

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 1ST JULY 2018

- Saint Anthony arrives in Toongabbie
- Mary: Something big might be up
- If Catholics only knew: Catherine Sheehan
- The peacemaker cardinal: Cardinal Bo
- Movie Review: "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom"
- Slavery Bill passes

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 - 7TH & 8TH JULY 2018

Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	K Collins	L Cavallo	D Bui	C McDermott
Readers	M Flanagan	M Heim	V Visevic	M Faitua
Ministers of Communion	T Flanagan Y Sassine	C Wood R Camilleri	K Hicks I Vellis	L Farlow S Garrett
Musician/Choir	IHM Choir	A Tran	J Zhu	M Farlow
Flower Arrangers	L Ghabban & R LaRosa			
Counters	J DeMartin, N VanDen Nieuwenhuizen, I Culpan			
Bankers	L Farlow, M Farlow			

PARISH CONTACTS

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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Assistant Parish Priest: Fr Thomas Alukka

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Sunday, 1 July 2018: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

This is a story of subversion, subversion of the social order turned upside down by the healing presence of Jesus. Jesus is approached by one of the local elite: a male, with a name [Jairus], prestige, an advocate for his twelve year old daughter, and he knows the correct procedure, adopting a deferential posture. Jesus hears his request to heal his daughter and sets off.

Jesus' progress is stopped in its tracks by a contrary figure: a woman, with no name, voiceless, because of her haemorrhaging blood ostracised from social and religious contacts, and she adopted the utterly wrong approach. She touched Jesus, or at least his clothing, which risked contaminating him with her 'uncleanness'. But she was immediately healed. This voiceless, marginalised woman was healed at every level of her person: physical, social and religious. She could now mix with people and attend the synagogue. All the woman needed to do was get close and have faith that Jesus would restore her to a life worthy of a human being.



By the way, that is the best way to approach confession.

You or I should come into the confessional conscious of whatever is making one ill-at-ease with God because of something one has done or failed to do. Bring that dis-ease into close proximity to Jesus as the Divine Physician. The confessional is 'the hem of his cloak'.

But to return to the Gospel. Jesus stops and looks around: 'Who touched me?' The disciples are unreconstructed supporters of the social status quo. They regard stopping to find out who touched Jesus as an unfortunate and rather misguided interruption to the important task of continuing on to the house of the local leader, the male at the top of the social scale who had so properly pleaded on behalf of his daughter. But, Jesus does stop and one of the most beautiful moments in the Gospel ensues. The woman gets her voice back, tells Jesus it was she who had broken all the taboos and touched him. He turns to her and says: 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease.' He, Our Lord Jesus Christ, calls the outcast who had endured social isolation for twelve years, 'Daughter'. This woman heard this term of relationship, this term of affection and care, 'Daughter', from the lips of Jesus. Can you imagine the liberating and joyful effect of hearing that title of honour and love from Our Lord? Yes, Jesus went on to heal the little girl. But unlike the disciples he did not regard stopping as an interruption. It was a priority which totally subverted the expectations and the power structures of that society.

We are not Hindus. A caste system within the church is utterly at odds with this gospel. The Church is distorted if power, prestige, pedigree or wealth give one special status. The saving and healing presence of Jesus must always be allowed to be radically egalitarian.

This is good for you and for me when we need the presence of Jesus, the Divine Physician. You and I are a priority when we need that healing presence.

I want you to close your eyes for a moment. Bring to mind whatever it is that is making you ill-at-ease with God. Something you have done or failed to do you now experience as a dis-ease in part of your personality. Then say with the woman of today's gospel: 'I will touch the outer garment of my Lord and Saviour. I believe he will forgive me and heal me.' Say it with her profound confidence in divine power.

Keep your eyes closed and hear Him say to you:

'My son [or] my daughter, my son [or] my daughter your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your dis-ease.'

READINGS

This Week: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15 Mk 5:21-43

Next Week: Ez 2:2-5 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mk 6:1-6

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The Parish Planned Giving Envelopes for the 2018/2019 financial year are being distributed at the back of the Church, **in the foyer**. They are arranged in alphabetical order.

If you require a receipt for planned giving envelopes for the end of the 2017/2018 financial year, please put your name, contact number and envelope number on the list which is in the foyer of the Church on the table.

MINISTRY ROSTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion rosters are available for collection in the church foyer. If you haven't already done so, please collect your roster **immediately**. Acolyte rosters are available in the Sacristy, please take one.

CATECHIST MEETING

A catechist meeting will be held on **Thursday 19th July at 10:00am in the Parish Centre**. It is important that all catechists attend. Thank you.

ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS & RENEWAL OF VOWS

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on **Sunday, 8th July at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, at 10.30am**. All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th, or 65th wedding anniversaries will receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher. Special recognition will also be given to couples who were married at the Cathedral.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Next weekend, **7th/8th July**, our Parish will be holding our annual **St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal** to help our Vinnies volunteers rebuild lives this winter. Please give generously to this worthwhile cause. Thank you.

LIVE-IN CLERGY CONFERENCE

Fr Greg and Fr Thomas will both be away from our Parish from **Monday 16th July** until **Thursday** afternoon, **19th July** for the annual Archdiocese live-in conference at Leura. There will be no morning mass for the four days they are away.

2018 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion: **Sunday 9th September** - Two Sunday masses **10:00am** and **12:00 noon**. Please find application forms and First Holy Communion preparation program information in the foyer of the Church, on the back table. Completed forms must be lodged at the Parish office by **Wednesday, 4th July**.

CATHOLICCARE SYDNEY

Join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team to raise funds for CatholicCare Sydney's HOPE program in this year's City2Surf. We're aiming to raise \$75,000 to help vulnerable young mothers and their babies. Challenge yourself and run for HOPE! Register online at <https://fundraise.catholiccare.org/city2surf> and join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team today! For further information please contact **Ashleigh Green** on **0419 954 839** or at community@catholiccare.org.au

VINNIES SANDWICH MAKING

Thanks again to the amazing army of helpers who help out with the sandwiches on a monthly basis, whether it is making them or donating money to help buy the ingredients. Our support of this initiative is essential to the work of St Vincent de Paul; I would encourage anyone if you have the time to spare, to help out in some way. The service of others is very rewarding. Our next sandwich making day is **Monday 2nd July from 8:30am** in the hall. *Mrs Claude Bourizk - Family Educator*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 30th	9:15am	RIP Pierre Haddad
Vigil	5:30pm	Family Peace Mass
Sun 1st	8:00am	RIP Deceased members of the Bodle and Loane families
	10:00am	RIP Damir Lisica (2nd Anniversary)
	5:30pm	RIP Peter Vu, Maria Nguyen and Anna Nguyen
Mon 2nd	9:15am	RIP Betty O'Rourke (B'day on 2/7)
Tue 3rd	9:15am	RIP Vincent Hughes (Anniversary)
Wed 4th	9:15am	RIP Dominack Balcombe
Thu 5th	9:15am	RIP Damian O'Neill
Fri 6th	9:15am	RIP Mirko Maricic (Fifth Anniversary on 4th July)
	7:00pm	Welfare of all Parishioners
Sat 7th	9:15am	RIP Damir Lisica (2nd anniversary)
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP Maria Thuy T Hoang (7/7) and RIP Anna Ly Hoang (14/7)

WE PRAY FOR...

Recently Deceased

Damian O'Neill, Moira Magnussen

RIP Anniversary

Bruce Gorman, Margaret Diamond, Margaret Best, Vincent Hughes, Fr Stan Sun OMI, Jim Head, Murray Fahey

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

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP: APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. **Applications close 23 July 2018**. Details and application: <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

SEA SUNDAY APPEAL

Sea Sunday takes place on **8 July 2018**, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. The Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church, provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports and is dependent on voluntary donations. For more information about its work and how to donate, visit www.aos-australia.org.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, 1st July

- **After 10:00am Mass** - Baptism Classes (meet in foyer of the Church)

Tue, 3rd July

- **9:15am** - Year 3 to attend Parish Morning Mass & Reconciliation
- **11:00am** - Mass at Weeroona Village Bass Hill

Fri, 6th July

- **7:00pm** - First Friday of the Month Mass

Sat & Sun, 7th & 8th July

- Vinnies Winter Appeal

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.

