



Parish Bulletin Mary Immaculate Parish,

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C Sunday 8TH MAY 2022

DEEPENING THE FAITH PRAYER GROUP

Deepening the Faith Prayer Group will be resuming its prayer gatherings at 10am following the 9:15am mass on Wednesday the 4th of May. They have great material to discover new things about our Catholic faith Tradition.

Children's Liturgy – Helpers Required

The Children's Liturgy Ministry is looking for more team members to help with providing Catechetical lessons during the 9am & 10:30am masses Sunday. If you are interested in joining this ministry, Please email the office if you are interested and we will pass on your details to Rachael.

Choirs needed for First Holy Communion in June 2022

Over 100 children from our parish will be making their First Holy Communion during the 4 Sundays of June at an extra Mass which will be held at 2:00 PM each Sunday.

We would like to make this day extra special for them by providing music from our beautiful parish choirs. If your choir can assist us, kindly send the date that you can sing for the 2 PM Mass.

The dates are 5 June... 12 June... 19 June and 26 of June. Your assistance would be a great help to make this a very special day for all. Please call the parish office (9626 3326) if you can help us.)

Sacrament of Confirmation 2022

The Sacrament of Confirmation for children in Year 5 or higher will take place in our parish during the month of September. Applications will be online during the month of June and will be due by the end of June. We are unable to accept late applications. Check the Parish website in the beginning of June for the application form. www.maryimmac.org.au

We Remember In Our Prayers

Recent:

Vicky Vella, Nilo Abalos & Michael Nordert Varlet

Anniversary

Francesca & Carlo Leuzzi, Bill Assopardi, Julita Alfonso, Primitivo Marinas, Joseph Said, Oscar Perera, Laura Perera.

In Memoriam:

Rosemary, Adelaide & Richard Houghton, Anthony Morgan, Vererio Gasatayo, Sr Evelyn Gastayo, Josephine Said, Eufrecina Matheson, Francisca Matheson, Milagros Manalastas, Honorato Angeles, Filemon Alivo, Maria Cecilia Avancena, Eugenio Romero, Hugo Sr & Marita Agudo, Richeto Tura, Milagros Manalastas, Florencio & Cirilo Obatay, Josephine Said, Francisca Matheson, Eufrecina Mislang, Eugene Romero, Venerio & Sr Evelyn Gasatayo, Honorato Angeles, Jojoy Baduel, Maria Cecilia Avancena, Aurelia Tagudar, Mary Matilda, Varunakulasingham, Joshua Varu, Rowena Teo, Myrna Gonzales Cruz, Rita Jacob, Engracio & Maxima Obatay, Aquilino Tabamo, Loretta & Joseph Desa, Diane Charlesworth, Carmelyn Neri, Balasa Alivo, Alberto Tabtab, Alberto Batandolo, Jacob Steilberg, Rencio Basnillo, Joey Lapitan, Rudy Manacap, Ely Maneja, Annie Mirasol, Nilo Montecillo, Rogelio Espina, Vicky & Joseph Quattromani, Vicor & Rick Taguding, Albert Estrada, Nencng Bonachita, Alexin Cabuenas, Maritess Tanedo, Melly Stephenson, Harold Pereira, Anne & Dominic Pereis, Florentino G Sanchez, Marianne & Thomas Dimech, Carmena & Joe Dimech, Felicida Dingle, Antonio Dingle, Bruce Peters, Richard & Robbie Houghton, Luis Alivo, Goring Bacalso, Alicia Hernaes, Eny Avancena, Nieves De La Pena, Monchit Villegas, Ivan Quintos, Julio Rodriguez, Mary Lucille Serrano Michael Gomes, Edelia Hamoy, Denham Jacob, Benjamin Rayner, Mary Keane, Aveen Rayner, Dale Keane, Roslyn & Joseph Corera, Loretta & Joseph Desa, Rita & Claude Joachim, Perpetua & Mariano Jr, Roberto & Arsenia Serrano, Pedro Arcelo, Yvonne Raymond, Francis Domingo Gorostiza, Julio De Mello, Catalino Estiago, Dan Pieris, Hugo Sr. & Marita Agudo, Dominador Snr, Efigenia Granado, Pacencia & Divino Batandolo, Alberto, Donato & Mario Batandolo, Viecko Kukkauen, Jaap Steilberg.

May they Rest in Peace

URGENT ATTENTION

Can parents please refrain from feeding their children in the church as the crumbs are starting to attract vermin in the church. If the need arises to give something to your child, please use the crying room. Please also use the kneelers for kneeling only and not as a foot stool. If you can kindly place them back up after use, it would be much appreciated.

PARISH MARKET STALL DAY 29TH MAY 2022

The parish is having a Market Day to fundraise for the parish. We will have the Coffee Kart out with yummy cakes and slices to sell, hand made kids clothing and crafts, Nick Knacks, plants and some things delicious too! All the goods are made from our own parishioners hands. Invite your friends and family to come along to mass and maybe even buy something on the way home!

PARISH TEAM

Priest of the Parish: Rev Fr. Oliver Aro

Deacon: Rev. Leon Decena

Parish Secretary: Anthony Saliba

Administrative Assistant: Marthese Sultana

Sacramental Coordinator: Sr Valerie (0414638884)

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

Office email:

parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au

Sacramental email:

sacramental.coordinator@maryimmac.org.au

Our current Mass services are as follows:

Monday – 6.00am only - Tuesday to Friday - 6.00am and 9.15am - 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 during restrictions:

Baptisms on Saturdays at 9, 10, 11:00am & 12pm

Two children per Baptism ceremony on Saturday. Parents must attend a preparation session prior to baptism.

Preparation session on the 1st Tuesday of the month
If you want your child baptized, please call Marthese in the Parish Office Wed-Fri 9.00am-4.00pm

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Please contact sacramental coordinator for details.

Weddings: By Appointment.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Mary Immaculate Primary School

125 Barnier Drive, Quakers Hill

Ph: 9626-3999. Principal: Stephen Dowd.

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: Angela Hay

MARY IMMACULATE NEW YOUTH GROUP INITIATIVE

Hello everyone, my name is Rommel del Valle and you may have seen me serve at the 10.30am Masses on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month. ... The Mary Immaculate Parish is inviting the young members (Year 4 - High School - University Age) and the young at heart to join in the re-launch of its youth group. The past couple of years has had it's challenges and it's now time to move forward. We're looking for enthusiastic participants and young leaders to help us grow this youth group. Please leave your name and number with Anthony Saliba, Mary Immaculate Parish Secretary and we will get back to you soon as possible.

Ph: 96263326 or email anthony.saliba@maryimmac.org.au

PARISH VISION & MISSION

As a gathering of the People of God in Mary Immaculate Parish, one in Christ, proclaiming the Gospel, the teachings of the Church and promoting Mary and the saints as models of discipleship, our parish community will manifest itself as an open, transparent and accountable Church, which respects due process, rejects every form of discrimination, listens to its people, promotes co-responsibility in every facet of its mission and ministry, and is compassionate to its core; an inclusive parish, developing and implementing pastoral strategies to welcome and support all, particularly the marginalised.

PRAYER FOR THE END OF WARS

The Legion of Mary is holding a prayer vigil in front of the grotto on Wednesday Evenings at 5:30pm for the end of the Russian/Ukraine war and other wars going on around the world.

MINISTRY MONTH IS HAPPENING DURING MAY

Ministry month is a time where we focus on all our ministries each week for 5 weeks. You can now pick up a brochure from the foyer. You can sign up through our website and all training will be provided through the parish and diocese. More information will be given about each ministry during Ministry Month. The topics for this weekend are ministries of the Altar.

PIETY SHOP

The Piety Shop now has some new stock. Come and see! If there anything you would like that is not there, please let us know.

THERE ARE 2 PYXES NOW AVAILABLE IN THE PIETY SHOP FOR THOSE WHO NEED ONE TO GIVE COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND. \$15ea

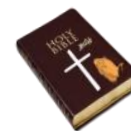
SAVE THE DATE: PARISH DINNER DANCE 12TH NOVEMBER 2022 @ 6PM MORE INFORMATION TO COME

THE CRAFTY GUILDERS

Thank you to all those who came along to our open day. The group has decided to hold a day time slot only from 10am—1pm on Monday's and on a fortnightly basis **starting 16th May**. The first "official" group meeting will be held in the Meeting Room. All are welcome to come (children included) and join and will be updating the parish of a regular basis on what is coming up.

Daily Mass readings for the week

Monday 9th May: Acts 11:19-26 & Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday 10th May: Acts 11:19-26 & Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday 11th May: Acts 12:24-13:5 & Jn 12:44-50
Thursday 12th May: Acts 13:13-25 & Jn 13:16-20
Friday 13th May: Acts 13:26-33 & Jn 14:1-6
Saturday 14th May: Acts 1:15-17 & Jn 15:9-17



THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT MASS WITH NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP WILL BEGIN IN AUGUST WHEN FR OLIVER IS BACK FROM HOLIDAYS

Parramatta Diocesan News

Positions Vacant:

Senior Administrative Support Co-ordinator

The Diocese of Parramatta is seeking an experienced person for a full or part-time (4 days a week) role in our Governance, Risk, Compliance and Assurance team. You will have extensive experience in providing high-level administration support, and a customer-focused and 'can-do' attitude. If you would like to know more about the role and to obtain a copy of the Position Description, please contact Nevine Piperides at REACH Human Resources, nevine@reachhr.com.au or 0418 698 327.

Adult Confirmation

Adult Confirmation 2022 will be held on **1 September 2022 at 7:30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral** with the Catechesis and Formation Day to be held on **Saturday 20 August at 9:30am at the Bede Heather Centre** (formerly known as the IFM). Adult Confirmation is a community celebration for those who have reached the age of 16 years and have received both the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, but are yet to receive the Confirmation. If you would like more information please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or anne.stanton@parracatholic.org. There is also a sign up sheet in the foyer.

MGL Sisters Pentecost Intensive Retreat: 1 – 5 June

Join the MGL Sisters as we deepen together in the experience of Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Come for a five-day intensive retreat from 1 to 5 June at Carmel House, Varroville, in the lead-up to Pentecost and be encouraged in discipleship, activating the charismatic gifts and being equipped for mission through inputs, discussion, prayer and practical workshops. To book, please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/BWMJL>. For enquiries, please contact mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com

Donate to Caritas Australia's Ukraine Appeal



Caritas Australia's long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground providing shelter, food, clean water, medicine and psychological support. Donate now to help the people of Ukraine. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free. Keep up to date on how Caritas agencies are responding to this crisis by visiting www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news



Happy 60th Birthday Alice Junio



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First Reading: Acts 13:14. 43-52

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

(R.) THANKS BE TO GOD.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 99:1-3, 5. R. v.3

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

- 1 Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Rv 7:9, 14-17

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord.

(R.) THANKS BE TO GOD.

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost
and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater
than anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

(R.) Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



 <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">CATECHIST WANTED!</p>	<p>We are seeking at least 6 additional Catechists to bring the word of God to our state schools in 2022, if you are available during the week for just an hour and are willing to participate in this ministry please contact the parish office for more information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ph: (02) 9626 3326 or parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; text-decoration: underline;">It is a ministry that produces living saints in our parish!</p>
<p>CONSECRATION OF MARRIAGES</p> <p>Fr Oliver and Deacon Leon are inviting those who have been married outside of the church to have their marriage consecrated in the Church in June 2022 if canonically possible. Please contact Deacon Leon on leon.decena@maryimmac.org.au for more information and what paper work will need to be provided.</p>	
<p>Fusion 2021 Junior Choir</p> <p>We are seeking some musicians to join our choir. They can be of any age and play any instrument (even a triangle)! Practice is every Friday from 5-6pm and we sing on the 1st & 4th of Sat. of the month. Call 96263326 for more info.</p>	
<p>Liam & Paul's Choir</p> <p>Are looking for a bass player to join their choir at 9am every 1st Sunday of the month. Please call 0412275029 for more information.</p>	
<p>Mary Immaculate Parish Choir</p> <p>We are seeking a pianist to join our choir. They can be of any age! Practice is on a Wednesday's from 6:30pm to 7pm and we sing on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 5:30pm. Call the office on 96263326 for more info.</p>	

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 7th / 8th May 2022				[2nd Sunday of the Month]		
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	T Agius	A Cauchi	J Shedad D Mojica	R Dionisio R Del Valle	I & L Zambrano	R Oblea
Junior Servers	A Fernando M Fernando				H Moa D & D De Leon	J Machaya
Readers	D Hill V Fernandez J Fernandez	M Engle, P Bartolome, Needed	J Mondragon D Fernandopulle J Fernandes (comm)	M Chacko C Zolerick D Macaraeg	E Aaron L Millare	A Togado M Deshe Mary Immaculate Youth Ministry
Special Eucharist Minister	J Agius E Abuel M Muscat	T McDonald M Muscat	R Fernando B Mojica B Wykes	E Dionisio B Guerrero A Zackria	T Hutama R Hartanto	Lita Walton Youth Ministry G Rutledge
Greeters	J Attard P Fernandez	T McDonald M McDonald	F & B Moa	A Joachim		Sylvia & Renato De Pedro
Music Ministry	Rey Pineda's Group	Recorded music	Blacktown Philippino Choir	Hosanna EUKARISTI	Bethany Ministry Choir	MARY IMMACULATE YOUTH CHOIR
Power point	J Pacheco	D Pereira	Jenesia Fernandes	P Macaraeg	J Millare	C Dias
Piety Store	M Fernandes	Helper needed	T Buttigieg	Helper needed	Helper needed	Helper needed

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER: 14th / 15th May 2022				[3rd Sunday of the Month]		
Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	D Nalletamby T Agius	A Cauchi	B Lastica	I Zambrano L Zambrano	P Macaraeg	G Rutledge B Rutledge
Junior Servers	A Fernando M Fernando				H Moa D & D De Leon	P Marcial, E D'Lima M Georgie A Dass
Readers	B Avila E Small D Hill	M Stewart B Morkel Needed	A Fernando M Fernando R Harris	E Oblepias C Malong P Ong	B Moa D Macaraeg J Balintec	E Aaron A Togado L Egbunike
Special Eucharist Minister	E Abuel R Heredia	Needed	A Lastica	D Macaraeg L Valenton	R Hartanto J Hartanto	L Walton T Hutama J Escueta
Greeters	J Attard P Fernandez	P Stewart	B & A Andrews	Needed	A Aquini F Moa	B & G Rutledge
Music Ministry	C.F.C Family Ministry (Michael)	Recorded music	Jude & Clarian	St Pedro Calungsod Devotees	MI Choir (TANIA)	Mary Immaculate Parish Choir
Power Point	J Pacheco	D Pereira	T Aldonker	M Malig	Operator needed	C Dias
Piety Store	M Fernandes	Helper needed	T Buttigieg	J Agius	Helper needed	Helper needed

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GOOD SHEPHERD SHEEP WOLF
VOICE ABANDONS FATHER LEAD
FLOCK WILL POWER COMMAND

