SACRED HEART CHURCH

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Administrator: Fr Greg McGregor

Assistant Priest: Fr Thomas Alukka

SUNDAY MASS: Sunday: 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES: Wednesday and Friday – 8:00am

CONFESSIONS: On Request

**Sunday, 9 Sep 2018: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**: You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**: Praise the Lord, my soul!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** **Alleluia, alleluia!** Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. **Alleluia!**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

**VILLAWOOD MASSES:**

**Monday – 10th September** 23rd Week in Ordinary Time. No Mass

**Tuesday – 11th September** 23rd Week in Ordinary Time. No Mass

**Wednesday – 12th September** The Most Holy Name of Mary. Mass 8:00am

**Thursday – 13th September** St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor. No Mass

**Friday – 14th September** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Mass 8:00am

**Saturday – 15th September** Our Lady of Sorrows. No Mass

**Sunday – 16th September** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass 9:00am

**SEFTON MASSES:**

**Monday to Friday** 9:15am

**Saturday** 9:15am, 5:30pm (Vigil)

**Sunday** 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:30pm

Total of both collections last Sunday: $474.40 Priests’ Retirement Fund: $115.00

**ANNUAL LEAVE FOR FR GREG**

Fr Greg will be away from 10th September until 10th October on annual leave, taking a well earned break. We welcome Fr Tom Stevens (Liverpool Parish) who will be helping out from this coming week. Masses at Villawood will be limited to Wednesday and Friday at 8:00am and Sunday at 9:00am. All parishioners are welcome to attend any of the masses at Sefton parish. ***We wish Fr Greg a blessed, safe and happy holiday!***

**CATHOLIC WEEKLY - PULPIT POINTS 9TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

• Remembering the forgotten

• Australia doing well fighting abuse - Vatican expert

• Blessing of the fleet looms

• The ice hockey-loving chief executive

• Movie review: *Operation Finale*

• New Carmel: One step closer

*Available in the foyer. $2 – all money goes to the poor.*

**SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2018**

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion for the Sacred Heart parish will be held on **Sunday 21st October at 10:30am.** Please see the office of Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School to enrol for this sacrament. Thank you.

**BAPTISM**

Please pray for CHARLEE WRIGHT as we welcome her into our parish



community through the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, 16th September

2018. Let us pray also for her parents and godparents, that the Lord may

help them in raising Charlee in the practice of the faith.

**WORLD ROSARY**

Countries around the world are joining to hold Rosary Rallies across the world on **7th October**, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Together we are calling upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary. Each nation has been asked to pray for its own intentions on the day. To sign up for the email feed to <http://holyleagueofnations.com> Australian intentions for the world rosary will be *family, rekindling of faith and continued Godly protection.* We have been doing regular novena prayers to St Joseph, Eileen O Conner etc via Facebook, a new one is posted every couple of weeks. The link is[**https://www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53/**](https://www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53/) **The website to register your involvement for the world rosary is holyleagueofnations.com. Jane, OzRosary, 0476 535 59**

**To Register in Australia: https://ozrosary.wixsite.com/ozrosary53/contact-us-and-participate**

**BE AWAKE NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

*“Be Awake; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.”* *1 Cor 16:13-16*

“Where are you men of God? Are you AWAKE?”MenAlive and the Young Men of God Movement have united to host a life-changing event for the men of this nation. The conference will bring the very best of MenAlive’s hugely successful MAX conference, and the unrivalled strength of the Young Men of God National Conference. There is nothing like the journey of growing in faith alongside your brothers. There will be great speakers, worship, prayer, sacraments, sports and brotherhood time. Be inspired, be transformed at this extraordinary event not to be missed! To register go to menalive.org.au or ymgmovement.org

**INVITATION TO SEFTON PARISH RETREAT**

All Villawood parishioners are invited to the Annual Sefton Parish Retreat which is to be held from **Friday, 19th October to Sunday, 21st October at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre in Varroville**. The cost of the retreat is **$200 per person**. **For more information**, please contact Kath on 9644-8163 or the Parish Office on 9644-4026. If you wish to attend, please complete and return the registration form (together with $30 deposit) which will be available in the church foyer.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY – 30TH SEPTEMBER**

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 30th September. This year, the Australian Bishops’ Social Justice Statement is titled: ‘A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land’. The statement challenges us all to confront Australia’s growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. For further details, visit the [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call 8306 3499.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020**

The Plenary Council 2020 is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future.

How you can be involved:

* Talk with your parish priest about becoming a parish ambassador or to know more contact 9390 5100 or plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org
* Look out for a listening and dialogue session near you or for more details contact 9390 5100, or plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org
* Make an individual and direct response to the national Plenary Council, via: http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/
* Share your response with the Archdiocese of Sydney, via: plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

Want to know more? Watch the videos at: http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/watch/

**VOLUNTEERING WITH CATHOLICCARE**

Volunteering with CatholicCare brings many benefits for the volunteer as well as for our clients and the organisation as a whole. Our Mission and Guiding principles guide us to care for individuals, families and communities from all backgrounds and cultures. We care for the wellbeing of staff and volunteers as we do for the vulnerable families and individuals who seek help from us. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the CCareline on 13 18 19.



**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 **ph 02 9390 5812**.