

# 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, 29<sup>th</sup> September 2019: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, or we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. **Alleluia!**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** *Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.*

### VILLAWOOD MASSES

Sunday - 29 <sup>th</sup> September	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass 9:00am
Monday - 30 <sup>th</sup> September	St Jerome, priest, doctor. No Mass
Tuesday - 1 <sup>st</sup> October	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor. No Mass
Wednesday - 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	The Holy Guardian Angels. Mass 8:00am
Thursday - 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	26th week in Ordinary Time. No Mass
Friday - 4 <sup>th</sup> October	St Francis of Assisi. Mass 8:00am
Saturday - 5 <sup>th</sup> October	26th week in Ordinary Time. No Mass
Sunday - 6 <sup>th</sup> October	27th 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

### MESSAGE FROM FR GREG:

Dear Parishioners,

I'd like to take this opportunity to let you know that I will be taking a period of extended leave from the Parish beginning on the 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2019. While this might be a surprise to most of you it has been in the works for a while now, mainly due to medical and renewal reasons. I'd like to strongly say that this is not in relation to any scandal or misbehaviour, but rather a decision to look after my health and well being for a period of time.

In the coming weeks there will be a new Priest appointed to the Parish by the Archbishop. Thank you to everyone for your love and support and please keep me in your prayers as I will all of you.

*Fr Greg.*

### **CHANGE OF MASS TIMES**

Fr Thomas will be on annual leave from **15<sup>th</sup> September until 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. We wish Fr Thomas a safe and spiritual pilgrimage overseas and look forward to hearing all about his adventures upon his return. In the meantime, Masses at Villawood will be limited to **Wednesday and Friday at 8am and Sunday at 9am**. Please feel welcome to attend Mass at Sefton Parish on any other day.

### **PULPIT POINTS 29TH SEPTEMBER 2019**

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

- Rome Sweet Home. Wollongong couple's story
- Darwin: Trafficking Central?
- Yes, He's Here! Bishop on Eucharist
- Getting the Plenary right
- Movie review: *Ad Astra*
- The language of 3 in 1

### **PARISH RETREAT 2019**

The annual Sefton Parish Retreat is going ahead and will be held from **Friday, 11th October to Sunday, 13th October at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre in Varroville**. The cost of the retreat is \$340 per person (\$306 for pensioners or share accommodation). A deposit of \$50 is required on booking and booking forms can be found on the table in the foyer of the church. For more information, please see the form at the back of the Church or contact Kath on 9644-8163 or the Parish Office on 9644-4026.

### **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

Please note the Parish office will be closed on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October due to staff training.

### **ROSARY MAKING WORKSHOP**

During the month of the Most Holy Rosary, come and join Sacred Heart Parishioners for a Rosary Making Workshop to be held on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 10:00am** (after the 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart Primary School Hall, 120 Carawatha Street, Villawood. Cost is \$15 per person with all profits donated to the Church improvements. All materials are provided and you will learn how to craft your own beautiful handmade Rosary. Feel free to bring a plate to share for morning tea! **RSVP to Elena on 0458 708 929 by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. ALL WELCOME!

### **DONATIONS OF BLANKETS/DOONAS**

The lovely Sisters of the Immaculata are hosting a long term Mission School at the Convent in Sefton from 14<sup>th</sup> October and will be accommodating extra guests for a week or so. If anyone has any doonas or blankets in fair condition that you no longer want, the Sisters would very much appreciate them to keep their guests warm at night. Please drop them to the Parish Office at **6 Kerrinea Road Sefton, Tuesday - Friday from 10:00am**. Thank you in anticipation!

### **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 Ibbey after Sunday 9am Mass. We look forward to hearing more of our Choir at our Sunday Masses.

### **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED**

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is hosting a prayer campaign on **18th October** titled: “One Million Children Praying the Rosary.” The prayer initiative invites teachers, priests, parents and grandparents to pray the rosary together with children for peace and unity around the world. If you would like to participate, information and resources can be found online at: [www.millionkidspraying.org](http://www.millionkidspraying.org)

### **PLENARY COUNCIL LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT**

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The “Listening and Discernment” phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, “Let’s Listen and Discern”, at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

### **BREASTSCREEN NSW RETURNS TO BASS HILL PLAZA**

The BreastScreen NSW mobile unit is returning to Bass Hill Plaza, offering **free** breast screens for the early detection of breast cancer. The van will be located at Bass Hill Plaza, on the rear outdoor top car park, entry via Johnston Road. The van will be in operation from **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019 and on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> September**. Appointment times are 8:45am to 4:00pm (lunch closure 12:30pm to 1:30pm). Appointments: **13 20 50** or online bookings at: [book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au](http://book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au) A 20-minute appointment could be life-saving.

### **‘OF LIFE AND LOVE’ MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES**

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is offering marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Each course will be held over 3 consecutive Wednesdays. The date of the next course taking place is October 16, 23, 30. To book online visit <https://www.trybooking.com.ZWSU> or please contact us at [LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org).

### **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.sydneycatholicityouth.org/ignite19/](http://www.sydneycatholicityouth.org/ignite19/) or contact the team at Sydney Catholic Youth on (02) 9307 8152 or [info@sydneycatholicityouth.org](mailto:info@sydneycatholicityouth.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.**



**ST PETER CHANEL 40 YEAR REUNION - YR 10 CLASS OF 1979**

Seeking former St Peter Chanel Girls High School students. A reunion is to be held in Parramatta on Saturday evening, **30th November 2019**. Contact Sharon Flynn (Toomey) [bigbirdshaz@gmail.com](mailto:bigbirdshaz@gmail.com) for further details.

**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>



**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](mailto: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.