

**OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
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**Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 10am-4.00pm;  
Friday 10am-3.00pm Other times - we respond when able to.

**Sunday Masses:** *English* - Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 9am, 10.30am, 5.30pm  
*Mass in other languages:* *Chin* - 1st, 3rd, 4th Sundays 2.30pm; *Burmese* - 2nd Sunday  
*Vietnamese* - Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 12.30pm, Friday 7pm *Tongan* Sun 7 May  
**Weekday Mass Times:** Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am; Tuesday 7.30pm, Friday 11am  
**Confessions:** Saturdays 9.30am (English or Vietnamese) **Novena:** Tuesday 8.00pm

**MASS COUNT DURING MAY:** There will be a count of how many are attending at all Masses. This helps the Archdiocese planning where needs are, and also assists the Vatican statistics.

 **ALPHA (18 - 35 years)** A series of interactive sessions that explore life, faith, meaning. Please keep us in your prayers as we move into the final weeks. New Alpha programs begin soon in neighbouring parishes. (See noticeboard)


**MASS INTENTIONS - 29 April-6 May 2023**

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Maria Pham Thi Thu RIP ( <i>Rec Dec</i> )
<b>Sun</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Peter Wheelahan RIP (24-4-2020)
	<b>10.30am</b>	Angelo Mamo RIP
	<b>5.30pm</b>	<i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Parish Intention
<b>Tues</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	Mary Foley RIP (2-5-2021)
<b>Wed</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Healing Prayers
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Mary Galea RIP
<b>Fri</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	Nancy Lundberg RIP
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Special Intention

*“The Master is here and wants to see you.”*  
*Jn 11:28*  
**Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.**  
**Fridays 12noon - until 3.00pm.**




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Week 1 May 6/7	5.30 pm	9.00 am	10.30 am	5.30 pm
Lectors	Andrea Borges	Lucy Sgro	Jannelli Campana	Nenita Santos
Extraordinary Ministers	Mary Rapa	Vickie Blampied	Anita Mastroianni	Celine Rivera
Data Projector	Connie Sposato	Antoinette Spiteri	Emmanuel Campana	Eldred Rivera

Today is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. Pope Francis tells us: *There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.* **CATHOLIC VOCATIONS MELBOURNE** [www.vocationsmelbourne.org](http://www.vocationsmelbourne.org)

**What Are We To Do? Scott Hahn Reflects on the 4th Sunday in Easter**  
*Readings: Acts 2:14, 36-41; Psalm 23:1-6; 1 Peter 2:20-25; John 10:1-10*



Easter's empty tomb is a call to conversion. By this tomb, we should know for certain that God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah, as Peter preaches in today's First Reading. He is the "Lord," the divine Son that David foresaw at God's right hand. He is the Messiah that God had promised to shepherd the scattered flock of the house of Israel. As we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus is that Good Shepherd, sent to a people who were like sheep without a shepherd. He calls not only to the children of Israel but to all those far off from Him—to whomever the Lord wishes to hear His voice. The call of the Good Shepherd leads to the restful waters of Baptism, to the anointing oil of Confirmation, and to the table and overflowing cup of the Eucharist, as we sing in today's Psalm. Again on this Sunday in Easter, we hear His voice calling us His own. He should awaken in us the response of those who heard Peter's preaching. "What are we to do?" they cried. We have been baptised. But each of us goes astray like sheep, as we hear in today's Epistle. We still need daily to repent, to seek forgiveness of our sins, to separate ourselves further from this corrupt generation. We are called to follow in the footsteps of the Shepherd of our souls. By His suffering He bore our sins in His body to free us from sin. But His suffering is also an example for us. From Him we should learn patience in our afflictions, to hand ourselves over to the will of God. Jesus has gone ahead, has driven us through the dark valley of evil and death. His Cross has become the narrow gate through which we must pass to reach His empty tomb—the verdant pastures of life abundant.

**Child Safety Reminders & Important notice for Parents**  
•Please accompany your child if they need to leave the building.  
•Please ensure you know where your child is if not beside you.  
*Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and vulnerable people.*