

### **Mary Immaculate Parish**

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#### **BULLETIN**

#### <u>16 November 2025</u>

#### THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

#### **WORLD DAY OF THE POOR**

Today is the World Day of the Poor. It offers us an opportunity to renew our solidarity with those who are poor in our own community and across the world.

In his message for the World Day of the Poor, Pope Leo XIV reminds us that "the poor are not a distraction for the Church, but our beloved brothers and sisters, for by their lives, their words and their wisdom, they put us in contact with the truth of the Gospel."

Pope Leo has also issued an Apostolic Exhortation, *Dilexi te* ("I Have Loved You"), which explores in greater depth our relationship with those who are poor. It encourages us to reflect on how we think about those who live in poverty and how we take action to address their plight.

The Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development has prepared some resources to assist in the study of *Dilexi te*.

The US Catholic Bishops Conference has also developed some resources to assist further reflection on *Dilexi te.* For more information, use this website address: https://www.usccob.org/dilexi-te#main-content

#### DAILY MASS READINGS: 17 - 22 Nov

Mon 17 Nov: 1 Jn 3:14-18 & Lk 6:27-38 Tues 18 Nov: 2 Mac 6:18-31 & Lk 19:1-10 Wed 19 Nov: 2 Mac 7:1, 20-31 & Lk 19:11-28 Thurs 20 Nov: 1 Mac 2:15-29 & Lk 19:41-44 Fri 21 Nov: Zec 2:14-17 & Matt 12:46-50 Sat 22 Nov: Hosea 2:16-17. 21-22 & Matt 25:1-13

# BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL 22 & 23RD NOVEMBER

#### **Supporting Catholic Care Grief and Loss Counselling.**

Next weekend, our parish is proud to support our Bishop's Christmas Appeal.

Many individuals and families are carrying grief, stress and uncertainty - wrestling with the rising cost-of-living, unstable work and the heartbreak of losing a loved one. In these places of heaviness, our Catholic Care Grief and Loss counsellors walk beside people with patience, skill and compassion. Your generosity is the way to open the doors of hope for the brokenhearted ensuring that no one in our community grieves alone. Please give generously at **parracatholic.org/appeal** or scan the OR code. Thank you.



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**Bishop Tim Harris** 

Chair, Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service Bishop of Townsville

#### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

#### Sick:

Caroline Dias, Clarina Emanuel, Nina Mangion, Sr. Paulina, Fr Oliver Aro, Rolly Valenzuela, Liberty Ventura, Tita Garcia, Michael McTegg, Mila Ranoso, Lorry Debono, Peter Saliba, Jaythde Hite-Deuna, Phillip Camilleri, Tony Yu, Diani, Margaret Deshe, Colleen Asimus, Resurrettion & 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.

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Alex Spiteri

#### **November Masses**

November is traditionally the month in which we remember our deceased family members and friends. A Perpetual book of remembrance has been created. **You are invited** to write the names of your loved ones **in this book** and only if needs be write on the cards. These will then be converted into the book and taken off the wall. Each of these names will be remembered in all Masses during November this year and years to come. If you wish to make a donation, there is an electronic means and a cash box provided.

During November ONLY the names of recently deceased will be published in the parish bulletin.

May they Rest in Peace

#### MARY IMMACULATE PARISH INVITES YOU TO

### FAMILY FUN DAY AND CHRISTMAS MARKET SALE



# GAMES & FUN ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS INTERNATIONAL FOOD

**BAKED GOOD AND SWEETS** 

XMAS DECORS - GIFTS & PARTY
SUPPLIES - PLANTS - TEA & COFFEE

# ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS ONGOING CHURCH BUILDING MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS

WHERE: Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill-Schofields Parish

125 Barnier Drive Corner Farnham Rd, Quakers Hill

WHEN: Sunday, 30 Nov 2025 From 10.00am To 12.00pm

#### LITURGY ROSTER'S FOR CHRISTMAS SEASON

Sign up sheets are out for ministers to fill out for the Christmas Novena Masses, the Christmas Season and New Year's. We would like to have this filled out by the second week of December. Please also allow others to have the opportunity to put their names down.

# COLUMBAN CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN THE PIETY SHOP \$10 EACH



#### **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

A message from SVDP:

If you or anyone you know is experiencing hardships due to loss of job, illness, loneliness, or homelessness, and would like to receive a food and gift hamper this Christmas from your local Stanhope Gardens/Quakers Hill St Vincent De Paul Conference, please reach out to the parish office and provide a hamper delivery address. Rest assured, your details will be kept confidential and used only for the purpose of distributing the hampers.

# FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER

#### Mass times: 6.00am & 6:30pm

Rosary will be prayed before Mass starts. Then after mass there will be a candle light procession with the statue of Our Lady followed by fellowship. Please bring a plate to share. Thank you



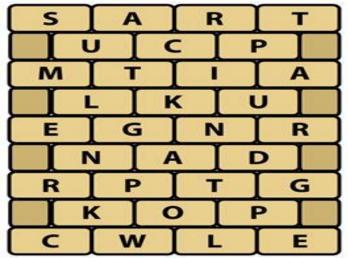
#### **DIOCESAN NEWS**

Five of our seminarian were admitted to Candidacy on Saturday 8th Nov. at St Oliver Plunkett Parish, Harris Park. Let's pray for them and their vocation's.



Cross out all letters that appear more than once.

Unscramble the remaining letters to reveal
what Jesus gives to us so that we know
what to say when we defend ourselves.



#### THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR C ~ 16TH NOVEMBER 2025

#### First Reading Malachi 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9 (R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

- 1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)
- 2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. (R.)
- 3. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. (R.)

#### Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

#### Gospel Acclamation Luke 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

#### Gospel Luke 21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name - and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'



# 18<sup>™</sup> Annual Community Fundraising Dinner

### Saturday, 29 November 2025

Blacktown Leisure Centre, Sentry Drive, Stanhope Gardens

#### BUY TICKETS AND SUPPORT OUR FREE LEGAL SERVICE

FOR BOOKINGS: events.humanitix.com/tlcdinner or scan QR Code



#### RECENT DECEASED

Please pray for the repose soul of

#### Alex Spiteri

and for his family. His funeral service will be held on **Monday 17 November at 11.00am** 

#### **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.

THIS WEEK'S	ROSTER: 15th / 16th	th November			3rd S	bunday of the Month
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A John B	Angelo C	Michael C Conrad F	Isaac Z Lina Z	Louis E Marvin Co	
Junior Servers	Kiana F Senadi F		Aviel F, Yavniel Hadriel F Gabriel E	Katrina C Jeremy A Johan A	D & D De Leon Heleni M Johan M	P Marcial, M Georgie A Dass
Readers	Belen B Nikita D Anthony S	Mere S Laurinda A Rachelle L	Amila F Mary Dinushi Rose B	Eleanor O Pat O Alice H	Divine M Bruce M Fasa M	Gary C Paea T Perpetual F
Special Eucharist Minister	Jane A	Maria M Mary Mathew	Katherine C Mariquita P	Lucy V Patricia Z	Rudy Hartanto Tasnia H	Juvy E Edgie A
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F	Peter S	Brad & Angela A		A Aquini	
Music Ministry	C.F.C Family Ministry	Recorded music	Blacktown Fhilipino Choir	St Pedro Calungsod Devotees	Voices of Zion	Mary Immaculate Parish Choir
PowerPoint	Jess P	Delyse P	Tanishq A	Choir	Choir	Choir
Piety Store	Merlyn F	Sherry	Therese B	Joe A		Patricia D
NEXT WEEK'S	ROSTER: 22nd / 2	3rd November			4th Su	anday of the Month
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A Marvin Co	Angelo C Michael C	Conrad F Amila F	Rommel D Isaac Z	Arnel R Louis E	Ralph H Patricia H
Junior Servers	Kiana F Ezekiel D Jada P Samisoni W		Aviel F Yavniel F Hadriel F Gabriel E	Katrina C Susan C Jeremy A Johan A	Heleni M Johan M	Allenth E
Readers	Virginia F John F Perpetual F	Mercy E Pen B Mere S	Therese B Paea T Fe H	Therese D Ariel or Faye D Alin D	Loli M Nerissa T Andrew H	Cheryl Z Bernadette W
Special Eucharist Minister	Pompey F Jai A	Maria M Anna Z	Eva C Charmaine A	Juvy E Eleanor O	Angela D	Lita W Edgie A
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F			Aubrey J	Ines A	
Music Ministry	Trebles	Recorded music	Divine Hope Choir	C.F.C Choir	Recorded music	S.C.M.I Choir
PowerPoint	Jess P	Delyse P	Divine Hope Choir	C.F.C Choir		S.C.M.I Choir
Piety Store		Sherry	Merlyn F	Joe A		Patricia D

#### **PARISH TEAM**

Priest of the Parish: Rev Fr. Oliver Aro MSP
Assistant Priest: Rev Fr. Jonathan Germinanda 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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#### Sacramental Email:

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#### Our current Mass services are as follows:

Monday – 6.00am only - Tuesday to Friday - 6.00am and 9.15am Saturday - 7.30am, Wednesday 6pm- 7pm Holy Hour with Mass. 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

#### **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