

Mass Times:**Monday to Saturday** : 9:15am**Saturday**: 5:30pm (Vigil) ; **Sunday**: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:30pm**First Friday** of the month: 7:00pm**Rosary**: Monday to Saturday: 8:50am**Sacred Heart Devotions**: Fridays, 9:50am**Reconciliation**: Saturdays After Morning Mass until 10:20am**Baptisms**: 2nd and 4th Sundays, 11:00am**Weddings and Funerals**: Contact Parish Office**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Sefton**

6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton, NSW 2162

Parish Priest: Fr Greg McGregor
Assistant Parish Priest: Fr Thomas Alukka**Sunday, 27 May 2018: The Most Holy Trinity - Year B**

One of the things we often hear in times of domestic, local or international crisis is that 'everyone pulled together'. We are rightly proud, and a few times amazed, at how people can set aside their differences and strive for the common good. Sometimes this experience of working together has the long-lasting benefit of breaking down boundaries. Other times, sadly, old enmities, prejudices and suspicions return when the crisis is over.

Trinity Sunday celebrates that whether we are in crisis or not, in season and out of season, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit do nothing but 'pull together' to love and save us. What we glimpse as the best attribute of our family, town or nation defines who our Christian God is, and what they see, how they judge and the way they act toward the world.

A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it. We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity. In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity. Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting. It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that 'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere. So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, 'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'

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CATHOLIC WEEKLY - PULPIT POINTS 27TH MAY 2018

- Singing for the Pope
- Students pose tough questions for Archbishop Fisher
- Thousands turn out for Schoenstatt's 50th
- Mary honoured across Australia
- Movie review: Deadpool 2
- Super Catholic mum: Lisa Hendey

Available in the foyer - \$2. All money goes to the poor.

THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY SAFEGUARDING OFFICE

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on Tel: 02 9390 5812.

MINISTRY ROSTER - 2ND & 3RD JUNE

Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	W Khouw	Adam	C McDermott	E Lobo
Readers	M Flanagan	L Abouchabake	T Tierney	M Cowan
Ministers of Communion	T Flanagan N Barry	C Wood J Murphy	K Hicks I Vellis	Volunteer M Farlow
Musician/Choir	IHM Choir	A Tran	Tongan Choir	Mitchell Farlow
Flower Arrangers	T Khoury & S Khoury			
Counters	T Flanagan, M Flanagan, I Prygiel			
Bankers	P Loos & S Johns			

PARISH CONTACTS**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church****Parish Priest**: Fr Greg McGregor**Assistant Parish Priest**: Fr Thomas Alukka**Parish Secretary**: Leisa Farlow**Office Hours**: Tue—Fri (9:30am—2:30pm)**6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton NSW 2162****Phone**: 02 9644 4026, **Fax**: 02 9743 7407**Email**: office@ihmsefton.org.au**Parish Website**: www.seftoncatholicchurch.org.au**Immaculate Heart of Mary - Primary School****Principal**: Mr. John Kennedy**School Office**:**30 Proctor Parade, Sefton, NSW 2162****Phone**: 02 9644 3555, **Fax**: 02 9644 8214**Email**: info@ihmsefton.catholic.edu.au**Family Educator**: Mrs Claude Bourizk

READINGS

This Week: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20
Next Week: Ex 24:3-8 Heb 9:11-15 Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Please keep in your prayers Varghese Alukka, Fr Thomas' dad, who is seriously ill. May God keep him pain free and comfortable at this time. Fr Thomas will be away for two weeks whilst he visits with his father in India. During this time, Fr Greg will minister to both IHM Sefton and Sacred Heart Villawood Parishes.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Friday 8th June is the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Fr Greg will be saying mass for the school and Parish at **Sacred Heart Church Villawood at 9:15am**. As a result, there will be no morning mass here at IHM Sefton although there will be a communion service. All parishioners are welcome to attend mass at Sacred Heart Villawood on this day (120 Carawatha Street, Villawood).

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

- First Holy Communion: **Sunday 9th September** - Two Sunday masses **10:00am** and **12:00 noon**
- Reconciliation: **Wednesday 21st November** at **7:00pm**

These dates have now been confirmed and further details will be given throughout the year close to enrolment time for each of the sacraments.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Any parishioners who are not already involved in the parish planned giving scheme but would like to commence, please contact the Parish Office as the envelopes for the next financial year will soon be distributed. Also, if you would like to contribute via direct debit of your credit card, please see the Parish Office to collect the appropriate forms. Thank you.

READERS MEETING

Will be held on **Wednesday 30th May at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre**. Please make an effort to attend.

DR DAN WHITE

Dr Dan White, Executive Director of Sydney Catholic Schools, has announced his intention to retire from the role as of Easter 2019. After ten years of loyal and dedicated service, Dr White intends to focus his time and energy on other pursuits that allow him flexibility and more time with family. He has given tireless leadership to the Archdiocese of Sydney and the broader Catholic education community across Australia. We wish Dr White well.

WALK WITH CHRIST – SUNDAY 3RD JUNE 2018

All are invited to participate in this year's Walk With Christ Eucharistic Procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi, **Sunday 3rd June 2018**. Participants will gather at the corner of **Pitt St and Martin Place in the CBD at 2:30pm**. The procession will follow the Blessed Sacrament through the Sydney CBD, finishing at the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt with Adoration and Benediction. If you are unable to join us for the Procession, you are more than welcome to join us for Adoration and Benediction from approximately 3:30pm in the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt. The event will conclude at approximately 4:30pm.

NIGHT OF PRAYER AND REPARATION

The World Apostolate of Fatima Aust. Inc. Sydney Archdiocese Committee invite you to attend our Night of Prayer and Reparation on The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart **Friday the 8th of June**, at St Dominic's Parish Flemington, with Solemn Mass to **commence at 9:00pm** followed by the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, Re-dedication and Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed, a short break, to end Saturday morning at 1:30am with the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary, Mass and morning prayers. Please see flyer at back of church for more information.

PLEASE NOTE OUR CHURCH WILL NOW BE OPEN ON A MONDAY ONCE AGAIN.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 26th	9:15am	RIP Pierre Haddad
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP Elizabeth Colville
Sun 27th	8:00am	RIP John Windram (anniversary on 14th May)
	10:00am	RIP Horace Delaney
	5:30pm	RIP Phillipe L'Olive, Jean-Claude Nina & Stephanie Noel
Mon 28th	9:15am	Family Mass for Peace
Tue 29th	9:15am	RIP Torindo, Maria & Rosa Petricca and Franco Sfarra (recently deceased)
Wed 30th	9:15am	RIP Roma Swindells
Thu 31st	9:15am	RIP Gosepino Salac (anniversary 1st May)
Fri 1st	9:15am 7:00pm	RIP Ibrahim El Bayeh (anniversary) Welfare of all Parishioners
Sat 2nd	9:15am	RIP Bruno Nadile Anniversary
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP Ibrahim El Bayeh & Hanna Sassine

WE PRAY FOR...

Recently Deceased

Tom Payne (Val McAuley's brother), Lew Zammit, Tram Nguyen, Franco Sfarra

RIP Anniversary

Peter McMillan, Stanislaw Iskra, Fr T Hipwell OMI, Marie Walsh, Ibrahim El Bayeh

Our Sick

Varghese Alukka, Bryant Wilson, Kieran McGregor, Alma Ryan, Annette Evans, Kevin & Moira Magnussen, Bishop G Robinson, Sister Marie O'Dea, John Mealing, David McGeachie, Kath Coughlin, Mary Keane, Bob Rodrigues, Spiteri family, Leslie Cotter, Matthew Barrington, Lydia Gwynne, Leo Hackett

SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM KERRY HICKS

Ms Kerry Hicks would like to thank all the wonderful Parishioners who said the Rosary for, and attended the funeral of, her beloved dad Horace Delaney. May God bless you all.



BAPTISM Please pray for **KATHERINE MAY PAGE** as we welcome her into our parish community through the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, 27th May 2018. Let us pray also for her parents and godparents, that the Lord may help them in raising Katherine in the practice of the faith.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, 27th May

- 11:00am - Baptism of Katherine Page

Tue, 29th May

- 9:15am - Yr 1 & Yr 5 attend Parish morning mass

Wed, 30th May

- Parish office closed due to staff training

Fri, 1st June

- 7:00pm - First Friday evening Mass

Sun, 3rd June

- 10:45am - Baptismal Classes after 10am mass, meet in the foyer of the Church

CHANGES TO THE PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note, the Parish email address has changed to **office@ihmsefton.org.au**

RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation will now commence immediately after the 9:15am mass on Saturday morning until 10:20am or until required.