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!
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. If you have any questions, please see our friendly Parish Council or Finance Committee Members.
3. **Reminder** Thank you for all those who already signed the code of Conduct. If you have not already please **read and sign the Code of Conduct**, placed at the back of the church and place forms into box.
4. **Bishop's Good Works Appeal – Help a young mother break the cycle of violence and homelessness.** Next week in all Masses a video will be shown prior to each Mass. **Envelopes on the pews.**
5. **Fr Marcus 10th year anniversary from Ordination** celebration will be on 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.
6. 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.
7. Kindly asking for any donations to help a homeless woman. In need of any clothes size 16 to 20, tin food & dry food. Please bring donations to parish office. We appreciate any help received. Thank you!
8. **Our Parish Christmas Carols** held **after Mass on Saturday 12th December at 7.00pm**. Please join us, at Sacred Heart School for a joyful night singing carols, a free sausage sizzle and special visit from Santa.
9. **Red November:** Inviting all Catholics to pray, support and act for persecuted Christians throughout Red November. Register today and receive a **free prayer card** and **complimentary pair of Rosary beads**. To join us in prayer, visit rebrand.ly/RedNovemberRosary

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

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)
15th November 2026

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Parish Chairperson: Teresa Samuels

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

Weekday Masses:
Mon 16th Nov: 9:10am – Mon 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Tues 17th Nov: 9:10am – St Elizabeth of Hungary (Memorial)
Wed 18th Nov: 7.00pm – Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul
Thurs 19th Nov: 9:10am – Thurs 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Fri 20th Nov: 9:10am – Fri 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Sat 21st Nov: 9:10am – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: ***Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31***
Responsorial Psalm:
R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.
Second Reading: ***1 Thessalonians 5:1-6***
Gospel: ***Matthew 25:14-15, 19-21***



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: Susan Pereira, 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.**



LECTORS	6PM	7:30AM	9AM
14th Nov/ 15th Nov 33rd Sunday in OT	Herminia Villarica Gloria Cardoza	Phil Tonks Herbie Cruz	Maria Fe Verceluz Pelenatita Mafi
21st Nov/ 22nd Noc 34th Sunday in OT	Gloria Cardoza Pio Vergara	Elijah Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Lucia Sini Agnes Polu
28th Nov/ 29th Nov 1st Sunday of Advent	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Elijah Merjudio Thomas Merjudio	Sosefo Vaisima Monika Uhatafe
5th Dec/ 6th Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villapana	Herbie Cruz Sangeeta Kumar	Fadi Antown Jovita Bugayong

Reflection from Fr. Marcus Hazelman…

This week's Gospel speaks of how Jesus' disciples are to conduct themselves as they await the Kingdom of Heaven. In the preceding passages and in last week's Gospel, Jesus taught that there is no way to predict the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. His disciples must, therefore, remain vigilant and ready to receive the Son of Man at any time.

Jesus' parable talks about Christian discipleship using economic metaphors. Before he leaves on a journey, the master entrusts to his servants a different number of talents, giving to each according to their abilities. A talent is a coin of great value. Upon the master's return, he finds that the first and second servants have doubled their money, and both are rewarded. The third servant, however, has only preserved what was given to him because he was afraid to lose the money. He has risked nothing; he did not even deposit the money in a bank to earn interest. This servant is punished by the master, and his talent is given to the one who brought the greatest return. Read in light of last week's parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this parable teaches that God's judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God's judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities.

This Gospel reminds us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbour. God's grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven.

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.

