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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 – 20 September 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

SIR 36:18

***I am the salvation of the people,
says the Lord.***

***Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them,
and I will be their Lord for ever.***

FIRST READING

Is 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near. Let the
wicked man abandon his way, the evil man
his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord
who will take pity on him, to our God who is
rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not
your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is
the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as
high above earth as my ways are above your
ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18. R.v.18

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
the Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

SECOND READING

PHIL 1:20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether
by my life or by my death. Life to me, of
course, is Christ, but then death would bring
me something more; but then again, if living
in this body means doing work which is
having good results – I do not know what I
should choose. I am caught in this dilemma:
I want to be gone and be with Christ, which
would be very much the better, but for me to
stay alive in this body is a more urgent need
for your sake. Avoid anything in your
everyday lives that would be unworthy of the
gospel of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ACTS 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

***Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!***

GOSPEL

MT 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: '

Parish Diary Dates

19 / 20 September

21 September

23 September

27 / 28 September

27 September

5/6 Sept—10/11 Oct

No 9am Daily Mass

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Matthew, apostle

St Pius of Pietrelcina

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tamil Community Mass

Penance Enrolment forms available at weekend Masses

Feast

Memorial

5.30pm

Tuesday 22nd September & Friday 25th September

Announcements

Full dates and eligibility requirements for the **Parish's 2026 Sacramental Program** are listed on our website – www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au

Penance (Reconciliation) Program - Attendance is required at the following

17/18 October	Enrolment Ceremonies at weekend Masses (6pm Vigil, 8am, 9.30am)
20 October	Parent Meeting 7pm
28 October	Groups start for 4 weeks
24 November	Reconciliation Liturgy 6.30pm & 7.30pm

Rosary Making Workshops

Come along for a fun evening of community and crafting rosary beads that will then be donated to the sick and dying in hospitals across our Diocese. The craft evening will be held on the following days: 23 September, 15 October, 5 November.

Costs are \$5 per person – payable on arrival (includes all materials).

To register or for more information, please visit: parracatholic.org/rosary-workshops

Help fund our New Church Essentials

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At Sacred Heart Westmead, **Baptism** is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 11am.

Please contact the parish office to book for 2026.

