



St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

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Our Parish Mission Statement:

We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.

Parish Team:

Parish Priest and Tamil Chaplain:
Fr Robert William
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*
Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg*
Parish email: stmcc@tpg.com.au
www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au
Office hours - 9.30am - 4.30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday :

Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300
Principal: Mr Tim Vane-Tempest
Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200
Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud
Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900
Principal: Mr Mark Compton

Masses:

Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

NO Weekday Masses except

Saturday 9.00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

NO Adoration this week

Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly

Marriages:

By appointment

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

13th February, 2022



Life can turn on sixpence. The poor, those who mourn, those who hunger, too often have ended up in such a state because of a run of situations that turned out badly. Frequently, with such people, their bad luck compounds more bad luck and they can feel that they will never overcome their situation. To believe and to hope in such situations is itself a blessing, because real change can only take place if one believes that it really is possible. For the down-trodden, to believe that God is with them, working through their difficult situation is the best of blessings.

Those who are rich, satiated and laughing their way through life are in a real danger of being blind to their need of God. Even if they don't feel it, their situation is critical as they see no need to change.

For us who are Christians, radical transformative change is at the heart of our faith which centres on the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Here, the holy, all-powerful Son of God entered into the depths of human misery and neediness and transformed these into a path to the fullness of God's love and life. And that is the path we each have to tread to come to the fullness of joy we all so desire. We have to turn from our tendency to protect ourselves from pain and discomfort by mindless distractions and embrace the neediness to open us to God.

REST IN THE LOVE OF YOUR GOD

When you are at rest, recall the times that you have felt poor, the times you have mourned and the times you have hungered. Take once experience and walk through it again with God. Stay with the situation till you can come to see how you were blessed at that time.

Sr K. Harris OSB prayasyoucan.com.au

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU:

- ⇒ ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS
- ⇒ HAVE A TEMPERATURE
- ⇒ HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE THAT IS EITHER A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19
- ⇒ FACE MASKS ARE MANDATORY INDOORS

CATECHIST MEETING

The first Catechist (SRE) meeting for the year will be held next Tuesday, 15th February at 9.30am in the Parish Hall. All Catechists are requested to attend. Our Catechist numbers have declined dramatically, so please consider helping by becoming a Catechist. Full support and training are provided. For more information, come to the meeting.

**PLEASE TAKE WITH YOU OR THROW OUT.
DO NOT LEAVE ON THE SEAT OR RETURN TO THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.



FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17 : 5-8
A curse on those who trust in humanity: a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

RESPONSE: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20
If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 6 : 17, 20-26
Happy are the poor. Woe too the rich!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Deceased:

Please pray for the recently deceased Justin Gattoni, Charlie Calleja, Catherine Di Domizio, Marie O'Hare, Loel Fernandez, Antonio Ramos, Menoti Bernardini as well as Julita Sanoy, Gabriele Di Domizio, Emanuel Azzopardi, Anthony and MaryAnn Xiberras, Bernard Axiak, Carmen and Joseph Teuma, Carmen and Loreto Xerri.

Sick: Please pray for Jessica Moloney and Sid Kelly.

UPDATE FOR PARISHIONERS:

Fr Robert was due to return this Monday. Unfortunately he contracted covid while he was away and is unable to return at the moment. He is hoping he will be able to come back on Monday, 21st February but this is still not definite. Because of commitments, we have been unable to find a replacement priest to celebrate the weekday Masses next week. Therefore, **Masses from Tuesday, 15th to Friday, 18th February have been cancelled.** There will be a gam Mass followed by Reconciliation here on Saturday, 19th February. Please note that the usual weekend Masses will still be going ahead.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY—YOUTH

- The link to the Vinnies Metropolitan Schools and Youth Term 1 2022 Newsletter is: <https://bit.ly/Term1-2022-Vinnies-Metro-News>
- The Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP) for students in Years 4 – 6 is available for those who wish to undertake Social Justice Formation in their own time. The Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP) will nurture students, who undertake the program, to be a light in the world, inspired by the spirit of Blessed Frederic Ozanam and Gospel values. For more information please visit <https://bit.ly/VinniesMVFP>



SEMINAR FOR ACOLYTES AND ADULT SERVERS

The Office for Worship is conducting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers at the Altar on Saturday 26th February, from 9:30 am -3:00 pm, at the Bede Heather Centre (formerly the IFM), 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. The workshop will be an opportunity to refine one's skills in their ministry with a special focus on Holy Week celebrations. Spots are limited and bookings are required by 22nd February. If you would like to attend, please contact anne.stanton@parracatholic.org or phone 8838 3456.



ROSTERS 19TH/20TH FEBRUARY 2022		7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C		
Church Cleaning: M. Quattromani and J. Mooney.		Sacristy: M. Roth and C. Vella.		
MASSES	6PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM
Commentator	T. Ripa	S. Mackenzie	L. Buchanan	S. Naylor
Reader	M. Said	J. Wein	Sr Anita	T. Victorino
Acolyte/Adult Server		J. Coco	T. McMahon	F. Watkins
Altar Servers	E. Rijke		C. Adam	
	N. Xerri		J. Biviano	

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