



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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

4 - 5 May 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

IS 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 97:1-4. R.v.2

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel.
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy.

SECOND READING

1 JN 4:7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.

God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JN 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JN 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

JN 14:15-16

R. If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

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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

4 / 5 May	Sixth Sunday of Easter	
4 / 5 May	First Eucharist Enrolment at weekend Masses	
11 / 12 May	Ascension of the Lord	Solemnity
26 May	Tamil Easter Mass	5.30pm
7 June	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - Mass	9am
7 June	Feast Day Celebrations - Mass & BBQ	6pm
16 & 23 June	First Eucharist Masses	11am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Fanu Camilleri
Kathleen Bowman
Fr Guilio Ghezzi MI



The **Second collection** (which includes the 'Planned Giving Program' (PGP) is the main source of parish income. The PGP envelope collections helps to raise funds necessary to establish and maintain parish facilities. Those new to our parish are invited to register and receive a set of weekly envelopes. Registration forms are available at the church entrance or can be downloaded from the parish website.

WEEK 2 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr John you are in attendance

EMoE - 11 / 12 May
6:00pm: O. Nagel
8:00am: P. Vo
9:30am: M. D'Souza

Readers - 11 / 12 May
6:00pm: A. Pinto / A. Pinto
8:00am: V. Kastoun / L. Eid
9:30am: J. D'Souza / A. Sutanto

Junior Altar Servers - 11 / 12 May
6:00pm: A. Esterado / M. San Juan
8:00am: L. Burke
9:30am: L. Vicente

Senior Altar Servers - 11 / 12 May
6:00pm: J. Nagel
8:00am: D. Howse
9:30am: G. Vicente

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

We welcome the newly Baptised to our Christian family . . .

Hallie Edwards



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.



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**

A sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist with mass ministry or the bbq, at the Sacred Heart Feast Day celebration; is at the church entrance. Please email the parish office if you can donate towards the event or the raffle - office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au

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.

First Eucharist Program

4 / 5 May	Enrolment Ceremonies at Weekend Masses	
7 May	Parent Meeting	7pm
12 May	Groups start for 4 weeks	
16 June & 23 June	First Eucharist Masses	11am



The Good News

(excerpt from CathNews)

Many know Ferrero Rocher for its popular hazelnut chocolates, but the company's tie to Our Lady of Lourdes is lesser known. Michele Ferrero, the company's founder and a devout Catholic, had a deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and wanted to honour her through his work. 'Rocher' means 'rock' in French and it is reported that he named his company "Rocher" after the rock grotto, the Rocher de Massabielle, which marks the location where the Virgin Mary appeared to St Bernadette in Lourdes, France. Many people regard the chocolate's crunchy coating and uneven gold wrapping as Ferrero's attempt to resemble this rock formation at Lourdes. At the company's 50th anniversary of founding, Ferrero said: "The success of Ferrero we owe to Our Lady of Lourdes; without her we can do little." It was said that Ferrero made annual pilgrimages to Lourdes and also organised a visit for his employees. He also had a statue of the Virgin Mary in each of his company's 14 production facilities around the world. Lourdes sanctuary chaplain Fr Mauricio Elias said: "Mr Ferrero had a lot of devotion to the Virgin of Lourdes; he came a lot to Lourdes and was a benefactor." Ferrero passed away on February 14, 2015, at the age of 89.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 12 MAY

ASCENSION OF THE LORD
1ST READING: ACTS 1:1-11
2ND READING: EPH 1:17-23
GOSPEL: MK 16:15-20

