**Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

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**WELCOME TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH**

The Immaculate Heart of Mary is blessed with several parish groups (Rosary, Neocatechumenal Way, Legion of Mary) that our parishioners are welcome to be a part of. These voluntary groups provide an additional opportunity for spiritual enrichment and do not detract from the fundamental pastoral and sacramental activities of the Church. Everyone is invited to participate in any of or all of these groups, as often as they feel comfortable.

**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE’S RESPONSIBILITY**

We consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority. Please refer to our website and/or the public notices in the Narthex for further information.

**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 7.30 pm, and Saturday 7.30 pm

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| **23rd Sunday in OT 4th Sept 2022** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am**  |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | Rick Thomas | Freya Sheeran |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers | Mary Rose | Marylou James |
| **Minister of Communion** | Body: Fr Vittorio Wine: two or one minister will be nominated | Body: Fr Vittorio Wine: two ministers will be nominated | Body: Fr Vittorio Wine: two ministers will be nominated |
| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers | Volunteers  | Paul and Freya Sheeran  |
| **24th Sunday in OT 11 Sept 2022** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am** |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | Rick Thomas | Chanelle Lobo |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers | Mary Rose | Marylou James |
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| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers | Volunteers  | Someone will be nominated  |

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Pam Bunbridge; 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**

Elizabeth Clare Cropley; Desme Tickner; Marie Ratten; Anthony Devola, Doreen New, Norma Moloney**,** Mary Westhead**,** Conrad Lobo; Giovanni Lentini; Benedict Banerjee; Marie Perez; Fr James Early; Michael Wiscki, John allan & Marcia Barry; Lynette Maher; 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, 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, 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: 28/08/2022 – $ 417.20**

**Loose Money: 28/08/2022 – $ 320.00**

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

***THIS WEEK***

**September is the month of**

**The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady**

**Mon: 5th Sept St Teresa of Calcutta**

**Tue: 6th Sept St. Donation**

**Wed: 7th Sept St. Regina**

**Thu: 8th Sept The Nativity Of The Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

**Fri: 9th Sept St. Peter Claver**

**Sat: 10th Sept St. Finian**

**SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE MESSAGE**

Dear brothers and sisters,

We have been advised by the archdiocese of Melbourne that we left the expiring 2018-2021 Volunteers Safeguarding Children compliance term last December and entered the new 2022-2025 Volunteers Safeguarding Children compliance term in January this year. Immediately effective, new Code of Conduct forms need to be signed by all persons volunteering at IHM or employed by the parish.

**Please help us:** If you are serving the parish in any capacity and have not already completed and returned a 2022-2025 Safeguarding code of conduct form to Father or a committee member you can help by taking a new Safeguarding code of conduct form from the Narthex today (forms are located on the parish information table inside the front door). Please complete the form as soon as you can and return it to Father or a committee representative next week.

If it is more convenient for you to do it today, you are most welcome to stay and complete the document before you leave. We will be in the Narthex briefly after Mass to answer questions and provide assistance to anyone who requires it.

Thanks again and God Bless you.

**SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS ONLINE TRAINING MODULE LAUNCHED FOR CLERGY AND VOLUNTEERS**

As part of the Archdiocese of Melbourne's commitment to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable persons from abuse and harm, the Professional Standards Unit has recently launched Safeguarding Essentials, a 30-minute online training module for volunteers.

Continue reading: [Safeguarding Essentials online training module launched for clergy and volunteers](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fclick.pstmrk.it%2F2s%2Fmelbournecatholic.org%252Factions%252Fcampaign%252Ft%252Fclick%253Fcid%253Dc5f98f4bab4df2wwb%2526sid%253Ds630f5b91afc61hbi%2526lid%253Dl630fe1d7c88e0hhq%2F_BTGVDEN%2FTb1V%2F4JM8kV_nYl&data=05%7C01%7Champtoneast%40cam.org.au%7C98bf3fa07b1b4b361e0c08da8ba6cac0%7C48ee20c7c8ea423c8b28f19801e34193%7C0%7C0%7C637975845745443065%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=LOAJhMzWRpMzVm7CDiTyzilZhd2jGDt0HJymFQub2CE%3D&reserved=0)

**REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL -THE 23rd WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME - LUKE 14:25-33**

In chapter 14 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. This group of people is suspicious about Jesus, looking to catch him doing something wrong. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow.

Many, even some of the guests at the table, reject the invitation. Therefore, Jesus turns to the crowds and speaks to them of discipleship. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way.

When Jesus describes “hating” one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else—family, money, your own life—must come second. In Matthew's version of this story (Matthew 10:37), Jesus refers not to “hating” father or mother, but to loving them more than Jesus.

Jesus makes it very clear that being a disciple is not easy. It means to bear one's own cross. These difficult sayings of Jesus are followed by two brief parables (a person constructing a tower and a king marching into battle) that make an obvious point—do not start what you cannot finish. Discipleship is difficult and is something we can commit to only if we are prepared to put the Kingdom of God before everything else.

**THIS WEEKEND FATHERS DAY APPEAL FOR THE PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION**

Once again this year “Fathers’ Day” Collection will be held on this Saturday the 3rd September and this Sunday the 4th September. It would be most grateful if we can contribute to the Father’s Day Appeal, for our retired priests.

Some donors have been supporting the Appeal since its inception in 1990 by the late Archbishop Little (RIP). This shows how much the Catholic people of Melbourne value the huge contribution made by priests who are now retired, but have cared for them in former times.

Our support for our retired priests and sick priests, who have shown us deep spiritual care, is a true sign of gratitude.

Some envelops will be available on the pews.