



PARISH NOTICES

Sacrament of the Sick 2nd October during the 9.10am Mass

Sunday 3rd October at 3pm Devine Mercy and Devotion

Bishop Vincent Presents: Kim Daniels on 'AI, Pope Leo and the future of human dignity': 13 October at 6pm Registration is essential, visit parracatholic.org/kim-daniels.

Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying Formation course: 17 October. Are you currently taking Communion to the sick and dying in the Diocese of Parramatta? Ongoing formation. Saturday 17 Oct from 9:30am – 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Morning tea and Lunch provided. For more information and to register before 14 Oct at parracatholic.org/events/ministry-of-communion-formation/

WYD27 Songwriting Competition: Submissions close 16 December

Young people of the Diocese of Parramatta, we want your original song to inspire our pilgrims on their journey to World Youth Day! Open to individuals or groups aged 16–35. Find out more and submit your song via our WYD27 website: parrawyd.org

Rosary Making Workshops

Come along for a fun evening of community and crafting rosary beads that will then be donated to the sick and dying in hospitals across our Diocese. Held on 15 Oct, 5 Nov. To register and for more information, please visit parracatholic.org/rosary-workshops

MAGNETS 4 SALE after Mass
SMALL \$3 | BIG \$5





Francis Alphonse at Chrysalis Law Group provides a range of legal services.

Home visits for the elderly or infirm at no extra charge in selected areas.
Ph 8046 7666
Email francis@chrysalislegal.com.au

Want to know more? For information about all the events happening and information of safeguarding please visit parracatholic.org follow on Facebook & instagram. Don't forget to check out our Parish website on southmoundruitt.org.au

SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MOUNT DRUITT

Celebrating 50 years of walking together in Faith



26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)
27th September 2026

Church Address: 9 Ropes Creek Rd, Mt. Druitt

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Assistant Priests: Fr Marcus Hazelman: 0405 453 902

Fr Taliai Hausia: 0404 322 560

Parish Chairperson: Teresa Samuels

Parish Admin Assistance: Amy Falemaka: Tues, Wed & Thurs Only

Weekend Masses:

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

Weekday Masses:

Mon 28th Sept: 9:10am Mon 26th Week in Ordinary Time

Tues 29th Sept: 9:10am St Michael, Gabriel, Raphael Archangels Feast

Wed 30th Sept: 7.00pm- St Jerome (Memorial)

Thurs 1st Oct: 9:10am – St Therese of the Child Jesus

Fri 2nd Oct: 9:10am & 7pm – The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)

Sat 3rd Oct: 9:10am – Sat 26th Week in Ordinary Time

Confession Times:

SATURDAYS -9.45 - 10.15am & 5.00 - 5.30pm

Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only

Sacred Heart Primary School:

Email: sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au **Tel:** 9625 8733



**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY
COMMUNION- SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 11 AM MASS
FORMATION SESSIONS**

Location	Session1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
Sacred Heart School			14 TH OCT 3:15-4:15PM	21 ST OCT 3:15-4:15PM
Fr Asthon Hall		10 TH OCT 4-5PM	17 TH OCT 4-5PM	24 TH OCT 4-5 PM

PARISH COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS:

1ST Collections: Clergy of the Diocese | 2nd Collections: Parish Expenses

If you would like to participate in the Regular Parish Contribution, forms are available for completion in the Parish office or by contacting us on (02) 9832 3896.

Donation by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

Account Name: **Sacred Heart Mt Druitt South** Bank: **CBA**

BSB: **067 950** Account Number: **000 004 53**

Please enter your Surname and Initial as a reference.

CHURCH CLEANING

3rd October

Lydia and Nelson

10th October

Jerry & Gloria Cardoza

17th October

Ingrid, Irene & Nirmala

24th October

Samoan Community

LECTORS	6PM	7:30AM	9AM
3 rd /4 th October 27 th Sunday in OT	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Thomas Merjudio	Fadi Antown Bethany Buhagiar
10 th /11 th October 28 th Sunday in OT	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Herbie Cruz Sangeeta Kumar	Helen Nau Jovita Bugayong
17 th /18 th October 29 th Sunday in OT	Herminia Villarica Edna Gemzon	Vinod Nagaraja Sangeeta Kumar	Bethany Buhagiar Mark Buhagiar
24 th /25 th October 30 th Sunday in OT	Gloria Cardoza Pio Vergara	Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Sosefo Vaisima Monica Uhatafe



Reflection from Fr Taliai Hausia...

Jesus is challenged by the chief priests and elders of the people over what he had done the previous day.

"By what authority do you do these things?

And who gave you this authority?" Jesus responds by offering to answer their question if they will first answer one of his: "I will ask you one question. If you tell me the answer, then I will tell you my authority for acting like this. Notice something very important. Jesus does not directly answer their question. Instead, he responds to it by telling three successive parables: the Two Sons, the Wicked Tenants, and the Wedding Banquet. Collectively, these three parables become Jesus' answer to the question, "By what authority do you do these things?" It is in that context that Jesus tells today's parable—the parable of the man who had two sons. "The parable has the character of an argument, in that it entices the hearer to a judgment upon the situation depicted." And that is exactly what Jesus now does. So, the parable is about a son who says "No" but goes to work, and a son who says "Yes" but does nothing. Without realizing it, the chief priests and elders have pronounced judgment upon themselves. They have acknowledged that the son who first refused but later obeyed was the one who truly did his father's will. If the chief priests and elders had not already worked out the point of the parable, Jesus spells it out for them: "Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you." What is the parable saying to us today? We can all be guilty of saying "Yes" to God but doing nothing. We can all mouth the right words but fail to do the Father's will. This is one of Matthew's great themes. Earlier in the Gospel Jesus warned: "It is not those who say to me, 'Lord, Lord,' who will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father in heaven." Saying the right words has never been enough. What matters is doing the Father's will. Amen

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: Rosita Matias; Violeta Jordan; 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: Joseph Tomicic. We pray for all those names who appear in the Parish memorial book for the month of September.