



# 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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7 - 8 October 2023

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.*

## FIRST READING

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7

### **R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.**

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.
2. Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field.
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.
4. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

EST 4:17

## SECOND READING

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.*

PHIL 4:6-9

JN 15:15

MT 21:33-43

LAM 3:25

## 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 Burramattagal 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>7 / 8 October</b>	<b>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>14 / 15 October</b>	<b>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
14 October	Federal Referendum
9/10 Sept - 14/15 Oct	First Reconciliation Forms available in church at weekend masses
21 / 22 October	First Reconciliation Enrolment Ceremonies at weekend masses
<b>29 October</b>	<b>Tamil Mass</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>5.30pm</b></span>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sacred Heart Parish Hall will operate as a polling centre for the Federal Referendum on Saturday 14 October 2023.

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



**The Voice Referendum: Got Questions? Become informed. Know what the Church says.** Visit these sites:

From the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference:  
<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/bishops-say-issues-around-voice-are-moral-not-just-political/>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M1Zu36K9innosigfuoZS9ykMilXxc3ms/view>

<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/bishops-issue-statement-on-indigenous-voice-to-parliament/>

And from the National Aboriginal Torres Strait Islanders Catholic Council, the advisory body to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference:  
<https://indigenousvoice.church/>



**DIOCESE of PARRAMATTA**

The annual **Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass** will be held on Sunday 29 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Register your name, years of marriage & numbers attending at: [marriage@parracatholic.org](mailto:marriage@parracatholic.org) or phone (02) 8838 3460 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome.

Bishop Vincent has released a Pastoral Letter on the Voice Referendum. Copies of the letter are available in the church; or to download a copy visit: <https://catholicoutlook.org/bishop-vincents-pastoral-letter-on-the-national-referendum-on-the-voice-to-parliament/>

### 2023 Parish Based Sacramental Program

Dates and eligibility requirements for the Parish's 2023 Sacramental Program are published in our parish bulletin and on the parish website - [www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au](http://www.sacredheartwestmead.com.au). The Sacramental Program is open to Catholics who have made Sacred Heart Parish their primary place of worship.



### First Reconciliation Program

9/10 Sept - 14/15 Oct	Enrolment forms available at weekend Masses	
21/ 22 October	Enrolment Ceremonies at weekend Masses	<i>(attendance required)</i>
24 October	Parent Meeting 7pm	<i>(attendance required)</i>
29 October	Groups start for 4 weeks	<i>(attendance required)</i>
28 November	Reconciliation Liturgies - 6.30pm & 7.30pm	<i>(attendance required)</i>

## WEEK 3 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr Walter you are in attendance

**EMoE - 14 / 15 October**

6:00pm: A. Enriquez

8.00am: M. Schinella

9:30am: G. Vicente

**Readers - 14 / 15 October**

6:00pm: R. Saldanha / A. Enriquez

8.00am: A. Marasovic / N. Logiotatos

9.30am: P. Alexander / R. M. Regi

**Junior Altar Servers - 14 / 15 October**

6:00pm: M. Liew

8.00am: L. Burke

9.30am: G. Vicente / L. Vicente

**Senior Altar Servers - 14 / 15 October**

6:00pm: N. Emmanuel

8.00am: J. Chandran

9.30am: B. Fernandes

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

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

**Rosemary P. Chandran  
Habib El Takhi**



### The Good News

*(excerpt from CathNews)*

In a town of just 200 people in WA's grain belt sits a tall, white church that seemingly has more visitors interested in its architecture than worship these days. It is one of dozens designed by architect priest Msgr John Hawes during his time in the Midwest region from 1915 to 1939. Professional decorative painter & restorer Phil Reeves is at work in St Joseph's Catholic Church in Perenjori. It is the third Hawes building Mr Reeves has worked on and said the interest in this restoration was extraordinary, given the church's location off the beaten track. Mr Reeves is working on St Joseph's thanks to a fundraising effort after Cyclone Seroja tore through the state's Midwest. But restoration and upkeep on buildings that are about 100 years old is ongoing and expensive. With 17 buildings by Msgr Hawes under the ownership of the Geraldton Diocese, attention is turning to how to guarantee their future. The John Hawes Foundation has been launched with the hope of raising funds to conserve the remaining buildings. Geraldton Diocese heritage director Robert Cross said, "The driving philosophy behind Hawes' works was what they called the arts and crafts movement, which was a reaction to 19th-century industrialisation that demeaned the work of people. We have here in the Midwest one of the most significant collections of art and craft buildings in the whole world."

### SUNDAY'S READINGS: 15 OCTOBER

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1ST READING: IS 25:6-10

2ND READING: PHIL 4:12-14, 19-20

GOSPEL: MT 22:1-14

