

Sacred Heart Parish Prayer

Lord, may we the parishioners of Sacred Heart strive to be people of the gospel and prayer. Imprint in our hearts a deep desire for your Word and a love of the Eucharist. Motivate us to be an engaging, welcoming, and supportive community. Help us to be a people of compassion and justice for all.

MASS TIMES

Weekdays 9:15am Tues -Sat
**weds 8:30am 31/07-6/11

Weekend Mass Times

6pm Saturday Vigil
9.30am Sunday

Confessions

Saturday mornings 8:45am
and 9:45am (after Mass)
Or upon request

Adoration:

9:45am-10:45am Fri & Sat
(church open 8:15-11:30am)

Baptisms

Last Sunday of the month.
Please contact our office

First Sacraments

Please contact the parish
office or see our website
<https://shkew.org.au>

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NOTICES

ROSARY GROUP: A warm welcome to everyone after Mass on Friday mornings to pray the Rosary. In the words of the hymn to Our Lady of Fatima, “We come on bended knee, to beg your intercession for peace and harmony.”

St Teresa of Avila’s Feast Day Mass at the Carmelite Monastery Tuesday 15th 10:30am. Celebrant: Fr Terrence Kennedy CSsR, Spiritual Director at Corpus Christi Seminary.

Catholic Mission Sunday is next week, October 20. Our partnership with the young Catholic community in Mongolia continues this year after the Holy Father Pope Francis visited them late in 2023. These people need our help through Catholic Mission, providing simple things like bedding, food, first aid and shelter from domestic violence. There are envelopes in the pews for the collection plate, or please scan the QR code below which to learn more and to make an online contribution. Thank you!
For more see catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia



St Francis of Assisi said that people “lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give. For these they will receive from the Lord the reward and recompense they deserve.”

1st Collection— For the running of and upkeep of our parish.
BSB: 083 347 Account #: 682 606 383
Reference: Full name

2nd Collection— For Fr Trevor & Priests of the Archdiocese
BSB: 083 347 Account #: 663 832 561 Reference: Full name

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous contributions to our parish. Donations last week totalled **\$2,746.04**. Our running costs average out to 4K a week! Thank you for helping us keep this beautiful church and parish up and running.

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Kew

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time, 13th of October 2024



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Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Communion Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

From Fr Trevor

We thank God for the fourteen young students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday. Congratulations to these young people too as they complete their Sacraments of initiation in the Church. It was great to see so many people here, and to have our choir accompany the Mass with Fr Tony Kerin. Please pray for our young people that the flame of faith may be kept burning brightly in their hearts.

In the Gospel this weekend our Lord Jesus is asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" You might expect Jesus to reply that heaven is not something we *earn* but a free gift of God. Jesus does not say that here. He distinguishes between what we *must* do and what we *could* do. Our relationship with the Lord certainly entails some obligations towards Him and our neighbour, yet the ten commandments are something of a minimum. Jesus comes to show us that "unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt 5:20). Like the rich young man in the Gospel, the "Good Master" sees us trying to do the right thing each day, and loves us. Yet in love He also challenges us to a greatness above and beyond the "dos and don'ts," because the way to heaven is not just about following rules. Jesus calls us to let go of our preoccupations with worldly prosperity, and to *come follow Him*. I'll never forget that opening line of Benedict XVI's first encyclical letter, *Deus Caritas Est*: "Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." After all, following Him is the primary relationship that makes the "dos and don'ts" make sense in the first place.

In case you missed it last week, please see the message from Michele in this parish bulletin on page 3. There will be a **Requiem Mass** for Laretta Cairo on Friday October 18 at 11am. It's not easy trying to administrate a parish for the first time without help in the office, and thank you to all of you for your generous offer of assistance. And a big thank you to our volunteers who help with tea and coffee this Sunday.



Liturgy of the Word

First reading

Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89(90):12-17

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Second reading

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:17-27

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My

children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2024

**Thomas Best
Lachlan Farmer
Beatrix Graham
James Leung
Declan Marshall
Joel McGrath
Eden Madhumathy
Dominic Millane
Nadia Phan
Alexandra Schultz
Siena Solis**

**Xavier Xenikakis
Martino Tien Tran
Marisa Gabrielle De Cruz**

And these children who participated in the Confirmation Program at Sacred Heart School:

**Jack Dunell
Alaia Lieu-Mahdavi
Caylee Smith
Olivia Vassiliadis
Huage Zhang**

Please Remember in Prayer

Unwell: Elizabeth Rossiter, Margaret Hogan, Suraya Higham

Recently Deceased: Kevin Wong, Laurreta Cairo

Anniversaries: Andrea Lombardi (6 years), Joe Cavanagh (9 years)

Mass Intentions:

15th Mara Piira
16th Andrea Lombardi (RIP)
17th Sr M. Eva Shalini M.C.
18th Patricia McCormick (RIP)
19th Joe Cavanagh (RIP)
6pm Vigil: All parishioners
20th May & John Graham (RIP)

Upcoming Feasts & Solemnities:

14th (Mon) St Callistus
15th (Tues) St Teresa of Avila
16th (Weds) St Margaret Mary Alacoque
17th (Thurs) St Ignatius of Antioch
18th (Fri) St Luke the Evangelist (feast)

From Michele:

Dear Sacred Heart Parishioners,

Thank you for your thoughtful messages. I appreciate knowing that my time with you over the past six years has made a meaningful contribution.

My experience at Sacred Heart has been fulfilling. Together, we've shared moments of faith, growth, and community, and I'm proud of the transformation we've accomplished as a parish. Your support has meant a lot, and I will carry those memories with me.

Thank you again for your kindness. I look forward to seeing Sacred Heart continue to grow and thrive.

Warm regards,
Michele Agustin-Guarino