

**OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
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Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues & Wed 10am-4.00pm; Fri 10am-3.00pm.

Sunday Masses: *English* - Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 9am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Mass in other languages: *Chin - Burmese* Sunday 2.30pm; *Tongan* TBC

Vietnamese Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 12.30pm, Friday 7pm

Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 9am; Friday 11am; Tuesday 7.30pm

Confessions: Saturdays 9.30am (*English or Vietnamese*) **Novena:** Tuesday 8.00pm



VOLUNTEERS THANKSGIVING MASS, 10.30am Sunday 10 September

Mass followed by a cuppa. **All parish volunteers** - Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Cleaners, Musicians /Choirs, counters.... All invited. **CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 4 - 9 September & Safeguarding Sunday** is an opportunity to renew our commitment to care and safety of our children.

MASS INTENTIONS 3-9 September

Sat 5.30pm Glen Remedios RIP
Kath McKenzie RIP

Sun 9.00am Filip & Maria Krsticevic RIP
10.30am Maria Ngoan RIP
5.30pm *Pro Populo*

Mon 9.00am John Farquhar RIP

Tues 7.30pm Thanks : 70th Wedding Anniv

Wed 9.00am Parish Intention

Thur 9.00am Caterina Potenza RIP

Fri 11.00am Special Intention

Sat 9.00am Parish Intention

CONGRATULATIONS

*70th Wedding Anniversary
Reg & Glenis Hockey*

“Will you not watch one hour with me?” *Matthew 26:40*

You are invited to come and spend some quiet time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament:
Fridays 12noon - 3.00pm.



DONATIONS to support our parish SCAN this QR
Thank you!



Week 2: Sept 9/10	5.30 pm	9.00 am	10.30 am	5.30 pm
Lectors	Mary Rapa	Althea D'Souza	Tongan Choir	Melizza Boongaling
Extraordinary Ministers	Simplex & Blezza Borges	Sr. Shirani Britto	Jennifer Godfrey	Celine Rivera
Data Projector	Connie Sposato	Antoinette Spiteri	Tongan Choir	Eleazar Boongaling



We wish all our fathers a very happy Father's Day.

FATHERS DAY - Special Collection for our Retired Priests
THIS WEEKEND

For Your Life: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27*

Today's First Reading catches the prophet Jeremiah in a moment of weakness. His intimate lamentation contains some of the strongest language of doubt found in the Bible. Following God's call, he feels abandoned. Preaching His Word has brought him only derision and reproach.

But God does not deceive—and Jeremiah knows this. God tests the just and disciplines His children through their sufferings and trials.

What Jeremiah learns is what Jesus states explicitly in today's Gospel. To follow Him is to take up a cross, to deny yourself—your priorities, preferences, and comforts. It is to be willing to give it all up, even life itself, for the sake of His Gospel.

As Paul says in today's Second Reading, we have to join ourselves to the Passion of Christ, to offer our bodies—our whole beings—as living sacrifices to God.

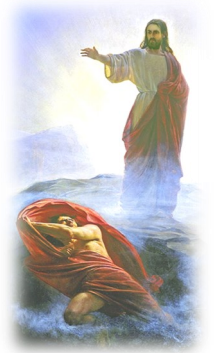
By His Cross, Jesus has shown us what Israel's sacrifices of animals were meant to teach: we owe to God all that we have.

God's kindness is a greater good than life itself, as we sing in today's Psalm. The only thanks we can offer is our spiritual worship, giving our lives to the service of His will.

Peter doesn't yet get this in today's Gospel. As it was for Jeremiah, the cross is a stumbling block for Peter. This is our natural temptation, as well: to refuse to believe that our sufferings play a necessary part in God's plan.

That's how people think, Jesus tells us today. But we are called to the renewal of our minds—to think as God thinks, to will what He wills.

In the Mass, we once again offer ourselves as perfect and pleasing sacrifices of praise. We bless Him as we live, confident that we will find our lives in losing them, that with the riches of His banquet our souls will be satisfied.



LODGING Student 23yrs, practicing Catholic, good family - he needs lodging / rent a room during Uni Engineering studies from late September. Reference available from Fr Peter

THEOLOGY @ THE PUB 4 Sept. 7.30pm Talk: **SANITY & SANCTITY** - Why good mental health is integral in the Christian life. Speaker Matt McDonald. Doors open from 6pm, Hop Bar, Top level of Beer DeLuxe, Federation Sq. Flinders St, City.

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.