**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

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**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.**

**We consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority.**

We too acknowledge that children, young people and adults at risk may require additional safeguards to promote their participation, wellbeing and safety.

Clergy, employees and volunteers are committed to upholding the right to safety of all persons. They must participate in creating a culture of safety supported by policies, practices and procedures that strive to prevent abuse in the first instance and to respond appropriately and effectively if abuse does occur. We respect the human dignity of each person and strive to create an inclusive and welcoming Church that enables its people to grow and develop in their faith freely and in a caring and supportive environment.

**Mass Times**

**Sunday:** 9.00 am and 10.30 am

**Saturday:** 6.00 pm & 8.00 pm **(Vigil)**

**Daily Mass:** 9.00 am **(Mon – Fri)**

**First Friday:** 9.00 am **(Mass & Anointing of the Sick)**

**Reconciliation:** 10.30 am – 11.00am **(Sat or on request)**

**Rosary:** Mon-Fri after 9.00 am Mass

**Benediction and Rosary:** Fri after 9.00 am Mass till 10.45am

**Neocatechumenal Way:** Tues, Wed & Thurs 8 pm, and Saturday 8 pm

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| **7th Sun in Ord. T. 20/02/22** | **6.00 pm Mass** | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am Mass**  |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | It will be nominated | Paul Sheeran |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers  | Mary Rose | Marylou James |
| **Minister of Communion** | FR Vittorio someone will be nominated | Fr Vittorio someone will be nominated | FR Vittorio Someone will be nominated |
| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers  | Volunteers  | Volunteers |
| **8th Sun in Ord. T. 27/02/22** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am Mass**  |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | It will be nominated | Lobo family |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers | Mary Rose | Marylou James |
| **Minister of Communion** | Fr Stephen Hamiltonsomeone will be nominated | Fr Stephen Hamiltonsomeone will be nominated | Fr Stephen HamiltonSomeone will be nominated |
| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers | Volunteers  | Volunteers |

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Angelo Molino; Chiara Mazzeo; Christian James; Filippo and Sara, Sophia, Daniel Rivalland, Georgette Kheir, Christine Banerjee, Ettore Poletta, Francesco Paolo Ricciardi; Millie D’Alton, Claire Posten, James Morrison, Catalina Morrison, Rosa Maria Santos, Ben, Mary Muscat, Patrick Lakagreagrow, Brian Tierney, Carmel Kanci, Jo Arena, Pam Montgomery, Helen Mille; Jason Denis;; Rosa Nistico, Margaret Denis; Arthur Astarlis, , Lourenca Fernandes, Prithie Pereira, Madison Kelly, Pat Flarve.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

**Anthony Devola, Doreen New, Norma Moloney**, Mary Westhead**,** Conrad Lobo; Benedict Banerjee; Marie Perez; Fr James Early; Michael Wiscki, John allan & Marcia Barry; Lynette Maher; Giovanni Lentini; John McLean**;**: Mickey Mascarenhas**;** Vincent & Tina Giglio; Louisette Harris; Nelson Trapani; Jim Walsh; Miriam Proctor; Elva Ebdon, John Rivalland, Marie Rivalland, Douglas Gonsalves, Charlotte Godfrey, Linda D’Souza; Felix Lobo, Margaret Herbstreit; Trevor Anthony Fernandez, Pauline Burke, Sandra Highland, Rudolph D’Souza, Michelle Fowler, Sam Molino, Margherita M. La Macchia, Joan Elliot, Archimede Camba, Denzel D’Souza, Melissa D’Souza John Noal, Lorraine Thompson, Peg Smith, Gladys DeRosario, Molly Wintle, Florencio David Sr, Kathy Taranto, Maureen Collins, John Palamara, May Ray, Milan Lozo, Albert & Hillary D’Souza; Shannon Baker; Margaret Dowsey, Janine Capiron; George Tickner; Jack Foley; Sheila McKenna; Peter Dunne; Tony Molloy; Dulcie Jopling; Gerard Bourke, Alfred Foster, Joan Mealing; Judith Buckley; Genevieve Rodrigues Jean Allday; Gloria James; Earnie Breznik; Margaret Daveron; Patrick & Maurice Kelly; Edward Majda; Elizabeth Mary McKay; John H. Moloney; +Fr. Frank Maher; +Fr. Victor Crennan.

**Thanksgiving Collection Weekend: 13/2/2022 – $335.00**

**Loose Money: 13/2/2021 – $200.00**

**My dear Parishioner, once again, thank you for your generosity.**

**Mon: 21st Feb St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor**

**February is the month of the Passion of Our Lord**

**Tue: 22nd Feb THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE**

**Wed: 23rd Feb St. Polycarp of Smirna, Bishop and Martyr**

**Thu: 24th Feb St. Montanus**

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

**Fri: 25th Feb St. Tarasius**

**Sat: 26th Feb St. Victor**

**CATECHESES FOR ADULTS IN OUR PARISH**

**STARTING FROM MONDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2022**

Anybody, religious or non-religious, believer or non-believer, parishioner or non-parishioner, is welcome to listen to these catechises. If somebody from our parish knows someone in need to listen to the Good News, she/he is invited to accompany them to the catechesis and bring them back home. It is an important service and duty to evangelise. Faith comes from listening to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The preaching is the primary duty of the Church.

**COME AND LISTEN**

**Commencing: Monday 7 February 2022**

**When: every Monday and Thursday at 7.30**

**Where: Narthex of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 441 Bluff Rd, East Hampton**

**Transport and Enquires: Lorenzo 0401678022**

**7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL – LK 6:27-38**

In this Gospel passage Jesus talks a lot about how we should treat each other, especially when it comes to loving our enemies and forgiving others. These two things are extremely difficult for any person. Jesus gives us many challenges and obstacles but we are always encouraged to love one another! I am reading a book right now called, “Thrift Store Saints” by Jane Knuth. It is about a woman who shares inspiring stories of those she encounters at a thrift store she volunteers at. When I was reading this Gospel passage it reminded me of a specific scene from the book. There was a lady who was coming in because she needed clothes for a job interview and began to talk about her life, specifically her relationship with her father. She talked about her journey towards forgiveness towards him and how even when she felt she could not forgive her father, she would ask God to forgive him. This way she knew her father would be receiving forgiveness even if it was not from her. After years of praying for him, the hurt and betrayal she felt from him began to hurt a little less and she began to not only pray for him but forgive him. She related it back to the scene with Jesus on the cross when he said, “Father forgive them for they know not what they do”(Luke 23:34). Jesus was praying for their forgiveness just as she was praying for her father's.

Forgiveness, loving our enemies and those who hurt us are never easy, because they come from God as a grace and as a gift. Jesus usually does not demand from us to do that with our efforts, but with his help; he asks us to do whatever brings about the most love. A way to show love for others is also through service. Another quote from the book that I liked was, “I think true charity is very rare. And it can appear in the least likely people." Jesus talks about how it is easier to love someone who already loves us, but what is rare is loving someone who has hurt us. This kind of service is hard to come by today. But nothing is impossible to God: it is Jesus who will transform us in those rare people, one of those people who are able to give so much love and forgiveness even if it means not receiving anything in return.

**CHAPLAINCY APPEAL 2022**

**Thank you from CatholicCare Victoria**

CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week’s CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Because of the generosity of our parish community,

CatholicCare Victoria can continue to ensure that vulnerable individuals and families in our communities have the opportunity to live life to the full.

Thank you for helping those in need and offering a compassionate hand of support. For more information about CatholicCare Victoria, please visit: [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au)

**FR VITTORIO’S PROFESSION OF FAITH IN ITALY & RETREAT**

Dear parishioners,

I will leave for Italy on the 22nd of February to do a retreat for my profession of faith with my Neocatechumenal community of Brindisi back home.

It is an occasion to see my family. **I would like to thank you for all your efforts and prayers you have made to make this event happen. Once again, you have been fantastic.**

So at this stage, I will stay in Italy only for 3 weeks, from **the 22nd of February to the 15th of March,** and after I should go back again for another ten days until Palm Sunday.

All weekend Masses and weekday Masses will be celebrated by Fr Stephen Hamilton (ph. 0407 201 474) (ph. 0407 201 474)at the normal times. He will commit also for the celebration of Lent including Ash Wednesday and station of the Cross. Before leaving for Italy, I will give you the program for Lent as usual in the bulletin of each week.