

Mass Times:**Monday to Saturday** : 9:15am**Saturday**: 5:30pm (Vigil) ; **Sunday**: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:30pm**Rosary**: Monday to Saturday: 8:50am**Sacred Heart Devotions**: Fridays, 9:50am**Reconciliation**: Saturdays After Morning Mass until 10:20am**Baptisms**: 2nd and 4th Sundays, 11:00am**Weddings and Funerals**: Contact Parish Office**CATHOLIC WEEKLY - PULPIT POINTS 10TH NOVEMBER 2019**

- *A new bishop for Broken Bay*
- *Environmentalism: The new faith?*
- *Monica Doumit: Christmas shopping for the bush*
- *Why Australia should go nuclear*
- *Movie review: Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*
- *Disappearing Christians*

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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.

MINISTRY ROSTER - 16TH & 17TH NOVEMBER 2019

Mass	5:30pm	8am	10am	5:30pm
Acolytes	W Khouw	A James	J Rodrigues	J Luciano
Readers	R Toinette	Immaculata Sisters	I Vellis	M Faitua
Ministers of Communion	A Pham N Barry	C Wood P Foran	C Bourizk J Bourizk	L Farlow S Garrett
Musician/Choir	IHM Choir	T Tran	Tongan Choir	M Farlow
Flower Arrangers	E Bui, N Bui, D Johns			
Counters	J DeMartin, N Vanden Nieuwenhuizen, I Culpan			
Bankers	L Farlow, M Farlow			

PARISH CONTACTS**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church****Administrator:** Fr Thomas Alukka**Parish Secretary:** Leisa Farlow**Office Hours:** Tue - Fri (10:00am - 3:30pm)**6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton NSW 2162****Phone:** 02 9644 4026, **Fax:** 02 9743 7407**Email:** office@ihmsefton.org.au**Parish Website:** www.seftoncatholicchurch.org.au**Immaculate Heart of Mary - Primary School****Principal:** Mr. John Kennedy**School Office:****30 Proctor Parade, Sefton, NSW 2162****Phone:** 02 9644 3555, **Fax:** 02 9644 8214**Email:** info@ihmsefton.catholic.edu.au**Family Educator:** Mrs Claude Bourizk**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Sefton**

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Administrator: Fr Thomas Alukka**Sunday, 10th November 2019: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

Today's Gospel focuses on those nagging questions that plague us all from time to time. What will heaven be like? What will happen to me in the resurrection of the body? While these are interesting enough questions on which to speculate and pray, this story from Dan McAuley reminds us that resurrection and a taste of heaven are often closer than we think. 'One day when I was in my early years of High School I noticed this boy from my class walking home from school. His name was Kyle. It looked like he was carrying all of his books. I thought to myself, "Why would anyone bring home all his books on a Friday? He must really be a nerd." I had quite a weekend planned (parties and a football game with my friends the next afternoon), so I shrugged my shoulders and went on. As I was walking, I saw a bunch of kids running toward him. They knocked all his books out of his arms and tripped him up so he landed in the dirt. His glasses went flying, and I saw them land in the grass about ten feet from him. He looked up and I saw this terrible sadness in his eyes. My heart went out to him. So, I jogged over to him as he crawled around looking for his glasses, and I saw a tear in his eye. 'As I handed him his glasses, I said, "Those guys are jerks. They really should get lives." He looked at me and just said, "Thanks!" There was a big smile on his face. It was one of those smiles that showed real gratitude. I helped him pick up his books, and asked him where he lived. As it turned out, he lived near me, so I asked him why I had never seen him before. He said he had gone to another school before now. We talked all the way home, and I helped him carry his books. He turned out to be a pretty cool guy. I asked him if he wanted to play football on Saturday with me and my friends. We hung out all weekend and the more I got to know Kyle, the more I liked him, and my friends thought the same. 'Monday morning came, and there was Kyle with the huge stack of books again. I stopped him and said, "Boy, you are going to really build some serious muscles with this pile of books every day!" He just laughed and handed me half the books. Over the next four years, Kyle and I became best friends. When we were in our last year of school we began to think about university. Kyle wanted to study overseas, I was going to stay at home. I knew wherever we were that we would always be friends, that the miles would never be a problem. 'Kyle topped our class at school. I teased him all the time about being a nerd. He had to prepare a speech for graduation. I was so glad it wasn't me having to get up there and speak. But when he took the microphone he looked great. He was one of those guys that really found himself during high school. He filled out and actually looked good in glasses. He had more dates than I had and all the girls loved him. Sometimes I was jealous. Today was one of those days. I could see that he was nervous about his speech. So, I smacked him on the back and said, "Hey, big guy, you'll be great!" He looked at me with one of those looks (the really grateful one) and smiled. "Thanks," he said. As he started his speech, he cleared his throat, and began. "Graduating from school is a time when you can thank those who helped you make it through the tough years. Your parents, your teachers, your siblings, maybe a coach, but mostly your friends. I am here to tell all of you that being a friend to another person can save someone from hell. Let me tell you a story." 'I just looked at my friend with disbelief as he told the story of the first day we met. He had planned to kill himself over the weekend. He talked of how he had cleaned out his locker so his mother wouldn't have to do it later and was carrying all his stuff home. He looked hard at me and gave me a little smile. "Thankfully, my friend saved me from doing the unspeakable. I looked at hell, but the kindness of a friend showed me heaven. And he didn't even know it and I haven't looked back since.'" If we want to know what heaven or the resurrection is like, then Jesus says, go and do likewise.



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PARISH APPOINTMENT

Most Rev. Archbishop Anthony Fisher, has appointed Very Rev. Fr. Maurice T Thompson, Episcopal Vicar and Parish Priest of St. Christopher's, Panania and St. Patrick's, Revesby Heights to Sefton and Villawood. Together with Fr. Thomas, we welcome Fr. Maurice to our parish community as he begins his pastoral ministry amongst us on the 7th December, 2019.

READINGS

This Week: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5 Lk 20:27-38
Next Week: Mal 3:19-20 2 Thes 3: 7-12 Lk 21:5-19

BAPTISM

Please pray for **ZOE KATERINA HAGERTY and LIAM OLIVER SHEEDY** as we welcome them into our Parish community through the sacrament of Baptism on **Sunday, 10th November 2019**. Let us pray also for Zoe and Liam's parents and Godparents, that the Lord may help them in raising Zoe and Liam in the practice of the faith.



MINISTRY ROSTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Please collect form from the table in the foyer of the Church, fill in and return to the Parish Office by **Sunday 24th November** so that new rosters can be compiled. Thank you in anticipation.

Acolytes: Please fill in availability for the Christmas and January period on the sheet provided in the Sacristy. Thank you.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND 2019 PASTORAL APPEAL

This parish wishes to express its thanks to our generous parishioners who supported last weekend's Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal. To give is to trust in God, His love that embraces us all and His power to provide. Thank you for making that choice.



FROM OUR FAMILY EDUCATOR, MRS CLAUDE BOURIZK:

Thank you to the wonderful ladies and gentlemen who attend every month to help with the SVDP Outreach Program, your support is invaluable. Our next Vinnies sandwich making day is on **Monday 18th November** in the school hall. The next Behind the Scenes at Lewisham is **Thursday 14th November** and the next Night Patrol is on **Wednesday, 20th November**.

All children and parents are invited to morning rosary on **Thursdays and Fridays at 8:20am** in the school library. This is a wonderful way to start our day and end our week. God bless.



AWAKEN YOUTH RALLY

Inviting all youth and young adults of Western Sydney to the inaugural **Awaken Youth Rally** on **Friday 22 November** at **Our Lady of The Rosary Primary School, Fairfield** from **6pm-9pm**. Come and join us for an evening of community, speakers and entertainment. Bring your friends for food, prayer, adoration, reconciliation and the Awaken Band's praise and worship. The Rally will form an opportunity for youth and young adults to come together, share and learn. To register please contact Richie at westernregionsyd@gmail.com.

FUNDRAISER FOR SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL, VILLAWOOD

On **Saturday the 23rd of November**, Sacred Heart Primary School at Villawood will be holding a fundraiser in the form of family portraits! It is \$20 and includes a 10x13" family portrait and keyring. For any further enquiries contact Elena Tuputala through elena.tuputala@syd.catholic.edu.au or 0458 708 929. To book, visit the webpage www.trybooking.com/560776.

WALK WITH CHRIST

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 **24th November 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 24th November**.

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 for further details.



MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 9th Vigil	9:15am 5:30pm	RIP Michael Wang RIP Rolande L'Olive (birthday)
Sun 10th	8:00am 10:00am 5:30pm	RIP Peter Vu RIP Bob Barrington (Birthday) Welfare of Margaret Walker
Mon 11th	9:15am	RIP John Baptist Nguyen
Tues 12th	9:15am	RIP John and Roma Swindells
Wed 13th	9:15am	RIP Maria Nguyen
Thu 14th	9:15am	RIP Janet Daoud and Youssef Rizk
Fri 15th	9:15am	RIP Jean Chin
Sat 16th Vigil	9:15am 5:30pm	RIP Anna Nguyen Thanksgiving for Pham Family



WE PRAY FOR...

RECENTLY DECEASED

Ken Ryan, Joseph Phu Ma, John Ryan, Brian Harris, Harper Dowdell

RIP ANNIVERSARY

Barbera Joyce Johnson, Allan Hollis, Dat Mai,

OUR SICK

Edna Farlow, George Abdallah, Jess McDougall, Laurel Anthony, Mary Pesce, Joy Grovenor, Joan Cassidy, Edna Windram, Shirley Ross, Francis Defosses, Alicia Bezett, John Morrison, Rosina Pellegrino, Youssef Ghadban, Monica McIntyre, Bryant Wilson, Alma Ryan, Bishop G Robinson, John Mealing, David McGeachie, Kath Coughlin, Mary Keane, Bob Rodrigues, Spiteri family, Matthew Barrington, Lydia Gwynne, Leo Hackett

A PROFOUNDLY REWARDING MISSION

Working in Education, Health and Trades? Assist to reduce poverty in overseas communities by sharing your skills. Mutual development assured! **There are five places left** on Palms Australia's January 4th – 12th Orientation Course. You must apply now for a [position](#) beginning any time in 2020.



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GIFTS OF FAITH

This Christmas, give a gift with faith. The Catholic charity *Aid to the Church in Need* has produced a Gift of Faith catalogue in support of suffering and persecuted Christians. Copies can be found in the foyer of the Church, on the table. Alternatively, visit www.aidtochurch.org/GiftsofFaith or phone 1800 101 201. Order by 9th December to receive your Gift of Faith cards and envelopes in time for Christmas.

BIBLE STUDY SESSIONS AT ST PETER CHANEL

The Liturgical Year starting in December this year, we will be reading the Gospel of Matthew in Sunday Liturgy. Each Sunday we will be hearing only a portion of the Gospel and the commentary on it. But the Gospel, as a book, has a plot. This plot was designed to address a readership in its single parts, and as whole utterance. The survey of the Gospel of Matthew will help us identify the point of view communicated by the whole utterance of the story of the life of Jesus. I am offering such a survey of the Gospel of Matthew on Tuesdays of November starting on the 12th. It will take 3 sessions to cover the basic survey. The dates of this introduction to Matthew will be on **12th, 19th and 26th November**. The sessions will be from **7pm to 8pm**. It will be followed by a Mass. Please register your names with the Parish office so that I can determine the number of handouts to prepare. *Fr Thomas Kurunthanam*. Parish Office: 60 Kingsland Rd Regents Park, Tel: 9644-7787 Email: info@stpeter-stjoseph.org.au

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, 10th November

- 11:00am - Baptisms of Liam Sheedy and Zoe Hagerty
- 11:00am - Reconciliation Lessons

Monday, 11th November

- Remembrance Day

Tuesday, 12th November

- Year 3 attend Parish Mass and Reconciliation

Wednesday, 13th November

- 6:00pm - Reconciliation Lessons

Friday, 15th November

- Year 2 Spirituality Day - Oblate Rooms

