



## Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



Mary said to the servants: "Do whatever He tells you" John 2:5

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### Sunday Mass Times

Saturday (vigil) 6:00pm  
Sunday 9:30am

### Weekday Mass Times

Monday 8:00am  
Tuesday 10:00am  
Wednesday 8:00am  
Thursday 5:30pm  
Friday 8:00am  
Saturday 8:00am

### Reconciliation

Thursday 4:45pm - 5:15pm  
Saturday 8:30am - 9:00am  
5:30pm - 5:55pm  
Sunday 9:00am - 9:25am  
Or anytime, just ask Father

### Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction

Thursday 4:30pm - 5:25pm

### Baptism and Marriage

By appointment

### Anointing of the sick Mass

2<sup>nd</sup> Tue of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug,  
Oct & Dec.

### Working Bee

Saturdays 9:00am - 11:00am

### First Sunday of Advent 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023

#### Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty,  
and our earth shall yield its increase. **c.f. Ps 84:13**

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFULL

**For our sick:** Maria Cordoba, Rosa Coutella,  
Mark Mannering, Laurie Evans, Carmel Baker,  
Rod Blatchford, Richard Drum, Lorie McLennan,  
Fr Reece Beltrame, Peter Tydeman, Gwen Abikhair  
and Jackson Davis.

**Let us pray to the Lord. R. Lord hear our prayer.**

**For our recently departed:** For all those who's  
anniversaries occur around this time.

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**December Anniversaries:** Douglas Thomson, David  
Nelson, Eileen Moran, Fr Frank Young, Fr Jim Esler,  
Fr Jim Victory, Gary Smith, Heather Parker, Leone  
Bouquet, Marjorie Ptasiuk, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI,  
Ronald Devlin, Moira Hicks.

### ROSTERS

**Readers:** Sat: 6:00pm Mary Seidel  
Sun: 9:30am Leon Walsh  
**Next week:** Sat: 6:00pm Denis Golden  
Sun: 9:30am Michael Sparshott  
**Cleaning:** Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec Mary & Ann Marie

### Please SUPPORT OUR PARISH

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**Presbytery Account (1<sup>st</sup> Collection)** No. 100 005 587

**Parish Account (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)** No. 100 003 738

**BPOINT:** www.ourparish.au/donate

## PARISH NOTICES

**Christmas Carols on the Green** 7:00pm Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at Thurgoona Catholic Parish, 20 Hartigan Street, Thurgoona. Sausage sizzle provided, please BYO salad and drinks. ALL WELCOME.

**Legions of Mary Gathering** This Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December there will be a gathering of the local regional Legions of Mary at 2:00pm in the Marian Centre, Thurgoona Catholic Parish to celebrate the end of the year and to have a little Advent cheer. New members most welcome.

**Volunteers wanted** If you can help deliver invitation flyers for our Christmas Carols in your local street and area it would be greatly appreciated. The ideal time is from next Friday evening onwards. It's a great way to get some exercise too! Please see Brother Denis if you can help or call 0402 431 099. Thank-you!

**Christmas Mass times** Christmas Eve, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 6:00pm.  
Christmas Day, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December 9:30am

**Bus Fundraiser Trivia Night** Fundraiser by Albury Young Adults for a bus to the Immaculata Mission School in Armidale this January. All ages welcome! Prizes and games throughout the night! Bring coins! Drinks and snacks available.  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CNLPH> Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start, Holy Spirit Hall, Mutsch Street, Lavington. \$15pp, or \$90 for a table of 7. Contact Bernadette O'Brien 0460 698 582.

**Confirmation** – Congratulations to all those children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday evening 30<sup>th</sup> November and we pray that they receive all the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in abundance from the Lord. Thank-you to everyone who helped in any way and special thanks to Bishop Mark Edwards for conferring the Sacrament on the candidates, and for his generosity and kindness.

### The Sign: Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2023

Discover the profound spiritual journey of Advent and Christmas with The Sign: Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2023—a captivating 80-page book containing spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (3 December 2023) through to the Baptism of the Lord (8 January 2024).

Immerse yourself in the timeless words of Scripture, expertly curated to illuminate the true essence of these holy seasons heralding the birth of Christ. Whether you seek to deepen your faith, foster a sense of contemplation, or simply embrace the beauty of everything that Advent and Christmas brings.

The Sign also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Caravaggio, Di Pietro, Carolsfeld, Copley, Le Brun and Fra Angelico, with enlightening artwork reflections written by the popular Monsignor Graham Schmitzer. **Limited copies remaining, only \$5 each – please see Fr Anthony or Denis Golden.**

**Parish Council:** If you have any suggestions or concerns about anything at all, please contact one of our Parish Council representatives:

Maria Sparshott (Chair); Simon Horsfall (Dep Chair); Sandy Zeromski (Sec)  
Denis Devcich; Jodie Cunningham; Denis Golden; Mark Mannering; Mary Seidel