PARISH NOTICES

Please check poster at the back doors for Cleaning and Flowers Roster.

1. **The new carpet is officially down! Aisle Runner.** Let's all do our part to keep it clean and watching our step when walking on and off the carpet till it has settled in its new home.
2. **HAVE YOUR SAY!** Parish Consultation Questionnaire. We would really appreciate if all parishioners were able to fill a short questionnaire on the possibility of building a new church. Please find forms at the back of the church and place in box when completed.
3. **ALL Parish Council & Finance Committee Members** to collect their name badges at the back of the church and to assist any enquiries of parishioners for any matters especially regarding the questionnaire.
4. **Reminder** if you have not already **ALL Volunteers** please see the back of the church on left hand glass table to please **read and sign the Code of Conduct** and place forms into box.
5. **St Vinnies** Reprehensive will be attending all Masses next weekend to speak more on volunteering for Mt Druitt St Vinnies Group.
6. **Reminder:** Seniors Group Meeting, **Tuesday 10th Nov at 10am** (After morning Mass) in the Schoenstatt Meeting Room.
7. Online Information Session on the Undergraduate Certificate of Theology: 11 November at 8pm, for those interested in the Undergraduate Certificate of Theology. Register here: parracatholic.org/connect/events/?topic=theology
8. Remembrance Book available (front of church) to list all your loved ones as we remember and honour those who have left us during this month of All Souls.
9. Fr Marcus 10th year anniversary from Ordination is on the Sat 21st Nov at 7pm Fr Ashton Hall (after 6pm Vigil Mass) Please if we could have everyone bring a plate to celebrate with Fr Marcus on this beautiful Milestone.
10. **Christmas Carols** is fast approaching. **Held after Mass on Saturday 12th December at 7.00pm**. Please join us, at Sacred Heart School for a joyful night.

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

SACRED HEART PARISH
SOUTH MOUNT DRUITT

Celebrating 50 years of walking together in Faith

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)
8th November 2026

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Parish Admin: Amy Falemaka (Tues, Wed & Thurs Only)
Parish Chairperson: Teresa Samuels

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

Weekday Masses:
Mon 9th Nov: 9:10am – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)
Tues 10th Nov: 9:10am – St Leo the Great (Memorial)
Wed 11th Nov: 7.00pm – St Martin of Tours (Memorial)
Thurs 12th Nov: 9:10am – St Josaphat (Memorial)
Fri 13th Nov: 9:10am – Fri 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Sat 14th Nov: 9:10am – Sat 32nd Week in Ordinary Time

Confession Times:
SATURDAYS -9.45 - 10.15am & 5.00 - 5.30pm

Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement only (contact Parish Office)

Sacred Heart Primary School:
Email: sacredheartmtdruitt.catholic.edu.au **Tel:** 9625 8733

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: ***Wisdom 6:12-16***
Responsorial Psalm:
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God
Second Reading: ***1 Thessalonians 4:13-14***
Gospel: ***Matthew 25:1-13***



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK: Jenny Taateo, Leonie Baybay, Aida Aniscol, Maria Llave; Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Stella Edwards; Maria Belisario; Fabiola Palu; Leone Fakahau & Lose Misiloi

RECENTLY DECEASED: Peter Falla and Joselito Merjudio

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Alejo Chua, Hauy Mcleod, Cheryl Gabell, Marie Novak, Bozena Bukovac, Diosdado Dela Cruz, Jiri Kozumplik, Merlyn Farquharson, Fredy Farquharson, Imelda Christopher, Geoffrey Wilding & **We pray for all those names who appear in the Parish memorial book for the month of November.**



We warmly invite you to celebrate the priestly ordination of Deacons Jeff Hood, Paul Tran and Luke Huynh.
Tuesday 24 November 2026
at 7:30pm at
St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta

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LECTORS	6PM	7:30AM	9AM
7th Nov/ 8th Nov 32nd Sunday in OT	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Herbie Cruz Sangeeta Kumar	Aloysius Wong Mary Zore
14th Nov/ 15th Nov 33rd Sunday in OT	Herminia Villarica Gloria Cardoza	Phil Tonks Herbie Cruz	Maria Fe Verceluz Leo Macatanjay
21st Nov/ 22nd Noc 34th Sunday in OT	Gloria Cardoza Pio Vergara	Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Lucia Sini Agnes Polu
28th Nov/ 29th Nov 35th Sunday in OT	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Thomas Merjudio	Sosefo Vaisima Monika Uhatafe

Reflection from Deacon Roderick...

"The lamp of faith is not enough; we also need the oil of charity and good works." (Pope Francis)

In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus teaches the importance of being watchful and prepared for his coming. The wise virgins brought extra oil for their lamps, symbolizing a faith that is sustained by love and good works. Christian readiness involves more than belief; it means living each day in a way that reflects God's love through prayer, service, and compassion.

Pope Francis explains that the "oil of charity" is the practice of concrete acts of love and mercy. (Nov. 8, 2020, Angelus for 32 Ord A). This includes caring for the sick, helping the poor and homeless, supporting those who suffer injustice or prejudice, caring for creation, forgiving others, and serving those in need. These daily acts of charity nourish and strengthen our faith.

The parable invites us to ask ourselves whether we are accumulating the oil of charity in our lives. True readiness for Christ is not anxious waiting but faithful living, marked by faith, hope, and love. As Pope Francis reminds us, faith alone is not enough; it must be accompanied by charity and good works that prepare us to welcome the Lord whenever he comes.

What is filling my lamp today?

- Am I storing up the oil of charity through acts of love?
- Where have I become spiritually drowsy?
- Who is Christ asking me to serve this week?
- If the Bridegroom came today, would he find me waiting with faith, hope, and love?

SCHOENSTATT ROOM LIBRARY

As we approach the season of **Advent**, parishioners are warmly invited to visit and borrow books to help deepen their faith and prepare their hearts for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Borrow a book. Nurture your faith. Prepare your heart for Christmas.

