



St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish

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

2nd August 2026 | 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Rev Giovanni Presiga

Assistant Priest

Rev Clement Gnanapragasam OSB

Seminarian in Placement

John (Hiep) Nguyen

Finance Officer

Catherine Bareham

Parish Secretary & 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>

They all ate and were satisfied

Is 55:1-3 Rom 8:35, 37-39 Mt 14:13-21

The EUCHARIST Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you for the gift of your real presence in the
Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Grant us the grace
to receive you reverently, worship you truly,
and serve you with hearts renewed.

By the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen us,
so that as you gave yourself to the Father and to us,
we too may offer our lives to God and to others.
Inspire and help us to serve you in those who are in need,
especially the defenceless and homeless,
the lonely and lost.

Unite us with your sacrifice of the Mass,
so that we may truly become what we have received,
the Body of Christ.

Amen.

GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21 At that time: When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' But Jesus said, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'We have only five loaves here and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

COMMENTARY This week the readings focus mostly on food, and more particularly on people eating together: a symbol of fellowship and togetherness, and a reminder of God's covenant with his people. Isaiah (First Reading) issues an invitation to such a meal: 'Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price . . . I will make with you an everlasting covenant.' The Psalm, traditionally sung at mealtimes by the Israelites, praises the Lord for giving them fulfilling food. Even when he is tired and grieving the loss of John the Baptist, Jesus still shows compassion for the crowds who follow him (Gospel). He ensures that they can be fed, transforming the little that the disciples bring him into great abundance. This blessing and sharing of the loaves and fish by Jesus prefigures the meal we share in the Eucharist. Great comfort and support will be gained when we fully appreciate that nothing whatsoever can separate us from the love of God through Christ our Lord. (Second Reading).

Aware that nothing we do or think can make God love us less or more, we pray this week for all who do not know or accept Jesus as their Lord. We also keep in our prayers those who are in desperate need of food, whether physical or spiritual.

Courtesy of 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:

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

CONFIRMATION

Please pray for all our children and their families as, this weekend, they commit to their preparation for Confirmation

Preparation Sessions

Thurs 6th, 13th & 27th
August 4.30pm or 7pm

Confirmation will take place on
Wed, 9th Sept and Thurs 10th Sept

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~St John Paul II~*



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weekend Mass.
Contact Sandra Tabone
on 0413 272 400

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S Sharing what the social justice group at Marian College is working on at the moment. The **FIAT (FAITH IN ACTION TEAM)** and the **MARY MACKILLOP FIA AWARD** participants are planning activities this term to support the Jesuit Refugee Service and the Caritas Venezuelan Earthquake appeal. Learning some more about the **MACKILLOP** story: Father Julian Woods who helped Mary establish her Order is slowly being acknowledged for his love of creation.

"God's beauty, God's goodness, God's fatherly watchful care of me and all nature pursues me everywhere." Julian Tennon Woods

ST CARLO ACUTIS'S EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBITION: 9-23 AUGUST Designed by St Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint, this exhibition documents reported Eucharistic miracles from around the world, and it is touring parishes right across our Diocese. Next, it comes to **OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS, ROUSE HILL, FROM 9-23 AUGUST**. Students, teachers and parishioners are invited, entry is free and no bookings are required. To see where the exhibition is heading next across the Diocese, visit parracatholic.org/iec2028/

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) = \$1,617.30
2nd Collection (for Parish) = Envelopes \$1,084 Loose \$1,578

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

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 there is no risk to you.

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently deceased: Gerald Kalthofen

For the dearly departed: Francesco & Domenica Barbaro, Ivan Ceccato, Giovanni Polifroni, Peter Balnaves, Giuseppina Esposito, Karen Bartolo, Alfred Ciantar, Norman & Chahide Hajje, George, Shaddy & Chahida Hajje, Better & Mary Merhi, Hanna & Raymond Chiha, Mary Cutajar, Brenda Riley, Mary Ellen Bradley, Anthony & Rose & Lawrence Apap, Milagrin Castelino, Costantino Giudice, Peter Dunlop, Joseph Buttigieg, Marilyn Turner, Cathy Milano, Laurence Pentecost, Emanuel Degrabiele, Rita O'Reilly, Noel Flynn, Thomas Dockery, Joan Clark, Frank Dominello, Giuseppe Marino, Laura Marino, Bertilla ("Betty") Ceccato, Charly Hasham, Ivanka Valencic, Anton Hashim, Samira Hasham, Jennifer Hasham, Frank Agresta

Please pray for the sick: Jasmine Samson-Page, Maria Fuda, Tania Vella, 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 Krakowsky, 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

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

ST MAD'S WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

8TH AUGUST 8.30AM ST MADELEINE CENTRE

Come and join us to explore the concept of "finding God in everyday life". We welcome **Nuri Wardrop** as she shares her faith experiences and journey from her childhood in Brazil and finding her way to Australia. Nuri will share her thoughts in finding God in everyday life, her discipleship in her family and community, and finding her way to her Catholic community.



Sign in at back of the church or call

Sue	Careyanne	Carmel
0432716577	0438791813	0417237013

EUCHARIST28 UPDATE – HEARTS SET ABLAZE!

The **INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS IN SYDNEY IN 2028** ('Eucharist28') will be a global gathering of the Church centred on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian lives, culminating in a Papal Mass with Pope Leo XIV. It will be a festival of faith, rich with worship, prayer, testimonies, art, music – a truly 'once in a lifetime' experience, and a transformative moment for our nation. For more information and regular updates, please register on the website: eucharist28.org



TOONGABBIE LEGAL CENTRE (TLC) volunteers will be selling raffle tickets **THIS WEEKEND**, along with some merchandise items. All proceeds will directly support their free legal clinic provided for over 17 years to disadvantaged, marginalised and vulnerable people of Western Sydney. Tickets are \$2.00 each or \$20.00 for a book of 10 tickets – with ten prizes. There will be pancakes for sale: 2 for \$5.

FRIENDS OF ST MADELEINE'S

Please join us every second Friday in the St Madeleine Centre

Please note our next date is **Friday 7th August**

Our **CRAFT MORNING** continues on **Monday 10th August**

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

NOTE If you are volunteering in a **CHILD-RELATED ROLE** the form to complete is the "Working with Children Check Notification Form".

THE PARRAMATTA WAY OF SAFEGUARDING

Our Commitment to Safeguarding is guided by the words of Micah 6:8: *'This is what the Lord asks of you: only this, to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with your God.'*

For more information, please visit the Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website: <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/>

For any queries please contact the office 9654 2260

The Sophia Discussion Group



Are We Made in His Image... or in Code? Join the Sophia Discussion Group for a timely discussion on Pope Leo XIV's landmark new encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*. Together, we will explore the spiritual frontier of artificial intelligence, the sanctity of human work, and how to protect our families from digital isolation. Come share your thoughts on how we can safeguard human dignity and true community in a tech-driven world.

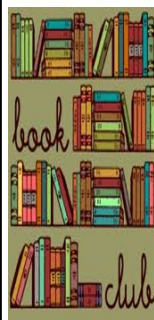
Call to Action: Read the Encyclical & Join the Discussion

When: First Saturday of the month **Beginning 1st August**, 9am

Where: St Madeleine Centre

Reading Materials: Pick up a free one-page discussion guide and paragraph reading list at the back of the church today.

All are welcome! For more information or to RSVP, please contact Careyanne 0438791813



We will slowly explore Fr James Martin's book, *Come Forth*. The miracle of the raising of Lazarus will be deeply examined and the spiritual lessons for us today will be explored.

Join us on zoom. First Tuesday of the month starting **1 September**.

For details call Careyanne 0438791813

St Madeleine's Dinner Dance

DURAL CLUB



FRIDAY
18TH SEPTEMBER 2025



TICKETS: \$130 EACH

TICKETS CAN BE ORDERED
VIA THE QR CODE



PAYMENT DETAILS

Kenthurst Catholic Church



BSB: 067 950



Account No: 100000064

PLEASE INCLUDE
SURNAME & DD
IN THE PAYMENT REFERENCE.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL

Sally Coppini

0407 942 986

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~St Madeleine Sophie Barat ~



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8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

WELCOMERS

Kyngdon Family

Rosa & Tony Carlino

Michelle Eamer
Adriana Kennedy

**MINISTERS OF
THE ALTAR**

John Puleo

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Joanna O'Neil

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Justin Kyngdon
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Roslyn Earl

Jan Shroder
Gael Carpani

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Rebecca & Chris

Chris & Jacinta

COUNTERS

Helen Harb & Paul Vella

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Lisa Moit

FLOWERS

Parish

ALTAR LINEN

Vicky Hooper

8th & 9th August

5:30PM VIGIL

8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

WELCOMERS

Kyngdon family

Fran & Rocco Scardino

Zakia Touma
Sandra Tabone

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