



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

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: Wed & Fri : 8am

(Syro-Malabar : Tues - Fri: 7pm, Sat: 9:30am, Sun:10:30am & 4pm)

Confessions: Contact Parish Office

Baptisms: 10am Sundays by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR A.

11/12 JULY 2020

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 16:15

*As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.*

1st Reading

Is 55:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

*The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God*

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 64:10-14 R Lk8:8

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. And thus you

provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. You crown the year with your goodness.

Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing.

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

2nd Reading

Rom 8:18-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by



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

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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

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS TO DATE

“MAKE A DONATION” Button in our website is currently now available. You can make a secure online payment to our Sefton and Villawood parish through the BPoint Secure Online Payment Gateway, powered by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia via our website.

Direct Credit: This is our preferred option please. You can direct credit to our bank account. Include your **envelope no. in the description.** Details are: **Account Name: Catholic Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary Sefton BSB: 062-784 Account No.: 5895001.** (If it's a one - off donation, no envelope number will be needed and there is no tax deductibility.)



SACRAMENTS
 We are currently looking to offer First Holy Communion in Term 3 and Confirmation in Term 4. Further information will be advised shortly.

ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering
 The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is now being offered as an online event for registered participants. This modified program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with a response and questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program is flexible, allowing you to participate individually or gather with others from your parish/diocese or men's ministry group.

Aim: To inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world.

Cost: FREE **Registration:** Available from Monday 29th June
Event Program: Available from Saturday 15th August, 2020

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. 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.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 11 & 12 JULY 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Acolytes	Thomas Kelly	Duy Bui	Colin McDermott	Ken Collins
Readers:	Alicia Roberts	Michelle Heim	Mel Keep	Makerita Faitua
Communion Ministers:	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage
Flowers	Team 5. Therese Khoury & Salima Khoury			

TO ALL OUR SEFTON READERS

Could you please attend a Readers Meeting on Wednesday, 29 July at 7pm in the IHM Church. Fr. Maurice would like to see all of you at this meeting please. Spread the word and place on your calendars please.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 18 & 19 JULY 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Acolytes	Chris Kelly	Larry Cavallo	Ken Collins	Thomas Kelly
Readers:	Margaret Flanagan	Terry Evans	Ann Pham	Margaret Cowan
Communion Ministers:	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage
Flowers	Team 1. Doris Johns			

TO ALL OUR SEFTON ACOLYTES

Could you all please attend an Acolytes Meeting on Thursday, 30 July at 7pm in the IHM Church.

(Acolytes, please see interim roster in the Sacristy for month of July and please sign the Updated Contact Details sheet.)



Can you picture yourself being a foster carer?

Family Spirit are seeking safe and stable homes for children for up to 6 months or longer.

To learn more about becoming a carer we are offering individual online information sessions at a time that suits you.

To book a one on one appointment call

CCareline 13 181 9

connect@familyspirit.org
8am – 6pm Monday – Friday

UPDATE ON RESTRICTIONS

Further restrictions eased on churches.

From **1 July 2020**, church attendance numbers are now unlimited, providing there is a 4m² space around each person, but people from the same household may sit together in the pew. The amount of people will depend on the size of the church when measured. **At Sefton, we can accommodate 100 people (80 downstairs and 20 in the loft) and at Villawood we can accommodate up to 50 people** following this rule. This applies to not only Mass but to Confessions, Baptisms, Weddings, Eucharistic Adoration, the Divine Office, Rosary in common, Bible study and private prayer.

All people entering the church must sign an attendance sheet as we need to keep a record of your name and contact number. You MUST STILL BOOK ALL WEEKEND MASSES: Parish Office: 02 9644 4026 or call Leisa 0411 201 307 or Carmen 0410 690 714 or email: office@ihmsefton.org.au.

As the 4m² rule and prudential concerns will continue to prevent many of the faithful attending, all but priests continue for the time being to be dispensed from the obligations of attending Sunday Mass; but **those who are at low risk of infection and able to do so are exhorted to take all reasonable steps to attend Sunday Mass.** Those who are unwell or at high risk **must not attend** (they might ask that Holy Communion be brought to them at home); those over 70 should exercise particular caution. The faithful who cannot attend Sunday Mass should keep Sunday holy by setting aside some time for prayer at home, reading the Scriptures of the day, or watching Mass on television or online, asking God for graces they would normally receive in Holy Communion (“spiritual communion”) or attend a weekday mass.



CATHOLIC WEEKLY: The hard copy edition of the Catholic Weekly is available again in all parishes this weekend for \$2.00



Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

The Sick

Lidia Stuccio
Jean Murphy
Dora Hodgins
Ben Rodrigues
Maureen Falk
Brendan Falk
Candice Moawad and her unborn son named Jeremiah.
Bertram Fernando
Greg Barnes
Kath Coughlin
Anita Rendulic
Edna Farlow
Joy Grovenor
Monica McIntyre
Mary Keane,
Spiteri family
Matthew Barrington
Lydia Gwynne,
Mark & Marie Gray
Shirley Ross
John Mealing
Alma Ryan
Phillip Abraham

Recently Deceased

Patricia Croucher
Anthony Croucher
Gloria Wallace
Yvonne Campbell
Jack Harris
Rocco Alimonti



Also:-

Hilton
Peter Vu & Maria Nguyen
Eddie O'Reilly
Ivan Visevic
Anna Nguyen
John Baptist Nguyen
Judith & Michael Cullen
Ellen & Jim Ryan
Cecilia Nadile
Zofia Ziolkowski
Anna Ly Hoang
Marco-Antonio Caltibiano
Marcus Jutriza
Marija Zuzul
Vita Barbagallo
Giuseppe Barbagallo
Dominic Rodrigues
Leonardo Gutierrez
Maria Thuy Hoang
Luisito & Elizabeth Gutierrez
Vincent Hughes
John Solomon
Dammir Lisica
Bertram Fernando
Visevic Family
Peter Dinh Quang Dung
Jacqueline & Marian Vellis
All Souls in Purgatory

NOTE: If you wish a special mass offered for an Anniversary of a loved one, (because family will be attending), please ring the Parish Office to book in a particular mass so that the priest will know.

FOR BPOINT SECURE PAYMENT SERVICE WITH THE COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA

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God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 13:1-23

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew*

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' 'Because' he replied 'the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you, but they are not revealed to them. For anyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. So in their case this prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled:

You will listen and listen again, but not understand, see and see again, but not perceive. For the heart of this nation has grown coarse, their ears are dull of hearing, and they have shut their eyes, for fear they should see with their eyes,

hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and be converted and be healed by me.

'But happy are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! I tell you solemnly, many prophets and holy men longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.

'You, therefore, are to hear the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in his heart: this is the man who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the man who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But he has no root in him, he does not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and he falls away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so he produces nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf Ps83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 19 JULY 2020

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st Reading: Wis 12:13.16-19

2nd Reading: Rom 8:26-27

Gospel: Mt 13:24-43

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's gospel, the parable of the sower can be read or heard as a literal story about sowing seed and the lesson one might take from it is to be careful where you throw the seed when sowing. At another level, parables have a metaphoric meaning. In this instance, Jesus actually explains the symbolism of the parable to his disciples. There is a further, interpretive level of a parable where a modern reader asks, 'What has that story got to say to me here and now?'

-Greg Sunter

