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THE MONTH *of the* IMMACULATE HEART *of MARY*



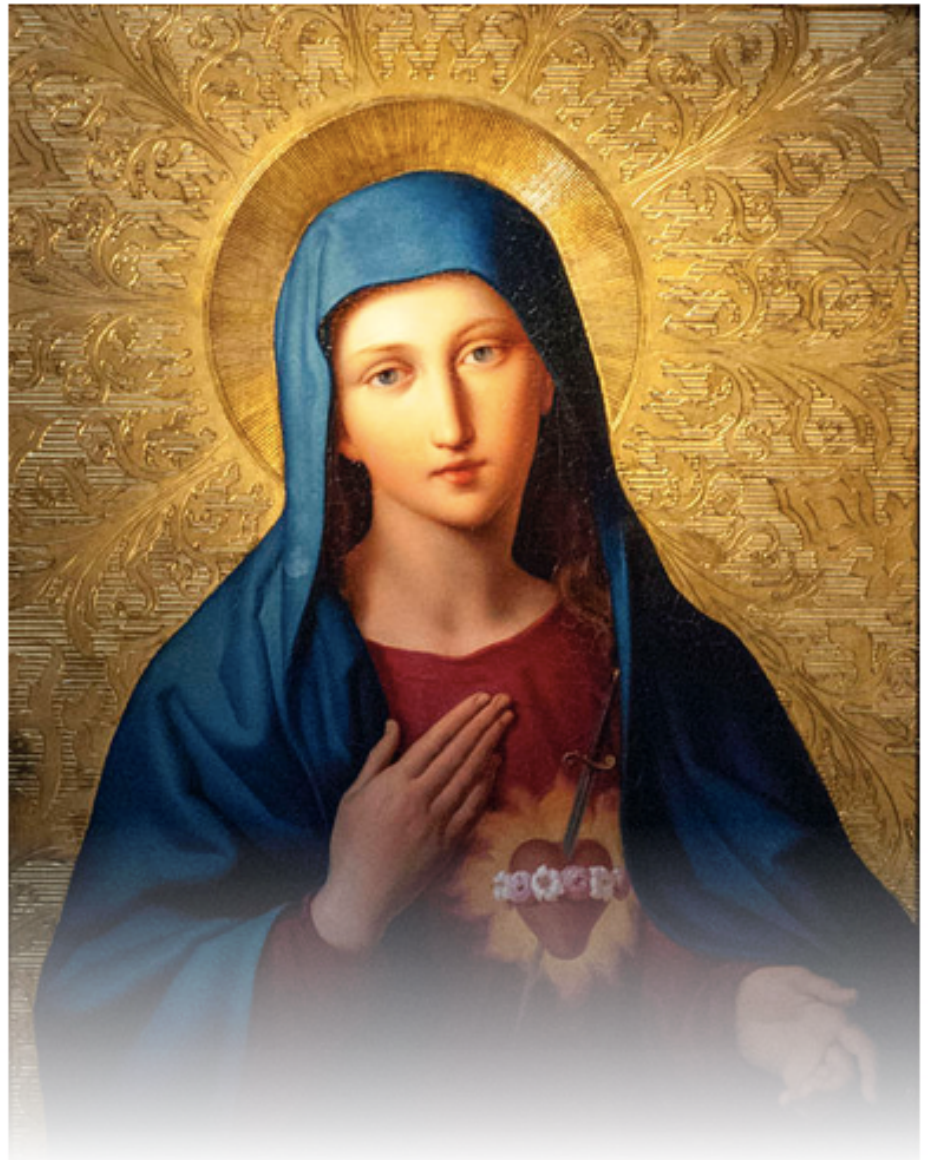
In the visions of Fatima on July 13, 1917, Mary told the children “to save poor sinners, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart.”

In a series of visions in 1925 and 1926, the oldest of the visionaries, Lucia Dos Santos, received a further message from Mary asking that the five first Saturdays be devoted to help make amends for the offences committed against her heart by man’s blasphemies and ingratitude.

In 1942, the war prophesied by Mary raged through Europe and the Church celebrated the 25th anniversary of the original visions at Fatima. That same year Pope Pius XII consecrated the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and established the Feast of the Immaculate Heart to fall on August 22 during the Octave of the Assumption.

Following Vatican II the feast day was moved to the Saturday following the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

On May, 13, 1982, Pope John Paul II consecrated the world to Our Lady of Fatima and to her Immaculate Heart with these words he said in prayer: “Oh, Immaculate Heart! Help us to conquer the



menace of evil, which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today, and whose immeasurable effects already weigh down upon our modern world and seem to block the paths towards the future! Let there be revealed, once more, in the history of the world your infinite power of merciful love. May it put a stop to evil. May it transform consciences. May your Immaculate Heart reveal for all the light of hope.”

*“If you put all the love
of all the mothers
into one heart
it still would not equal
the love of the
Heart of Mary
for her children.”*
St. Louis de Montfort

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, 5:45 p.m.

Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month,

11:00 a.m.

Rosters

Readers

4:30 p.m. readers needed

8:30 a.m. Claudia Tiller

5:00 p.m. Saram Karaki

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Mass in Latin

First Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass

Second and last Sunday of the month,
11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Rosters

Church Cleaning Group 1: L. Hale,

D. Portelli, L. Toman, W. Krasinski,

J. Galea, A. Quinlan, L. Franco

Readers

Vigil Sisters, Ingrid Bifulco,

Racquel La Rosa

10:00 a.m. Wadzi Mushininga,

Rozsa Kazmer, Mary Georges

Children's Liturgy Raphaella Chidiac
and Reanne Chidiac

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus,
Frank Azzopardi, Antonio Bifulco, Ann Blesson, Vincenzo
Colosimo, Marcus El-Khoury, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea,
Carmello Giovenco, Evangeline Grabato, Thomas Hayek,
Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Therese Khalil, Kay King,
Ruth La Rosa, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos,
Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo,
Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, Therese
Smeal, Ricardo Tognini, Lorraine Vella, Sam Wardan.

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*Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
by the grace of your Holy Spirit
cure the weaknesses of your servants,
and mercifully restore them to full health.
St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.*

IN MEMORIAM

Therese Akkary, Nieves Arribas, Najibeh Malkoun Assaad,
Victor Azzopardi, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin, Basil Benjamin,
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Grech, Sam Grech, Salim Karaki, Paul Kassis, Nouhad
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Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Paul Mathews,
Giovanna Mondello, Sam Munro, Joseph Nammour, Jack
Newell, Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Haydee Nursoo, Clair
O'Sullivan, Raffaele Scaturchio, Emanuel Tabone, Peter Tuu
Van Tran, Joseph Vella, Phyllis Webb, Dib Zaiter.

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*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**Requiescant in Pace
Audrey Clair O’Sullivan**

It is with sadness that we announce the death of Audrey Clair O’Sullivan. In your charity, please pray for the repose of her soul and for the consolation of her family in the faith and hope of the resurrection of Our Lord.

The requiem Mass for the repose of her soul will be said on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family Church.



*Eternal rest grant unto her,
O Lord,
and let perpetual light
shine upon her.
May she rest in peace.
May her soul and the souls
of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.
Amen.*

**Online Donations
in Support
of the Parish**

Online donations can be made through the Holy Cross Parish website (holycrossgranville.org.au) using our BPoint facility by visiting the website or scanning the QR code below.

Thank you to all those who regularly support the parish by your contributions. Your regular support of the parish is greatly appreciated and is of tremendous assistance to help us to meet our costs.

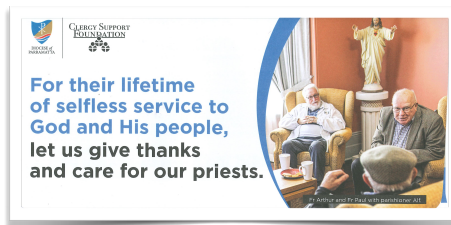


**First Friday Devotions
in Honour of
the Sacred Heart**

This Friday, being the first Friday of the month, we continue our devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord. At Holy Trinity Church, beginning with confessions at 6:15 p.m., there will then be the Holy Rosary at 6:30 p.m., followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m.

Please note, however, that this Thursday is not the first Thursday of the month as this occurs the following week at which time the first Thursday of the month Latin Mass will be offered.

**Father’s Day Appeal
for Sick and Retired Priests
Next Weekend**



Next Sunday we celebrate Father’s Day. In celebration of this day the annual diocesan appeal for sick and retired priests is made.

Last year, across the diocese, through your generosity we reached the target with donations totalling over \$200,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution.

A third collection will be held next weekend at each Mass. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope.

If you prefer online contributions can be made at csfparra.org.au.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting this appeal.

**Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament
Every Sunday Evening
at Holy Family Church**

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, which was introduced as a part of the Holy Cross Parish Year of the Blessed Sacrament, continues each Sunday evening at Holy Family Church, following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Join us as we pray before the real presence of Our Lord—Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity—seeking the abundant graces that flow from the Blessed Sacrament and in reparation for the many sins committed against the Blessed Sacrament.

By spending this short time before Our Lord we show our love for Him and we receive His abundant graces to strengthen us for the week ahead.

**Important Holy Mass
Intentions Reminder**

A reminder that if you would like a particular Mass offered for an intention, please speak with Fr. Andrew at least 4 weeks in advance. There are many intentions requested and it is not always possible to fulfill a request for a particular Mass unless there is sufficient time allowed.

Please also note that the Mass offered is the Mass of the day and not a memorial Mass. The Priest offers the sacrifice of the Mass for the intention of the donor but celebrates the Mass of the day, including Sundays, so the Masses remain parish Masses.

**Children’s Liturgy
Resumes Next Week**

After a break of a couple of weeks, children’s liturgy will resume next Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.



CLERGY SUPPORT
FOUNDATION



Let us care for those who have cared for us through their lifetime of service



Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal supporting our retired and sick clergy
parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal



\$25

Can supply **fresh food and provide nourishing meals** for a retired priest.



\$50

Can help **fill a retired priest's petrol tank, supporting active independence.**



\$100

Supports **transport costs to take unwell priests to medical appointments.**



\$250

Can support a retired priest's **medical care, mental health, and wellbeing.**



\$500

Can help fund **specialist medical consultations.**



\$1,000

Can help support our retired priests' **day-to-day living needs and home comforts.**



\$2,500

Provides our priests with **fifty hours of professional care** from our Clergy Health and Wellbeing team.



\$5,000

Can help fund **aged care and nursing home accommodation.**



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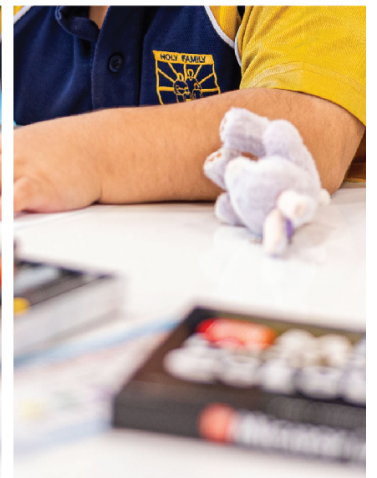
HOLY CROSS PARISH RETREAT DAY

SATURDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER *at* HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

As we begin our celebrations
of Holy Cross Week,
join us on Saturday, 9 September
at Holy Family Church
for our Holy Cross Parish retreat day.
You are welcome to attend the whole day
or just part of the day
but dedicate some of the day
to this retreat as a way to unite yourself
more closely with the Holy Cross of Our Lord.

11:00 a.m. | Holy Mass
11:40 a.m. | First Talk
12:00 p.m. | Angelus
12:05 p.m. | BBQ Lunch
1:00 p.m. | Second Talk
1:20 p.m. | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
2:00 p.m. | Sacrament of Penance

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Saints & STUFF

ST. DOMINIC



During this month of August, where we honour Our Blessed Mother, we also remember in a special way St. Dominic whose feast day we celebrated on August 3.

Tradition says that Our Lady gave the Holy Prayer of the Rosary to St. Dominic which has been prayed by Catholics around the world since.

The Province of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans) which covers Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands is dedicated to the Assumption and so this month holds special significance for these heirs of St. Dominic.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Power of the Keys

981 After his Resurrection, Christ sent his apostles “so that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations.” The apostles and their successors carry out this “ministry of reconciliation,” not only by announcing to men God’s forgiveness merited for us by Christ, and calling them to conversion and faith; but also by communicating to them the forgiveness of sins in Baptism, and reconciling them with God and with the Church through the power of the keys, received from Christ. The Church has received the keys of the Kingdom of heaven so that, in her, sins may be forgiven through Christ’s blood and the Holy Spirit’s action. In this Church, the soul dead through sin comes back to life in order to live with Christ, whose grace has saved us.

982 There is no offence, however serious, that the Church cannot forgive. There is no one, however wicked and guilty, who may not confidently hope for forgiveness, provided his repentance is honest. Christ who died for all men desires that in his Church the gates of forgiveness should always be open to anyone who turns away from sin.

CATHOLIC Trivia

**Will my sin be forgiven
if I don't feel sorry?**



The question is, “I want to confess an obvious sin, but I do not feel remorse or regret for doing it. Do I need to be regretful to confess this sin or will it be forgiven even if I have no remorse?”

The answer is that what is required is repentance, which is an act of the will. Remorse and regret are emotions, which you may or may not feel and do not have control over. Feelings of remorse and regret are not required, but they are helpful in keeping us from sinning again. One way to encourage such feelings is to develop a devotion to Christ’s Passion. Meditation on the agonies Christ suffered to merit for us the grace we receive through confession helps in developing a horror for sin and a just remorse for the sins of one’s life.

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The Readings

Introit (Cf. Ps. 85:1-3)

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading

The Prophet Isaiah (22:19-23)

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post,
and the same day I call on my servant
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.
I invest him with your robe,
gird him with your sash,
entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
and to the House of Judah.
I place the key of the House of David
on his shoulder;
should he open, no one shall close,
should he close, no one shall open.
I drive him like a peg
into a firm place;
he will become a throne of glory
for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 137:1-3, 6, 8. R.v. 8)

R. Lord, your love is eternal;
do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. R.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. R.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. R.

Second Reading

The Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (11:33-36)

How rich are the depths of God—how deep his
wisdom and knowledge—and how impossible to

penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who
could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever
be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or
lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is
by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation (Mt. 16:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

Gospel

The Gospel of St. Matthew (16:13-20)

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi
he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say
the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John
the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the
prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then
Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the
Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah,
you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood
that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I
now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build
my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never
hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the
kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be
considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on
earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave
the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was
the Christ.

Communion (Cf. Ps. 103:13-15)

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer the heart.

“ *Faith is not an illusion,
a flight of fancy, a refuge or
sentimentalism;
rather it is total involvement
in the whole of life
and is the proclamation of the Gospel,
the Good News
that can set the whole person free.* ”

—Pope Benedict XVI