



# Westmead Catholic Community PARISH HEARTBEATS

Official Weekly Bulletin of Sacred Heart Parish, Westmead

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*'The sacred heart of Jesus is an open heart...'* St Teresa of Kolkata

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

13 - 14 January 2024

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!*

## FIRST READING

1 SAM 3:3-10. 19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, Samuel! Samuel! Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, Samuel! Samuel! Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R.vv.8.9

**R. Here am I Lord; I come to do your will.**

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord.

and he stooped down to me;

he heard my cry.

He put a new song into my mouth,

praise of our God.

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.

You do not ask for holocaust and victim.

Instead, here am I.

3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.

My God, I delight in your law

in the depth of my heart.

4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.

My lips I have not sealed;

you know it, O Lord.

## SECOND READING

1 COR 6: 13-15. 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too. You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JN 1:41. 17

**Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

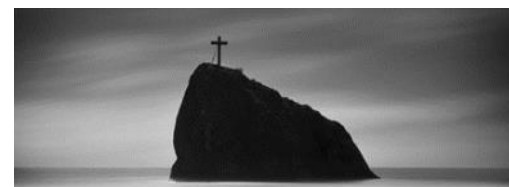
JN 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 22:5

**You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.**



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## MASS TIMES

### Parish Church:

Saturday: 6:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00am & 9:30am

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9:00am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00pm to 5:30pm

## BAPTISMS

1st Sundays or by arrangement

## MARRIAGES & FUNERALS

By arrangement with the Parish Priest

(min 6 months notice for weddings)

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By arrangement with the Parish Priest

*The Westmead Catholic Community acknowledges the Burrumattagal people of the Darug nation, traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, recognising elders past & present. We aim to be an inclusive faith community, welcoming people of all ages, races, creeds, genders, orientations, marital status & cultures.*

## PARISH DIARY DATES

<b>13 / 14 January</b>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>14 January</b>	<b>Tamil Pongal Celebration Mass</b>	<b>11.30am</b>
<b>17 January</b>	<b>St Anthony</b>	<b>Memorial</b>
<b>20 / 21 January</b>	<b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>28 January</b>	<b>Tamil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
<b>16, 17, 22 &amp; 30 January</b>	<b>No 9am Daily Parish Mass</b>	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The parish office will operate on reduced hours from 10 - 31 January. It will return to regular 10am - 4pm Tuesday to Friday hours from 1 February 2024. For matters of importance during this time please email: [office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au](mailto:office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au) or telephone: 9635 9262 to leave a message.



**Please note there will be no 9am Daily Parish Mass on the following dates:**

- Tuesday 16 January**
- Wednesday 17 January**
- Monday 22 January**
- Tuesday 30 January**
- Friday 2 February**



*Grant Eternal Rest to the recently deceased and those we remember at this time . . .*

*Fahd & Gittany Families*



At Sacred Heart Westmead, Baptism is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 11am. Please contact the parish office to book for 2024.



### 2024 Parish Based Sacramental Program

Dates and eligibility requirements for the Parish's 2024 Sacramental Program will soon be published in our parish bulletin and on the parish website - [www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au](http://www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au). The Sacramental Program is open to Catholics who have made Sacred Heart Parish their primary place of worship.

<b>Commencing March</b>	<b>Sacrament of 1st Eucharist</b>
<b>Commencing June</b>	<b>Sacrament of Confirmation</b>
<b>Commencing September</b>	<b>Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation</b>

### Westmead Catholic Community - 75 Years in February 2026

*Even before its establishment, the Westmead Catholic Community has boasted a continual group of dynamic and dedicated leaders and volunteers in its parish ministry. In 2001 as the parish celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Fr Brian Rooney compiled an extensive record of the Westmead Catholic Community from its foundation to the then present. Full of reflections and memories from priests and parishioners throughout its history; the booklet Sacred Heart Church – From Then 'till Now! was published by the parish, detailing the many and varied recollections from those who had contributed to its ministry.*

*Now as we prepare to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2026, we invite our parish community to share memories of celebrations and events in our parish history; and also details of those who have served in ministry at our parish over its history. Then we can expand our records, to compile a more complete picture of our parish from our very beginnings. To share your stories or photographs; please post, deliver or email your submissions to the parish office, so we may begin to build our archive.*



### WEEK 3 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

*Please notify Fr Walter you are in attendance*

**EMoE - 20 / 21 January**

6:00pm: S. Sutherland

8:00am: J. Nealon

9:30am: M. Kastoun

**Readers - 20 / 21 January**

6:00pm: R. Saldanha

8:00am: N. Logiotatos / M. Schinella

9:30am: R. M. Regi / P. Alexander

**Junior Altar Servers - 20 / 21 January**

6:00pm: T. Fraser / W. Fraser

8:00am: *volunteer required*

9:30am: G. Vicente / L. Vicente

**Senior Altar Servers - 20 / 21 January**

6:00pm: P. Sicat

8:00am: J. Chandran

9:30am: N. Emmanuel

*If you are unable to attend your rostered date, please arrange a swap with another minister.*

**Businesses, Organisations or Individuals**

To help offset our bulletin printing costs, we are making space available for advertisements. To enquire about weekly or monthly 2024 rates; call or email the Parish Office. Limited space is available.



### The Good News

*(excerpt from CathNews)*

An intergenerational project has seen Catholic secondary school students in regional NSW compile memoirs for aged care residents. Two year 11 students from Pt Macquarie's MacKillop College helped Lorna Howes document 93 years of achievements and memories into something her family can treasure for generations. Flicking through her specially crafted memoir, Ms Howes was elated at how weeks of conversations with the students translated into print. "I'm just overwhelmed by how beautiful it is and particularly the two beautiful girls at the school who compiled it for me." The memoir is one of dozens created as part of the *Through Our Eyes* project – a partnership with St Agnes Catholic Parish aged care homes and high schools. Residents are paired with small groups of year 11 students to compile books of the residents' memoirs. The students dedicated an afternoon a week to the project over a couple of months. The older generation was able to share and have their stories recorded, while the students learned from them, and broadened their confidence and conversation skills. St Agnes' Care & Lifestyle's Justine Warner said the project had helped reconnect the residents to the wider community. "Just seeing their life story and who they are as people being validated has been a real joy."

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 21 JANUARY

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1ST READING: JONAH 3:1-5, 10

2ND READING: 1 COR 7:29-31

GOSPEL: MK 1:14-20

