**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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| **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 | It will be nominated |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers  | Mary Rose | Marylou James |
| **Minister of Communion** | Fr Stephensomeone will be nominated | Fr Stephensomeone will be nominated | Fr StephenSomeone will be nominated |
| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers  | Volunteers  | Volunteers |
| **1st Sun of Lent 6/03/22** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am Mass**  |
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**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: 20/2/2022 – to be counted**

**Loose Money: 20/2/2021 – to be counted**

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

**Mon: 28th Feb St. Hilary, Pope**

**March is the month of**

**St Joseph**

**Tue: 1st March St. David**

**Wed: 2nd March BEGINNING OF LENT: ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Thu: 3rd Mar ch THURS. AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

**FRI: 4TH MAR FRID. AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Sat: 5th march SAT. AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

**ASH WEDNESDAY 2nd March: FAST & ABSTINANCE**

**Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am and 6.00pm.**

****Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. Fasting is obligatory from age 18 until age 59. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members from age 14.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE HELD DURING THE SEASON OF LENT EVERY FRIDAY AT 7.00PM IN THE CHURCH**

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

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| Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and ***For All Future Generations****.* With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow ***For All Future Generations****.* You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413. |

**CATECHESES FOR ADULTS IN OUR PARISH**

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**

**8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL – LK 6:39-45**

Jesus' two parables allude to the proverb: *Without vision the people perish!* (Proverbs 29:18) What does the illustration of a blind guide and a bad eye (the log in the eye) say to us? A bad eye left untreated and a blind guide can only lead to one thing -- disaster! We can only teach others what we have been taught ourselves. And how can we help others overcome their faults if we are blinded by our own faults? A disciple is one who listens to the voice of the Master and who overcomes his faults through the skillful help of the Divine Physician. If we are to be guides and teachers for others, then we must have clear vision for where we are going and a map that shows the way. If our destination is heaven, then there is only one way and that way is the cross of Jesus Christ. In the cross of Christ sin is forgiven and the sinner is made whole, darkness and corruption give way to light and truth, death is defeated and new life restored. The cross of Christ frees us from condemnation and guilt and shows us the way of perfect love. Why is judgmentalism so rampant today, even among Christians? "Thinking the best of other people" is necessary if we wish to grow in love. And kindliness in judgment is nothing less that a sacred duty. The Rabbis warned people: "He who judges his neighbor favorably will be judged favorably by God." How easy it is to misjudge and how difficult it is to be impartial in judgment. Our judgment of others is usually "off the mark" because we can't see inside the person, or we don't have access to all the facts, or we are swayed by instinct and unreasoning reactions to people. It is easier to find fault in others than in oneself. Jesus states a heavenly principle we can stake our lives on: *what you give to others (and how you treat others) will return to you*. Like a gentle father and a skillful doctor he patiently draws us to his *seat of mercy* and removes the cancer of sin which inhabits our hearts.

**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) 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.