



St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish

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

10th May 2026 | 6th Sunday of Easter Year A

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Rev Giovanni Presiga

Assistant Priest

Rev Clement Gnanapragasam OSB

Parish Secretary

Sandra De Nardi

Finance Officer

Catherine Bareham

Sacramental Coordinator

Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian Catholic College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Mr Matthew Smith

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>

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Pet 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21

COMMENTARY: The readings for this sixth week of Eastertide are full of joy! They celebrate the light and grace of the Holy Spirit who reveals God's love to all of us. In the First Reading, the apostles' ministry to the Samaritans signals a new phase in the early Church where the Gospel message is not just for the Jews but extended to everyone. Joyful celebration is the theme of the Psalm too. We are reminded of the many wondrous works of God, his boundless mercy, and his responsiveness to our prayers. Peter teaches the community what it means to be a Christian in the Second Reading: to honour the Christian message with gentleness and respect, even in the face of criticism and rebuke. The Gospel reminds us of the unbreakable bond between us and Christ, expressed through love for God and for each other, and through obedience to his commandments.

During this special Easter period, may we be strengthened, comforted and inspired by the Holy Spirit to know what it is to be called children of God.

GOSPEL John 14: 15-21 At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 'I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you will also love. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

Those who have my commandments and keep them, are those who love me. And those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and manifest myself to them.

REFLECTION: As I read this Gospel, it might help to imagine myself sitting with the disciples listening to Jesus. I bring all that is going on in my life into this scene, and lay whatever is weighing me down at Jesus's feet.

As I hear his words, I reflect on how faithful am I to the Lord's commandments. How do I receive and express love in my everyday life?

Confident in his unconditional, merciful love, I confide in the Lord about where I have fallen short. I ponder areas of my life or aspects of my behaviour where I need 'another Helper'. I ask God for the grace to let go of my tendencies to think and act in certain ways, to rely on my own power rather than on the wisdom and grace of God.

Maybe there are areas of my life in which I feel lost or alone? I spend some time reflecting on Jesus's promise that he will not leave me as orphan; that he will come to me. I invite the Spirit into those hollow spaces, to fill them with God's love and truth. As I bring my prayer time to an end, I ask that I receive and feel God's love dwelling in me in the coming days.

Courtesy of Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK

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: Loretta Wilson

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Rick Jones

Piety Shop: Sandra Tabone

Altar Linen Coordinator: Catherine Diekmann

Parish Council Chair: Sally Coppini

Finance Committee Chair: Carl Mathias

Safeguarding Champion: Brendan Ford

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



FIRST EUCHARIST

Children have celebrated both Baptism and Reconciliation, in Year 3 or older.

Parent Information Tues, 12th May at 4.30pm or 7pm

Commitment Mass weekend 16th & 17th May

Preparation sessions
4.30pm Tues 19th, 26th May, 2nd June
OR
4.30pm OR 7pm
Thursdays, 21st & 28th May, 4th June

Holy Communion Masses

Sundays, 14th June 12noon
Sunday 21th June 12noon
Saturday, 27th June 11am



CONFIRMATION

Enrolment form will be available July 2026

stmads.sacraments@gmail.com

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S

Reconciliation Week is May 27th to June 3rd. We are in the D'harawal season of Marrai'gang April to June It's the time of year when the cries of the marrai'gang (quoll) seeking his mate can be heard through the forests and woodlands, and when the lilly pillies ripen on the trees. When the lilly pillies start to fall, however, it's time to mend the old, warm cloaks from last cold season or make new ones and begin the yearly trek to the coastal areas. St Madeleine Sophie Barat trusted the Holy Spirit to renew society through love, education and respect for human dignity. Inspired by her example, may we respond to the Spirit by working for justice, mercy and hope today. As we get ready for Pentecost and then Madeleine's feast day May 25th.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE

BERTILLA ("BETTY")

CECCATO

Monday, 11th May 2026
10am at our Church

Our prayers and condolences with the Ceccato family

NOTE: DONATIONS TO THE PARISH Some people have received a warning when they have tried to donate to the parish. As long as you put the correct account details in (see below) there is no risk to you.

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:

ACCOUNT NAME : Kenthurst Catholic Church St Madeleine's

CHURCH BSB : 067950

ACCOUNT NUMBER : 100000064

Thank you for your generosity!

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,674.10

2nd Collection (for Parish) = Loose \$1,623.70 Envelopes \$960.00

Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$ 1,126

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



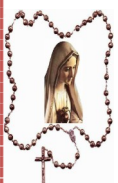
ST MAD'S BOOK CLUB

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

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently deceased: Bertilla ("Betty") Ceccato

For the dearly departed: Bernice King, Nina Giudice, Anthony Rose & Lawrence Apap, Joseph Buttigieg, Andrea Mullins, Paul Castelino, Joseph & Louise Bonello, Noel Watt, Karen Bartolo, Mary Cumbo, Pauline Vella, Maria & Luigi Baldi, Hugo & Roy Cutrone, Joseph Scardino, Charly Hasham, Ben & Paula Diadonne, John Nati, Christy & Breda Sherlock, Patrick Sherlock, Ivanka Valencic, Charbel Mannah, Anton Hashim, Samira Hasham, Jennifer Hasham, Frank Agresta



Please pray for the sick: Francesca Esposito, Margo Doyle, Francesca Notrianni, Angelo Perri, Marlene Agresta, Mark Ciridon, Fabian Cutrone, Fiorina Papallo, Melissa & Brian Adamitz, Bernadette Regan, George Shelazi, Shane Agresta, Aura Krakowszky, Pat Brush

If you would like someone to be included among these requests, please use the Mass offering envelopes found at the entrance to the Church or email the office kenthurst@parracatholic.org

Wishing all mothers a Happy Mother's Day

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH: DIDASKŌ FAITH FORMATION ON THE EUCHARIST

Join the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation and the University of Notre Dame Australia for the Didaskō series—structured, high-quality faith formation designed for everyday Catholics. The lectures are live on zoom and not recorded.



Session 2: **"The Eucharist in Scripture"**. To increase our understanding of the Eucharist, Dr Mario Baghos will look at the Old Testament descriptions of the Passover before looking at what the New Testament sources have to say about the Eucharist.

Monday 11, 18 May; 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start to 8.45pm.

Rosary at 6.55pm. St Madeleine's Centre Kenthurst. Bring note taking materials. More info: Careyanne 0438791813

PENTECOST SUNDAY

**Sunday 24th May
Mass 10am Lunch 11am**



Please bring a plate to share that reflects your cultural background

We will be celebrating the

FEAST OF

ST MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT

on Sunday, 31st May

at our 10am Mass

Followed by morning tea.

Please bring a plate to share.



CODE OF CONDUCT: all volunteers are required to sign an **Acknowledgment of the Code of Conduct—copies in the Church**

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING BY AUGUST 2026

**Face to Face Training at St Madeleine's on
Saturday, 11th July:**

details will be provided closer to the date

Safeguarding Training Modules can also be completed online at <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. It ensures that children, young people, and vulnerable adults are safe, respected, and protected in our parish community.

All volunteers and ministry members are required to complete safeguarding training.

Safeguarding Champion: Brendan Ford Mobile 0448 683 146

FRIENDS OF ST MADELEINE'S Our next Friend's group will be on **Friday, 15th May**

CRAFT MORNING Our next Craft morning will be on **Monday, 18th May**

Rosary Making Workshop

**ST MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT PARISH,
KENTHURST**

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

LEARN HOW TO MAKE ROSARIES TO BE
DONATED TO THOSE IN NEED

WEDNESDAY

MAY 13TH 2026

AT 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**\$ 5.00
PER PERSON**

REGISTER NOW

**OFW@PARRACATHOLIC.ORG
0460 037 795**



The registration link is also available on the Diocese of

Parramatta website [Rosary Workshop for the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima \(13 May\) | Diocese of Parramatta](#)



THANK YOU to everyone for contributing to our very successful cake stall and raffle

We made approximately \$1,900

**1st Prize: Noah Takchi
3rd Prize: Ida Bisoglio**

**2nd Prize: Zakia Touma
4th Prize: Helen Harb**

**Congratulations to
Christine Bonello
and
Jayden Vella
On their wedding**



**POPE LEO'S INTENTION FOR
MAY: THAT EVERYONE MIGHT
HAVE FOOD**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this country on which we worship



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9 & 10 May

5:30PM VIGIL

8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

WELCOMERS

Kyngdon family

Fran & Rocco Scardino

Zakia Touma
Sandra Tabone

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

John Puleo

Piety Rocha

Phillys Hannah

READERS

Justin Kyngdon
Anne Kyngdon

Sandra Bonello
Margaret Mieczkowski

Sally Coppini
Karla Quinn

Tereza Barisic
Lidia Ceccato

JNR MINISTERS

Roderick, Fred, Xavier

Angelina & Antony

MUSICIANS

Rebecca & Chris

Merle

COUNTERS

Tony Hooper & Parish Team

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Pauline Chacal

FLOWERS

Wedding

ALTAR LINEN

Jan Parslow

16 & 17 May

5:30PM VIGIL

8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

WELCOMERS

Maria & Steve Fry
Carol & Terry Scott

Zakia Touma
Teresa Capaldi

MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

Bill Peterkin

Steve Fry

Joe Touma

READERS

Colleen Dunlop
Lidia Ceccato

Tony Hooper
Catherine Diekman

Rosanna Ceroli
Adriana Kennedy

Joanna O'Neil
Tereza Barisic

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Georgia & Luciana

Hannah & Joyah

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Joanna O'Neil & Corrie Sebire

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Alexandra Quail

FLOWERS

Parish

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Maria Fry