**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 till10.45am

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

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| **33rd Sunday O.T. 14 Nov 21** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am Mass**  |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | Cheryl Juelg | Volunteers |
| **Music ministry**  | Volunteers | Mary Rose | Marilou James |
| **Minister of Communion** | Fr Vittorio  | Fr Crispin | Fr Vittorio Ricciardi |
| **Offertory Procession** | Volunteers  | Eugene and Joe | Volunteers |
| **34th Sunday O.T. 21 Nov 21** | **6.00 pm Mass**  | **9.00 am Mass**  | **10.30 am Mass**  |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | Cheryl Juelg | Volunteers |
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**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

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; Mary Westhead; Rosa Nistico, Margaret Denis; Arthur Astarlis, , Lourenca Fernandes, Prithie Pereira, Madison Kelly, Pat Flarve.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

**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: 7/11/2021 – 636.00$**

**Loose Money: 7/11/2021 – 169.00$**

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

**Mon: 15th Nov St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor**

**Tue: 16th Nov Our Lady of Mercy**

**Wed: 17th Nov St. Elizabeth of Hungary**

**Pray the Rosary Daily**

**Thu: 18th Nov Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul**

**Fri: 19th Nov St. Crispin (happy feast to Fr Crispin)**

**Sat: 20th Nov St. Leo of Nonantula**

**REMEMBRANCE DAY 11 NOVEMBER**

On Remembrance Day we pause and reflect on our service men and women who have died during wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

While commemorative services have taken place around the nation as a War Memorial Church Remembrance Day is very special to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish.

On Friday I said the Mass for all those we remember on this day.

**LEST WE FORGET**

**33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL: MK 13:24-32**

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus’ predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark’s Gospel, Jesus’ words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus’ words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark’s Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark’s community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus’ observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow’s offering. If we had been reading Mark’s Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark’s Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus’ words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus’ words and God’s never-ending love for us.

**UPDATED GOVERNMENT CHANGES TO COVID RESTRICTIONS 12 NOVEMBER 2021**

A number of changes relate to “Vaccination Status” and to the numbers including “Caps” on the number of people attending Religious Ceremonies (e.g. Mass) has been classified as **“Fully Vaccinated”** and as **“Unknown Vaccination Status”**.

**MASSES FOR FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE**

* Relevant vaccination documentation must be provided (details of which are to be recorded by the Monitor).
* If **they cannot** **produce this documentation,** then they can still participate to an **Unknown Vaccination Status Masses**.

**MASSES FOR UNKNOWN VACCINATION STATUS**

* The Check-in Marshall is not interested in **documentation about vaccination Status** and would be expected to admit the person to the Mass.
* The person must of course check in the Government’s QR code displayed in the Narthex or complete the paper entry only for the purpose of “Cap” number and contact tracing.
* A parishioner designated as a **“Covid Check-in Marshal”** will greet you in the Narthex to help with your check in. Please come a few minutes early to help with the check in.

**BOOKING MASSES**

How we operate must reflect the Archdiocese rules in conformity with Government’s rule changes and (revised) attendance caps. Therefore we will continue with the system of “booking for Mass” by ringing **9598 3979.**

* *Saturday 6:00pm Fully Vaccinated (100 people)*
* Sunday 9:00am Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people)
* *Sunday 10:30 Fully Vaccinated (100 people)*
* Monday 9:00am Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people)
* *Tuesday 9:00am Fully Vaccinated (100 people)*
* Wednesday 9:00am Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people)
* *Thursday 9:00am Fully Vaccinated (100 people)*
* Friday 9:00am Unknown Vaccination Status (30 people)

We look forward to attendances opening up further. You are all in my prayers.

Fr Vittorio Ricciardi (Parish Priest)