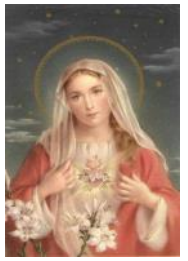




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VINNIES XMAS HAMPERS

Dear Parishioner, if you or anyone you know is experiencing hardship due to loss of job, illness, loneliness or homelessness and you would like to receive a food and gift hamper this Christmas from your local Stanhope Gardens/Quakers Hill St Vincent DePaul Conference, let the parish office know and provide a hamper delivery address. Your details will be kept confidential and used only for the hamper distribution purpose.

DAILY MASS READINGS 11 Nov—16 Nov

Monday 11th Nov: Titus 1:1-9 & Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday 12th Nov: Titus 2:1-8.11-14 & Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday 13th Nov: Titus 3:1-7 & Lk 17:11-19
Thursday 14th Oct: Phlm 7-20 & Lk 17:20-25
Friday 15th Nov: Jn 4-9 & Lk 17:26-37
Saturday 16th Nov: 3 Jn 5-8 17 & Lk 18:1-8

CYMI YOUTH NEWS

This is just a friendly reminder that the next CYMI gathering will take place on the 15th of November at 7PM. If you know someone that is in high school Years 7-12, spread the word and encourage them to attend CYMI; if you would like to know more about CYMI please do not hesitate to contact CYMI Leaders for further info:

Jess: 0468437149 Louella: 0400 110 908
Fasa: 0451 374 773 Michael: 0435 345 010

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA

We would like to invite all our parish volunteers to our Volunteers Morning Tea on the 23rd of November from 10am to 11:30am. **If you are able to come along, please RSVP to the parish office for catering purposes by the 15th of November.**

MOTHER MARY PILGRIM STATUE

The Legion of Mary (LOM) has resumed visitation to homes with Mother Mary statue and Rosary prayers. If you would like to be visited and pray the Rosary, the visitation can be arranged by the LOM at agreed times. Please write down your details in the book on the table at the foyer. You will be contacted to arrange the visit.

PARISH VISION & MISSION 2023

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.

Sick:

Margaret Cooper, Nina Chavez, Achilles Alfafara,
Ray Johnston, Precious Tamayo, Sophia Pal,
Dominic Fernandez, Liberty Ventura,
Harrison Whelan, Joseph Buttigieg,
Jackson Naidoo & Faye Demagante .

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased:

Katherine Muscat

November Masses

November is traditionally the month in which we remember our deceased family members and friends. A wall of remembrance has been set up in the Church. **You are invited** to write the names of your loved ones on the **'In Memory Of'** cards and attach to the display boards. If you would also like to have those who have gone before us remembered in all Masses during November, please write their names on the **'November Mass Offering'** envelopes, located in the Church foyer. Place it on either collection plate or drop in the Parish Locked Box or hand it in to the Parish Office. All names will be typed up and placed near the altar for the during the month of November.

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

May they Rest in Peace

THE LITTLE SAINTS & MIYA NEWS

"...to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours." 1 Cor. 1:2

Last Saturday evening, our Young Adults lead an All Saints party for the parish Junior Youth group and opened the event to the whole parish. It was a beautiful evening with the Junior Choir leading the music during Mass. I don't think our parish has ever had so many wonderful Saints present and active at Mass! Following Mass, Anthony gave everyone a short talk about Sainthood, before welcoming everyone to the pergola space for some refreshments. The rest of the evening was spent playing some saintly games and competitions in the MPA. Thank you to everyone who came dressed up as saints, parents, children and youth. A special thanks goes to our MIYA team for their presence, time and role modelling to our Junior Youth Group. Please keep our wonderful Youth's in your prayers, as they follow the examples of Holy Men and Women (Saints) to become future saints of our Church.



BISHOPS CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This year's appeal will be held the weekend of Saturday 30 November to Sunday 1 December 2024. This program supports pregnant women and young mothers aged between 16 and 25, who are homeless or at serious risk of homelessness. The program provides transitional housing for up to two years to help them get back on their feet, as well as essential support services including counselling, parenting education, living skills support, employment and training support, and much more.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS FOR 2025-2026

Nomination close Sunday 10th Nov for the new Parish Pastoral Council. Slips are provided under the Noticeboard and these can be placed in the timber box on the right of the noticeboard labeled "NOMINATIONS HERE". Once collated, and reviewed by Fr Oliver, they will be contacted for acceptance of nomination. The top 10 with the most nominations will then be up for election on the weekend 16th and 17th of November and the top six out of those voted will go on as the new Pastoral Council.

MINISTRY ROSTERS FOR 2025

Rosters for 2025 are in draft for review. If you wish to reschedule your current times, please notify the Parish Office to make those amendments. New roster will start December 2024.



First Reading 1 Kings 17:10-16

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,
jug of oil shall not be emptied,
before the day when the Lord sends
rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men

only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.
Alleluia!



Gospel Mark 12:38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

FR ROMMEL'S PARISH RETREAT

"Finding Peace in a Restless World"

Join us for a special Day of Recollection and Prayer to pause, reflect, and reconnect with what truly matters. In the midst of life's busyness, take this time to rest in God's presence, renew your spirit, and find peace.

Recollection Theme: "Finding Peace in a Restless World".

Date: Saturday, 16 November

Time: 12pm to 3pm

Location: Mary Immaculate Parish

Speaker: Fr. Rommel T. Cruz, MSP

All are welcome! Whether you're seeking inner calm, or simply wish to deepen your faith, this is an opportunity to step away from the noise and experience God's peace.

We look forward to journeying with you as we find peace together. **PLEASE RSVP THE PARISH OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 13/11/2024**

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 9th / 10th November 2024

(2nd 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 Michael C	Joseph S Ding M	Rommel D	Isaac & Lina Z	Ralph H
Junior Servers	Kiana F		Aviel F Yavniel F Hadriel F Gabriel E	Rachael P Katrina C	Heleni M Johan M	J Machaya Samisoni W
Readers	Virginia F John F	Mercy E Pen B Rachelle L	Joy M Dianitha F Remy H	Mary C Kevin L Nerissa T	Lourdes M Louis E	Bernadette W Cheri-Anne L Gary C
Special Eucharist Minister	Maria M	Therese M Maria M	Bessie M	Esperanza D Juvy E	Angela D	Patricia H
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F	Therese M Marcus M		Aubrey J	Fasa & Bruce M	
Music Ministry	Ray Pineda's Group	Recorded music	Blacktown Philippino Choir	Hosanna Eukaristi	5.S.M	Duly Noted
Power point	Jess P	Delyse P	Choir	Choir	Jelynn M	Choir
Piety Store	Merlyn F	Alice D	Katherine C	Joe A	Ines A	Patrica D

THIS WEEK'S ROSTER: 16th / 17th November 2024

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

Ministries	5.30pm	7.30am	9.00am	10.30am	12.30pm	5.30pm
Senior Server	Tony A	Angelo C Romany D	Michael C Conrad F	Isaac Z Lina Z	Paul M	Arnel R Lawrence F
Junior Servers	Kiana F		Aviel F Yavniel F Hadriel F Gabriel E	Katrina C	D & D De Leon Heleni M Johan M	P Marcial, M Georgie A Dass
Readers	Edward S Nikita D	Mere S Rachelle L	Amila F Mary F Rose B	Eleanor O Cora M Pat O	Divine M Bruce M Fasa M	Andrew H Paea T
Special Eucharist Minister	Ralph H Jane A	Mary Mathew	Katherine C	Lucy V	Rudy Hartanto Tasnia H	Juvy E
Greeters	Jerry A Pompey F	Peter S	Brad & Angela A		A Aquini	
Music Ministry	C.F.C Family Ministry	Recorded music	Blacktown Philippino Choir	St Pedro Calungsod Devotees	Recorded music	Mary Immaculate Parish Choir
Power point	Jess P	Delyse P	Tanishq A	Mercee M		Choir
Piety Store	Merlyn F	Sherry	Merlyn F	Joe 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 Coordinator: Sr Valerie (0414638884)

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Our current Mass services are as follows:

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

and 9.15am - Wednesday 7pm - 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

Two children per Baptism ceremony on Saturday.

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 or email Marthese in the Parish Office marthese.sultana@maryimmac.org.au

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Please contact sacramental coordinator for details.

Weddings: By Appointment.

THE YOUTH GROUPS

Email: parishoffice@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 Hambleton Road Schofields
Ph: 9208-7200. Principal: Angela Hay.