



# Immaculate Heart of Mary & Sacred Heart Catholic Church



## Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Times

6 Kerrine Road, Sefton NSW 2162

Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 8am, 9.30am, (11am Samoan) & 5pm

Weekdays: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat: 9:15am & Tues: 7pm

Benediction, Exposition & Confessions: Sat. after morning mass

Baptisms: 10.30am Sundays by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

## Sacred Heart Mass Times

120 Carawatha Street, Villawood NSW 2163

Sunday: 9am Weekdays: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri : 8am  
(Syro-Malabar : Tues - Fri: 7pm, Sat: 9:30am, Sun: 11am & 4pm)

Confessions: Contact Parish Office

Baptisms: 10am Sundays by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR A.

24/25 OCTOBER 2020

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 104:3-4

***Let the hearts that seek the Lord  
rejoice; turn to the Lord and his  
strength; constantly seek his face.***

## 1st Reading

Ex 22:20-26

*A reading from the book of Exodus*

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

***The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God***

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4. 47.51.R.v.2

***I love you, Lord, my  
strength.***

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I

take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed.

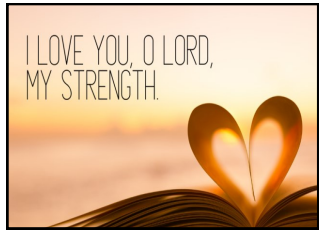
***I love you, Lord, my strength.***

## 2nd Reading

1 Thes 1:5-10

*A reading from the letter of St. Paul  
to the Thessalonians*

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread — and not only throughout



**Parish Priest: Fr. Maurice T. Thompson EV PP**

Assistant Priest & Chaplain for Syro-Malabar Community: Fr. Joseph Kunnackattu

Priest Emeritus: Fr. Michael Butler & Fr. Graham McIntyre

Parish Office: 02 9644 4026 Fax: 02 9743 7407 Email: [office@ihmsefton.org.au](mailto:office@ihmsefton.org.au)

Website: [www.seftoncatholicchurch.org.au](http://www.seftoncatholicchurch.org.au)

## Strengthening Our Parishes for Service

**PARISH OFFICE :** 02 9644 4026 Email: office@ihmsefton.org.au  
**Parish Secretary:** Leisa Farlow - 0411 201 307  
**Personal Assistant to Fr. Maurice:** Carmen Meola 0410 690 714  
 Email: carmenmeola.pa@gmail.com  
**Samoan Community Co-ord:** Bonita Toleafoa: 0414 076 736

### VILLAWOOD

**REC /Sacramental Co-ordinator:** Eddy Rumora: 02 9727 4149  
**Parish/School Family Educator:** Elena Tuputala: 0458 708 929

**Sefton/Villawood Catechists Co-ord:** Adam Ziolkowski: 9743 7185  
**Sefton/Villawood Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Anthony Chadrawy

### SEFTON

**REC:** Steve Belcastro: 02 9644 3555  
**Sacramental Co-ordinator:** Pauline Kelly: 9644 4026  
**Parish/School Family Educator:** Claude Bourizk:  
 0413 860 075



### OUR SCHOOLS

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Primary School, Sefton:** 02 9644 3555  
 Principal: John Kennedy  
**Sacred Heart Primary School, Villawood:** 02 9727 4149  
 Principal: Michelle Bourne

### ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES: SUN 1ST NOV

Normal masses for each parish.

All Saints' Day, also called All Hallows' Day, Halloween, or Feast of All Saints, in the Christian church, a day commemorating all the saints of the church, both known and unknown.



### ALL SOULS DAY MASSES: MONDAY, 2ND NOV

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sefton : 9.15am & 7pm  
 Sacred Heart Villawood: 8am

All Souls Day is a holy day set aside for honouring the dead and prayers are said for the souls in purgatory and all those who have departed.



*We invite you to write the names of your Loved Ones who have passed away onto a NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPE and place it on the altar at the Sacred Space. These envelopes (once donations are removed), will be bound by ribbon, then remain on the altar for the entire month of November for prayers at all masses.*

*If unable to attend your Ministry please find a replacement.*

### Sefton Parish Devotions—All are welcome!

**Every Friday morning:**

8.30am—Exposition, 8.50am Rosary, 9.15am Benediction followed by Mass then afterwards Litany of the Sacred Heart.

**Every Saturday morning:**

8.50am—Rosary followed by 9.15am Mass. Then Exposition and Divine Mercy Chaplet during which time there is Reconciliation. 10am—Benediction and more Reconciliation, if needed.



### EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT PARISH MASS AT 7PM AT SEFTON

*Exposition & Benediction will begin at 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm.*

**We are trialling having one evening mass per week on Tuesdays at Sefton at 7pm (until the end of the year), to cater for those who are unable to attend in the morning. If well attended it will continue to be offered in 2021. All welcome to come!**

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 24 & 25 OCT 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b><u>Acolytes</u></b>	Thomas Kelly	Colin McDermott	Joe Rodrigues	Thuan Bui
<b><u>Readers:</u></b>	Gail Reneker	Margaret Cowan	Vera Visevic	Rita Faitua
<b><u>Church Cleaning:</u></b>	Parish Group—Jessica Elias—4th Saturday			
<b><u>Flowers:</u></b>	Team 5—Therese Khoury & Salima Khoury			

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 31 OCT/1 NOV 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b>	Chris Kelly	Anish James	Joe Rodrigues	Thuan Bui
<b><u>Readers:</u></b>	Joseph Taufaa	Petah Foran	Janet O'Beid	Lose Vakauta
<b><u>Church Cleaning:</u></b>	Special Choir – Sesilia —5th Saturday			
<b><u>Flowers:</u></b>	Team 1—Doris Johns			

**B**lessed are you, Father, who, in your infinite love sent us your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, that we may have life, and have it in abundance.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our Eucharistic communities.

May they be places of encounter with the living Christ, centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy.

Grant us the gifts of faith, hope and love to be faithful disciples of Jesus and radiant witnesses to the people of Sydney.

Our Lady, Help of Christians. *Pray for us!*

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelisation. *Pray for us!*

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. *Pray for us!*

### GO MAKE DISCIPLES— PRAYER FOR RENEWAL CAMPAIGN

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will be launching a new Archdiocesan Mission Plan **Go Make Disciples** on 12 Dec, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the New Evangelisation. The new plan is aimed at renewing our parishes as places of encounter with the living Christ and centres of evangelisation and

outreach to our community in love and mercy. In the weeks and months ahead we hope you will join us in an Archdiocesan-wide prayer campaign beginning on the Feast of All Saints (1 November), calling on the Holy Spirit, to prepare the hearts of each of us and of all our parishes. Please join us by praying the above prayer.

### CATHOLICCARE : HOME CARE SPECIALIST NEEDS

Process of assisting seniors in your parish.

ZOOM WEBINAR : **28 OCTOBER AT 10.30AM**

Passcode: Seniors To Register: contact Deborah

0438 494 518 E. deborah.absalom@catholiccare.org

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Enrolment forms in schools, church foyer**  
**and Parish Office**

**SACRED HEART VILLAWOOD**

Parent Information Night: Must attend.

**Wednesday 28 October at 7pm in the church.**

Celebration of the Sacrament: Sun 22 November at 9am

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SEFTON**

Parent Information Night: **Tues 27 Oct at 7.30pm (after 7pm mass) in the Sefton church.**

Celebration of the Sacrament: Sun 22 Nov at 1pm & 3pm



**Mass Intentions**

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community



**The Sick**

Trung Tran  
 Suzy Curro & her baby  
 Margaret Walker  
 Jean Murphy  
 Tyler Kenedy  
 Rita Damico  
 Gabrielle  
 Mary Keane  
 Lydia Gwynne  
 Michail Mathrardonkis  
 Kathy Coughlin  
 Noel Rigney Johnson  
 Dora Hodgins  
 Bob O'Rourke  
 Rosana & Roseanne Guevara  
 John Mealing  
 Joy Grovenor  
 Edna Farlow  
 Spiteri Family  
 Matthew Barrington  
 Alma Ryan  
 Lydia Stuccio  
 Phillip Abraham

**ALSO**

Youssef Rizk & Janet  
 Daoud  
 Fred Pham & Joseph Pu  
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**Recently Deceased**

Lang Toe Penn (Maria)  
 Joseph Wills  
 Teresa Hoang An Tran  
 James McCann  
 Maria Rizzo



**Anniversaries**

Bill Lockhart (10th)  
 John Ryan (1st)  
 Maria Nguyen (12th)  
 John Michael Maher  
 Jure Zuzul  
 Salvatore Dore

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

*Thanksgiving for Parishioners from Jean Murphy—Many thanks for your prayers during my illness.*  
 Michael Kenny  
 Lucia Nguyen Thi Lien  
 Margaret Walker (SICK)  
 Mark Anthony Rodrigues (Birthday)  
 Petricca Family  
 All Souls in Purgatory  
 Forgotten Souls in Purgatory



**Sacrament of Confirmation**

**Parent Info Night: Wed. 4 Nov at 7pm**  
**in IHM Sefton Church.** (Parents must attend please)

Sacrament to be held at IHM Sefton on

**Sunday, 29 November 2020**  
**at 1pm and 3pm masses.**

Collect Enrolment packs at the school offices, church foyers or Parish Office.

Parish office: Mon—Fri 10am to 3pm.

Also available on our website

<http://www.seftoncatholicchurch.org.au/>

We need you to complete an Enrolment Form NOW and submit so that you can be included in the classes.

For Year 6 children and above.

**Sacramental Coordinator: Pauline Kelly**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Please find listed the costs involved in the much needed maintenance and renovations to both our Parish Churches. Any kind donation towards these costs would be much appreciated.**

**COSTINGS FOR SEFTON AND VILLAWOOD PARISH WORKS**

**SEFTON:**

2 Angels @ \$800 each	\$ 1,600.00
2 OLHC Statues @\$750 each	\$ 1,500.00
Altar Lighting	\$ 1,864.50
Church carpet	\$ 1,370.00
Church LED Screen	\$ 2,840.00
Church LED Screen set-up & installation	\$ 4,940.80
Church Audio	\$ 3,806.70
Church Painting	\$ 8,250.00
Church Building Works	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$36,172.00</b>

**VILLAWOOD:**

2 Angels @ \$800 each	\$ 1,600.00
Repair & repaint statues x 2	\$ 1,000.00
Altar Lighting	\$ 2,908.40
Church LED Screen	\$ 2,840.00
Church Audio & LED Screen set-up	\$ 3,571.82
Church Painting	\$ 4,730.00
Church Floors & Pews	<u>\$21,068.00</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$37,718.22</b>

**Thank you so much to those who have already offered generous donations so far. All donations are kindly appreciated.**

**LIVESTREAM MASSES**

**IHM SEFTON: PARISH MASS: SUNDAY, 9.30AM**

**SAMOAN MASS : 11AM**

Facebook: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Sefton

**SACRED HEART VILLAWOOD**

**SYRO-MALABAR : 11AM**

**FOR BPOINT SECURE PAYMENT SERVICE**

**WITH THE COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA**

Please use these QR Codes to scan with your mobile devices which will take you directly to the link to make a donation to the parish.

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY  
 SEFTON BARCODE**



**SACRED HEART  
 VILLAWOOD BARCODE**



**TAP 'N' GO DONATIONS**

Are now available in **BOTH** our church foyers to use your Eftpos or Credit Cards. Please see the stand as pictured. It is currently set at \$5 a tap.

Thanking you.

Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

*The Word of the Lord*  
**Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:23

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we  
will come to them.**

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

Mt 22 : 34-40

A reading from the holy  
Gospel  
according to Matthew



When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 19:6

**We will ring out our joy at your saving  
help and exult in the name of our God.**

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**1 November 2020**

ALL SAINTS DAY - Year A

1st Reading: Rv 7:2-4. 9-14

2nd Reading: 1 Jn 3:1-3

Gospel: Mt 5:1-12

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

*Like last week's gospel, we again have an example of the Pharisees seeking to 'catch Jesus out' in his interpretation of scripture. The Pharisees were regarded as the great interpreters of the Torah – the Law. To them, ALL the commandments were vitally important, not just the Ten Commandments given to Moses with which we are perhaps most familiar, but the 613 mitzvot (commandments) contained within the Torah – the first five books of the Bible. These 613 mitzvot governed all aspects of Jewish life. For the Pharisees to ask Jesus about the 'greatest' commandment was a blatant challenge to him. Perhaps they expected Jesus to name one commandment and then they could challenge him with a whole series of 'What about ...?' questions. Jesus' answer to the Pharisees highlights their preoccupation with the particulars of the Law contained within scripture. In their over-emphasis on the details of religious observance, they have forgotten about the most basic element of faith: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind. Jesus reminds them that being faithful to God isn't about following precise rules but rather it is simply about loving God. With this one sentence, Jesus undermines the power position of the Pharisees. If the Law is as simple as 'Love God', what need is there of Pharisees to interpret the details of the Law? Having pulled the rug out from under them, Jesus follows up with his reminder that the second most important commandment is to love your neighbour as yourself. This is a call to compassion and justice that Jesus practised freely but was sadly lacking in the religious authorities of his time. -Greg Sunter*

### Legion of Mary Meeting

Every Tuesday in the Parish Centre at Sefton  
at 10am—12pm. If you are interested in joining please  
contact: Helen Grabowski: 0429 120 352

### A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual 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 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.

### COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS:

Parishioners are exhorted to wear face masks as a safeguard to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Congregational singing, the sign of peace and passing of the collection plate continue to be suspended at this time. Church attendance limited to 100 people re 4sqm rule space around each person, with exception of people from the same household. More in bigger churches. Bookings are no longer needed for Mass.

