

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 5TH AUGUST 2018**

- The big men fly: Soccer tournament a smashing success
 - The real face of the Church: Dempsey Medal winners
 - Maronites honour Mary
 - The pill is violence
 - Movie Review: Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again
 - Wilson resigns: McCarrick scandal scorches US Church
- 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 - 11TH & 12TH AUGUST 2018

Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	C McDermott	L Cavallo	T Kelly	B Freeburn
Readers	R Winder	R Camilleri	A Pham	M Cowan
Ministers of Communion	P Loos Y Sassine	L Abouchabake B Murphy	K Marson I Vellis	J Luciano M Farlow
Musician/Choir	IHM Choir	A Tran	J Zhu	M Farlow
Flower Arrangers	L Ghadban, R LaRosa			
Counters	M Lonergan, P Rolfe, J Horsley			
Bankers	I Prygiel, M Enright			

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**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Sefton**

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Parish Priest: Fr Greg McGregor**Assistant Parish Priest:** Fr Thomas Alukka**Sunday, 5 August 2018: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B****FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COMMITMENT CEREMONY**

Priest: My dear young people, you are beginning to prepare for a very important day in your life, your First Communion Day. Now I ask you boys and girls: are you ready to begin these preparations as a member of Christ's Church?

Children: We are ready to begin the First Eucharist Program. We promise to be open to the love of Jesus. We pray we will be ready to receive Jesus to become more like him.

Priest: Parents, some time ago you presented this child of yours to the community and asked that they be baptised. You accepted the responsibility to bring them up in the practice of the faith. As your children prepare for the Sacrament of First Communion, are you ready to continue to guide and accompany them in their journey of faith?

Parents: We will support our children in their journey of faith. We will help them to receive Jesus with reverence, and to love this gift of the Bread of Life.

Priest: As members of this Parish community we will keep these families in our prayers as they journey towards receiving the Body of Christ in the Blessed Eucharist.

Assembly: Almighty and everlasting God, source of all creation. You have made us in your image. Guide the path of these children before you. May they walk in the light of Christ as they grow in faith by listening to your Word and coming to our table for Holy Communion. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

READINGS

This Week: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Eph 4:17, 20-24 Jn 6:24-35
Next Week: 1 Kgs 19:4-8 Eph 4:30 – 5:2 Jn 6:41-51

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Today at Mass we would like to welcome families who are participating in the Communion Program over the next few weeks. The children have a prayer card and are invited to distribute their prayer card to parishioners. Please pray for the parents who will teach their children. Please pray for the children to prepare well. After the homily, Communion candidates and their parents will come to the altar and participate in the commitment prayer.

FR DONAL MADIGAN OMI

Fr Donal, a previous (much loved) parish priest here at Sefton, is retiring to Melbourne and his final mass which he will celebrate will be this **Sunday 5th August at 10:00am at Eagle Vale** for any parishioners who wish to attend. The address is **2 Aquamarine Drive, Eagle Vale**. We wish Fr Donal a relaxing and blessed retirement.

CWF APPEAL

The Charitable Works Fund Appeal for August will be held at all masses this weekend, **4th and 5th August**. You will find envelopes on the pews in the Church. Thank you for your generosity. *"Almsgiving helps us to recognise our neighbour as our brother or sister, and to acknowledge that what we possess is never ours alone."* Pope Francis @ Pontifex, 3rd March 2018.

ALL CATECHISTS

All catechists: **you have mail**. Please check your mailbox and continue to do this on a **weekly basis**. Thank you.

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.



THE BISHOP'S BLEND

Bishop Richard Umbers is hosting the fifth edition of a series of breakfast events for young professions, titled The Bishop's Blend, on **Monday, 6 August 2018 at 7:00am**. The purpose of these events is to bring young Catholic professionals together for a quarterly breakfast, and for them to hear from a well-versed professional in a chosen field how they personally live their faith in the workplace. It will also be an opportunity for those who attend to network with other young Catholic professionals.

YEARNING FOR PEACE

Marie Fonseca is organising her 7th tour to India "Yearning for Peace" to Goa, Karnataka and Kerala, from **February 3 – February 25, 2019**. An Information Evening is being held on **Thursday, 23rd August, at 6pm**, at the **Aquinas Academy, 5th floor, 141 Harrington St, The Rocks, Sydney 2000**. RSVP by 17th August. Contact: Marie 0418 265117 Email: info@spiceodyssey.net.au

VINNIES SANDWICH MAKING

Thank you to the wonderful ladies who give up their time once a month to prepare over 300 sandwiches to help with the work of St Vincent De Paul night patrol. Maryanne, Laura, Mirella and Carol, your support is very much appreciated. I would also like to acknowledge the following friends for their support through a donation: Lisa N, Lina M, Barbara, Carol, Paula, and The House family. May God bless you and your families with grace upon grace.

Next Sandwich making day is **27th August**. Mrs Claude Bourizk - Family Educator

CATHOLICCARE SYDNEY

A representative from Catholic Care will be conducting a presentation for parishioners interested in learning about their entitlements and gaining assistance in relation to services available for in-home care.

When: Wednesday 22 August

Time: 10.00am start, so arrive from 9.30am

Where: St Mary Queen of Heaven church, 15 Georges Crescent, Georges Hall

Presenter: Deborah Absalom, Catholic Care

RSVP or Enquiries: Veronica 0407 231 262

Following the presentation there will be time for questions, discussion. Morning tea will be provided afterwards. If any parishioners are interested, you are most welcome to come along.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 4th	9:15am	RIP Denis Day (Anniversary)
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP Anna Tam T Ha
Sun 5th	8:00am	RIP Connie & Win Rodrigues
	10:00am	RIP Anna Nguyen
	5:30pm	Intentions of Anne Potter
Mon 6th	9:15am	Welfare of all Parishioners
Tue 7th	9:15am	RIP Maria Zuzul
Wed 8th	9:15am	Intentions of the Zuzul Family
Thu 9th	9:15am	RIP Lynus Rodrigues
Fri 10th	9:15am	RIP Eustace Marsh
Sat 11th	9:15am	RIP Betty O'Bourke (2nd Anniversary)
Vigil	5:30pm	RIP Craig Bass & the Muir Family

WE PRAY FOR...

Recently Deceased

May House, Fr John O'Doherty OMI

RIP Anniversary

Betty O'Bourke

Our Sick

Br Mark Murphy, Barry Ryan, Monica McIntyre, Harold Falk, Varghese Alukka, Bryant Wilson, Kieran McGregor, Alma Ryan, 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



SEXUAL REVOLUTION: 50 YEARS SINCE HUMANE VITAE

Sexual Revolution: 50 Years Since Humanae Vitae is an exciting and beautifully-made documentary that examines the parallel developments of the Pill and modern Natural Family Planning (NFP) by telling the little known story of the founding doctors, respectively, Dr. Gregory Pincus and Drs. John & Evelyn Billings. The centerpiece of the film is the dramatic life story of Alana Newman, a talented recording artist who goes from being an activist for feminism and sexual freedom to giving up her promising musical career for life, family, and love. Born through donor conception (via an anonymous sperm donor), Alana's youth is filled with natural curiosity about her biological father. As she gets older, however, this curiosity develops into a sense of abandonment and self-doubt. Still, a spark of that curiosity inspires her on to an arduous search for Truth, Beauty, and Goodness—and her father. Eventually, Alana discovers the treasures of Theology of the Body, Humanae Vitae, and all the riches of the Catholic Church, and comes to realize that she, in fact, may never have been fatherless. Sexual Revolution: 50 Years Since Humanae Vitae has been endorsed by The Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization. To watch the trailer or organise a screening of the film go here: www.sexualrevolutionmovie.com

There will be mass at 7:00pm for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Wednesday 15th August (Holy Day)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues, 7th August

- Mass & Anointing at Weerona Village, Bass Hill

Wed, 8th August

- 9:15am - Whole School Mass for the Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop
- Office Closed due to staff training

Wed, 15th August (Holy Day)

- 9:15am - Whole School Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Mary
- 7:00pm - Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Mary

Planned Giving & tax receipts are now available on the table in the foyer of the church for those who requested them.