# Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Parish 90 - 92 Monash Street, Sunshine 3020

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday 10am-4.30pm; Friday 10am-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 Sundays 2.30pm; Burmese - 2nd Sunday Sept, Nov Vietnamese - Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 12.30pm, Friday 7pm Tongan - 1st Sunday TBC Weekday Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am; Tuesday 7.30pm, Friday 11am. Confessions: Saturdays 9.30am (English or Vietnamese) Novena: Tuesday 8.00pm

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Saturday 5.30pm	Carmela, Francesco,
	Aldo & Maria Farfalla RIP Anniversary
Sunday 9am	John Spiteri RIP
Sunday 10.30am	Giuseppe Mesiti (RIP 1 month)
	Connie Whitby RIP (1 month)
	Anto Bich Bui RIP Anniversary
Sunday 5.30pm	Pro Populo
Monday 9am	Vincent RIP Anniversary
Tuesday 7.30pm	Narasimha Swamy Pothuri RIP
Wednesday 9am	Deceased Priests of the Diocese
Thurs. 9am Fri. 11am * Sat. 9am Parish Intention	
<b>*each Friday</b> 12noon - 3pm Adoration & silent prayer *	

ANNUAL MISSION FETE - Saturday 8 October 9am-2.30pm. Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver 154 Cotham Road, Kew. Proceeds will aid the missions in Africa, specifically the construction of a wall to prevent landslides.

MARCH FOR BABIES 2022 - Saturday 8 October. Meet at Treasury Gardens 12.30pm, marching to Parliament 1pm.

**EMMANUEL YOUTH RETREAT:** For youth in Years 9-12. September 26-28 Casa Palotti, Wesburn. \$180 p.p. Activities include bushwalking, talks, group sharing, talent night Mass and Confession and great food. Bookings: Annie Lawrence 0423 057 297 or steveannielawrence@yahoo.com



## NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Has been going continually in our parish since 1957. Many graces have been received over the years through the powerful intercession of Our Blessed Mother. Every Tuesday at 8pm (after 7.30 Mass).



## Seeking the Lost Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Exodus 32:7–11, 13–14;* 

Psalm 51:3–4, 12–13, 17, 19; 1 Tim 1:12–17; Luke 15:1–10

The episode in today's First Reading has been called "Israel's original sin." Freed from bondage, born as a people of God in the covenant at Sinai, Israel turned aside from His ways and fell to worshipping a golden calf. Moses implores God's mercy, just as Jesus will later intercede for the whole human race. Just as He still pleads for sinners at God's right hand and through the ministry of the Church. Israel's sin is the sin of the world. It is your sin and mine. Ransomed from death and made His children in Baptism, we fall prey to the idols of this world. We remain a "stiff-necked people," resisting His will for us like an ox refuses the plowman's yoke (see Jeremiah 7:26).

Like Israel, in our sin we push God away and reject our divine sonship. Once He called us "my people" (see Exodus 3:10; 6:7). But our sin makes us "no people," people He should, in justice, disown (see Deuteronomy 32:21; 1 Peter 2:10).

Yet in His mercy, He is faithful to the covenant He swore by His own self in Jesus. In Jesus, God comes to Israel and to each of us—as a shepherd to seek the lost (see Ezekiel 34:11–16), to carry us back to the heavenly feast, the perpetual heritage promised long ago to Abraham's children. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," Paul cries in today's Second Reading. These are the happiest words the world has ever known. Because of Jesus, as Paul himself can testify, even the blasphemer and persecutor can seek His mercy. As the sinners do in today's Gospel, we draw near to listen to Him. In this Eucharist, we bring Him the acceptable sacrifice we sing of in today's Psalm—our hearts, humbled and contrite. In the company of His angels and saints, we rejoice that He has wiped out our offense. We celebrate with Him that we have turned from the evil way that we might live (see Ezekiel 18:23).

### 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.

#### **PARISH CENSUS** - During September

We invite everyone who regularly attends Mass here at Our Lady's to register with the Parish.

Your contact details will be used only by the Parish Office for communication purposes and update our records Please Scan the QR code and fill in. *Thankyou.* 

