**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



## **CATHOLIC WEEKLY - PULPIT POINTS 10TH JUNE 2018**

- Walk with Christ Special Souvenir Liftout
- New movie on Pope Francis
- Obituary for Ireland
- St Anthony comes to Toongabbie
- Youth Editorial A letter from a young Catholic husband
- 'Diary of a Whimpy Kid' author Jeff Kinney

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 - 16TH & 17TH JUNE				
Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	K Collins	D Bui	L Cavallo	C McDermott
Readers	R Winder	M Abraham	М Кеер	L Farlow
Ministers of Communion	M Flanagan	B Murphy	E Torres	I Abraham
	T Flanagan	N Walker	l Vellis	M Cowan
Musician/Choir	IHM Choir	A Tran	Tongan Choir	A Tran
Flower Arrangers	L Johns, S Johns			
Counters	T Flanagan, M Flanagan, I Prygiel, K Collins			
Bankers	P Loos & S Johns			

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# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Sefton

6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton, NSW 2162

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Sunday, 10 June 2018: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

This Gospel passage portrays two ways in which we can reject the real Jesus Christ. One way is quite common and we all engage in it to one degree or another. Thank goodness it is forgivable. The other is rare but has very dire consequences.

The first way is to domesticate Jesus, and that is what members of his blood family were trying to do. They thought he was 'out of his mind', already provoking a severe reaction from the religious and political authorities. He was madly putting himself in harm's way and he had to be restrained. But Jesus would not give up his mission to establish the reign of God on earth, the signs of which were the curing of bodies and minds, and the forgiving of sins, embodying the merciful healing presence of God, come what may (and he did know what was coming!).



His Nazareth family were trying to reduce him to manageable size so that he did not imperil himself, and them. So, he dramatically creates a new family constituted by those who, like him, are dedicated to doing the will of God.

You and I have to ask: 'Have I tried to domesticate Jesus Christ, to reduce him to a non-threatening Jesus-meek-and-mild?' If so, we are closer to the family of Nazareth standing just outside his circle, ready to run for cover, than to the family of Jesus Christ seated around him really listening to him and therefore vulnerable.

The second way to reject the real Jesus Christ is to completely, and with malice aforethought, misconstrue all the evidence of Jesus' mission on earth and claim that it must be Satanic, that he must be in league with the devil.

Jesus quickly retorts that, if that were the case there must be a civil war going on in Satania, because he is constantly undoing the devil's work by merciful healing. The charge is non-sense

Worse than that, if you grievously mislead others by saying publicly, as did these religious leaders, that Jesus is diabolically acting because 'He has an unclean spirit', then it is this malicious misleading of others that is unforgiveable. You have deliberately put the salvation of others at risk.

This is real blasphemy, not some outburst of language disrespecting God, but a deliberate turning against God's plan to send the Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ amongst us for our salvation. You have also made yourself the sort of person who, at death, will not recognise the saving presence of the Risen Lord for who he is – the source of forgiveness necessary to be swept up into the loving eternal life of God.

The fact that you are here listening to this homily leads me, with pastoral confidence not presumption, to say that you need not be worried that you have committed this blasphemy. You and I may be more justly worried about the first mode of rejection of the real Jesus. Fortunately, we can with the grace of God recognise this and determine to read and hear the Gospels, discern the will of God for our lives and come back within the ultimate family allegiance of those who dare to call God 'our Father'.

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## **READINGS**

**This Week:** Gen 3:9-15 2 Cor 4:13-5:1 Mk 3:20-35 **Next Week**: Ez 17:22-24 2 Cor 5:6-10 Mk 4:26-34

**SINCERE SYMPATHY** and loving prayers from the parish family to the Magnussen family, relatives and friends on the passing of Moira Magnussen. May she rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon her.



A requiem mass will be held for Moira at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Sefton on **Tuesday 12th June at 10.30am**.

## **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.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Fr Thomas has advised that his dad's health has improved quite a bit. Please continue to keep his dad, Varghese Alukka, in your prayers as they seem to be working! Fr Thomas sends his regards and many thanks for all your prayers. Fr Greg's dad has recently had heart surgery and is now recovering well. Please continue to pray for Keiran McGregor and his swift recovery.

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION ROSTER

Is available for collection in the church foyer. Please collect your roster prior to the beginning of July.

## **RELIC OF ST ANTHONY**

Parishioners and friends of St Anthony are invited to join the celebrations commencing with mass and 9 days of Novena on St Anthony's Feast Day, **Wednesday 13th June 2018**, culminating in the reception of the Holy Relic on **Thursday 21st June**, and Masses and public veneration of the Relics on **Friday 22nd June**. See parish website: www.stanthonyschurch.org.au

Or phone 9631 3316 for full details of the celebrations.

## **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 be distributed from the weekend of 23rd/24th June**. 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.

# **BISHOP VINCENT LONG TALK**

You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', the Edmund Rice Retreat and Conference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 16th June 2018. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00 am. For further information contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.

## GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE—CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF HUMAN VITAE

Chris Gordon from the Life, Marriage and Family Centre will speak on this topic at various locations across Sydney. What did God intend for human sexuality? How have couples responded to the call in Paul VI's seminal encyclical Humane Vitae to be open to life? How can we change our cultural attitudes around sex, the transmission of life, marriage, providence and babies? All welcome. Plenty of time for questions. For dates and locations see the flyer at the back of the Church. More info: ph 9307-8402, lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Sat 9th	9:15am	Personal Intentions of the Visevic Family	
Vigil	5:30pm	All deceased members of the Nguyen and Hoang families, especially Tram Nguyen (recently deceased - 7/5/18)	
Sun 10th	8:00am	Special Intentions of the Sisters of the Immaculata	
	10:00am	Personal Intentions of the Visevic Family	
	5:30pm	The Good Health of Joy Grovenor (79th Birthday)	
Mon 11th	9:15am	Special Intentions of the Sisters of the Immaculata	
Tue 12th	9:15am	RIP Katica Dobos	
Wed 13th	9:15am	Personal Intentions of the Visevic Family	
Thu 14th	9:15am	RIP Janet Daoud (Anniversary)	
Fri 15th	9:15am	Personal Intentions of the Visevic Family	
Sat 16th	9:15am	Special Intentions of the Sisters of the Immaculata	
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP John O'Brien (Recently Deceased)	

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Sun, 10th June

11am - Baptism of Darrago Seeto

### Tues, 12th June

• 10:30am - Funeral of Moira Magnussen

#### Wed, 13th June

Parish office closed due to staff training

#### Sun, 17th June

 10:45am - Fundraising BBQ for the Tongan Community Youth Group, in front of the Parish Centre

#### CHANGES TO THE PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS

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

## **CHURCH ACCESSIBILITY**

Our church will now be open on a Monday once again.



# WE PRAY FOR...

#### **Recently Deceased**

Moira Magnussen, Tom Payne (Val McAuley's brother), Lew Zammit, Tram Nguyen

#### **RIP Anniversary**

Trevor Thomas Allport, Daphne Irene Hawthorne, Rosa Vartuli, Montague Frederick Mayo, Frances Hamilton, Fr T McDermott OMI, Tony Azrak

### **Our Sick**

Monica McIntyre, Harold Falk, Varghese Alukka, Bryant Wilson, Kieran McGregor, Alma Ryan, Annette Evans, Kevin 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



**BAPTISM** Please pray for *DARRAGA SEETO* as we welcome him into our parish community through the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, 10th June 2018. Let us pray also for his parents and godparents, that the Lord may help them in raising Darraga in the practice of the faith.

**FOR YOUR DIARY....** The Immaculate Heart of Mary **Parish retreat** will be held from **Friday 19th to Sunday 21st October.** Further details and registration to come.