



Immaculate Heart of Mary & Sacred Heart Catholic Church



Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass Times

6 Kerrinea Road, Sefton NSW 2162

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

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

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: Wed & 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

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR A.

22/23 AUGUST 2020

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps85:1-3

**Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my
God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I
cry to you all the day long.**

1st Reading

Is 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna,
the master of the palace:
I dismiss you from your office, I remove
you from your post, and the same day I
call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.
I invest him with your robe, gird him with
your sash, entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father to the inhabitants
of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah.
I place the key of the House of David on
his shoulder; should he open, no one shall
close, should he close, no one shall open.
I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he
will become a throne of glory for his
father's house.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-3.6.8.R.v.8

**Lord, your love
is eternal;
do not forsake
the work of
your hands.**



I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you
have heard the words of my mouth. Before
the angels I will bless you. I will adore
before your holy temple. I thank you for
your faithfulness and love which excel all
we ever knew of you. On the day I called,
you answered; you increased the strength
of my soul. The Lord is high yet he looks on
the lowly and the haughty he knows from
afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard
not the work of your hands.

**Lord, your love is eternal; do not
forsake the work of your hands.**

2nd Reading

Rom 11:33-36

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

How rich are the depths of God – how deep
his wisdom and knowledge – and how
impossible to penetrate his motives or
understand his methods! Who could ever

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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

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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 or PLEASE USE QR BARCODES POSTED IN THE CHURCH.

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.)
Sacred Heart Parish Villawood Church Account:
CBA BSB: 062 784 Account No. 5595001



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SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY— SUNDAY, 30 AUGUST 2020

Covid-19 pandemic is a threat in many ways—physical, social, political and economic. It also puts great pressure on the mental health of many people in ways both seen and unseen. Those who are at high risk, and those who love them, may be especially anxious. Loss of jobs, insecure work, isolation, family strife and domestic violence bring stressful situations to many families. The Office of Social Justice has offered a Statement at <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/> along with other resources. Please read and respond to this vital and growing need within our society. - *Justice & Peace Office, Archdiocese of Sydney*



SACRAMENTS OF HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION
VILLAWOOD— First Holy Communion:
 15 Nov 2020 at 9am Mass. No Confirmation this year.
SEFTON—Confirmation:
 Sunday 29 Nov 2020 at 1pm & 3pm masses.
 More details to come through school and our sac coordinator. Reconciliation & Holy Communion will be celebrated next year.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 22/23 AUGUST 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<u>Acolytes</u>	Thomas Kelly	Anish James	Joe Rodrigues	Thuan Bui
<u>Readers:</u>	Terry Evans	Margaret Cowan	Lauren Grgurevic	Joseph Taufaa
<u>Communion Ministers:</u>	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage
<u>Flowers</u>	Team 1. Doris Johns			

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY WEEKEND ROSTERS: 29/30 AUGUST 2020				
	Sat Vigil: 5:30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<u>Acolytes</u>	Chris Kelly	Duy Bui	Ken Collins	Colin McDermott
<u>Readers:</u>	Lona-Ann Vellis	Peta Foran	Rena Babi	Lose Vakauta
<u>Communion Ministers:</u>	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage	Not required at this stage
<u>Flowers</u>	Team 4—Lilianne Ghadban & Rosemary LaRosa			

JRS Appeal for Foodbank Donations
 The Jesuit Refugee Service mobile food bank is a huge and growing operation. They have collectively fed more than 5,000 women, children, and men who have lost jobs, been excluded from Federal Government financial support and cannot return home. Regardless, their stocks of rice, pasta, oil, tuna, and long life milk are RUNNING LOW. If you can donate these items we have drop off spots around Sydney here. In the absence of Federal Government support for people in need, we continue to need your help. Please visit: <http://jrs.org.au/how-to-help-refugees-and-people-seeking-.../> and learn how you can support people who have no other means to buy these basics for their families.

VILLAWOOD NEWS
 Please note that the new time for the Syro-Malabar Sunday mass is **11am** (not 10.30am).

“In line with Church and Government health advice, I ask and recommend that parishioners and visitors to please wear face masks when attending mass as an additional safeguard to help combat the spread of COVID-19.” - Fr. Maurice



Church attendance numbers are limited to a maximum of 100 people, providing there is a four square metre space around each person, with the exception of people from the same household.

Congregational singing is not allowed. Recent health advice has indicated that while droplets quickly fall to the ground, the aerosol emissions during singing promote too great a risk even for those adhering to the specified 1.5m physical distancing requirement. Singers and choirs, however, are permissible. Singers are to be spaced at least 1.5m apart from each other and at least 4m distanced from the congregation, and where choirs face each other, they must be at least 4m away from those they are facing.

NEW WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE SIGN IN USING QR CODE

Please note the following conditions in relation to attending Mass. Please arrive at least 10-15 minutes prior to start of Mass. Note that you will be required **to sign in on arrival**. Contact details of all those attending the church (name and phone number or email of one adult in each family) must be recorded either via the **blue QR CODE SIGN** (please ensure you sign in to the correct Mass time via QR CODE) **or** at the door via the sign-on sheet before entering the church. **YOU CAN ONLY USE THE CODE AT THE TIME OF ENTRY as this will be recorded on a spreadsheet.** No longer need to book through the Parish Office.

CatholicCare Marriage Preparations

Marriage Education Goes Virtual: If you are engaged and are planning on getting married soon, CatholicCare is still able to provide you with your marriage education course during this time. We expect demand to surge when social distancing rules are relaxed further, so don't miss out. Book now! Call 13 18 19.

IHM Acolytes & Readers Rosters, Contact Lists and Minutes of last meeting have been emailed out. Should you not have an email address please collect a hard copy from the Sacristy at Sefton.

For any queries please contact:-

Thomas Kelly: Acolytes Coordinator: 0416 089 500

Renaë Babi: Readers Coordinator: 042170 444

If you are unable to do your ministry please arrange for a replacement from your Contact Lists.

UPCOMING IHM SEFTON EVENTS:

Sat. 22/8/20 at 3pm : Wedding of Iosefo Toalepai & Taumaloto Tomasi

Sun. 23/8/20 at 10.30am : Baptism of Cassian Rudy Leavasa



Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

The Sick

Dora Hodgins
Bob O'Rourke
Paddy Thompson
Rosana & Roseanne Guevara
Monica McIntyre
John Mealing
Joy Grovenor
Edna Farlow
Spiteri Family
Matthew Barrington
Salvatore Dore
Alma Ryan
Lydia Stuccio
Phillip Abraham
Jean Murphy

Anniversaries

Pauline McCormack
Nam Pham

Also
Giacobe(St James) Nguyen
Bac Nha
Youssef Rizk
Janet Daoud
Departed souls Tran & Pham Families
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Bertram Fernando
Margaret Fox
John Ryan
Betty O'Rourke
Bert Whiting
Terry Anne & Margaret Catley
Lynus Rodrigues
Elena Bedirian
Antonio Marchetta
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Recently Deceased

Clorinda Solari
Fr. Donal Madigan
Helen Jessup
Marta Helena Siembida
Evelyn Magdaluyo



Special Intentions

Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
Visevic Family

*Could all entries for the Bulletin please be given to the Parish Office by Wed afternoons. Thanking you.
- Parish Staff*

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

THANK YOU TO PAULINE & THOMAS KELLY FOR HAND DELIVERING ALL THE LEFTOVER PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES & RECEIPTS.

know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 16:13-20

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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



COMMUNION ANTIPHON Cf Ps 103:13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 30 Aug 2020

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st Reading: Jer 20:7-9

2nd Reading: Rom 12:1-2

Gospel: Mt 16:21-27

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Like last week's gospel, this week's story takes place in a region that was outside predominantly Jewish territory. Caesarea Philippi (north of Galilee and in the region of modern day Syria) had long been a centre of pagan worship. It was used originally by the Canaanites as a site of worship; the Greeks built a temple to one of their gods there; in 20 BCE Herod the Great built a temple to Caesar Augustus; and after his death, Herod's son, Phillip, renamed the city Caesarea Philippi after Tiberius Caesar and himself. It is intriguing that Matthew's gospel chooses such a site as the location for such a significant revelation of faith.

Jesus asks the disciples who people say he is. They report that people associate Jesus with one of the great prophets of Jewish tradition. By people identifying Jesus with other great prophets they were projecting Jesus into the same mould as that prophet. What they were saying was that Jesus will be a great leader in the style of John the Baptist, or Elijah or even Jeremiah. The expectation of a messiah was running very high at the time of Jesus and everyone had their own idea about what that messiah would be like – usually aligned with some previous leader. They didn't seem to understand that Jesus was breaking the mould and was not going to fit in with any of those expectations. To see him as one of the great prophets come again is always going to be an inadequate understanding of Jesus as messiah.

When Jesus pushes the disciples for their own ideas, it is Simon Peter who speaks up and identifies Jesus as being the Son of the living God. Making a play on Peter's name (in Greek, petros = Peter and petra = rock), Jesus states that hereafter, Simon Peter will be known as Peter and upon the rock of his profession of faith the church will be built.

—Greg Sunter

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.

