



Westmead Catholic Community PARISH HEARTBEATS

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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12 - 13 October 2024



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MT 5:3

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

GOSPEL

Mk 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

FIRST READING

Wis 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89:12-17. R.v.14

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**
2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**
3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

HEB 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

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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

12 / 13 October **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 15 October St Teresa of Jesus; 17 October St Ignatius of Antioch Memorial/
 18 October St Luke, evangelist Feast

19 / 20 October **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 19 / 20 October Reconciliation Enrolment ceremonies at weekend masses

27 October **Tamil Mass** **5.30pm**
 7/8 Sept. - 12/13 Oct. Reconciliation Enrolment forms available at weekend masses

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Josephine Knight
Madeleine Brown



At Sacred Heart Westmead, **Baptism** is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 11am. Please contact the parish office to book for 2024/2025.



Dates and eligibility requirements for the **Parish's 2024 Sacramental Program** are published in our parish bulletin & on our website - www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au

Reconciliation Program

7/8 September - 12/13 October	Enrolment forms available at weekend Masses
19/20 October	Enrolment Ceremonies at weekend Masses (attendance required)
22 October	Parent Meeting 7pm (attendance required)
27 October	Groups start for 4 weeks (attendance required at assigned 4 sessions)
26 November	Reconciliation Liturgies 6.30pm & 7.30pm (attendance required)



WEEK 3 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr Walter you are in attendance

EMoE - 19 / 20 October
 6:00pm: S. Sutherland
 8:00am: J. Nealon
 9:30am: M. Kastoun

Readers - 19 / 20 October
 6:00pm: volunteer required / F. Cadeaux
 8:00am: volunteers required
 9:30am: P. Alexander / R. M. Regi

Junior Altar Servers - 19 / 20 October
 6:00pm: T. Fraser / W. Fraser
 8:00am: volunteer required
 9:30am: G. Vicente / L. Vicente

Senior Altar Servers - 19 / 20 October
 6:00pm: P. Sicat
 8:00am: D. Howse
 9:30am: N. Emmanuel

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

'Tap & Go' devices are installed in our church. Select an amount and tap your card on the logo to donate.



We thank you for your support of Sacred Heart Westmead

Wedding Anniversary Mass: 27 October
 The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending by visiting parracatholic.org/weddingmass or phone 0488 000 211 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome.

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

Pragnya Jangam



Catholic Mission Appeal Weekend 12 / 13 October



This year supporting the essential work of the community and Church providing shelter and care at the House of Mercy in Mongolia.

The Good News

(excerpt from CathNews)

Fr Greg Trythall has celebrated 1500 consecutive Sunday open-water swims. Current and former parishioners, swimming friends, and onlookers cheered as the Williamstown parish priest tore through a special '1500' banner before splashing into the cold waters of Port Phillip Bay on August 18. Two days later, on August 20, Fr Trythall celebrated 47 years as a priest. Growing up in Footscray, his parents would often take him to Williamstown Beach in the summer months. Now, many years later, Fr Greg is pleased that it was the location for his momentous 1500th consecutive Sunday swim. Fr Trythall has enjoyed open-water swimming for the past 30 years and reflects he's been "so lucky" to have ministered in Melbourne Archdiocesan parishes close to the ocean for much of his priestly life. However, he credits his current open-water swimming habit and achievement to a trip to Byron Bay, NSW and adds this habit has improved his overall health and well-being and his role as a priest. "During some prayer time in Byron Bay, I decided to go back to doing some more ardent running and swimming - I was in my late 40s at the time. It was not mainly about my own self-discipline, but more in religious terms, God's Holy Spirit leading me down a personal path which would have been madness for me not to follow, as I have discovered over the years. I always swim early in the morning so that I can get back in time to have breakfast, then have a time of prayer, hopefully up to an hour before Mass; that then sets me up for all sorts of things in my normal work day."

Would you like your child to receive a Catholic education but are worried that your family cannot afford it? Please consider applying for a bursary that will cover the school fees, the cost of uniforms and equipment for primary or secondary school students for up to four years of enrolment. The fund, named in honour of the recently deceased Bishop Kevin Manning, is a Diocesan charity that seeks to ensure all families who want a Catholic education for their child can receive one. Please scan this code or visit <https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/affordable-education/bishop-manning-support-fund>.



Applications close 18 October.



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 19/20 OCTOBER

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1ST READING: Is 53:10-11
 2ND READING: HEB 4:14-16
 GOSPEL: MK 10:35-45

