



Mary Immaculate Parish

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~ Year A

PARISH VISION & MISSION

Our Vision Statement is:

To create a vibrant, loving Catholic community that inspires and empowers members to make a positive impact in our world.

Our Mission Statement is:

To provide an inclusive, engaging environment for members to deepen their faith, use their talents to serve others, and make a positive impact in our world.

DAILY MASS READINGS: 27 July – 1 August

Mon 27 July: Jer 13:1-11 & Matt 13:31-35

Tues 28 July: Jer 14:17-22 & Matt 13:36-43

Wed 29 July: 1 Jn 4:7-16 & Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thurs 30 July: Jer 18:1-6 & Matt 13:47-53

Fri 31 July: 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1 & Luke 14:25-33

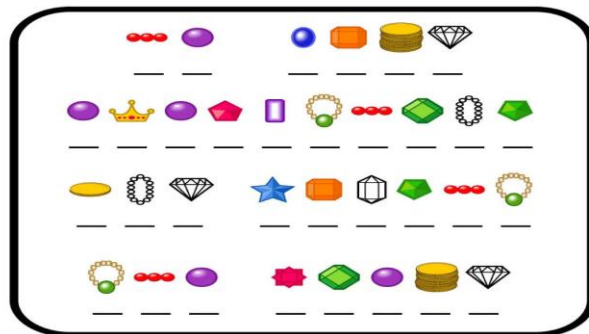
Sat 1 August: Rom 8:1-4 & Matt 5:13-19



THE MARY IMMACULATE SEPTET CHOIR

The Mary Immaculate Septet Choir is seeking a pianist/organist and interested Parishioners willing to sing and serve in the music ministry. We sing on the 5th Sunday at the 9 am Mass. (4-5 sessions a year). Please contact the Parish Office or Tania on 0405820073.

What did the man do after he found the treasure hidden in the field? Use the key below to decipher the code.



DEEPENING YOUR FAITH

These sessions are commencing Thursday 6th August after the 9.15am Mass in the Parish meeting Room.

If you would like to refresh your knowledge or learn more about your faith, you are invited to join us for a "cuppa", a DVD, a little sharing and prayer. We use the readings of the following Sunday to help deepen our faith further. No need to book. All are welcome! For enquiries phone the parish office 9626 3326

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYER

Sick:

Charito Angeles, Perlita Cadungog, Anna Fernandes, Robert Penafuerte, Jennifer Alam, Theresa Briffa, Ruth M. Manansala, Rosita Ludowyke, Precious Guerrero Tamayo, Caroline Dias, Clarina Emanuel, Sr. Paulina, Rolly Valenzuela, Tita Garcia, Michael McTegg, Jaythde Hite-Deuna, Phillip Camilleri, Margaret Deshe, Resurrection & Grace Espina, Graham Rutledge, Madeline Semisi, Ray Johnston, Sophia Pal, Harrison Whelan, Joseph Buttigieg, Jackson Naidoo.

Recently Deceased:

Shirley Hartman, Sarala Menon, Crimhilda Buenaseda, Leyden Panol, Leigh Perez, Antonio Cortez, Ely Azarcon Balgos, Carmelita Bulaong

Anniversaries:

Claude Joachim, N.C. Chacko, Tony Muscat, Ivor Patrao, Gerard Marcello, Beatriz Alaura, Bridget Daniel, Florence Karunaratne, Benedict de Silva, Benigno Marinas, Magdalena Ramirez

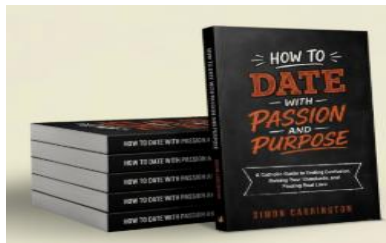
In Memoriam:

Joseph Greach, Fr. Manuel Jadragne MSP, Fr. Primitivo Balasbas MSP, Manuel Jadraque, John Duncan, Bruce Henderson, Dominic Flores, Teresita Flores, Teresita Illguth, Ovedato Flores Jr., Alfredo Bahit Sr., Laudelina Bahit, Gerardo Gabriel, Leonisa Gabriel, Gerard Marcello, Esperanza & Pedro Cabanilla, Flower Clement, **Bill Azzopardi**, Reggie & Maria Victoria Dalgado, departed members of the Farrugia family, H.R.B Sharma, John Quattromani, Loretta & Joseph Desa, Joseph Steven Camilleri, Antinitio Demagante, Epifanio Serrano, Mary Lucille Serrano, Roberto Serrano, Rita Joachim, Regina—Benito Franado, Roberto—Maria Reyes, Antonio—Lucia Santos, Regina & baby Granado, Hugo Sr. & Marita Agudo, Dominador Snr & Efigenia Granado, John & Frances Micallef, Stuart Richard, Dan Peiris, Nilo Abalos, Eugenio De Jesus Jr., Goring Bacaloso, All who died in war, & all the souls in purgatory.

May they Rest in Peace

SEEKING VOLUNTARY WORK MEN

The parish is seeking for some abled bodied men who have some time in their busy schedules to assist with some voluntary fix-it issues that might arise from time to time in the church. If you have experience in some trades and willing to volunteer some of your time, please contact the Parish Office.



This book was written for Catholics who are single or in a relationship. It has been written in a simple, easy-to-understand language (that's the best I can do, anyway), perfect for a teenager. My hope is to get this book out to as many Catholic teens and young adults as possible. I would love for you to have this in your hands!

If you are single or in a relationship, this book is for you!

If you have a friend or family member who has been struggling with their singleness or is in a relationship that is not healthy, this book is for them!

If you are a parent, and want your child to hold onto their faith and live purity in their relationships, this book is for you!

If you are a youth minister, teacher, diocesan worker, or priest caring for young people, this book can be purchased in bulk to give away!

Help spread the virtue of chastity, and support young Catholics in pursuing faith-filled, pure relationships that will lead to holy marriages and families!

God bless you,

Simon Carrington

Founder, Fire Up Ministries

15TH AUGUST FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Join our parish community for a special overnight vigil of prayer & devotion honouring our Lord and Blessed Mother.

Date: Friday 14th August – Saturday 15th August 2026

Holy Mass: 6:30pm (Friday).

Procession: Following Mass on site.

All-Night Vigil: Silent Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will continue all night inside the church.

Closing Mass: Saturday at 7:30am on the Feast Day.

Location: Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill

All are welcome to attend and stay all or part of the night and then join us for Mass on the Feast Day. Please use the sign-up sheet to register what time slot you wish to keep vigil with the Blessed Sacrament.

REFRESHER SAFEGUARDING TRAINING – MODULE 6 (CYCLE 3)

Safeguarding training is due to be updated every two years. Have you completed the Introductory and Renewal Modules 1-5? If 2 years have passed please complete Refresher Module 6.

Module 6 is being offered face to face at Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown on Tuesday 28th July 2026.

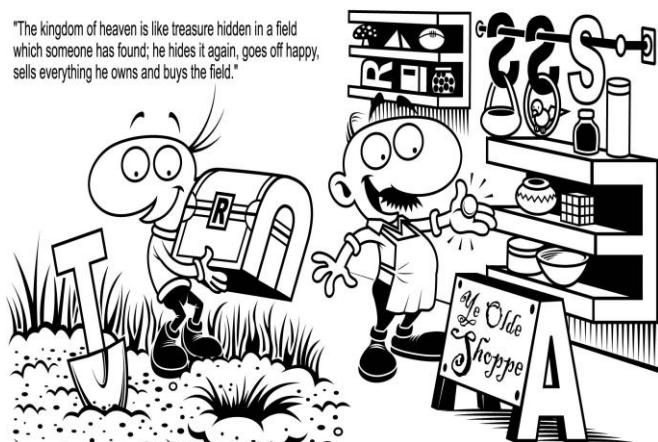
A morning session will take place between 10am and 12 noon. This Module will also be repeated in the evening between 7pm-9pm. Please register for one of these sessions via the website or email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

This Module is also available online at:

<https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>

Can you find the letters that spell the word **TREASURE** hidden in the picture below?

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field."



BETHANY PILGRIMAGE FOR WOMEN: 29 AUGUST

The theme for 2026 is "Totus Tuus" ("Totally Yours"). There will be a decade of the rosary, reflection and personal prayer at each church. Adoration and Confession will be available at times also. This event is perfect for active women who would like to spend a day in prayer whilst pushing themselves physically in order to pray for themselves or family. Water, snacks and light lunch provided. **Registration is essential \$20** www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1569560 For more info call Victoria on 0494173359 or email bethanypilgrimage@gmail.com

First Reading 1 Kings 3:5.7-12**A reading from the book of the Kings**

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118:57. 72. 76-77. 127-130. R. v.97 (R.) Lord, I love your commands.

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold. (R.)

2. Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
for your law is my delight. (R)

3. That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways.(R.)

4. Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 8:28-30**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans**

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation: See Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

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Mary Immaculate is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment and takes the safeguarding of children and vulnerable persons seriously.

Safeguarding those who are vulnerable is part of the mission that Jesus Christ entrusts to our Church. We all have a role to play in safeguarding those who are vulnerable.

If you have any concerns about someone's immediate safety, or you suspect a crime may have or is likely to occur, please contact NSW Police on Triple Zero (000).

Concerns about safeguarding in the Diocese may be referred to the Parish Office, or directly to the:

Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards

Ph (02) 8838 3419

Email: safeguarding@parracatholic.org.

Information about the Diocese's response and supports about safeguarding children and vulnerable people are available at www.safeguarding.org.au

