

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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Administrator: Fr Greg McGregor

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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, 8th September 2019: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.*

VILLAWOOD MASSES

Sunday - 8 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Mass 9:00am
Monday - 9 th September	23 rd week in Ordinary Time. No Mass
Tuesday - 10 th September	23 rd week in Ordinary Time. Mass 8:00am
Wednesday - 11 th September	23 rd week in Ordinary Time. Mass 8:00am
Thursday - 12 th September	23 rd week in Ordinary Time. Mass 8:00am
Friday - 13 th September	23 rd week in Ordinary Time. Mass 8:00am
Saturday - 14 th September	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. No Mass
Sunday - 15 th September	24 th 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 8TH SEPTEMBER 2019

- Rally for Life. BE THERE!
- Monica Doumit: What religious freedom?
- Where are India's six million missing girls?
- Husband ... and Priest
- Movie review: The Peanut Butter Falcon
- From Islam to Christ

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

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES

Fr Thomas will be on annual leave from **15th September until 10th 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.

SEFTON PARISH RETREAT 2019

The annual Sefton Parish Retreat is to 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. A deposit of \$50 is required on booking and booking forms can be found on the table at the back of the church. *For more information, please see the form at the back or contact Kath on 9644-8163 or the Parish Office on 9644-4026.* **Numbers are needed by this Wednesday the 11th of September. If there are not enough numbers, the retreat will be cancelled for this year.**

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY 2019

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and support network. We recognise the harm done by priests, religious and lay people and recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and vulnerable adults. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention

STAND FOR LIFE RALLY

This is our last chance to have a huge public gathering to oppose the extreme abortion bill that is being rushed through NSW Parliament. Join religious leaders, politicians, pro-life advocates and everyone who stands for women and children for a rally on **Sunday, 15th September 2019 at 2.30pm in Hyde Park, Sydney**. More information www.stand4.life

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

PAROCHIAL FEAST OF ST PADRE PIO

Triduum Novena at **St Padre Pio Parish, 34-38 William Howell Drive, Glenmore Park** as follows:

19/9/19 - 7:00pm Novena to St Padre Pio followed by Mass

20/9/19 - 7:00pm Novena to St Padre Pio followed by Mass

21/9/19 - 5:30pm Novena to St Padre Pio followed by Mass

On **22nd September 2019 at 9:30am** there will be a solemn procession with the Relic of St Padre Pio followed by the Solemn Feast Mass. After Mass, the pilgrims will be blessed by the Relic of St Padre Pio. All welcome.

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, 16th September to Friday 4th October 2019 and on Saturday, 21st 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 A 20-minute appointment could be life-saving.

SILENT GUIDED RETREAT - "REMAIN IN ME"

Would you like to spend a weekend away with God? Join us, for this weekend retreat run by Verbum Dei Missionaries, at Hartzler Park, Bowral, on **20-22 September**. For more info email verbumdeisydney@gmail.com or call Maria: 0402 452 342.

Discovering Global Mission

Your professional skills can create better opportunities for disadvantaged communities. Grass-roots organisations, clinics and schools in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to assist their development. These assignments are not quick fixes.

Find out how teacher **Andrew Tham** mentored both students and educators in Rubya, Tanzania, and how sharing **your skills** can **immerse you** in a **world of deep cultural discovery**.

Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required.

Palms Meet and Greet:

Saturday September 21st @ 2pm

John Street Cafe

Dooley's Catholic Club

11-17 Church St, LIDCOMBE



Palms Australia
Global Volunteering

Encounter Myanmar: *Still two places left on an enlightening journey with the Executive Director of Palms Australia. Travelling November 16-29.*

Enquire via email palms@palms.org.au **or call 02 9560 5333.**

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

‘OF LIFE AND LOVE’ MARRIAGE PREPERATION 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.

WALK WITH CHRIST

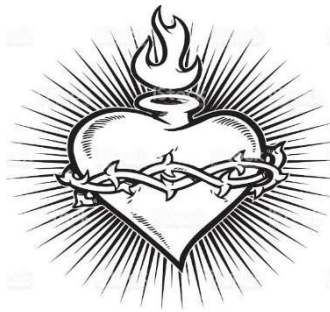
We ask all parishioners to save the date for a very special celebration for all Sydney Catholics. Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King on **November 24 at 2.30pm**. Thousands of people 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.**

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.

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. 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.