Celebration Mass for Catholic State School Scripture Students - Sunday 3 August at 2pm

All students who attend Catholic Scripture classes in the local state schools, together with their families, are warmly invited to attend this special event. There will be student participation in various ways, and afternoon tea to enjoy following the Mass. Please RSVP at the Parish Office.

An invitation from the Indian Community

The Indian community invites you for the solemn Mass on the Feast of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and celebration of India's Independence Day on 15 August at 6pm. The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at St Mary MacKillop Parish, Oran Park.

Baptism — *Has Your Child Been Baptised?*

If you have an child (aged 7 to 12 years) and you would like them to be baptised, please contact the Parish Office. A new preparation program will be commencing on *21 September* at *3.30pm*.

RCIA PROGRAM REGISTER NOW

RCIA ...a journey in faith — Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

A new **RCIA** program will be commencing on *3 August 2025*.

If you, or anybody you know, is interested in being baptised, or becoming a member of the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office.

Would you like to be part of the RICA team and help with the preparation of baptism of adults in our parish? If so, please speak with Fr Henry or contact the parish office.

1800 ELDERHelp (1800 353 374)

Nearly 1 in 6 older Australians experience some form of abuse each year. If you suspect someone is being mistreated, help is available. Call 1800 ELDERHelp (1800 353 374) confidentially for advice or to report concerns. In emergencies, always call 000.

catholiccare Diocese of Wollongong

AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE - A CATHOLICCARE INITIATIVE

Join Robert Fitzgerald AM, Age Discrimination Commissioner, as he explores the critical issues facing older Australians today - including elder abuse and ageism - while offering practical insights and strategies for ageing with dignity, purpose and positivity.

Wednesday 23 July from 10am to 1pm

Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown

To register for this free community event, including morning tea, please use the QR Code, call (02) 4227 1122, or go online to catholiccare.dow.org.au/events.

What's On In Our Diocese

Creating a Culture of Invitation: An evening with Michael Harvey Registration: dow.sh/culture
Date: Monday 21 July (Campbelltown) & Tuesday 22 July (Wollongong) from 7pm to 9:30pm

menALIVE Regional Weekend 9-10 August 2025, Xavier Conference Centre, Wollongong
For more information and to register: https:/menalive-weekend-2025

2025 Significant Marriage Anniversaries Mass
If you are celebrating 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or over 60 years of marriage this year, we invite you to the celebration of Significant Marriage Anniversaries, to be celebrated with Bishop Brian Mascord on Sunday 24 August 2025 at 2pm at the St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. Mass will be followed by light refreshments in the Xavier Centre Conference Room. Please register online at https://dow.sh/MA2025 by Monday, 11 August 2025. Any enquiries please email Helen Bennett helen.bennett@dow.org.au

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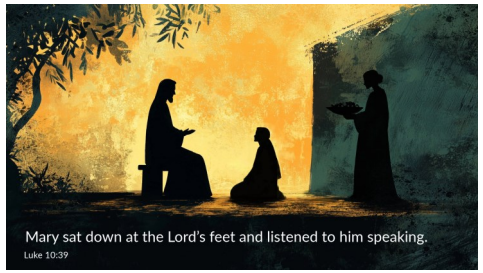
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
20 July 2025

Gospel Reflection



Like so much of the Gospel of Luke, this week's passage is, at its heart, all about hospitality. This theme has featured in the gospel readings for the last couple of weeks. It is a theme that the writer returns to over and over again throughout the gospel to reinforce not only the importance of welcoming the message of Jesus, but also the extravagantly generous hospitality and welcome that God extends to all people.

Taken at a literal level, this week's gospel passage can be a problematic one. Jesus is dining at the house of Martha and she busies herself trying to be a good host and serving her guest, while her sister, Mary, simply sits and enjoys the company of Jesus. Martha complains about her sister's apparent laziness and finds herself chastised by Jesus.

On the surface, Martha is doing the right thing: providing hospitality for her guest. Yet Mary is the one whose actions are affirmed. Like in the parable of the Good Samaritan last week, the gospel writer reminds us that being preoccupied with one's duty - even in service of God – is not what God desires. Martha has forgotten that the guest is also a gift! Having welcomed and shown appropriate hospitality to her guest, Martha should have then accepted the gift of the guest, that is, the company and presence of the welcome guest. Instead she continues to busy herself with serving while her sister shows true welcome: accepting the gift of the guest's company.

When we welcome a guest into our house, we can be too worried about impressing the guest with lavish hospitality and our best serving ware, rather than relaxing and enjoying the company of the guest. Like Martha, we can overlook the fact that God is present when we welcome a guest.

Scriptural context

It is no accident that this story about Martha and Mary immediately follows the parable of the Good Samaritan. We must remember that Jesus is portrayed as telling that parable as clarification of the law to love God and love neighbour. The Samaritan provides an example of what it means to love one's neighbour whilst in this story, Mary provides an example of what it means to love God. Together, the two stories tell us that compassionate service to one's neighbour is crucial but that God does not require service, simply love.

Planned Giving Envelopes

NOW AVAILABLE

The 2025/2026 planned giving envelopes are now available for collection in the Church foyer or you can collect a form to join. Thank you for your continuing financial support to the Parish.

SERVICE TIMES

Holy Family	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
		Tue	7pm
		First Friday of each month	6.30pm
		Sat	5pm Vigil
		Sun	9am and 5pm
	Adoration	Tues	7.30pm
	Benediction	First Friday of each month	9.30am
	Reconciliation	Tue Sat	6.30pm - 7pm 9am - 10am
Holy Trinity	*Rosary*	Mon	7pm
	Reconciliation	Wed	5.45pm - 6pm
	Mass	Wed	6pm
		Sun	8am

What's On In Our Parish

July

19	Church Cleaning - Team "B"
19 & 20	Aid to the Church in Need representatives visit Social Gathering Weekend
22	Term 3 Commences
23	Year 6 & Year 3 attending 9am Mass CatholicCare Ageing With Confidence Workshop 10am-1pm at Campbelltown Catholic Club

August

3	State School Scripture Student Mass, 2pm
6	Monthly Morning Tea
15	Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary & India's Independence Day - 6pm, St Mary MacKillop Parish, Oran Park
16	Aboriginal Mass and Baptisms 10am, Holy Trinity

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal Thank You

The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Society Conference members would like to offer our sincere thanks to the Holy Family Ingleburn parishioners, including those who contributed directly to our online fundraising page, for your generosity in contributing to the Ingleburn Conference Winter Appeal. The total amount of money raised is $3,805.00, which is a fantastic response.
These monies will be utilised to help support those in need of assistance in our local community.

PARISH GROUPS & MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY
7.30pm every Wednesday in the Church Meeting Room.

BIBLE READING
9.45am 2nd & 4th Wednesday in the Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE STUDY
7pm 1st & 3rd Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE SHARING
7pm 2nd & 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS
6.30pm 2nd & 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

CHILDRENS LITURGY
Every Sunday during 9am Mass.

Confession

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all un-righteousness". 1 John 1:9

Holy Family: Saturday 9am to 10am
Holy Family: Tuesday 6.30pm to 7pm
Holy Trinity: Wednesday 5.45pm

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Liturgical Dates

July

22	Mary Magdaline
25	Saint James, *Apostle*
26	Saints Joachim and Anne, *Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
29	Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Thank You

Collections to 30 June 2025:
$22,270 Planned Giving
$68,374 Second Collection
(Includes Second Collections from Ingleburn, Minto, Polish Community, Samoan Community, Neocatechumenal Way)

Special Donations:
$33,784 First Collection - Diocese of Wollongong Clergy Fund

Visiting the Sick and Homebound: There are an increasing number of people who, whether due to age or ill health, are not able to attend Church, but would like to receive Holy Communion. If you, or someone you know, is in this situation, please contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged.

CARLO ACUTIS

Patron Saint of the Internet
Feast Day - 12 October

Canonisation Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 7 September 2025 in Rome.

"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan." Carlos Acutis

If you have any information, news or messages that you would like us to consider for the parish bulletin, please contact the Parish office .

We pray ... For the eternal rest of Father David John Catterall. For the eternal rest of Pope Francis. For those affected by natural disasters. For world leaders and policy makers to work to foster peace and justice in all nations. For those feeling overwhelmed and challenged in mind, body, soul and spirit. For those who have nobody to pray for them. For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

For the sick and homebound: *May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers. Amen.* For our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them; Maria Elizabeth Tuason, Emerlida Castillo, Rebecca Velasco.

For our recently dearly departed: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*
Paul Myers, Juan Cataldo, Marcus Parker, Santana D'Souza, Janice O'Keefe, William Francis Milgate, Lito De La Rosa, Horatius Y. Macariola.

For those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.* For all of our family members and friends; Yohanes Harjono and Yosefa Oeniwati, Bayani Manuel, Hazel Pereira, Felicia Pereira, Sandra Irani.

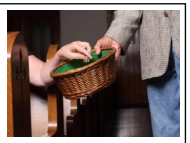
Other intentions: The children of Margaret Burgees, David, Judith, Michael & Peter.
For all teachers, students and staff that Term 3 may be a time of growth, perseverance and grace.

With joyful hearts, during June, we welcomed the newly Baptised into our Holy Family Parish community:

Madison Agoo, Ava Vaurasi, Hazel Royce, Tucker Warr, Malachi Issa, Andre Jabro.

We ask God to bless these children, their parents, Godparents and families, to surround them with your goodness and lead them in Your light each day of their lives.

TWO COLLECTIONS



Why do we have two collections at Mass? This is a question often asked.
Both collections are important and are used for two distinct purposes.
The money from the 1st collection goes to support the daily living expenses of our parish priest, with the left-over funds sent to the diocese to support the diocesan retirement fund.
The 2nd collection, which includes the planned giving program, is the main source of our parish income. This is the collection that keeps us going as a parish, as it is used for the day-to-day expenses of running of our parish. It is used to pay for the repairs and maintenance, wages, insurance, utilities, all church supplies, ministry expenses and the many other expenses incurred to keep our parish functioning.
We thank you for your support of our weekly collections but would like to impress on you the importance of the second collection.

Parish Planned Giving

You can continue to contribute financially to the Parish via the two collections at the weekend Masses, but if you prefer, the Holy Family Parish bank account details are:

First collection
Account name: Ingleburn Presbytery
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001978

Second collection
Account name: Ingleburn Parish
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001773

To contribute via planned giving envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for supporting your parish.

INVITATION FROM THE NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY COMMUNITY

'Who do you say I am', asks Jesus Christ of his first followers. Also today, this could be a confronting question for many.

If you are wanting to better understand where God is acting in your life, then the Neocatechumenal Community of Holy Family Parish invites you to come and listen. First approved by St Pope Paul VI in response to the challenge of the Second Vatican Council, these catechesis will help you to discover your baptism in adult faith. Commencing Saturday 12 July at 7pm in the rooms below the Church, the nights will continue every Wednesday and Saturday night.

If you require assistance to travel or with babysitting, please call or text Bernie 0432 413 803 or Laura 0433 343 717.