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: Pedro Punongbayan Sr; Manuel Jr Tibayan

Diogenes Orantia, Ivy Chua, Charlotte Nebriaga; Delia Caruso; Adoracion Corpin; Maria Roelita Agorto; Gloria Molina; Anthony Giaquinto; Cynch Velecina; Betty Masilang; Patricia Borre; Jachino De Almeida; Norma Labrador; Nieves Arela Empleo; **DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**: We pray for all those names who appear in the Parish memorial book for the month of September

The funeral of Parishioner Joseph Tomicic who died on the 22^{nd of} September will be held at our Parish on **Tuesday 30th September**.

Rosary at **12pm** followed by the funeral mass at **12:30pm**burial at Pinegrove Memorial Park a **2pm**.

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Young adults from 18-35 are invited to come along on Sunday 5th Oct and learn about the soon-to-be-canonised Bl Bartolo Lungo, an Apostle of the Rosary and former Satanist! Speaker Steven Buhagiar will lead the faith formation session at Sacred Heart Parish Hall (9 Ropes Creek Rd, Mt Druitt) at 7pm, followed by free pizza and fellowship! Call Mark with any questions on 0477 004 678.

Mt Schoenstatt Foundation Day Celebrations: 19 October

Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Foundation Day family festival celebrations on Sunday 19 October at 230 Fairlight Rd, Mulgoa. The program starts at 10.15am with a pre-program and confessions available, with Mass celebrated at 11am. Lunch and family activities will follow Mass, concluding with devotion and benediction at 1.45pm. The day will include FREE jumping castle and face painting, as well the opportunity to purchase BBQ lunch as well as various food stalls, drinks, snow cones and other stalls. For more information, contact Sr. M. Rita on srrita@schoenstatt.org.au 0493 026 628 OR visit the Schoenstatt website or Facebook page.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass: 26 October

Join us for the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass to be held on Sunday 26 October at 2pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, followed by afternoon tea. Those celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate. If you would like to attend, please register your name, numbers attending and any dietary requirements. Family and friends are welcome. RSVP to marriage@parracatholic.org or call 0408 233 478 by 20 October.



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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

28th September 2025



From Fr Taliai's Desk....

Today's Gospel raises the question, can I continue living in comfort while turning a blind eye to those around me who are in misery?

Our first reading for this Sunday comes from the prophet Amos.

Amos lived in the 8th century BC. He offers a graphic description of the indulgence of the wealthy in his own day. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans. They eat and drink sumptuously, drinking wine by the bowlful and using the finest oil to anoint themselves.

Their diet of meat would have been a rarity in ancient Israel. The fact

that these people are wealthy is not the point; that would have been deemed a blessing from God. And that brings us to today's parable, a parable found only in the gospel of St Luke. Incidentally, this is the only parable in the gospels where one of the characters is named.

In all the other parables the characters remain nameless. So, for example, we don't know the name of the Good Samaritan, nor of the prodigal son, but the beggar languishing at the rich man's gate in utter squalor is named, he is Lazarus.

We sometimes name the rich man Dives, but that is only the Latin word for rich person. The first thing to note is the stark contrast between the rich man and Lazarus.

Mother Teresa often found that after she had spoken to groups of people there were invariably some who approached her after the talk: "We want to join you in Calcutta." She invariably replied: "Find your own Calcutta." In other words, God does call some people to do great things in faraway places, but for most of us the call to discipleship is right here, on our own front doorstep, and right now. Mother Teresa's advice was: "Don't search for God in faraway lands - he is not there. He is close to you; he is with you. Just keep the lamp burning and you will always see him." Or, in terms of today's parable: He's waiting for you at your own front gate. Amen

Sunday Masses Saturday 6.00 pm 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday 29th September: 9:10am – Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels Tuesday 30th September: 9.10 am – Saint Jerome on Tues of 26th week in Ordinary Time Wednesday 1st October: 7.00pm- Saint Therese of the Child Jesus on Wed of 26th week in OT Thursday 2nd October: 9:10am – The Holy Guardian Angels on Thurs of 26th week in OT Friday 3rd October: 9:10am- Fri of the 26th week in Ordinary Time

Saturday 4th October: 9:10am -Saint Francis of Assisi on Sat of week 26 in Ordinary Time

Confessions: Saturday: 9.45am -10.15am & 5.00pm-5.30 pm

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<u>Entrance Antiphon</u>:All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

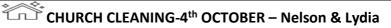
Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

<u>Gospel Acclamation:</u> Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u>Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which

you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low

LECTORS	6PM	7:30AM	9AM
27 [™] /28 [™] September	Pio Vergara	Joaquim Mendes	Matthias Wong
26 th Sunday in OT	Wendy Farquharson	Vinod Nagarajan	Lucia Sini
4 th /5 th October	Edna Gemzon	Sangeeta Kumar	Agnes Polu
27 th Sunday in OT	Jeric Salazar	Phil Tonks	Mary Zore
11 th /12 th October	Luisito Villapana	Herbie Cruz	Maria Fe Verceluz
28 th Sunday in OT	Herminia Villarica	Elijah Merjudio	Nirmala Deni Savio
18 th /19 th October	Gloria Cardoza	Thomas Merjudio	Fadi Antown
29 th Sunday in OT	Pio Vergara	Joaquim Mendes	Jovita Bugayong
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It's Fete Time - Come One, Come All!

Our Parish fete is this SUNDAY! 10am-3pm- Offering a day filled with fun, food and fellowship. Enjoy delicious multicultural food, raffles with loads of great prizes, various stalls selling a range of items from homewares to plants with a jumping castle and face painting for the children. Don't miss this opportunity to gather with friends and family as we come together to build a Parish community who cares for each other.

- The safety of all on this day is our top priority. Please follow instructions of safety marshals who you will see around the fete.
- Please always supervise your children and if you see anything that needs attention please notify someone including the safety marshals or Deacon Roderick.
- Please know where the First Aid stand is, should it be required.
- Eftpos is available at the following stalls; sausage sizzle and Filipino food, Eftpos is also available at the central point (near the chocolate wheel) where you can purchase" credit voucher" to use at all other stalls instead of cash.
- We require helpers to stay behind after the fete finishes at 3pm to help pack up stalls and clean up the grounds

Please remember......

- 1.Bring your sold & unsold raffle tickets and money collected in an envelope and return to the raffle ticket boxes inside the church or to Deacon Rod.
- 2. Please bring your baked goods to the cake stall on Sunday morning Please label with ingredients used)
- 3.Please support the local businesses that have generously supported our fete. Please see flyer for details.

HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY AT THE FETE!

Other Parish Notices.....

- 1.Talks continue for Youth and Adults Monday and Thursday 7:30pm in the Schoenstatt Room. For enquiries, please call Matt on 0438 049 116
- 2. Devotion of Two Hearts Mass followed by adoration **Friday 3rd** October at **7.00PM**.
- 3. Sacrament of the Sick will take place during the **9:10am Mass on Saturday 4th October.**
- 4. Divine Mercy Chaplet and adoration-Sunday 5th October at 3pm.