**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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| **3rd Sun of Lent 20/03/22** | **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 |
| **4th Sun of Lent 27/03/22** | **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 |

**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: 13/3/2022 – to be counted**

**Loose Money: 13/3/2021 – to be counted**

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

**Mon: 21st March St. Enda**

**March is the month of**

**St Joseph**

**Tue: 22nd March St. Lea**

**Wed: 23rd March St. Rafqa (Maronite)**

**Thu: 24th March St. Oscar Romero**

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

**Fri: 25th March The Annunciation of the Lord**

**Sat: 26th March St. Margaret Clitherow**

**OUR LENT PREPARATION CONTINUES WITH PRAYER AND FASTING**

****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**

As a preparatory time for Lent, the brothers and sisters of the Neocatechumenal Way in our Parish will be praying **the Morning Prayer of the Church every morning from Monday to Friday at 6.00 am in our Church.** This communitarian prayer is extended to all the parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

**Janice 44** is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Janice.**

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**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - A REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL – LUKE 13:1-9**

Today's reading describes Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. During this journey, Jesus teaches and heals. He must also respond to those who question and challenge his authority and actions.

Luke tells us that some among the crowds report to Jesus a massacre of Galileans by Pilate. The intention of the crowd seems to be to ask Jesus to explain why these people suffered. It was commonplace to render people's suffering as evidence of their sinfulness. Jesus challenges this interpretation. Those who were massacred were no more or less sinful than the ones who report the situation to Jesus. Jesus replies that even a fatal accident, a natural disaster, ought not to be interpreted as punishment for sin.

Jesus' words at first appear to have a fire-and-brimstone quality. Jesus says in essence, “Repent or perish as these people did; all are sinful before God and deserving of God's punishment.” The tone changes, however, in the parable that follows. The parable of the barren fig tree contrasts the patience and hopefulness of the gardener with the practicality of the property owner. When told to cut down the fig tree because it is not producing fruit, the gardener counsels patience. If properly tended, the barren fig tree may yet bear fruit.

Throughout his journey to Jerusalem, Jesus has been teaching about the Kingdom of God. In this parable, we find an image of God's patience and hopefulness as he prepares his Kingdom. God calls us to repent, and it is within his power to punish us for our failure to turn from our sinfulness. And yet God is merciful. He delays punishment and tends to us so that we may yet bear the fruit he desires from us.

**LET US PRAY FOR LUCA RUBINO AND RACHEL JONES**

Dear parishioners

On Saturday 19 March 2022, the young couple **Luca Rubino** and **Rachel Jones** were get married in our Church. The Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, has been an occasion for the couple to reflect the importance of the Christian Marriage. Let us pray for this young couple that they may imitate the example of the holy family of Nazareth.