

**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 15TH JULY 2018**

- Meet the angel of Sydney's waterfront
  - Peshurst priest soars with the Swans
  - Bishop Robert Barron: The Church must embrace the digital age
  - Former PM's tribute to Fr Brian Yates
  - Movie review: Ant-Man and the Wasp (Disney).
- 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 - 21ST & 22ND JULY 2018**

Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
<b>Acolytes</b>	T Kelly	C McDermott	J Rodrigues	K Collins
<b>Readers</b>	A Roberts	P Foran	I Vellis	S Faitua
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	M Flanagan T Flanagan	L Abouchabake P Foran	K Hicks M Lonergan	J Luciano M Cowan
<b>Musician/Choir</b>	IHM Choir	A Tran	J Zhu	M Farlow
<b>Flower Arrangers</b>	L Jones, S Johns			
<b>Counters</b>	J DeMartin, N VanDen Nieuwenhuizen, I Culpan			
<b>Bankers</b>	L Farlow, M Farlow			

**PARISH CONTACTS**

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Greg McGregor  
**Assistant Parish Priest:** Fr Thomas Alukka  
**Parish Secretary:** Leisa Farlow  
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**Immaculate Heart of Mary - Primary School**

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**Sunday, 15 July 2018: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**

Many centuries ago the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally there was an uproar from the Jewish community. So the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jews won, they could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews had to leave. The Jews realised that they had no choice. Problem was that no one wanted to debate the Pope. The only volunteer was a poor, simple, old man named Moishe who opened the door to the synagogue each Friday night. Not being used to words Moishe asked for only one addition to the debate – that neither side be allowed to talk. The Pope agreed.



The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the Pope sat opposite each other. The Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moishe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his hand in a circle around his head. Moishe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moishe pulled out an apple. The Pope stood up and said, 'I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.'

Later, the Pope explained what happened: 'I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that we believe in the same one God. Then I waved my hand around my head to show that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground, showing that God was present right here. I pulled out the bread and wine to show that God has given us the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?'

Meanwhile, Moishe explained to the Jewish scholars how he won the unwinnable debate. 'Well', said Moishe, 'First he said that the Jews had three days to get out of Rome. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here.' 'And then what clinched the debate?' asked the Rabbi. 'I don't know', said Moishe. 'It was strange. He took out his lunch, and I took out mine!' Life always depends on how we read the signs!

In today's Gospel Jesus tells the twelve apostles that they should embody three signs: simplicity of lifestyle, dependence on others and hospitality. These instructions are such a contrast to what most of us value today, where it is often the rich and powerful, the independent and the inhospitable who are thought to be the best leaders.

For Jesus, however, the one truly sent in his name is the one who knows that another's worth comes from who they are, not what they have. It doesn't matter whether we're rich or poor. It's the way we use our money for others which reveals whether our wealth possesses us or not. For Jesus, being 'a rock and an island' was not a sign of strength but one of fear and despair. A strong Christian is the one who rejoices in our dependence on each other, and is always grateful for the interconnectedness of life.

For Jesus, making room for others, especially toward those in legitimate need and even when it makes a large claim on us, is a pre-eminent sign of his Kingdom.

The Christian life is about reading the signs of the times. May our Eucharistic signs of his presence amongst us, the bread and wine, change us today, to match it with the best in being simple in lifestyle, happily dependent and extravagantly hospitable with our time, talent and energy for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

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## READINGS

**This Week:** Am 7:12-15 Eph 1:3-14 Mk 6:7-13  
**Next Week:** Jer 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

## LIVE-IN CLERGY CONFERENCE

Fr Greg and Fr Thomas will both be away from our Parish from **Monday afternoon 16th July** until **Thursday afternoon, 19th July** for the annual Archdiocese live-in conference at Leura. **Morning mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will be replaced by a communion service.** All welcome.

## 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.

## OUR LADY OF TERZITO

The feast of Our Lady of Terzito will be celebrated on **29th July 2018 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Gladesville at 1:30pm**, with Holy Mass followed by a procession in the street. A triduum will precede the feast day at OLQP Church with Rosary, Holy Mass and sermon at **7:15pm on Thursday 26, 27 and Saturday 28th July 2018.** All are warmly welcome.

## 2018 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. Please lodge completed forms at the Parish office **as soon as possible.**

## 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.*

## PARISH RETREAT

The Immaculate Heart of Mary **Parish retreat** will be held from **Friday 19th to Sunday 21st October at the Varroville Carmelite Retreat Centre** (before Campbelltown). We are very fortunate to have Fr James Jeyachandran lead the retreat this year. Please place your details on the form in the foyer to express your interest to attend as numbers are limited.



## HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If you would like Fr Greg to sign off on your child's high school application, please attach a family photo to the completed application and drop off to the Presbytery during business hours (**Tue-Fri between 9:30am and 3:30pm**) or in the Presbytery letterbox out of office hours.

## CALL FOR WYD08 ANNIVERSARY CHORISTERS

Did you sing at the Final Mass for WYD08 Sydney? We are inviting all WYD08 singers to come back for a **10th anniversary Mass** to be held at **St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Friday 20 July at 5:30pm.** For further details and to register go to <https://goo.gl/VKoL9t>

## PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE TO EUROPE

Fr. Praveen Paul would like to invite you for a 17-day pilgrimage that he is leading featuring Avila, Fatima, Santiago, Santander, Lourdes, Milan, Padua, Assisi and Rome departing on 15th August, 2018 for an all-inclusive price of \$7200. Call now for early-bird discount of \$1000. Optional extension to Medjugorje / Padre Pio & Lancia available. Next pilgrimage to Europe departs on 7th October 2018 at same price. This fare includes Return Airfares + Local Transfers + Stay in 4 Star Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners. Tips and Single Supplements not included. For enquiries & bookings call 0406760680 & 1300721561 or email [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au)

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Thank you for your generosity last weekend with the St Vinnies Winter Appeal; as a Parish we raised an amazing \$3,903.90 to help the homeless and Australians living in poverty. The money has been forwarded to our local St Vincent de Paul Society. If you missed out last weekend and would still like to donate, please visit the St Vincent de Paul website [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)

## MASS INTENTIONS:

<b>Sat 14th</b>	9:15am	Personal Intentions of the Visevic Family <i>RIP</i> Judith & Michael Cullen (Judith's Anniversary)
<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	
<b>Sun 15th</b>	8:00am 10:00am	<i>RIP</i> Jim & Eileen Ryan (Anniversary of Eileen) <i>RIP</i> Janet Daoud
	5:30pm	<i>RIP</i> Peter Vu, Maria Nguyen & Anna Nguyen
<b>Mon 16th</b>	9:15am	Welfare of all Parishioners
<b>Tue 17th</b>	9:15am	<i>Communion Service</i>
<b>Wed 18th</b>	9:15am	<i>Communion Service</i>
<b>Thu 19th</b>	9:15am	<i>Communion Service</i>
<b>Fri 20th</b>	9:15am	<i>RIP</i> Chafica Ghadban (Anniversary)
<b>Sat 21st</b>	9:15am	<i>RIP</i> Bruce Gorman (Anniversary on 2/7)
<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	<i>RIP</i> Joan & Kathy Watson

## WE PRAY FOR...

### Recently Deceased

Frank Fenwick

### RIP Anniversary

Beryl Hayward, Fr Con Campbell OMI

### Our Sick

Barry Ryan, 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>

## WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019 SUBSIDIES ON OFFER

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the **WYD 2019 Panama** via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. **How does the subsidy work?**

Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese of Sydney will then add \$1,000 to your account. The indicative cost of the pilgrimage is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full.

### How do I make a deposit?

Step 1: Reference your deposit using: WYD19 + FULL NAME (Eg. WYD19PETERHARRISON)

Step 2: Select and pay your deposit amount to: **BANK ACCOUNT: Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney BSB: 062 000 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10289801**

Step 3: Email [abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org) the details of the transaction.

Step 4: Wait for an email confirming your deposit. Once registration officially opens, your deposit and subsidy will be transferred into your COSMOS account.

We are all excited to journey with you and enjoy this experience of a lifetime. For more information, you can contact me on [abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Mon, 16th - Thurs, 19th July

- **Clergy Conference** - Father Greg and Father Thomas away
- Communion Services to replace morning masses from Tuesday to Thursday

### Thurs, 19th July

- 10:00am - Catechist meeting, Parish Centre

### Wed, 25th July

- 10:00am - Mass & Anointing at Abel Tasman Aged Care

## CHANGES TO THE PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note, the Parish email address has changed to [office@ihmsefton.org.au](mailto:office@ihmsefton.org.au)

## CHURCH ACCESSIBILITY

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

