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Wednesday 9am - 2pm

27th September 2026 | 26th 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

Parish Secretary

Sacramental Coordinator

Sandra De Nardi

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Catherine Bareham

St Madeleine's Primary School

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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>

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

Ezek 18:25-28 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32

GOSPEL Matthew 21:28-32

At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What do you think?

A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." And he answered, "I will not", but afterwards he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, "I go, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterwards change your minds and believe him.'

COMMENTARY The readings this week invite us to reflect on where we put our energies. They remind us that we can only serve our own, deep needs by responding to God's call to love and serve others.

In the First Reading the prophet, Ezekiel, tells us that we will only ever experience the fullness of life if we reject wickedness and pursue what is right and just. The Psalm offers words of great encouragement, reminding us of God's constant guidance and salvation for those humble enough to receive it. We are reassured of his mercy and compassion, should we stray from his path. The Second Reading continues in the same vein, inviting us to reject selfish ambition and pride in favour of humility, sympathy and generosity towards others.

In the Gospel, Jesus uses the familiar parable of the two sons to illustrate the difference between mere words and concrete action. He emphasises how status, power and religion mean nothing unless they are used in ways that serve others in God's love.

This week, may we remain mindful of how we might respond to God's call to live a full and meaningful life through service and kindness to others.

Courtesy of St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK <https://www.australiancatholics.com.au/>

POPE LEO'S INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER- FOR THE CARE OF WATER *Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.*

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.

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: Chris Coulton

Safeguarding Champion: Brendan Ford

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

*"without sacraments
there is no Christian life"*
~Pope Leo~

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

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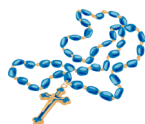
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PRAYER AT ST MAD'S



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 MAD'S 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

As we look to celebrate the **FEAST OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI 4TH OCT**, we celebrate the **Year of Saint Francis of Assisi** is a special Jubilee Year celebrated from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027, marking the 800th anniversary of his death.

How has the **SEASON OF CREATION** been for you as we are called to bring to life the seven Laudato Si' goals to Respond to the Cry of the Earth, Respond to the Cry of the Poor, live Ecological Economics, Ecological Education, Ecological Spirituality and Adopt Simple Lifestyles and connect with community.

We remember **FR EUGENE STOCKTON** who wrote Wonder the Way to God and opened up the spirituality of place in the Blue Mountains as his later life he lived as a hermit.

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

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) = \$1,586.05

2nd Collection (for Parish) = Envelopes \$ 940.00 Loose \$ 1,862.45

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

For the dearly departed: Emanuelle Degabriel, Anthony, Rose & Lawrence Apap, Joseph & Louise bonello Antonio Votano, Maria Fuda, Carlo & Michael Esposito, Hugo & Roy Cutrone, Maria Perri, Norman & Chahida Hajje, George, Chahide & Shaddy Hajje, Hanna & Raymond Chiha, Betty & Mary Merhi, Angelo & Lanza Farrugia, Paul, Sam & Joe Farrugia, Mary Fitzpatrick, Ky Frendo, Betty Scicluna, Geoff Burcham, Gerson Dias, Engracia T Corpuz, Maria Fuda, Gerald Kalthofen, Hector Soames, Kyle Bradwell, Dominic Surace, Francesco & Domenica Barbaro, Ivan Ceccato, Frank Agresta

Please pray for the sick: Patricia Regan, Addi Brownbill, Robert Allaeta, Adam Agresta, Jasmine Samson-Page, 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

FRIENDS OF ST MADELEINE'S Please join us every second Friday in the St Madeleine Centre
Please note our next date is **Friday 2nd October**
Our **CRAFT MORNING** continues on **Monday 19th Oct**



Date First Tuesday of each month
Book: Fr James Martin's book, *Come Forth*
Join us on zoom.
For details call Careyanne 0438791813

Thank You

To our wonderful parishioners and local businesses
for your generosity and support of our

St Madeleine's Dinner Dance

TOGETHER WE RAISED AN INCREDIBLE

\$55,815

Your generosity, kindness and support have made this event
such a success. We are so grateful to everyone who attended,
donated, sponsored, and helped in so many ways.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY
AND HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

The Sophia Discussion Group

Join the Sophia Discussion Group for a timely discussion on Pope Leo XIV's landmark new encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*.

First Saturday of the month at 9am Where: St Madeleine Centre
For more information or to RSVP, please contact Careyanne on 0438791813

CARITAS AUSTRALIA: NEPAL FLOODS APPEAL

Communities in northern Nepal are facing a humanitarian crisis after devastating flash floods swept through the Rasuwa District on 26 August. Over 1,000 people have lost their lives, many remain missing, and thousands of families have been affected. Homes, roads, bridges, schools and essential infrastructure have been destroyed, leaving vulnerable communities in urgent need of support. Caritas Australia is working with Caritas Nepal and local partners to provide lifesaving assistance, including emergency shelter, food, safe drinking water, healthcare and protection support for affected families. Together, we can provide urgent relief and hope to families rebuilding their lives in Nepal.

To donate to the Caritas Australia Nepal Floods Appeal, visit www.caritas.org.au/nepal or call 1800 024 413.

FIRST-CLASS RELIC & EXHIBITION OF ST CARLO ACUTIS

The First-Class Major Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis will be at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta from 28 to 30 September. Come and pray before the Major Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis and experience the Vatican International Exhibition of The Eucharistic Miracles of the World. The Major Pilgrim Relic will be housed in the Chapel for personal prayer and veneration throughout the visit. All welcome.
[Click here](#) for more information.

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

If I had my life to live over again, I would seek to live in complete openness to the Holy Spirit.

~St Madeleine Sophie Barat~





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5.30PM SUNDAY

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Sandra Tabone
Zakia Touma

**MINISTERS OF
THE ALTAR**

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Colleen Dunlop

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Sue Martin

Trish Maidens
Patrick Tuttle

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Georgia, Rachel & Matthew

Bronte & Jacob

MUSICIANS

Rebecca & Chris

Rose & Joan

Merle

COUNTERS

Paul Vella & Parish Team

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

School Holidays

FLOWERS

Parish

ALTAR LINEN

Alice Garratt

5:30PM VIGIL

8AM SUNDAY

10AM SUNDAY

5.30PM SUNDAY

WELCOMERS

Kyngdon family

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Michelle Eamer
Adriana Kennedy

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