

MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD

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Parish Secretary: Veena Miranda

Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

Acknowledgement of Country : We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year - B – 28th & 29th Sept 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Antiphon

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.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Numbers (11:25-29)

(Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?)

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look ,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, ' My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, ' Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Ps 18)

All: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Reader: The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

All: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Reader: The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

All: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Reader: So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me.

All: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Reader: From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin.

All: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of James (5:1-6)

(Your wealth is rotting).

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An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them - listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth:
Make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark (9:38-43, 45, 47-48)
(Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off).

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 6:00 pm. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.

Weekday Masses :

Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am

Saturday : 8.30am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday : 5:15pm – 5:45pm

Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary,
6:30pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

Bible Study : Fortnightly on Sundays at 2.30pm
in the Logos Centre.

Sunday School : Every Sundays during 10am Mass
in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

BAPTISMS are open. Every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month.

For Baptism Preparation please contact **Maria D'souza** through email :
maria197114@gmail.com OR
contact the Parish Office.

READINGS FOR 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B : 5th & 6th October 2024
Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

Baptism



Through the waters of Baptism,

Jason Roh & John Peter Roh
Bonnie Szwarc Williams
Elouise North Dulay
&
Savahna Ahfa

Enter into the life of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Lost & Found

We kindly remind all parishioners that our Lost and Found basket is located in the church foyer. If you have misplaced any items please check the basket as soon as possible.

Please note that we will clear the Lost and Found basket on the last Sunday of each month. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity after this time. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us keep our church tidy. Thank you.

CATHOLIC CARE Aged Care PRESENTATION –

Monday 21 October :

CatholicCare will be visiting Mary Mother of the Church Parish to provide a comprehensive and important presentation on Aged Care, covering topics such as: How to get into the Aged Care system and also the services that CatholicCare can provide. Presentation to commence after 9am Mass. Morning Tea will be provided.

RSVP : Veena - Parish office :
mfields@dow.org.au OR call 9605 6169

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Living Well - Keeping your mind fit Presentation

Why is it important for seniors in our community to keep their minds fit?

CatholicCare will be visiting Holy Family Ingleburn parish to deliver an important presentation on maintaining mental fitness of seniors. They will address topics such as:

- Simple way to keep your mind fit
- Ideas for self-care
- Practical tips and tricks for maintaining an active mind and good mental health

Wednesday 2nd October 2024

Presentation to commence after 9am Mass

RSVP to Michaela - Parish Secretary Email:
ingleburn@dow.org.au Phone: (02) 9059 4134

Parish cuppa Weekend - 5th / 6th Oct

Please note that our upcoming parish cuppa after the **6pm and 10am Masses** on the weekend of October 5th/6th has been **cancelled** due to the unavailability of team members.

We are in need of more volunteers to help with these gatherings, as it would be too difficult for the few we currently have to manage alone. If you are available to assist, please contact the parish office

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL – TO SUPPORT THE RETIREMENT AND HEALTH OF CLERGY AND THE SOUND AND HOLISTIC FORMATION OF SEMINARIANS

Thank you for your generous support of this appeal last weekend. Tax deductible donations are still being gratefully received online via the Diocese of Wollongong's website www.dow.org.au/giving

Parish Notice:

Our parishioner, Julius Medvecky, will be celebrating his 103rd birthday on October 2nd. After the 9am Mass, Fr. Bosco will visit him to mark this special milestone. If you'd like to join, we can provide transportation on the parish bus, but seats are limited. To reserve your spot, please contact the parish office or let Fr. Bosco know directly.

REFLECTION:

Very many people admire and envy the rich. Yet St James makes a scathing attack on them (Second Reading). However, it is not riches in themselves that are being condemned. Basically he makes two points.

The first is the ultimate worthlessness of wealth. Whatever comfort and luxury wealth affords is transitory; in the end it is vanity. Wealth does not lead to happiness. Therefore, placing one's hope in material wealth is foolish.

This is something we all need to be reminded of from time to time, because we live in a culture that tells us the opposite. In so many ways it tells us that possessions do lead to happiness. This is a seductive message which ruins many lives.

The second point St. James makes concerns the manner in which wealth is acquired. More often than not acquiring and keeping wealth involves acting unjustly and exploiting the weak. Here we are not talking about foolishness. We are talking about something that is both evil and sinful.

Two further points should be made.

There is the effect of wealth on the one who possesses it. Preoccupation with material things concentrates a person's thoughts and interests of this world to the exclusion of the other world. Furthermore, possessions can make a person arrogant, proud, and self-satisfied. Wealth fosters selfishness, thus hardening the heart of the possessor. No one saw the danger of material things more clearly than Jesus.

Finally, all of this has to be seen against background in which millions of people are living in poverty and hunger. For every person who has too much, there are at least ten who have too little. Some have a surfeit while others are in dire need. In some parts of the world babies are dying before their mother's eyes.

According to an article in The Tablet (December 1996) the wealth of 358 richest billionaires is the same as the wealth of 2.3 billion poor people, who make up 45% of the world's population. These are grotesque inequalities. The gap between rich and poor countries is an ever widening one.

This inequality is a great evil. It explains the uneasiness felt by contemporary people, an unease felt not only by the poor but also by the rich. It demands decisive solutions. But where to begin and what to do? The first step is to become conscious of it.

Wealth is a responsibility. People will be judged by two criteria: how they got their wealth, and how they used it.

New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies

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Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

Birthday : Rose

Thanksgiving : Jenny / Anusha & Neethu /
Rose Mary Celine Peter / Maria Luisa Torrefranca /
Rachel Noronha

Wedding Anniversary : Oliver & Ronelia Molina

**This week masses have been offered
for the Sick and Special needs of :**



* Dr Lydia de Jesus
* Dr Joycelyn de Jesus
* Leslie Reich
* Jaypee Masangkay
* Aida Dayao
* Nelia Ambat
* Vivian Martin
* Lucinda Rose
* Maria Vu
* Vlado Kutle
* Luis Vincente Marcelo
* Carla Geronimo
* Hania Stoklosa
* Ricardo San Juan
* Alan & Margaret
Raisbeck
* Aleyna Meryam Lacin
* Mirella Autard-Catherine
* Mick Jones
* Lavina, Joseph & Lawry
* Sue Aston
* Alwyn Noronha

* Eva Silang
* Carole Dimayuga
* Selda Dimayuga
* Nancie
* Mason Dulalia
* Jun & Charo Doctors
* Catherine Nguyen
* Resty Perez
* Susan Biag
* Lysiane
* Jake Valte
* Andrea Tuazon
* Daniela Vladislavic
* Mabel Artuz
* Monique Yongching
* Jordan Joval
* Rey Manoto
* Katarina Klindic
* Dominique Autard
* June Carroll
* Fellie Duggan
* Ricardo Villarosa

**THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN
OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE
SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :**



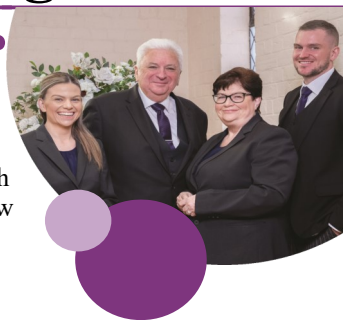
✠ Mary Biju John
✠ Tommy Reynolds
✠ Jennifer Nagarajan
✠ Peter Thomas Laban
✠ Marcelo Bala
✠ Norman Sheppard
✠ Reynaldo Abasa
✠ Emenita Sinson
✠ Johnny Antiola
✠ Ricardo Villarosa
✠ Francis Anthony
✠ Philip, Jose, Clara
✠ Antonio, Guadalupe, Epifanio,
Corazon, Doroteo, Anthony
✠ Ivan Stenson
✠ Vinvero Santiago
✠ All souls in Purgatory

✠ Vincent Stenson
✠ Kathleen O'Keefe
✠ Terry Sumeo
✠ Antonio Torres Jr.
✠ Myrtle McCoy
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Mackarras



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***SVD Prayer : "May the darkness of sin and night of
unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the
spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the
hearts of all. Amen"*** **Saint Arnold Janssen**

Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise You, We bless You,
We adore you, We glorify You,
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the
holy one, You alone are the Lord, You alone are most
high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory
of God the Father. Amen.*

The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow)
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell; on the third day he rose
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the
dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic
Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen.*