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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. Sunday, 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

Nigerian Community Mass

Second and fourth Sunday of the month, 11:00 a.m.

Rosters

Church and Toilets Cleaning

C. Takchi, M. Wehbe, N. Khoury

Flower Arranging

requesting volunteers to form groups of at least 2 people to arrange flowers for the sanctuary

SOCIAL MEDIA



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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: D. Portelli, L. Toman, W. Krasinski, J. Galea, A. Quinlan, N. Begley

Readers

Vigil Ingrid Bifulco, Rebecca Hanson, Sisters

10:00 a.m. Mary Georges,

Rosza Kazmer, Raphaella Chidiac

Children's Liturgy Elmo and Shanthi

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joseph Akkary, Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Antonio Bifulco, Ann Blesson, John Borg, Vincenzo Colosimo, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea, Carmello Giovenco, Evangeline Grabato, Thomas Hayek, Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Therese Khalil, Kay King, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos, Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Ben Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, 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.

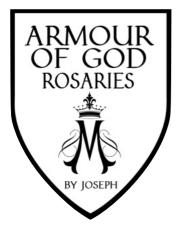
IN MEMORIAM

Norma Armstrong, Najibeh Malkoun Assaad, Victor Azzopardi, Carmen Bonello, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vincent Cahill, Les Camilleri, Maria Rebecca Dinh, Alan Frost, Carmen Galea, Maria Gambin, John Graham, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Albert Ho, Nouhad Khoury, Thomas Lam, Rustica La Rosa, Laurie Lowe, Frouzine Malkoun, Jacob Malkoun, Mouna Malkoun, Ofimia Malkoun, Bettie McGrath, Iris McIntyre, Linsay McIntyre, Mary McIntyre, Thomas McIntyre, Sam Munro, Joseph Nammour, Jack Newell, Hazel Jean Newell, Tony Newell, Vincent Nguyen, Guise Pham, Jack Pickering, Lorna Pickering, Herbert Pidgeon, Flory Pinto, Sultaneh Salhab, Kerry Savvas, Elaine Siu Ling Miu, Alex Taktak, Darren Thornton, John Timbs, John Toye, Carmelo Vella, Bich Lien Vo, Phero Vu Van Vuong, Carmel Watts, Phyllis Webb, Mershed Wehbe, Yesmine Wehbe, Noeleen Yott, Dib Zaiter, Laila Zaiter.

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

N O T I C E S



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Carmelita Kathryn Watts Requiescat in pace

It is with sadness that we announce the death of Carmel Watts, wife of the late Ray Watts, and mother of Maryanne, Felicity and Gerard. Carmel prayed and served the parish her whole life so, please, In your charity 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.

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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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered every week on Sunday evenings following the 5:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Family Church and on the first Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church. This is a chance to pray before Our Lord truly present Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Sacrament and to receive His abundant graces and strength.

The Sacrament of penance (confession) is available three times each week at the following times: Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church and Sundays from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at Holy Family Church. Make use of these opportunities to regularly make your confession and receive the grace of Our Lord.

The Catholic Foundation "Good Samaritan Appeal" for Catholic Care

The Catholic Foundation is continuing to hold its annual "Good Samaritan Appeal". This year's appeal is in support of Catholic Care's "Project Elizabeth" which provides support to women facing difficulties during pregnancy and motherhood.

You can donate by making a contribution to this appeal by using the envelopes on the pews and placing these in either of the collections.

To make a donation online, visit yourcatholicfoundation.org.au or scan the QR code below.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to this appeal for your kindness and support which is greatly appreciated especially during these difficult times for many people.



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 do not write your request for a specific day and time on an envelope and leave it in a collections box, but speak directly with Fr. Andrew.

Enrolling Now for Year 7 2025



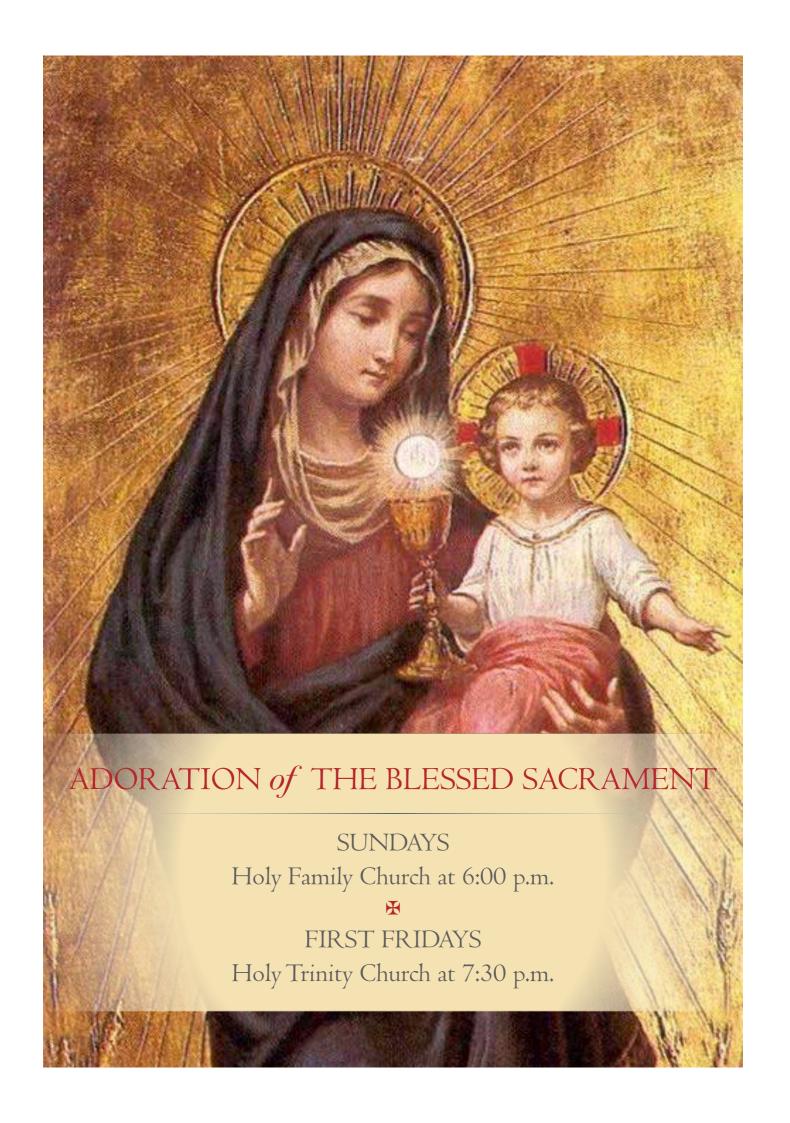
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Saints STUFF

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

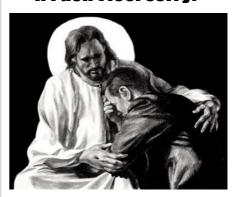
The Power of the Keys

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

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 Book of Joshua (24:1-2, 15-18)

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 33:2-3, 10-15. R. v. 9)

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. R.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal. R.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. R.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. R.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. R.

Second Reading The Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (5:21-32)

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

Gospel Acclamation (see Jn. 6:63, 68)

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel The Gospel of John (6:51-58)

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Communio (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.