# PARISH NOTICES:

- 1.Seniors group meeting Tuesday 13th May after the 9:10am Mass.
- 2. Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May- Parish Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year of Hope. Please add your name, phone number and if you require transport to Mt Schoenstatt to the register list at the back of the church
- 3. There will be no Masses on Wednesday & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May as all clergy will be at a conference with the Bishop. There will be a mass on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm instead of the 9:10am Mass.
- 4. If you have requested a receipt for you project compassion donation, please collect the envelope with your name on it from the back of the church. **Thankyou**



Please keep the children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their families in your prayers.

Confirmation will take place on Sunday the 18<sup>th of</sup> May at 11am



For the ones that have a lost a Mother
For the Mothers who have lost a child
For the ones who long to be a Mother
You are not forgotten this
Mother's Day
Blessed Mother Mary, Mother to all.
we prayer to you for all Mothers
and Mother figures in our Parish.

#### **New Parishioners**

If you have joined our Parish over the last two year and you have not already done so, please fill in a New Parishioner form, located at the back of the church and return to the Parish office.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

**SICK:** Bayani Baybay, Maria Llave; Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Stella Edwards & Maria Belisario; Dalveno Bronsan; Leonie Baybay; Aida Aniscol;

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Anthony Giaquinto; Cynch Velecina; Betty Masilang; Patricia Borre; Jachino De Almeida; Norma Labrador; Nieves Arela Empleo; Wai Yee; Oliva

Rodriguez; Cesar Dela Paz; Leila Serrano Kempski; Cheryll Anne Barit

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**: We prayer for all those names who appear in the Parish memorial book for the month of May



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4th Sunday of Easter (C) 11th May 2025



# From Deacon Rod's Desk......

# Commentary by Cyril of Alexandria

The mark of Christ's sheep is their willingness to hear and obey, just as the sign of those who are not his is, their disobedience. We take the word "hear" to imply obedience to what has been said. People who hear God are known by him.

We are all united to Christ in a mystical relationship because of his incarnation. No one is entirely unknown by God, but to be known in this way is to become his kin. Thus, when Christ says, "I know mine," he means, "I will receive them, and give them permanent mystical kinship with myself." It might be said that because he has become man, he has made all human beings his kin, since all are members of the same race; we are all united to Christ in a mystical relationship because of his incarnation. Yet those who do not preserve the likeness of his holiness are alienated from him. "My sheep follow me," says Christ. By a certain God-given grace, believers follow in the footsteps of Christ

No longer subject to the shadows of the law, they obey the commands of Christ, and guided by his words rise through grace to his own dignity, for they are called children of God. When Christ ascends into heaven, they also follow him. Christ promises his followers as a recompense and reward eternal life, exemption from death and corruption, and from the torments the judge inflicts upon transgressors. By giving life Christ shows that by nature he is life. He does not receive it from another but supplies it from his own resources.

And by eternal life we understand not only length of days which all, both good and bad, shall possess after the resurrection, but also the passing of those days in peace and joy.

We may also see in the word "life" a reference to the Eucharist, by means of which Christ implants in believers his own life through their sharing in his flesh, according to the text: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life."

Sunday Masses Saturday 6.00 pm Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)
Sun day 7.30 am & 9.00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May: 9:10am – Mon of the 4th Week of Easter Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May: 9.10 am - Tues of the 4th Week of Easter

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May: 7.00pm- Saint Matthias, Apostle Thursday 15th May: 9:10am – Thurs of the 4th week of Easter

Friday 9th May: 9:10am – Fri of the 4th week of Easter Saturday 10th April: 9:10am – Sat of the 4th week of Easter

Confessions: Saturday: 9.45am -10.15am & 5.00pm-5.30 pm
Pastoral Director: Deacon Roderick Pirotta

Assistant Priests: Fr Marcus Hazelman: 0405 453 902

Fr Taliai Hausia: 0404 322 560

Parish Chairperson: Teresa Samuels

Parish Secretary: Donna Gauci (Wed & Thurs Only)

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**Baptisms & Weddings:** By arrangement only

Sacred Heart Primary School: Sacred Heart Primary School | Mt Druitt

South (sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au) Tel: 9625 8733

<u>Entrance Antiphon:</u> The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, Alleluia.

<u>Responsorial Psalm :</u> We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

<u>Gospel Acclamation:</u> Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good Shepard says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> The Good Shephard has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia!

LECTORS	6PM	7:30AM	9AM
10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> May	Herminia Villarica	Phil Tonks	Aloysius Wong
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Gloria Cardoza	Nirmala Deni Savio	Matthias Wong
17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup> May	Pio Vergara	Elijah Merjudio	Mary Zore
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Wendy Farquharson	Thomas Merjudio	Agenes Polu
24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup> May	Edna Gemzon	Joaquim Mendes	Lucia Sini
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Jeric Salazar	Vinod Nagarajan	Mark Buhagiar
31 <sup>st</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup> June	Luisito Villapana	Sangeeta Kumar	Fadi Antown
The Ascension of	Herminia Villarica	Nirmala Deni Savio	Jovita Bugayong
the Lord			

### **Low Cost Counselling Services**

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains provides low cost and affordable counselling services for individuals seeking support. Whether you're looking for general guidance or assistance with specific challenges like grief, loss, or family matters, Catholic Care is here to help.

Call Catholic Care on 8843 2500 for a friendly chat today.

#### DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES and BEYOND

for all diocese news and safeguarding resources visit -www.parracatholic.org

The Catholic Weekly- This week's copy of Catholic Weekly has a 63 page lift out magazine special tribute to the late Pope Francis. This special tribute will make a great keepsake. Only \$2.

#### Ministry of Care Courses: 4-25 June

Those who visit the sick and are involved in the Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying in Hospitals, Aged Care Facilities and in Homes are invited to attend this course on the Ministry of Care. It will be held every Wednesday evening at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. Attend all 4 sessions to receive a certificate of completion or just attend the session(s) that interest you. Please visit parracatholic.org/events/OFW to reserve a spot. For enquiries, please contact ofw@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211.

### Registrations now open Diocesan **Retreat Opportunities**

The diocese is hosting three retreat opportunities for adults of all ages to engage more with this Jubilee Year of Hope. Take the to step away from your usual routine to experience a diocesan retreat a sacred space for prayer, reflection, renewal and encounter with God. Registrations are now open. For more details and to register, see the three options of retreats below:

May 24:

https://parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-24-may/

August 16:

https://parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-

16-august/

November15:

https://parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-15-november/

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Join us!

Sacred Heart Parish Pilgrimage Jubilee Year of Hope

Saturday 31st Mary

See Parish notices for more details or pick up a flyer from the back of the church

Marriage Enrichment Weekend:

23-25 May

at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre. Varroville, NSW

Book online at <u>www.wwme.org.au</u> or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419

or nswbookings@wwme.org.au



