



# 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

Fourth Sunday of Easter

20 - 21 April 2024

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.*

PS 32:5-6

## FIRST READING

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

ACTS 4:8-12

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 28-29. R.v.22

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men:

it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

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## SECOND READING

1 JN 3:1-12

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people,

we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

## 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 10:11-18

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

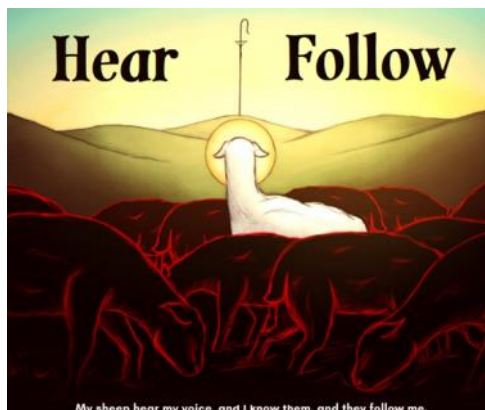
The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is

in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

R. In my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**



## PARISH CONTACTS

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### Parish Priest

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### Administrator

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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>20 / 21 April</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>	
<b>25 April</b>	<b>ANZAC Day</b>	
26 April	St Mark	Feast
<b>27 / 28 April</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>	
<b>28 April</b>	<b>Tamil Easter Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
20/21 - 27/28 Apr	First Eucharist Enrolment Forms available at weekend Masses	
24 - 25 April	Parish Office Closed	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal 20 / 21 April 2024 – supporting the Seminarians & Holy Spirit Seminary

**When God calls, will you help them answer?**

Your gift to Parramatta Catholic Foundation will support our seminarians to prepare for the priesthood and a life of community service. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal via envelopes in the church or online at: [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal) Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.



The parish office will be closed on **Wednesday 24 April & ANZAC Day, Thursday 25 April**

For matters of importance during this time email: [office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au](mailto:office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au) or please leave a message: 9635 9262



### Safeguarding Face-to-face Training

Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on **Saturday 27 April at Our Lady of the Way Parish, Emu Plains**, for Modules 4 & 5. More training opportunities will be available throughout May.

To register for this training or for other convenient dates & locations: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training> Or, for more information, please email: [safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org)

### Lost Property

A number of items left behind during our Mass celebrations over the past few months have been collected and placed in a basket at the entrance to the church. If you have misplaced any items recently, please check our collection to retrieve your belongings. Any uncollected items will be disposed of at the end of the month.



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

**Kathleen Bowman; Fr Giulio Ghezzi MI Fahd & Gittany Families**



Dates and eligibility requirements for the **Parish's 2024 Sacramental Program** are published in our parish bulletin and on our website - [www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au](http://www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au).

### First Eucharist Program

9 / 10 Mar - 27 / 28 Apr	Enrolment forms available at weekend Masses
4 / 5 May	Enrolment Ceremonies
7 May	Parent Meeting 7pm
12 May	Groups start for 4 weeks
16 June & 23 June	First Eucharist Masses 11am



*Save the Date* 

**SACRED HEART FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS**

**FRIDAY 7TH JUNE, 2024**

SACRED HEART PARISH WESTMEAD  
MASS @ 6PM FOLLOWED BY SUPPER  
IN THE PARISH HALL

- Sign up sheet to follow
- The Parish Vision Committee would like to organise a raffle whereby proceeds will go towards the cost of the Feast Day Supper. We invite parishioners to donate prizes towards the raffle. Please email the parish office if you are able to donate a prize. [office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au](mailto:office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au)

## WEEK 4 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr John you are in attendance

### EMoE - 27 / 28 April

6:00pm: A. Enriquez  
8:00am: T. Vo  
9:30am: J. Macaraeg

### Readers - 27 / 28 April

6:00pm: M. Chalhoud / F. Braganza  
8:00am: C. Burke / S. Turaka  
9:30am: M. Kastoun / J. Paul

### Junior Altar Servers - 27 / 28 April

6:00pm: M. Liew / J. Braganza  
8:00am: J. Kingston  
9:30am: J. Benedict

### Senior Altar Servers - 27 / 28 April

6:00pm: C. San Juan  
8:00am: L. Burke  
9:30am: F. Benedict

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

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.



**ANZAC DAY**  
**LEST WE FORGET**  
25 APRIL

### The Good News

(excerpt from CathNews)

A new seven-part, immersive audio podcast - *Bringing His Spirit Home: Private Arthur Thomas Walker, Ngarrindjeri Anzac*, commissioned by the Virtual War Memorial Australia was launched in Adelaide. The podcast explores the remarkable WW1 journey of Ngarrindjeri Anzac, Private Arthur Thomas Walker. He served in and lost his life in a muddy field in France in August 1916; becoming one of the thousands of soldiers with "no known grave". Despite dying in a war deemed "illegal" for him to enlist in, Walker's legacy persists through his family's active commemoration. Walker was a Ramindjeri man of the Ngarrindjeri nation, who left his home in Goolwa, SA in 1915 to serve in Gallipoli. Walker's story creates an opportunity to explore exactly what the term Anzac means, and what the Anzac spirit entails. "This was a very emotional podcast to be part of," Elder Uncle John Lochowiak, Walker's great-grandson said. "Even though my mother told us stories about her grandfather, there was a lot we didn't know. This is not just about Arthur Thomas Walker, it's about all our people who served." The podcast is now live on the Virtual War Memorial Aust. website. <https://vwma.org.au>

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 28 APRIL

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1ST READING: ACTS 9:26-31  
2ND READING: 1 JN 3:18-24  
GOSPEL: JN 15:1-8

