



# Westmead Catholic Community **PARISH HEARTBEATS**

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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 - 10 November 2024



## SECOND READING

HEB 9:24-28

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

MT 5:3

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

## GOSPEL

MK 12:38-44

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.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

PS 22:1-2

**The Lord is my shepherd;**  
**there is nothing I shall want.**  
**Fresh and green are the pastures**  
**where he gives me repose,**  
**near restful waters he leads me.**

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

PS 87:3

**Let my prayer come into your presence.**  
**Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.**

## FIRST READING

1 KINGS 17:10-16

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.**

## PARISH CONTACTS

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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>9 / 10 November</b>	<b>32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
11 November	St Martin of Tours	Memorial
12 November	St Josaphat	Memorial
<b>16 / 17 November</b>	<b>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>6 - 14 November</b>	<b>No 9am Daily Mass</b>	
<b>24 November</b>	<b>Tamil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
<b>26 November</b>	<b>Reconciliation Liturgy</b>	<b>7pm</b>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



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.



### 'In Memoriam': for the month of November

November is a special time to pray for the faithful departed. The Church encourages the offering of prayers or Masses. Envelopes are available in the church for all those wishing to offer Mass for deceased loved ones during November. All Mass intentions will be recorded in our 'In Memoriam' booklet in the church.

### IN MEMORIAM



Dates and eligibility requirements for the **Parish's 2025 Sacramental Program** will be published in our parish bulletin & on our website early in the New Year - [www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au](http://www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au)

Would you like to join our Parish Sacramental Team as a group facilitator? Please complete the Commitment to Ministry forms in the church; or for more information contact our Sacramental Coordinator, Anne Monahan at the Parish Office on Fridays - 9635 9262 email: [sacraments@sacredheartwestmead.com.au](mailto:sacraments@sacredheartwestmead.com.au)



### COMMITMENT TO MINISTRY 2025

**We are looking for volunteers to parish ministry for 2025**



**Altar Server, EMOE, Music, Reader, Catechist, Cleaner, Collector, Refreshments**

Please complete the **Commitment to Ministry** forms currently in the church and return to the parish office to join our 2025 ministry team.

### Bishop's Christmas Appeal 30 November / 1 December

Your gift to Parramatta Catholic Foundation will raise funds to support **CatholicCare's Houses to Homes**, which provides transitional housing & essential support services for young pregnant & parenting women, aged 16 to 25, who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Please donate to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal via envelopes in the church or online (specifying Westmead as your parish) at: [parracatholic.org/appeal](http://parracatholic.org/appeal)

### Parramatta Street Feast: 13 November

Come & share a free meal, entertainment & company in a spirit of friendship & solidarity: 13 November 2024, 10:30am – 1:00pm, St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta [parracatholic.org/streetfeast](http://parracatholic.org/streetfeast)

### Fr Walter - Retreat

**Fr Walter will be away on retreat from November 6 to 14. Daily Parish Masses will be cancelled during this period.**

**Weekend Parish Masses will be held as usual.**



## WEEK 3 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr Walter you are in attendance

### EMoE - 16 / 17 November

6:00pm: S. Sutherland  
8:00am: J. Nealon  
9:30am: M. Kastoun

### Readers - 16 / 17 November

6:00pm: F. Cadeaux  
8:00am: N. Logiotatos / M. Schinella  
9:30am: R. M. Regi / P. Alexander

### Junior Altar Servers - 16 / 17 November

6:00pm: T. Fraser / W. Fraser  
8:00am: *volunteer required*  
9:30am: G. Vicente / L. Vicente

### Senior Altar Servers - 16 / 17 November

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



### The Good News

(excerpt from CathNews)

The St Vincent de Paul Society NSW held a clothing collection last week in the heart of Sydney, asking people to donate as much as possible in one big effort. The *Bring Your Best* campaign saw a four-metre-high Vinnies donation box installed in George Street in Sydney's CBD for three days. People were encouraged to donate their quality, preloved clothing to raise funds for vulnerable communities. All 225 Vinnies Shops across NSW also accept clothing donations. Vinnies NSW Director of Retail & Logistics, Virginia Boyd said the clothing drive helped "generate funding for the critical services and care people need every day". "With the cost-of-living crisis, not everyone can afford to make a financial donation to charities, but everyone has something in their wardrobe that they don't need anymore. Think of a clothing donation to Vinnies Shops as a financial donation to Vinnies – every donation helps." Ms Boyd said money raised from Vinnies Shops "goes towards assisting those who need food, shelter, crisis support, and a wide range of services for people experiencing hardship and disadvantage". "We want to start conversations about the real value of clothing donations. A pair of shoes could provide someone with a food hamper; your unworn coat could go towards the cost of running short-term accommodation for a woman escaping violence; or your jeans that don't quite fit anymore could help pay someone's rent for a month." Vinnies NSW members have supported close to 100,000 people over the past year, an increase of fourteen per cent over the past twelve months.

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 16/17 NOVEMBER

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1ST READING: DAN 12:1-3

2ND READING: HEB 10:11-14

GOSPEL: MK 13:24-32

