



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time **4th August 2024**

Communion Antiphon

*I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.* **Jn 6:35**

Prayers of the Faithfull

For our sick: Monique Rotsart de Hertaing, Linda Heaslip, Reginald Karu, Rose Fernandas, Laurie Evans, Richard Drum, Lorie McLennan, Fr Reece Beltrame, John Suidgeest, and Gwen Abikhair.
Let us pray to the Lord. R. Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed: Tim Kelly, Angela Mannering, and all those who's anniversaries occur around this time.
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August Anniversaries: Barry McBride, Fr Terence Mahedy, Lawrence (Dooley) Carroll, Mary O'Brien, Richard West Blade, Stephen Boyd, Fr Steve Bohan, Margaret Redden, Darren Goble, Fr Ron Donoghue, Sharon Hague.

Rosters

Readers:	Sat: 5:00pm	Peter Tobin
	Sun: 9:30am	Leon Walsh
Next week:	Sat: 5:00pm	Mary Seidel
	Sun: 9:30am	Michael Sparshott
Cleaning:	Sat 10 th August	Dinah & Edward

Feast Days this Week

Tuesday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord - <i>Feast</i>
Thursday:	St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, virgin - <i>Solemnity</i>
Friday:	St Edith Stein, virgin, martyr - <i>Memorial</i>
Saturday:	St Lawrence, deacon, martyr - <i>Feast</i>

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday (vigil) 5:00pm
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
	4:30pm - 4:55pm
Sunday	9:00am - 9:25am

Or *anytime*, just ask Father

Adoration with Benediction

Thursday 4:30pm - 5:25pm

Baptism and Marriage

By appointment

Anointing of the sick Mass

2nd Tue of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug,
Oct & Dec.

Working Bee

Saturdays 9:00am - 11:00am

PARISH NOTICES

Collect (Opening Prayer)

Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Ever thought about becoming Catholic?

"Faith is a journey of illumination: it starts with the humility of recognizing oneself as needy of salvation and arrives at the personal encounter with Christ, who calls one to follow him on the way of love." Pope Benedict XVI Angelus: 29 October, 2006.

Becoming Catholic is a profound and joyous experience. Some are blessed enough to receive this great gift while they are infants, and, over time, they recognize the enormous grace that has been bestowed on them. Others enter the Catholic fold when they are older children or adults. Before a person is ready to be received into the Church, whether by baptism or by profession of faith, preparation is necessary. The amount and form of this preparation depends on the individual's circumstance.

Program starts this Tuesday, 6th of August at 7:00pm in the Marian Centre.

For more information, please contact Fr Anthony on 6088 6222.

First Holy Communion:

The parish Sacramental Programme has re-commenced with preparatory lessons for First Holy Communion on **Tuesdays at 3:45pm** till 5:00pm in the Marian Centre. The Sacrament itself will be celebrated on Sunday 1st of September. If you have children in Year 3 or older who have not yet received the Sacrament and you would like them to do so, you are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. Please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a pre-requisite for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Your help in notifying other families who may not see this notice is greatly appreciated.

Baptised into the Family of God

Congratulations to Aaron and Kyriaki Ryan on the safe arrival of Vinnie Anthony. Vinnie will be Baptised this Sunday morning and become a member of Christ's body – the Church. Let us include the family in our prayer intentions.

Creation: What does the Church teach?

We will now be gathering in the Marian Centre on Thursday evenings instead of Tuesdays with our next gathering this **Thursday evening the 8th of August at 7:00pm.** Please contact Fr Anthony if you would like further information.

Natural Fertility Awareness Week 2024 (August 19 – 25) promotes an alternative, healthy option to family planning compared with chemical and other contraceptive devices. The theme this year is: "Trust your body's natural signs of fertility: Forget about drugs and devices."

You are invited to join the Billings LIFE free webinar on Monday 19th August 2024 at 7:30pm AEST where you can listen to the conversation about the basics of the Billings Ovulation Method® and its application, including during times of breastfeeding.

<https://events.humanitix.com/trust-your-body-s-natural-signals-of-fertility-free-webinar>

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