

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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SUNDAY MASS: Sunday – 9:00am
WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday to Friday – 8:00am
CONFESSIONS: On Request
BAPTISMS: Sunday 9:45am (Contact Parish Office)

Sunday, 18th August 2019: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Lord, come to my aid!*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.*

VILLAWOOD MASSES

Sunday - 18 th August	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass 9:00am
Monday - 19 th August	20th week in Ordinary Time. No Mass
Tuesday - 20 th August	St Bernard, abbot, doctor. Mass 8:00am
Wednesday - 21 st August	St Pius X, pope. Mass 8:00am
Thursday - 22 nd August	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass 8:00am
Friday - 23 rd August	20th week in Ordinary Time. Mass 8:00am
Saturday - 24 th August	St Bartholomew, apostle. No Mass
Sunday - 25 th August	21st 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

INDIAN MASSES AT VILLAWOOD:

Tuesday to Friday	7:00pm
Saturday	9:30am
Sunday	10:45am

PULPIT POINTS 18TH AUGUST 2019

- THANK YOU to all the NSW politicians who voted for life
- How millennials are connecting with the Church
- Berala celebrates
- Francis's letter to priests
- Movie review: *Unplanned*
- Spring Reading Guide

Available in the foyer. \$2 - all money goes to the poor.

FROM THE 6TH OF AUGUST UNTIL THE 6TH OF SEPTEMBER, ALL SYRO MALABAR MASSES ARE CANCELLED EXCEPT THE 10:45am SUNDAY MASS AND 7:00pm FRIDAY MASS AS Fr. JOSEPH WILL BE ON ANNUAL LEAVE.

PRAYERS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep the children from Sacred Heart Primary School who are making their first Holy Communion this Sunday the 18th of August, in your prayers. Let us keep them in our hearts as they celebrate this sacred sacrament and pray that they live the rest of their life as good people guided by God.

HEALING MASS AT SEFTON PARISH

There will be a Healing Mass celebrated by Fr Greg and Fr Thomas, at Sefton Parish on Saturday 31st August at 9:15am which will include anointing of the sick. All welcome.



MICHELLE BOURNE - RENEWAL LEAVE

We wish Michelle, Principal of Sacred Heart Primary School, safe travels as she takes leave to experience the educational practices used in Canada, America and Finland. We pray she stays safe and enjoys this wonderful opportunity. We look forward to hearing all about Michelle's experiences upon her return on 27th September. We welcome Mrs Sacca as Acting Principal in Michelle's absence.

STAND FOR LIFE RALLY AGAINST PROPOSED ABORTION LAWS

The NSW Parliament is about to legislate for abortion on demand till birth, one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. The Bill was pushed through the Legislative Assembly and will be debated in the Legislative Council from Tuesday, 20th August. Join us in peaceful protest against this radical proposed legislation.

DATE: Tuesday 20 August.
WHERE: Martin Place (Macquarie Street side)
TIME: 6pm until 9pm (including vigil outside NSW Parliament)

Under this Bill:

- Children can be aborted for any reason right up till the final moments of a pregnancy;
 - Amendments to protect children who survive botched abortions attempts were defeated;
 - There are no safeguards to prevent targeted abortion based on gender or disability;
 - Doctors/medical staff are compelled to participate (by referral) in the taking of an innocent life.
- This Bill was ambushed on Parliament, with no consultation, in an attempt to curb community backlash. This is our last opportunity to fight against this extremist Bill.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA: FATHER'S DAY MASS 2019

A Special Mass to remember the Fathers and Grandfathers we love.

Sunday 1st September: 10:30am Chapel of Reflection, Liverpool Cemetery; 10:30am the Pavilion, Kemps Creek Cemetery; 12:00pm Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood Catholic Cemetery. Following Mass, please join us for Morning Tea.

ECUMENISM IN AUSTRALIA, YESTERDAY AND TODAY

The Commission for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations in the Archdiocese of Sydney invites you to a special lecture reflecting on Pope John Paul II's Ecumenical Encyclical, *Ut Unum Sint* (That They May Be One). We will discuss the Encyclical, its call to action and ask ourselves how far have we come and how far have we still to go. **Speakers:** Fr Gerard Kelly, Catholic Institute of Sydney and Mr Thomas Westenberg, Commission for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.

Location: The Peter Cosgrove Centre, Level 18, The Tenison Woods House, 8-20 Napier Street, MacKillop Campus, Australian Catholic University, North Sydney

Date: Thursday 29 August 2019 **Time:** 6:00pm-8:00pm

Bookings essential for catering purposes: www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=536172&
Refreshments provided.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY - 29TH SEPTEMBER 2019

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 29th September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call 02 8306-3499. Order the Statement online at: bit.ly/socialjusticshop Follow us on Facebook: [@socialjusticeACBC](https://www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC) or Twitter: [@JusticeCatholic](https://twitter.com/JusticeCatholic)

IGNITE CONFERENCE SYDNEY: OCTOBER 3-6

The Ignite Conference is one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth and family conferences. For the first time ever this October 3-6, Ignite Conference will be held in Sydney. The conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Students from all Sydney Catholic Schools are offered a 50% discount and special packages for families are available as well. For more information, visit www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/ignite19/ or contact the team at Sydney Catholic Youth on (02) 9307 8152 or info@sydneycatholicyouth.org

WALK WITH CHRIST

We ask all parishioners to save the date for a very special celebration for all Sydney Catholics. Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King on **November 24 at 2.30pm**. Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city. **Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm on November 24.**

FACEBOOK PAGE

For updates on what is happening in our Parish and for interesting and informative reading, please “like” our page on Facebook. The link for the page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartvillawood>

SACRED HEART CHOIR

Choir practice is on Mondays at 7pm. If anyone is interested in joining they can get in touch with either Esterina or Ibby after Sunday 9am Mass. We look forward to hearing more of our Choir at our Sunday Masses.



A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you - or anyone you know - have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.