



St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 9am - 3pm
Wednesday 9am - 2pm

4 August 2024 | 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Rev Giovanni Presiga

Assistant Priest

Rev Adam Carlow

Parish Secretaries

Sandra De Nardi

Susie Lee

Sacramental Coordinator

Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Dr Gavin Hays

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy during school term

Weekday Masses

9:15am Tuesdays to Fridays

9:45am - 10:15am Fridays - Adoration

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the

9.15am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday

at 11:30am

(Must make a booking)

Weddings: By appointment



<http://www.facebook.com/stmadeleines>

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15, Eph 4:17, 20-24, Jn 6:24-35



COMMENTARY: The liturgy for this Sunday builds on the theme of Eucharistic Communion that we began to explore last week in St John's Gospel. Today, we are invited to be transformed by the Bread of Life, made flesh in Jesus, and present in the word of God. The First Reading tells how the people of Israel were grumbling about the painful new life they were living in the desert. God heard their cry, and gave them all that they needed to survive. With the Psalmist, we celebrate how the Israelites were fed in the desert. St Paul (Second Reading) nevertheless calls the Christian community in Ephesus to adopt a completely new way of life, with a more radical understanding of God's loving providence. The true abundance of God's love for us is not to be found by focusing on our material needs; instead, it is found in the goodness and holiness of the Gospel truth. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges us: he doesn't want followers who are just looking for material security and a guarantee of plenty of food to eat. Following Jesus requires a more radical response. Our true spiritual food isn't manna from heaven; rather it is to be found in a personal encounter with the risen Christ, the Bread of Life and truth eternal. As we pray with this week's scripture, let us ask for a spirit of complete transformation and renewal in ourselves, and in our faith communities. May we have the grace to remain sustained by the life-giving word of God.

GOSEL: When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. They said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent'. So they said, 'What sign will you give us to show that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert: as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world'. 'Sir,' they said, 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the Bread of Life. The one who comes to me will never be hungry; the one who believes in me will never thirst.'

Courtesy of St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK

Inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit and the Gospel, St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish, a community of faith and service, strives to be a witness for Christ's love far and wide, reflecting the humility and wisdom of St Madeleine, the Patroness of the parish.

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Music Coordinators: Selina Calleia, Joan Sattler & Alexandra Mifsud

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Pauline Chacal

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator: Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Rick Jones

Piety Shop: Sandra Tabone

Altar Linen Coordinator: Catherine Diekman

Parish Council Chair: Sally Coppini

Finance Committee Chair: Carl Mathias

Safeguarding Champion: Brendan Ford

FUNERAL OF THE

LATE MARIANNA SCUGLIA

11AM MONDAY, 5 AUGUST

AT ST MADELEINE'S

Our prayers and condolences with the Scuglia family

FUNERAL OF THE

LATE ROSA ARAUJO

12NOON FRIDAY, 9 AUGUST

AT ST MADELEINE'S

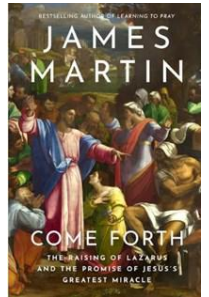
Our prayers and condolences with the Araujo family

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S

This week Catholic Earthcare showed the movie Teilhard Visionary Scientist, a very powerful story of a mystic in our time, if you are interested it can be found online easily. This week we also met for the Tri Diocesan Social Justice dinner. Was great to catch-up with fellow social justice advocates from across our three Sydney diocese's. The presentation from John Lochowiak, Chair of The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council who spoke about his hope for our country and all its Peoples, especially those who are indigenous. The Earthcare Convocation program has been announced and I will be presenting on Living Laudato Si' and exploring parish as a place of belonging. You are all welcome to join this on-line gathering September 12th and 13th and in person on September 14th at Mulgoa where Chris Tobin local Darug elder will share his story.

St Mad's Book Club

Join us to discuss Fr Martin as he analyses the miracle of Lazarus's resurrection and asks us to consider what Jesus means when he calls Lazarus--and each of us--to "come forth." Taking us through the Gospel story verse by verse, he offers deep reflection on the lessons it holds about love, family, sadness, frustration, fear, anger, freedom, and joy.



8 August 2024 at 7pm

Meeting ID 825 5839 3422 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82558393422>

FIRST EUCHARIST

Parent Information Evening:
Tuesday, 6 August at 4.30pm
or 7pm

Preparation Sessions: Sundays
18 & 25 August, 8 September at 4pm

For any queries Sandra 0410 587 735
stmads.sacraments@gmail.com

The Sacraments are the manifestation of the Father's tenderness and love towards each of us
~Pope Francis



PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently deceased: Marianna Scuglia, Rosa Araujo

For the dearly departed: Ivan Ceccato, Rocco Marafioti, Mary Cumbo, Domenica & Francesco Barbaro, Ron Phillips, Evelyn Attard, Patrick (Pat) Lynch, Dermot Murphy, Laurence Bernard Riley, Toshio Sato, Mary Cutajar, Mary Ellen Bradley, Costantino Giudice, Fulvio Russo, Giovanni & Giuseppina Scarpin, Giulia Russo, Rodney Teagued Anniu, Hugo Cutrone, Angelo Cammarata, Anthony, Rose & Lawrence Apap, Joseph & Louise Bonello, Anton Hasham, Jennifer Hasham, Samira Hasham

Please pray for the sick: Kalem Saras, Anthony Attard, Roy Cutrone, Frances Perri, Paul Refalo, Pat Brush, Bob Burke, Miriam & Vansen Tsueng, William Chapman, Rocco Scardino, Kia Benete, Nathan Luezzi, Greg Lambert, David Tierney, Yvonne Bolland, Brenda Riley, Henry Field, Aura Krakowszky



PRAYER AT ST MADS



THE SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS
Tuesday at 10.30am via Zoom.
Contact Careyanne 0438 791 813
or careyannemoylan@hotmail.com



PRAYER GROUP
Wednesday after morning Mass at 10am in the St Madeleine centre:
Explanation of Sunday Mass Gospel,
Pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy



ST MAD'S BOOK CLUB
To register contact Careyanne on
careyannemoylan@hotmail.com



RCIA
For enquires contact the Parish Office



ST MADS ROSARY
Thursday after morning Mass
Monday Rosary Via Zoom Contact
Lydia Ceccato 0400 372 561



BAPTISM PREPARATION
First Saturday of the month in the St Madeleine centre: Ring/email Parish office for booking 9654 2260
kenthurst@parracatholic.org

Please contact the parish office if you are sick and would like to organise a home visit by Fr Giovanni

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Please ensure your details are kept up to date

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. You can drop off the envelopes at the weekend Masses or the parish office or you can do it electronically to:

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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,498.35
2nd Collection (for Parish) = Envelopes = \$1,377 Loose = \$1,487.55
Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$1,864.38

Our Community

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS - Standard 4: Equity is upheld and diverse needs are taken into account

The Diocese of Parramatta upholds equity and takes into account diverse needs through: Its Commitment to an encounter of radical love, inclusiveness, and solidarity for all people. Supporting refugees and asylum seekers. The Safeguarding Council – Members are from diverse circumstances and backgrounds. Provision of financial assistance to those experiencing hardship. Training for staff and volunteers on Elder Abuse Awareness, vulnerable adults and children, and domestic and family violence.

Advocating for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, refugees, and asylum seekers. Recruitment practices which include principles of equity and diversity

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THE CHOSEN – TV Series Season 4 Episode 1

Commencing Tuesday 6th August

7pm St Madeleine Centre

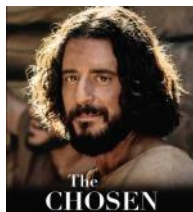
Then each following Tuesday Evening 7pm

8 Episodes (Final Episode 24th September) Small

supper provided and discussion

Everyone is Welcome

Contact Loretta 0419260637



FRIENDS OF ST MADELEINE'S: Please join us every second Friday in the St Madeleine Centre for a casual morning tea. Perhaps meet up with some old friends - or make some new ones. Everyone is welcome. Our next get together will be **Friday, 9th August 2024 at 10am**. If you would like to come but require transport please contact the parish office on 9654 2260



Please place your name on the list found on the **DINNER DANCE TABLE** located at the entrance to the Church if you are able to provide the donation of prizes or help in any way.



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EMAIL—PLEASE IGNORE any email you may receive requesting money or gift cards for Fr Giovanni. These emails are not from Fr Giovanni.

LAUNCH OF THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

The Diocese of Parramatta is excited to announce that the launch and release of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan for a Synodal Church is only 2 weeks away, on Saturday 10 August. The pastoral plan represents the culmination of our Synod journey, where we have come together to listen, discern, and envision a path forward for our diocese over the past 15 months. For more information, visit parracatholic.org/synodality

BISHOP VINCENT PRESENTS DR MYRIAM WIJLANS: 5 AUGUST

Internationally recognised Dutch theologian, ecumenist and consultant to several Vatican bodies, Dr Myriam Wijlans will be coming to Australia to deliver a series of free public lectures on the topic of 'The prophetic voice of the laity in the renewal of the Catholic Church.' Dr Myriam will be hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta as part of its "Bishop Vincent Presents" series on Monday 5 August at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta, from 6pm. To register, please visit parracatholic.org/drmyriam

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN 2024

Getting married in 2024? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/celebrate/marriage/marriage-preparation to view weekend course dates in the New Year, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the website. For more information, email marriage@parracatholic.org or Marisa on 0412 280 017

PEACE, JUSTICE & ECOLOGY TABLE TALK—HOUSING FOR EVERYONE: 3 AUGUST

Many people in our communities struggle to find a home, due to high prices to rent or buy, lack of availability, or lack of social housing. At this Diocesan Table Talk, you are invited to hear and discuss inspiring stories from people affected and insightful information from an expert: 3 August 2024 from 7pm – 9:30pm (after Mass) at The Good Shepherd Parish, 130-136 Hyatts Rd, Plumpton. Light dinner will be included. Please register at tinyurl.com/housing-table-talk24



ST MADELEINE'S PLAYGROUP

St Madeleine's Centre
28 Annangrove Road, KENTHURST

- Every Thursday during school term, from 9.30am
- Play and activities for children 0-6 years old.



- Mums, Dads, Carers and Grandparents are all welcome!
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- For more information, please contact Sarah - 0405 514 624 or Amy - aseychel13@parra.catholic.edu.au



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Daily Prayer

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
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one with your own;
A humble heart that knows
and loves its nothingness;
A gentle heart that holds and
calms its own anxiety;
A loving heart that has compassion
for the suffering of others;
A pure heart that recoils even at the
appearance of evil; A detached heart that longs
for nothing other than
the goodness of heaven;
A heart detached from self-love and
embraced by the love of God,
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its goodness its only treasure in time
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3 & 4 August

10 & 11 August

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MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR	John Puleo	Piety Rocha		
READERS	Anne Kyngdon Justin Kyngdon	Nigel Saunders Rick Di Cristoforo	Sue Martin Roslyn Earl	Jan Schroder Gael Carpani
JNR MINISTERS	Emerson & Kerstin		Georgia & Grace	Oliver & Benjamin
MUSICIANS	Rebecca			
COUNTERS	Loretta Wilson & Sandra Tabone		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Sandra Bonello
FLOWERS	Parish		ALTAR LINEN	Rosa Carlino
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WELCOMERS	Corrie Sebire	Fran & Rocco Scardino	Sandra Tabone	Joseph Spina
MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR	John Puleo	Steve Fry	Phyllis Hannah	
READERS	Corrie Sebire Colleen Dunlop	Maria Fry Eileen Sherlock	Sandra Bonello Sally Coppini	Lidia Ceccato Jacqui Nisbet
JNR MINISTERS	Kerstin & Maddison N		Oliver & Joyah	Luciana & Benjamin
MUSICIANS		Joan		
COUNTERS	Tony Hooper & Paul Vella		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Sally Coppini
FLOWERS	Wedding		ALTAR LINEN	Rosa Carlino