



Mary Immaculate Parish

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BULLETIN

31 August 2025

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME & SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY~ YEAR C

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY COURSE

We are excited to share that **Dr Christopher West** and the **Theology of the Body (TOB) Institute** are bringing their flagship formation program to Sydney:

TOB I: Head & Heart Immersion Course
18-23 January 2026 Benedict XVI Retreat Centre,
Grose Vale

This **5.5-day intensive course** is open to priests, religious, teachers, lay leaders, and anyone seeking to understand and live **St John Paul II's life-changing teaching on human love, identity, and God's plan for the human person.**
Registrations close 8 December 2025.

POSITION VACANT—SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

The Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea is seeking expressions of interest for this position. A full-time role and based at Stanmore. Enquiries to Anthony Spata on 0402 210 055 or anthony@reachhr.com.au.

DAILY MASS READINGS: 1-7 Sept

Mon 1 Sept: 1 Thess 4:13-18 & Luke 4:16-30
Tues 2 Sept 1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11 & Luke 4:31-37
Wed 3 Sept: 2 Cor 4:1-2, 5-7 & Lk 22:24-30
Thurs 4 Sept: Col 1:9-14 & Luke 5:1-11
Fri 5 Sept: Col 1:15-20 & Luke 5:33-39
Sat 6 Sept: Col 1:21-23 & Luke 6:1-5
Sun: 7 Sept: Wis 9:13-18, Phlm 9-10, 12-17 & Lk: 14:25-33

SVDP

Vinnies is offering food hampers, blankets, beanies to anyone experiencing hardships. If you or anyone you know is experiencing hardships due to job loss, illness, loneliness, or homelessness, there is support available. St Vincent de Paul is offering a helping hand during these challenging times.

To receive a hamper, please reach out to the parish office with the contact details and delivery address. Alternatively, the hamper can be picked up from the parish office. Rest assured, all details will be kept confidential and used solely for the purpose of hamper distribution.

We understand that these times can be tough, and we want to ensure everyone has access to the help they need. Please don't hesitate to contact St Vincent de Paul if you or someone you know could benefit from this support on 0413 713 911.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Sick:

Tita Garcia, Michael McTegg, Mila Ranoso, Lorry Debono, Peter Saliba, Jaythde Hite-Deuna, Phillip Camilleri, Tony Yu, John Brooks, Diani, Margaret Deshe, Colleen Asimus, Resurrection & Grace Espina, Barry Morkel, Graham Rutledge, Dominador Vicho, Anna Fernandes, Madeline Semisi, Ray Johnston, Sophia Pal, Dominic Fernandez, Harrison Whelan, Joseph Buttigieg, Jackson Naidoo, Faye Demagante, Chadia Kaminski.

Anniversary of Death:

Elizabeth Tjahjadi, Eduardo Palileo, Ruben Elago, Peter Beaumont, Manuel Alfonso, Bibiana Malaluan, Melody Quiambao, Perception Noche, Peter Sultana, Nesty De Leon, Pedro Suarez

Recently Deceased:

Veronica D' Rozario, Charlie Falzon, Jun Valdez, Matilde Rozagaran, Corazon Manzano, Gloria Rebuquiao, Rose & Nikola Trojko, Elena Monet

In Memoriam:

Tony, Maria & Josephine Attard, Maria & Joseph Saliba, Joseph & Mary Anne Vella, Roque Sanchez, Marie Eleanor, Rodolfo Velasco Sr., Milagros Velasco, Ronald Velasco, Richeto Tura, Leonida Mangabat, Jacob Steilberg, Hyacinth Das, Aurora Espinoza, Marcelina & Cirilo Obatay, Helen Gois, Sydney Lobo, Florencio Obatay, Brando Mayor, Crisfeta Fe Uy, Jose Marzan, Rodrigo Malaluan, Noleen & Robby Houghton, Lema & Rufino Eleccim, Rosalia Cardenas, Robrigo Malaluan, William Almonte, Elvina Heredia, Michael Dias, Roy Dias, Annie & Dominic Pires, Angeles Buot, Salud Morgia, Abraham Morgia, Eli Manus, Ediberto Racaza, Paul Domingo, John Quattromani, Loretta & Joseph Desa, Joseph Steven Camilleri, Annette Houghton, Antinitio Demagante, Rosemary & Joan Houghton, Maria & Jacob Gonsalves, Roberto & Mary Lucille Serrano, Marilou, Mariano Jr., Perpetua, Arsenia, Marichar & Horacio Serrano, Joselito & Bobet Serrano, Epifanio Serrano, Mari Mackenzie, Ben McShane Hill, Anthony Farrugia and family members, Mamerta San Buenaventura, Bill Azzopardi, Calvin Wijewera, Irene Dassanayaka, Rita Joachim, Regina—Benito Franado, Roberto—Maria Reyes, Antonio—Lucia Santos, Julio De Mello, 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 Bacalso, Margaret Cooper, Crispina Paras, & all the souls in purgatory.

May they Rest in Peace

If you would like to obtain a copy of the Novena to Our Lady, please use the QR Code below.

OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH VAILANKANNI NOVENA & FEAST

Mary Immaculate Parish
125 Barnier Drive, Quakers Hill, NSW



TRIDUUM NOVENA MASSES

5 - 7 SEPTEMBER 2025
7 PM

FEAST DAY MASS

8 SEPTEMBER 2025
7 PM

*Novena prayers said privately:
30 August - 4 September*

All are welcome

Join us in
prayer and
fellowship!



Novena to Our Lady of Good Health, Vailankanni. Starting Saturday 30th August, Daily at 7.30pm. For the first six days 1 to 6 you can pray the novena privately or join us virtually via the Zoom link below.

We will have novena prayers followed by rosary. The final three days 7 to 9 will be said in our church with the Holy Mass. We hope you will be able to join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88681647295?
pwd=iEzLnK31Ab4PXhon7Akwnzngyl33drO.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88681647295?pwd=iEzLnK31Ab4PXhon7Akwnzngyl33drO.1)

Meeting ID: 886 8164 7295
Passcode: MARY2025

For those intending to pray privately the novena prayers can be found here...

[https://sites.google.com/view/vailakanni-novena-
-feast-sydney/novena-prayers](https://sites.google.com/view/vailakanni-novena-feast-sydney/novena-prayers)

**Happy Anniversary
58 years
Tony & Jane Agius**



CONFIRMATION 2025

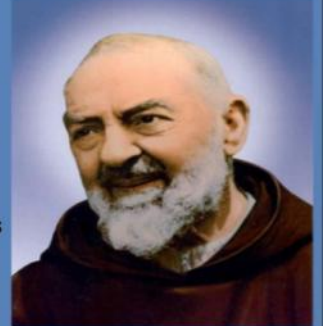
Congratulations to all of Mary Immaculates Confirmands who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in August. Pray for them as they discern their mission in life as followers of the Fathers will.



St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina FEAST DAY

and blessing with
St. Padre Pio's Relic
21 September 2025

TRIDUUM
ST. PADRE PIO'S NOVENA AND MASS
Thursday 18 September 7:00pm
Friday 19 September 7:00pm
Saturday 20 September 5:30pm



Sunday 21 September 10:00am
Procession followed by the
Feast Day Mass,
Veneration and Blessing
with St. Padre Pio's Relic
& fellowship meal.



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Formation series on Mary & Synodality

Join us for a 4-week formation series, Mary & Synodality: Perspectives in Marian Theology for our Synodal Church.

Through Scripture, theology, and contemporary thought, we will explore how Mary's witness offers inspiration for servant leadership, Spirit-filled collaboration, compassionate accompaniment, and hope-filled discernment in a synodal Church. For more information and to register, visit the Parramatta diocesan website.

Mary & Synodality

*Perspectives in Marian Theology for
our Synodal Church*



Presenter
Qwayne Guevara

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.
The greater you are, the more you should behave
humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord;
for great though the power of the Lord is,
he accepts the homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's malady,
since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,
an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

Responsorial Ps 67:4-7. 10-11. R. v.11

(R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. (R.)
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. (R.)
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new
life. It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. (R.)

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses:
not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or
a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speak-
ing which made everyone that heard it beg that no more
should be said to them. But what you have come to is
Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly
Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered
for the festival, with the whole Church in which
everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven.
You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and
been placed with spirits of the saints who have been
made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a
new covenant.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 14:1. 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house
of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him
closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had
noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said
this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do
not take your seat in the place of honour. A more
distinguished person than you may have been invited,
and the person who invited you both may come and say,
"Give up your place to this man." And then, to your
embarrassment, you would have to go and take the
lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to
the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host
comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that
way, everyone with you at the table will see you
honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be
humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be
exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a din-
ner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich
neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting
you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor,
the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay
you back means that you are fortunate, because repay-
ment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL 2025

Next weekend, our parish is proud to support the
Clergy Support Foundation's Bishop's Father's Day
Appeal. Your thoughtful gift and prayerful support
are gestures of love for our priests - our spiritual
fathers who faithfully serve our Western Sydney
and Blue Mountains community.

With your prayers and support, you can help our
Clergy Health and Wellbeing team provide our
ageing clergy with the personal, professional and
practical care they need to transition into the next
chapter of their ministry. This ongoing assistance
includes independent living, aged care or nursing
home accommodation for frail priests, as well as
meals, transport and medical care when needed.

Let us care for our spiritual
fathers, just as they care for
us, by giving generously via
the giving envelopes
provided, and place them in
the receptacle for the
Bishop's Father's Day
Appeal (advise where). Let
us keep our priests in our
prayers, just as they keep us
in theirs. Thank you.



MANDATORY DIOCESEAN SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Upcoming Face to Face Safeguarding Training Dates at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown:

- Cycle 2 (Renewal Training after two years - Modules 4-5) - Tuesday 2nd September (10am-1.30pm)
- Cycle 3 (Refresher Training after another two years - Module 6) - Wednesday 3rd September (10am-12noon)
- Please register at <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 30th / 31st August					5th Sunday of the Month	
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A	Angelo C	Ding M Conrad F	Lina Z Lawrence F	Paul M	Rommel D
Junior Servers	Kiana F		Rachael P Aviel, Yavniel & Hadriel F Gabriel E	Katrina C	Heleni M Johan M	P Marcial M Georgie A Dass
Readers	Virginia F John F Nikita D	Mere S Belen B Pen B	Bernie P Paea T Mary C	Anna Z Lucy V Pat O	Divine M Merlyn F Jeninah D	Anne T Raymond T Tressy T
Special Eucharist Minister	Ralph H	Maria M John B	Bessie M Eva C	Esperanza D Fe H Patricia Z		Juvy E
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F	Peter S	Brad & Angela A	Pat O		
Music Ministry	C.F.C Family Ministry	Recorded music	MI Septet Choir	Mary Immaculate Parish Choir	Recorded music	5.S.M Choir
PowerPoint	Jess P	Juvy A	Choir	Choir	Jelynn M	5.S.M Choir
Piety Store				Joe A.	Merlyn F.	Patricia D'Lima

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 6th / 7th September					1st Sunday of the Month	
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A Conrad F	Angelo C Arnel R	Joseph S Ding M Ruwanal F	Lina Z Isaac Z	Ralph H Patricia H	John B Romany D
Junior Servers	Kiana F Ezekiel D		Aviel F Hadriel F Gabriel E John Shedad	Heleni M Johan M	Stephanie S	Paolo M M Georgie Annika D
Readers	Anthony S Therese B Mariquita P	Therese M Anna Z Edgie A	Rose B Jeanne C Chrysanthi S	Mercee M Divine M Fasa M	Merlyn F Anne T Perpetual F	Paea T Belen B Neil N
Special Eucharist Minister	Edith M Pompey F	Mercy E Charmaine A	Eva C Bessie M	Esperanza D Zeny B	Aida L Tasia H	Mary Mathew
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F		Ray & Sandra G		Alfredo P	
Music Ministry	Fishers of Men	Recorded music	Liam Shield's & Paul Macaraeg Group	Hosanna Eukaristi	CFC Quakers Hill	Rise Up Soul Singers
PowerPoint	Jess P	Marcus M	Choir	Choir	Choir	Juvy A
Piety Store		Anna Z.	Eva C.	Joe A.	Ines A.	Patricia D.

PARISH TEAM

Priest of the Parish: Rev Fr. Oliver Aro MSP

Deacon: Rev. Leon Decena OFS

Parish/Finance Administrator: Anthony Saliba OFS

Administrative Assistant: Marthese Sultana

Sacramental Coordinators: Anthony OFS & Marthese

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday 9am to 4pm

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Our current Mass services are as follows:

Monday – 6.00am only - Tuesday to Friday - 6.00am and 9.15am

Wednesday 6pm- 7pm Holy Hour followed by Mass

Saturday - 7.30am

Sunday Masses – Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm

Sunday- 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 5.30pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday's 4pm to 5pm

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Preparation for sacrament:

Baptisms on Saturdays at 10:00am & 11:00am

Parents must attend a preparation session prior to baptism.

Preparation session on the 1st Tuesday of each month

If you want your child baptized, please call Marthese in the

Parish Office marthese.sultana@maryimmac.org.au

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Please contact sacramental coordinator for details.

Weddings: By Appointment.

ALL THE YOUTH GROUPS

Email: miyouthgroups@maryimmac.org.au

R.C.I.A: Patrick D. 0435038281 or 96263326

Enroll for 2025 online via our website!

PARISH SCHOOLS

Mary Immaculate Primary School

125 Barnier Drive, Quakers Hill
Ph: 9626-3999. Principal: Sharon Mizzi.

St. Joseph's Primary School

78 Alex Avenue, Schofields
Ph: 9626-1328. Principal: Lesley Studans.

Saint John Paul II Catholic College

85 Hambledon Road Schofields
Ph: 9208-7200. Principal: Robert Muscat