Wilding; Gregoria Batarao; Teodoro Batarao.



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25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 22nd September 2024

From Deacon Rod's desk.....

Childish Behaviour

The First Reading quotes the “evil ones” as saying, sarcastically, doesn't this Just One claim that “God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes”? We'll see. So, they practice mockery and cruelty, all based on self-deception.

Mockery: “If he says he is so wonderful, if he has God on his side, surely, he will pass our little test. We are just conducting an ‘interesting experiment’.”

Translation: he's on the wrong side, kill him.

Cruelty: “He thinks he is so holy. We will give him torture, revilement, and a shameful death. This is just reasonable research, to see how he will react.”

Translation: holiness is all a sham, a way for people to get what they want. Well, we want him dead.

Self-deception: we do not need this God stuff. We base our lives on what is real.

Translation: we are more important than God and this Jesus H. Christ. Self-interest will always win.

All these are seductively false. No human being can become truly and freely human unless he or she puts God in first place, valuing everything else in relation to God's love—even power, even wealth, and especially pride. The disciples, out of confusion, engage in a long argument about which of them is the greatest! It is as if they are children fighting for the best toys.

Instead of this, Jesus says in the Gospel that, in fact, the Son of God was going to be condemned to this shaming torture, the one that the wicked had planned, and would be killed. It would look exactly as if God did not care. “This is what I am going to do,” he says. I will be saying “I love you,” to my Father. But I will do it by not resisting insults and humiliating death, because I love God above these things. And I love the world, and everything in it.

Extract by Fr John Foley S.J.

Sunday Masses **Saturday** **6.00 pm** **25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)**

Sunday **7.30 am & 9.00am**

Weekday Masses & Communion Service (CS)

Monday 9:10am **Saint Pius of Pietrelcina** (M) (CS)
Tuesday 9.10 am Tues 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 7.00pm Wed 25th in Ordinary Time (CS)
Thursday 9.10 am Thurs 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Friday 9:10am **Saint Vincent de Paul** (CS)
Saturday 9.10am Sat 25th Week in Ordinary Time (CS)

Confessions: Saturday: On request 5.30-5.45 PM

Pastoral Director: **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**

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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: I am the salvation of the people says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress . I will hear them, and I will be their Lord forever.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord upholds my life.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
21st/22nd September 25th Sunday in O/T	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Thomas Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Aloysius Wong Matthias Wong
28th/29th September 26th Sunday in O/T	Herminia Villarica Gloria Cardoza	Phil Tonks Elijah Merjudio	Mary Zore Agnes Polu
5th/6th October 27th Sunday in O/T	Edna Gemzon Wendy Farquharson	Thomas Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong
12th/13th October 28th Sunday in O/T	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Phil Tonks Elijah Merjudio	Bethany Buhagiar Mark Buhagiar



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MET Natural Fertility Sympto-Thermal Method Instruction Session: 24 September

The Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning (NFP) can be used by all couples to space their children. To book your place in this FREE session on Tuesday 24 September at 7:15pm via Zoom, contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or call 0400 427 605. Contact Catherine for private and confidential instruction in other methods of NFP offered in the Diocese.

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Campion College Early Christianity Symposium 27 – 28 September

Campion College is delighted to announce an upcoming symposium, "Shepherd at the Crossroads: Converging Traditions in Early Christianity," to be held on September 27-28, 2024, at the college campus in Toongabbie. Two-day tickets are available for \$120 per person while a one-day ticket will cost \$70 per person. Concession pricing is available. To purchase tickets and learn more about the event, visit <https://www.campion.edu.au/event/early-christianity->

St Marys St Clair Parish menALIVE Retreat Weekend: 12 – 13 October

The Men's ministry groups of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St Marys and Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair-Erskine Park, invite men of all ages to attend the upcoming menALIVE weekend on 12-13 October at the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Hall, St Marys. The weekend will feature talks, personal testimonies, opportunities for discussion, and space to reflect. Cost is \$50. To register, please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1265196>. For enquiries, please contact Steve Buhagiar (St Marys) on 0415 600 290 or Vasco Gil (St Clair) 0414 396 643.

Catholic Care Pregnancy and Infant Loss Day commemoration: 15 October

To commemorate Pregnancy & Infant Loss Memorial Day, Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains and White Lady Funerals are holding a memorial service on Tuesday 15 October from 11am at Mamre House, Orchard Hills. There will be an opportunity to place a plant in memory of your loved one in the Garden of Remembrance. Please RSVP to Lisa on 0439 917 129 or Christy at White Lady Funerals 02 4731 4385.

MET Worship Ministry to the Sick and Dying Formation: 19 October

Are you currently taking Communion to the Sick and Dying in the Diocese of Parramatta? If so, please join the Office for Worship for a day of ongoing formation to further your knowledge and understanding of this important topic. Saturday 19 October from 9.30am - 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Morning tea and Lunch provided. For more information and to register before 14 October, please contact Hannah on hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211 or visit <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=office-for-worship>

Wedding Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral Sunday 27th October at 11am. Couples and their families invited to a light lunch in the Cathedral Hall after Mass. Please register attendance by 20th October at Marriage@parracatholic.org or phone 8838 3460



CHURCH CLEANING: Samoan Community

