



Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)
 Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:30pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday: 9:15am

First Friday of the month: 7:00pm

Rosary: Monday to Saturday: 8:50am

Sacred Heart Devotions: Friday, after morning Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday: 10:30—11:30am

Baptisms: Second and Fourth Sunday after 10:00am Mass

Weddings and Funerals: Please contact the Parish Office;
 Ph: 02 9644 4026, Email: sefton@oblates.com.au



Acolytes

Please fill in the Christmas/January Roster in the Sacristy by **Sunday 27th November**.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Please collect form from table in foyer. Fill in and return by **19th November** to enable Christmas roster to be made.

Readers

Are reminded to return your form by **next weekend** so that new rosters will be ready for Readers Meeting on 30th November.

Columban Calendar 2017

The Columban Calendar 2017 will be available at the Piety Stall at a cost of \$8.

St Vincent De Paul Christmas Cards

A selection of St Vincent de Paul Christmas Card packets are available. Cost \$6 a packet which can be purchased at the Piety Stall.

Pilgrimage to St Patrick's Church Hill, The Rocks

Please join us on pilgrimage to St Patrick's Church Hill, The Rocks **Tuesday 15th November** for a tour of the church and the surrounding historical buildings. The bus will leave school at 8:45am and return by 2:45pm. The cost of the day is \$10 for the tour (includes a free coffee from the cafe). Reconciliation is available at 10am - this is optional but is a great opportunity during this Jubilee Year of Mercy & as we approach the Advent season. Tour commences 10:30am sharp. Mass at 12:05pm followed by lunch. Light lunch can be purchased from the café. Please RSVP to Amal on 02 9644 3555.

NOVEMBER 19 th /20 th				
Mass	5:30pm Vigil	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	W. Khouw	L. Cavallo	C. McDermott	K. Collins
Readers	A. Roberts	R. Winder	M. Keep	L. Farlow
Ministers of Communion	A. Pham & N. Barry	N. Walker & M. Abraham	H. Takai & K. Marson	M. Cowan & M. Williams
Musicians/Choir	IHM Choir	Anh Tran	Tongan Choir	Anh Tran
Flower Arrangers	N. Zalloua & R. Khoury			
Counters	Group 1: J. DeMartin, N. VanDen Nieuwenhuizen & I. Culpan			
Bankers	Group 1: P. Howe & S. Saidi			



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Sefton

Under the care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton, NSW 2162

Parish Priest: Fr. Pat Moroney, OMI; **Assistant Priest:** Fr Vincent McGillicuddy, OMI

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time - Year C

13th Nov 2016



Dear Parishioners,

Today's gospel has an element of shock and horror in it from the point of view of the Apostles as told by St Luke today. The followers of Jesus were admiring the magnificent Temple, that which it took 46 years to build and was the pride and joy of the whole Jewish nation. Imagine their amazement, not to mention their horror when Jesus foretells its destruction, it was practically the equivalent of foretelling of the destruction of the whole nation. As we know today it was destroyed by the Roman General Titus in A.D. 70 when he decreed that only one small wall be left standing as a reminder to the people of their defeat. That Wall still stands today and is referred as the Wailing Wall still revered by the Jewish people today.

But the gospel is not one of despair, rather it is Jesus reminding us that in all ages and among all peoples there will be wars, destruction, calamity and disasters and yet it is not the end of the world. There will always be those who see in every disaster a portent of the end of time and Jesus tells his followers that such is not the case. Nobody knows when the Son of Man will appear for the Second and Final Coming. His message is that we must continue to live our lives and to spread the news of the Kingdom, to pick up the broken pieces and to rebuild the world and the Church. All through history there have been huge upheavals, apparent total destruction from which no man could possibly recover and yet the gospel continues to be preached, the Church continues to pick itself up and to serve the needy, the sorrows and disasters continue to be coped with and the truth of the gospel continues to rise out of the ashes.

We live in difficult times and the harbingers of disaster seem to be all around us and on every side. Those who oppose our beliefs and our gospel seem to be getting louder by the minute and for many it must seem that so much of what they treasured in their faith and practice is being wiped out, denied and rejected. Here it is that a knowledge of history comes to our aid and helps us to see things in perspective. There have always been times of upheaval, persecution and trouble and often on a much greater scale than is happening today. Jesus himself in the gospel tells us what to expect in regard to persecution, family disruption and those who will fall away. But He also reminds us to stand firm, believe in his words and remember his promise 'behold I am with you to the end of time'.

God bless

(fr) Pat Moroney omi

Readings

This Week: Mal 3:19-20 2 Thess 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19
Next Week: 2 Sam 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

Parish Annual Christmas Party

The Parish Council at its meeting on Wednesday of this week decided to hold our Annual Christmas Party on **Saturday 10th December at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall**. This is where we held the party last year and it proved to be a very acceptable and successful venue. The celebration will begin following the Saturday evening Mass.

We look forward to seeing very many of our senior parishioners attend and to welcoming our families and their small children also.

As was the case last year, tickets will be \$15 for an adult, \$10 for a child and \$40 for the whole family irrespective of numbers.

Tickets will be on sale in the Church Foyer beginning next weekend Nov.19-20. We suggest you claim your tickets as soon as possible due to limited space. We look forward to a wonderful parish celebration.

Church Renovation and Painting

Apart from a very few minor details we have finally completed the renovations to the foyer and back of the Church and also the painting of the whole interior of the Parish Church. It has been a fairly protracted operation beginning very early in 2016 and involving a fair degree of inconvenience for you, the parishioners. I would like to think that it has all been very worthwhile and, in fact, we have received many kind compliments and nods of approval. It has resulted, I would like to think in a brighter and more welcoming atmosphere for all parishioners. Hopefully the colour scheme has appealed even after a little bit of 'trial and error' on our part.

Much of the work and all the technical planning involved was done by our parishioner Mr Damian Corbett for which we are extremely grateful. He drew up the plans, engaged the tradesmen and oversaw the completion of the work. Damian has a long history of involvement with the parish renovations and was Fr George's right hand man even as far back as the renovation of our altar and sanctuary. On behalf of all the parish may I express our thanks and appreciation to Damian for his tireless efforts.

It was pleasing to be able to do all the work and pay for it from parish funds, accumulated over the years and not to have to make any new financial requests. Thank you for your generosity over many years which made all of this possible.

Charitable Works Appeal

As announced last weekend **today** we have the third and final Diocesan Charitable Works Appeal for 2016. Thank you for your generosity and support throughout the year.

Congratulations and Welcome to our newly Baptized

Last weekend saw the baptism of James Austin Page at Immaculate Heart of Mary. Congratulations to the parents of James, Andrew and Sarah Page. The proud grandmother of James was Parish Secretary here for close on thirty years. This weekend we welcome to the Sacrament of Baptism the following:

Jordan Tyger Paull born to Nathan and Jessica Paull, Chester Hill

Toni-Marie Xara Reboredo born to Erick and Alejandra Reboredo, Sefton

Olivia Yvette Olinda Freese born to Wayne and Amanda Freese, Chester Hill

We congratulate the families and thank them for bringing their new born children to be baptized.

Lecture by Fr James Mallon from Nova Scotia Canada

Dooley's Catholic Club, Lidcombe is hosting a talk by Fr James Mallon, a well known priest author from Canada. The topic is Making Missionary Disciples and how to grow them in a parish. The talk will take place at Dooley's on **17th November from 7:15 – 9:30pm**. The cost is \$10 and includes a light supper. You can call 02 9307 8477.

Mass Intentions:

Vigil	5:30pm	Bill & Elsie Williams (RIP)
Sun 13	8:00am	Jabbour Azizi (RIP)
	10:00am	Janet Daoud (RIP)
	5:30pm	Sidney Ebert (RIP)
Mon 14	9:15am	Welfare of Margaret Walker
Tue 15	9:15am	All departed Legionaries (RIP)
Wed 16	9:15am	Marian Teresa Vellis (RIP)
Thu 17	9:15am	Betty O'Rourke (RIP)
Fri 18	9:15am	Bob Barrington (RIP)
Sat 19	9:15am	Cletus Gomez (RIP)

Parish Diary:

Sun 13	33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Mon 14	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
7:30pm	Yoga
10:00am	Legion of Mary Meeting
Tue 15	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Wed 16	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Thu 17	St Elizabeth of Hungary
7:00pm	J-Walker Youth Meeting
Fri 18	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
9:30am	Yoga
Sat 19	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33

Please pray for

Recently Deceased:

Vinesh Pathman



RIP Anniversary:

Bridget C. Waddell, Kathleen A. McNiven, Alice J. Smith, D'Arcy Cutcliffe, Agnes Wornes, Bruce L. Badger, Jack Davis, Dorothy Nash, Maria de Giorgio, Rose Callus, Linley (Len) C. Fulton, Leslie J. Sculley, Michael J. Manning, Julia James, Veronica Blackburn, Dorothy Boyle, Aloisia Buczynski, Colleen A. Wooby.

The Sick:

Archbishop A. Fisher, Bishop G Robinson, Fr John O'Doherty, Sister Marie O'Dea, Margaret Janssen, Laurie Horsley, Marie Banham, David McGeachie, John Mealing, Tony Asaf, Kevin Kabalan, Margaret Barker, Leslie Cotter, Matthew Barrington, Youssef Ghaban, Carolyn Palmer, John O'Brien, Pat Smith, Dulcie Cullen, Spiteri family, Michael Chambers, Noel Watson, Elfrieda Kubousek, Noel Rigney-Johnson, Brian P. Scaysbrook, Lydia Gwynne, Anita Rendulic, Fred Pisano, Derek Rodrigues, John Rodrigues, Ben Rodrigues, Rosita Rodrigues, Vita Barbagallo, Carol & Richard, Prudence Pinto, Iona Velis, Sarah, Melissa Long, Lena Theuma, Bob Rodrigues.

Note: Please notify the Parish Office when you or your family member are well again.