



St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish

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Wednesday 9am - 2pm

13th October 2024 | 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

PARISH TEAM

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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



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Wis 7:7-11, Heb 4:12-13, Mk 10:17-27

COMMENTARY: The readings this week give us an opportunity to step back from the busy-ness of our everyday lives to consider more deeply the riches we have been given, and what it is we truly value. In the First Reading, the spirit of Wisdom has come to the writer through prayer. Beside her, everything else that might be valued on earth seems worthless, and pales into insignificance. The Psalmist revels in the joy that comes from knowing the love of God, and witnessing to God's glory. It is through constantly pursuing wisdom of heart that we will be sustained in our service of the Lord. These themes of wisdom, selfless values, and service to the Lord are drawn together in the Gospel story of the rich young man, whose attachment to wealth prevents him from truly following Jesus. Through this encounter, Jesus teaches that whatever we leave behind to follow him will be far surpassed by the treasures we will inherit in heaven. During this week, we might pray for the gift of ever greater wisdom to help us recognise and seize every opportunity to show our love of God through the good we do each day.

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 17-30 (part): Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case', they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men and women', he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

REFLECTION: I open my heart and mind to the Lord's loving presence with me as I settle down to pray. As I read the words of the Gospel, it may help to imagine the scene. How do I feel as I see the look of love that Jesus has for the young man? How do I respond to his sadness as he realises that he isn't able to give up his wealth? Do I share the astonishment of the disciples as they hear Jesus's teaching, and seek to understand its meaning? Maybe I can put myself in the young man's place, and let Jesus look at me with that same love. What might he be asking of me? Are there riches (not necessarily material) to which I cling, which prevent me from being free to follow him as he asks? I spend some time pondering these questions with the Lord. I end my prayer asking the Lord for the grace to know him more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more nearly, day by day.

Prepared by St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham

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

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ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

There will be a Mass for All Souls' Day on Saturday, 2 November at 9.15am

If you would like photos of your dearly departed displayed on our Remembrance Wall throughout the month of November please provide to the parish office.

During the month of November, we will offer our prayers and Masses for the eternal repose of the souls of our beloved departed. Names can be written in the Book of Life at the entrance to the Church.

Envelopes for Mass intentions will be available during November in the foyer of the Church.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

We pray that the Church continues to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

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

YOUTH GROUP The next youth group meeting will be this **Sunday 13th October**, after the 5.30pm Mass.

It's a great opportunity for our young people to connect with each other and to share faith. If you're interested and you are between the ages of 14-18, you will find some more information at the entry of the church, and a form where you can leave your name and contact details. Hope to see you there!

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S

Anti-Poverty Week takes place from October 13 to 19, with a focus this year on ending child poverty. It bolsters the U.N.'s observance of International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, held yearly on October 17. Anti-Poverty Week aims to devise ways by which to shrink the poverty levels in the country. Jubilee Australia is an organisation researching the deep issues affecting economic justice across Australia and the Pacific. "I support Jubilee Australia because of its ongoing commitment to social and environmental justice and the relief of poverty. The conditions that many of our near-neighbours live are neither accidental nor inevitable, and the work to bring clarity and accountability to the policies and behaviours of governments and corporations in our region is vital."- TIM WINTON, AUTHOR AND JUBILEE AUSTRALIA'S PATRON

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

For the dearly departed: Angelo & Lonza Farrugia, Mary Fitzpatrick, Joe & Sam Farrugia, Ky Frendo, Goeff Burcham, Karen Bartolo, Leonard Meryment, John Nati, Frank Scalercio, Frank Agresta, Rosa Agresta, Teresa Maguire, Rita & Domenico Franceschina, Roberta Alumios, Feliciana & Benito Sabellano, Sr Eufrasia Caruana, Argentieri Pompea, Leslie Waters, Hector Soans, Paul Refalo, Hugo Cutrone, Hector Soans, Engracia Corpuz, Davide Baldi, Frank Agresta, Joseph & Louise Bonello, Anthony, Rose & Lawrence Apap

Please pray for the sick: Faye Wong, Cutrone family, Joe Luezzi, Kalem Saras, Anthony Attard, Roy Cutrone, Frances Perri, Pat Brush, Bob Burke, William Chapman, Rocco Scardino, Kia Benete, Nathan Luezzi, Greg Lambert, David Tierney, Yvonne Bolland, Brenda Riley, Henry Field, Aura Krakowszky

If you would like someone to be included among these requests, please use the Mass offering envelopes found in the foyer of the Church or email the office



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

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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Church BSB : 067950

Account Number : 100000064

Parishioners wishing to donate or pledge their giving via direct debit, please pick up the form at the church for completion and return to the office.

Thank you for your generosity!

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,312.80

2nd Collection (for Parish) = Envelopes = \$1,481.00 Loose = \$1,026.05

Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$1,864.38

Our Community

SAFEGUARDING Safeguarding training is mandatory for all volunteers in a Church. If you would like to complete this training online 'Sign up' by clicking on this link: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>

Brendan - Parish Safeguarding Champion m. 0448 683 146

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 18 OCTOBER

"Please join us across the Diocese to pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Join us at St Aidan's Parish, Rooty Hill on Friday 18 October from 6pm to 7pm with Fr Galbert Albino. Holy Hour will be followed by Mass. If you are interested in becoming a priest or would like more information, please contact our Director for Priestly Vocations, Fr Galbert Albino on (02) 4773 4321, 0450 821 812 or email galbert.albino@parracatholic.org.

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, 18 October at 10am.

If you would like to come but require transport please contact the parish office on 9654 2260.



BUSKING FOR CHANGE—ST MADELEINE'S PRIMARY

We warmly invite you to come together with our St Madeleine's Primary School community for Mass on **SUNDAY, 20TH OCTOBER at 10:00am.**

This will be a special time to share in and reflect as we look ahead to the commencement of the new term, with its opportunities for growth, learning, and deepening our faith.

We are also excited to announce that the school choir will be performing their "Busking for Change" song during the service, sharing their talents and commitment to this important cause.

After Mass, we will gather for morning tea. Please bring a plate of food to share as we enjoy this time of fellowship and connection. Tea and coffee will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you there and joining in prayer for a blessed term ahead!

Visit <https://buskingforchange.ilf.org.au/donate>
In 'Search Organisation and Individuals' type in St Madeleine's and select St Madeleine's Primary School, Kenthurst. You will be brought to our school home page. Scroll down to the bottom of the page until you reach the school donation payment options and choose the amount you wish to donate. Follow the instructions to finalise your donation.

Diocesan Notices

CYP LIFTED GO: 17 OCTOBER

"LIFTED Go" is an exciting new initiative in Catholic Youth Parramatta's LIFTED series, co-created with the Peace, Justice, Ecology team. You can expect an uplifting, energising and prayerful night in true LIFTED style, that will encourage us all to GO out into the deep as missionary disciples & peacemakers: 17 October 2024, 7-9pm, WestHQ. Find out more and register at parracatholic.org/liftedgo

DIocese OF PARRAMATTA WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:

27 OCTOBER The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending by visiting parracatholic.org/weddingmass or phone 0488 000 211 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

RCIA is a process through which adults become members of the Roman Catholic Church. This consists of steps, periods, and rites that make up the model of Christian Initiation as restored in the second Vatican Council. Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home?

Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you have to do to become Catholic?

For queries, please get in touch with the parish office.



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!
- Bring a healthy morning tea and a hat for play.
- For more information, please contact Sarah - 0405 514 624 or Amy - aseychell3@parra.catholic.edu.au



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and comfort to those mourning the dead.
O God of Hope, sustain those who labour for
peaceful and just solutions.
Inspire leaders and decision makers to choose
the way of peace over the way of violence.
Deliver all your children from the threat of war
and teach us to encounter one another with
reverence and love.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ
Who came to bring to peace on earth
And who abides with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

(Sr Deborah Harmeling, OSB)



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Steve Fry

Phyllis Hannah

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School Holidays

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Parish

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19 & 20 Oct

5:30PM VIGIL

8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Pauline Chacal

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