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From Our Diocese

In 2015, Pope Francis wrote that “charity and mercy demand that the Church, like a good mother, be near her children who feel themselves estranged from her. **The Interdiocesan Tribunal of Sydney**, which has an Office in the Diocese of Wollongong, is a service of the Church to assist with the pastoral care of Catholics and non-Catholics who are civilly divorced, and who are seeking to remarry or who want clarification of their standing in the Church. The Tribunal also assists remarried persons seeking to have their current marriage recognised in the Church, and remarried persons wishing to be baptised or received into the Catholic Church.

Any divorced person, or a divorced and remarried person is welcome to contact the Wollongong Office of the Tribunal to obtain further information, or to have their status within the Church clarified. Brochures are available from the church foyer or notice board area. The Wollongong Office of the Tribunal is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. You are welcome to contact the Tribunal on 4222 2409 or tribunal@dow.org.au or visit www.tribunal.dow.org.au

What's On In Our Diocese

St Joseph Camino Walk for Men - Friday 5 September

Join men from around our Diocese for an overnight St Joseph walk praying for the needs of the Church, our families and the world. The Camino begins on Friday 5 September with 8pm Mass at St Joseph's, Como, concluding with 7am Mass at St Aloysius on Saturday 6 September and then hot breakfast and drinks. Overnight walk will see us visit 6 churches, with Catechesis and Adoration. Cost \$35 and booking via: trybooking.com For more information regarding Wollongong Diocese Involvement, please email Jude Hennessy jude.hennessy@dow.org.au

JUBILEE YEAR EVENT – Rosemeadow Jubilee Pilgrimage Day Saturday 6 September 2025

The Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians, Rosemeadow invites everyone to a Jubilee Pilgrimage Day where we will uncover the profound meaning, history and significance of the Year of Jubilee and how we can continue living it out in our pilgrimage of life towards Christ. The day begins with Mass at 10:00am, followed by a catechesis led by Elise Duval, a time of Eucharistic Adoration with opportunity for confession, and concludes with Benediction at 3:00pm. Please BYO lunch. Come and be renewed in God's mercy!

***Please Note New Date* Compass “Bush” family camping weekend 12-14 September 2025 Guntawang-Wooglemai Catholic Camping Facility** This weekend is designed to bring together families of all ages, including couples with or without children, single parents with their children, grandparents to celebrate the incredible gift of family life. Enjoy shared meals, games, music, prayer and Mass together. Cost \$50 per adult or \$100 per family. RSVP by 29 August 2025.

Register at dow.org.au/events/compass-bush-family-camping-weekend

menALIVE Growing Good Men Father and Teenage Son Weekend - Friday 5-Sunday 7 December The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops

A powerful weekend for fathers and their teenage sons (ages 12-17). Strengthen your bond, explore the journey into manhood, and share in engaging activities, reflection, prayer, and a memorable Rite of Passage. **Cost:** \$500 per father and son pair (\$250 each), includes accommodation, all meals, activities and resources. For further information and registration, please visit dow.org.au/events

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



Holy Family Catholic Parish

INGLEBURN & MINTO

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
31 August 2025

Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

In the gospel of Luke, Jesus is accused of eating with sinners and tax collectors (Lk 15) and we have an image of Jesus as always eating with the marginalised. However, today's gospel account is a more common occurrence: Jesus eating with a leading Pharisee and people of social importance. Although Jesus is depicted as frequently dining in the houses of these well-to-do people, he was probably never invited a second time! As in today's account, Jesus made a habit of accepting the hospitality of such people and then giving them a lecture about how they should behave and reminding them who was not gathered around the table with them. Certainly the sort of actions that don't see too many follow-up invitations!

The message he dishes out to the Pharisees on this occasion is about not thinking you're more important than you really are. He tells them that it is far better to assume a lower status and to be lifted to greater prominence than it is to assume too much and have to be asked to step down to your proper status. In first century Jewish society, eating was as much a political act as it was a social one. Who you ate with was a reflection of your social and political position. To be invited to the head of the table would reflect very positively on a guest whilst being asked to assume a lower seat would be humiliating. Jesus' final teaching in this account would have been outrageous to his audience. The thought of inviting to a meal people who were in no position to reciprocate was absolutely ridiculous. But Jesus encourages his audience to give to those who cannot repay – to be graciously generous just as God gives without expecting anything in return.

Historical Context – Hospitality

In the first century, hospitality carried with it certain rules and expectations. If you were the recipient of hospitality, there was an obligation on you to return hospitality if it were within your means. Hospitality meant more than feeding people. It meant extending welcome to people even if you didn't know them. There was an obligation to extend welcome and hospitality to anyone who asked for it. Travellers knew that they could enter a village and ask for a meal and a bed and they would be provided. Jesus reinterpreted this obligation of hospitality and extended it to anyone in need.

Scriptural context – Humility and Honour

Jesus' comments about taking the place of honour at a table are introduced as being a parable. Because it is identified as a parable, we know that there is a richer meaning below the surface. In talking about places at a feast, Jesus is referring to the kingdom of God. We know that Jesus has already identified that the lowly in this world will be in a place of honour in the kingdom. His message is that those who humble themselves in this world and give hospitality to the lowly will be lifted up – exalted – in the kingdom.

Living the Gospel – What's the cost?

Jesus' message about humility is as relevant today as it was in the first century. It is part of human nature to want to fit in and to want to belong. Sometimes we are tempted to seek this acceptance at any cost. When our sense of belonging is achieved through the harming, humiliation or exploitation of others then the price is too high. When our desire for the latest fashion comes at the expense of others being able to simply live, then the price is too high. When we lift ourselves up by putting others down, then the price is too high.

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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
Holy Trinity	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 Sun	6pm 8am

What's On In Our Parish

September

- 3 Monthly Morning Tea
- 6 Legion of Mary celebrating The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, 1pm prayers, 1.30pm Holy Mass
- 7 Father's Day
- 8 SVD Foundation Day (150th Anniversary)
- 12 Youth & Young Adults Group Meeting, 6.30pm Parish Meeting Room
- 17 Kindergarten & Year 6 attending 9am Mass
- 20 & 21 Social Gathering Weekend
The Bishop's Annual Appeal
- 21 Older Children Baptism Preparation Session, 3.30pm Parish Meeting Room

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 18 October Youth & Young Adult Retreat

Sunday 9 November Sacrament of Confirmation

Thursday 20 November Choirs Gathering

Friday 5 December Parish Christmas Carols

Saturday 13 December Parish Advent Recollection Day

PARISH GROUPS & MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY

6.30pm every Wednesday in the Church Meeting Room.

BIBLE READING

Resuming Wednesday 10 September at 9.45am 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.

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Liturgical Dates

September

- 3 Saint Gregory the Great, *Pope & Doctor of the Church*
- 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary
- 13 Saint John Chrysostom, *Bishop & Doctor of the Church*



Baptism for Older Children (aged 7 to 12 years)

The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on Sunday, 26 October at 5pm Mass

Preparation Dates

Sunday, 21 September, 3.30pm followed by 5pm Mass
Sunday, 28 September, 3.30pm followed by 5pm Mass
Sunday, 5 October, 3.30pm followed by 5pm Mass
Sunday, 19 October, 3.30pm followed by 5pm Mass

If you have a child (aged 7 to 12 years) and you would like them to be baptised, please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Confirmation



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, 9th November.

Compulsory Preparation Dates

Session 1 - Monday, 22 September, 6.30pm.
Session 2 - Monday, 13 October at 6.30pm.
Session 3 - Monday, 20 October at 6.30pm.
Session 4 - Monday 27 October at 6.30pm
Session 5 - Monday, 3 November at 6.30pm.

Registration via the parish website.



CARLO ACUTIS

Patron Saint of the Internet
Feast Day - 12 October

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

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

Thank You

Collections July 2025:

\$3,528.00 Planned Giving
\$11,821.00 Second Collection
(Includes Second Collections from Ingleburn, Minto, Polish Community, Samoan Community, Neocatechumenal Way)
\$3,233.77 First Collection
(Diocese of Wollongong Clergy Fund)



We pray ...

For the eternal rest of Father David John Catterall. 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.*

Santana D'Souza, Janice O'Keefe, William Francis Milgate, Lito De La Rosa, Horatius Y. Macariola, Susan (Sue) Lattuga, Kenneth Krezel.

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; Eedge Le Clerc, Deborah Wolf (nee Tattler), Ron Tattler, Father Peter Caruana, Paul Collins, Phero Le Luong, Sue Mahony, Luisa Lena, Darren Mack, Gerry Honrade, Exequel Honrade, Ricardo Villarosa, Maxima Diola, Bridie Ryan, Joyce Eagle.

Other intentions:

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



Olivia Gale and Isabella Gale.

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.

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.

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

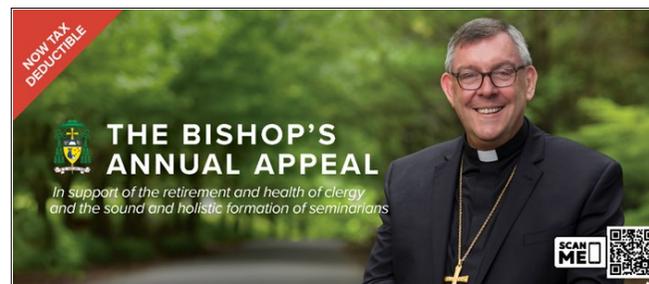
Account name: Ingleburn Presbytery
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001978

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.



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A special collection will take place in our parish on the weekends of 20/21 and 27/28 September.

"Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Offering dignified support and care for our retired clergy, who have always cared for us; and the sound and holistic formation of our Seminarians, our future priests, are my responsibilities as your Bishop. I seek your prayers and practical support to help me ensure that I can do this. Your donation to this appeal is very much appreciated."

+ Bishop Brian Mascord