

# ANNUAL SACRED HEART PARISH FETE

*SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER*

## 1 WEEK TILL OUR PARISH FETE!

### WE NEED YOUR HELP ...

1. Continue selling **RAFFLE TICKETS** and start bringing them back with money.
1. Volunteers to be a stall helper.
2. Bring your plants on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September to the plants stall.
3. We need volunteers on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of September from 10am-1pm to assist with setting up. Please wear closed shoes. We need volunteers to assist with packing away after the fete also on Sunday 3pm till 5pm.
- 4 **BE VIGILANT** to the safety of others, safeguarding of Children and vulnerable. Obey instruction of car park marshals and traffic control.



## CATHOLIC OUTLOOK

Pick up your Spring FREE *Catholic Outlook Magazine* featuring Fr **Marcus** in the article "Cuppa with a Priest".



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## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULT (RCIA)

If you would like to become Catholic and a lifelong disciple of Jesus, not Baptised and would like to know more: **JOIN OUR FIRST ENQUIRY Session on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 10am** in the Schoenstatt Meeting Room

There is always lots happening around our Diocese, for information about all the events happening and information of safeguarding please visit [parracatholic.org](http://parracatholic.org) follow on Facebook & instagram

Don't forget to check our our Parish website on [southmountdruitt.org.au](http://southmountdruitt.org.au)

# SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MOUNT DRUITT

*Celebrating 50 years of walking together in Faith*



**23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)**

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

**From Fr Marcus' desk .....**

## **Disputes without Disunity through prayer.**

Today's Gospel reading is taken from a chapter of Matthew's Gospel, which is sometimes called the "discourse on the Church" or the "church order" discourse. In this part of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks more directly about matters of Church discipline and order. In today's reading we find one of only three instances in which Jesus uses the word church in Matthew's Gospel. In Matthew's record of Jesus' teaching, we can hear echoes of the kinds of issues faced by the early Christian community.

In the first part of the "discourse on the Church" (Matthew 18:1-14), Matthew addresses the Christian community's concerns about rank. Jesus responds to the disciples' question about who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Jesus indicates that those who wish to enter the kingdom of heaven must be like children, and he cautions those leaders who might lead these "little ones" astray. He also responds with the parable of the lost sheep, indicating how God will seek out and bring back those "little ones" who have strayed.

In today's Gospel reading, Matthew 18:15-20, Jesus addresses a common occurrence in the Christian community: a dispute between two members of the Church. Jesus outlines a procedure for settling such matters fairly. The victim should privately address the offender and attempt to resolve the dispute without outside involvement. If that fails, then the victim should bring two or three witnesses and confront the offender again. If the dispute is still unresolved, the matter should be brought to the attention of the entire community. If the offender refuses to adhere to the reparations prescribed by the community, then Jesus suggests that the offender may be expelled from the Church.

Jesus does not discourage disagreement within the community of the Church; he acknowledges the reality of conflict and error and offers his disciples a means for addressing such matters. It is in the conclusion to this teaching that the message of hope is found: Jesus is present with the community and will guide the community in its relations. If decisions are taken in prayer, then the community can be assured of God's assistance. **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY.** (Loyola Press)

# **Sunday Masses: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **Saturday 6.00 pm Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am**

### **Weekday Masses:**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September: 9:10am & 7pm- Mon. 23rd Week in Ordinary Time**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September: 9:10am & 7pm -Nativity of Virgin Mary (Feast)**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September: 7.00pm- Wed. 23rd Week in Ordinary Time**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September: 9:10am – Thurs.23rd Week in Ordinary Time**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September: 9:10am – Fri. 23rd Week in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September: 9:10am – Sat. 23rd Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Confession Times:**

**SATURDAYS -9.45 - 10.15am & 5.00 - 5.30pm**

**Pastoral Director:** Deacon Roderick Pirotta

**Assistant Priests:** Fr Marcus Hazelman: 0405 453 902

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**Baptisms & Weddings:** By arrangement only

### **Sacred Heart Primary School:**

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### **CHURCH CLEANING & LECTORS ROSTER**

|                            |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> September | Jerry & Gloria          |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> September | Ingrid, Irene & Nirmala |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> September | Samoan Community        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> October    | Lydia and Nelson        |

| <b>LECTORS</b>                                                                           | <b>6PM</b>                          | <b>7:30AM</b>                     | <b>9AM</b>                       |
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| <b>5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> September</b><br><b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT</b>    | Wendy Farquharson<br>Gloria Cardoza | Herbie Cruz<br>Elijah Merjudio    | Mark Buhagiar<br>Aloysius Wong   |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> September</b><br><b>24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</b>  | Jeric Salazar<br>Luisito Villapana  | Thomas Merjudio<br>Joaquim Mendes | Matthias Wong<br>Palenatita Mafi |
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> /20<sup>th</sup> September</b><br><b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</b> | Herminia Villarica<br>Edna Gemzon   | Vinod Nagaraja<br>Sangeeta Kumar  | Agnes Polu<br>Leo Macatanjay     |
| <b>26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> Sept</b><br><b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT</b>       | Gloria Cardoza<br>Pio Vergara       | Elijah Merjudio<br>Phil Tonks     | Sosefo Vaisima<br>Monica Uhatefe |

# PARISH NOTICES

1. Sunday 6th September, devotion of Divine Mercy at 3PM and 7PM Mass followed by the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of the Novena of Our Lady of Good Health.
2. 8<sup>th</sup> September: Feast of Our Lady of Good Health and Nativity of the Virgin Mary. Masses at 9.10AM and 7PM. Supper afterwards at Fr Asthon Hall. Please bring a plate.
3. **Be a Witness to the Holy Shroud of Turin Exhibition at St Patrick's Cathedral: 6-13 September** An extraordinary opportunity to encounter the mystery and history of the Holy Shroud of Turin. Show in the Chapel St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta from 6–9 September 2026 — Open all day. 10–13 September 2026 — Open till late.
4. Registration for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on 25th Oct 2026 will close on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September. No more applications will be accepted after this date. Please take a form from the back of the church or it can be downloaded from our parish website: [southmoundruitt.org.au](http://southmoundruitt.org.au). Please return completed form with baptism certificate to the Parish office or email it to [moundruittsouth@parracatholic.org](mailto:moundruittsouth@parracatholic.org).
5. Please read the fete news. Assistance needed on Saturday to prepare (10am till 1PM) and Sunday after fete to clean up (3pm- 5pm). Pick up flyers at the back of the church, mark the streets you are delivering and do a letter box

*Bishop's*  
**FATHER'S DAY  
APPEAL**  
HONOUR A LIFETIME OF  
FAITHFUL SERVICE THIS  
FATHER'S DAY



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## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

**SICK:** Maurice Hillman; Ester Olanda Zambrana; Lorraine Joy Calvert, Jenny Taateo, Leonie Baybay, Aida Aniscol, Maria Llave; Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Stella Edwards & Maria Belisario;

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Ruby Gale, Alleyn Wilkonson; Irene Nimenzo; Chris Wilson; Judith Anne Calvert Stephenson, Wendy Joan Calvert; Ruben Cantillana; Sonny Rosmaria; Prudencio Fronda; Betty Masilang; Patricia Borre; Jachino De Almeida; Norma Labrador;

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** We pray for all those names who appear in the Parish memorial book for the month of August.