

**OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday 10am-4.30pm; Wednesday & Friday 9am-12pm.
Other times - we respond when able to.

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

MASS INTENTIONS 6 -14 August 2022

Saturday 5.30pm Paul & Amelia Ruberto RIP Anniversary
Sunday 9am Patrick Sheridan RIP Anniversary
Sunday 10.30am Prayers for Healing (*after a stroke*)
Sunday 5.30pm *Pro Populo*
Monday 9am School Mass Feast of St Mary MacKillop
Tuesday 7.30pm Parish Intention
Wednesday 9am Parish Intention
Thursday 9am Parish Intention
Friday 11am Parish Intention
Saturday 9am Giovanna D'Agostino RIP Anniversary

MONDAY 8 August - Feast of St Mary MacKillop

9am Mass - We welcome the Our Lady's Primary School who will lead the music and liturgy.

MONDAY 15 August - Feast of the Assumption

(*Holy Day of Obligation*)

9am Parish Mass - School children attending

7pm Mass in Vietnamese.

Holy Family Parish - BRAYBROOK & MAIDSTONE

8am Parish Mass in both churches

7pm Evening Mass at Our Lady's Maidstone

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication.

- On-line / virtual weekend: **19 -21 August 2022**
- Parish based weekend: **22- 23 October** in Niddrie (Book early to avoid disappointment)
Information/Bookings: **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au
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CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL -

Next weekend 14 August

CatholicCare delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling, specialised support for young people, refugee and asylum seekers, separating families and homelessness, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons. .

Faith of Our Fathers

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Wisdom 18:6-9; Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:35-40*

We are born of the faith of our fathers, descending from a great cloud of witnesses whose faith is attested to on every page of Scripture (see Hebrews 12:1). We have been made His people, chosen for His own inheritance, as we sing in this Sunday's Psalm.

The Liturgy this week sings the praises of our fathers, recalling the defining moments in our "family history." In the Second Reading, we remember the calling of Abraham; in the First Reading we relive the night of the Exodus and the summons of the holy children of Israel.

Our fathers, we are told, trusted in the Word of God, put their faith in His oaths. They were convinced that what He promised, He would do.

None of them lived to see His promises made good. For it was not until Christ and His Church that Abraham's descendants were made as countless as the stars and sands (see Galatians 3:16-17, 29). It was not until His Last Supper and the Eucharist that "the sacrifice . . . the divine institution" of that first Passover was truly fulfilled.

And now we too await the final fulfillment of what God has promised us in Christ. As Jesus tells us in this week's Gospel, we should live with our loins girded—as the Israelites tightened their belts, cinched up their long robes and ate their Passover standing, vigilant and ready to do His will (see Exodus 12:11; 2 Kings 4:29).

The Lord will come at an hour we do not expect. He will knock on our door (see Revelation 3:20), inviting us to the wedding feast in the better homeland, the heavenly one that our fathers saw from afar, and which we begin to taste in each Eucharist.

As they did, we can wait with "sure knowledge," His Word like a lamp lighting our path (see Psalm 119:105). Our God is faithful, and if we wait in faith, hope in His kindness, and love as we have been loved, we will receive His promised blessing and be delivered from death.



COVID-19 UPDATE

Face coverings remain optional within places of worship. However parishioners are encouraged to be sensitive to the well-being of others when in close proximity.

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.
- Talk to your children about ways to stay safe.
Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and vulnerable people.