

**Acolytes, Ministers, Readers and Altar Servers, please remember to arrive ready 10 minutes before the beginning of Mass.**

		<b>November 3/4</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Derick Soares</b> <b>Bob McNally</b> <b>Ian Epondulan</b>
<b>Ministers</b>	Vigil	<b>James Dinning, Stefanie, Crystal, Christine Menezes, Rosey Soares, Vinnie Zahra</b>
	8.00am 9.30am	<b>Fennie Balatbat, Adrian Walker</b> <b>Anna Bellissimo, Paul Gow</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Vigil	<b>VOLUNTEER, Perpetual Fernandes</b>
	8.00am 9.30am	<b>Andrew Millar, Pepito Ferriols</b> <b>Laura Bellissimo, Ryan Epondulan</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Vigil	<b>Caitlyn Rambukwell, Volunteers</b>
	8.00am 9.30	<b>Jayden Cortis, Aaron, Isaac Rosario</b> <b>Connor, Ethan Ballment, Carl, Marc Gallema, Veronica Wondo</b>
<b>Musicians</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Youth for Christ</b> <b>Grace Notes</b> <b>Christine Clarke</b>
<b>Children's</b>	Liturgy	<b>2nd &amp; 3rd Sunday of the month only</b>
<b>Rosary</b>		<b>The Menezes Family</b> <b>39 Winnipeg Street, Seven Hills</b>
<b>Flowers</b>		<b>Fenty &amp; Santih</b>
<b>Bookshop</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Vinnie Zahra</b> <b>VOLUNTEER</b> <b>Edmund Joseph</b>
<b>Morning Church Cleaning</b>	Tea	<b>Florida Datuin</b>
<b>Welcomers</b>	7 Nov 6pm 8am 9.30am	<b>Carole, Lourdes, Vinnie, Suzy</b> <b>Helen Gonzales, VOLUNTEERS</b> <b>Rita Paolini, Karen Eleazar, Olivia Cortis</b> <b>Lena Falzon, VOLUNTEERS</b>

		<b>November 10/11</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Abel Do Rosario</b> <b>Gerard Marcello</b> <b>Ian Epondulan</b>
<b>Ministers</b>	Vigil	<b>Lawrence Falzon, Cathy Hutchings</b>
	8.00am 9.30am	<b>Edith, Ernie Gartner, Priya Joachim, Winnie Marcello, Anne McNally, Eugene Miu</b> <b>Carole Brooks, Ryan Epondulan</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Vigil	<b>Denis Symon, Noreen Rosario</b>
	8.00am 9.30am	<b>Benno Motha, Adrian Walker</b> <b>Megan Michael, Ryan Epondulan</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Vigil	<b>Alexander Bateman-Paul, Juan Burgess, Caron Cyril, Makayla Dalmati, Christian Milicevic</b>
	8.00am 9.30am	<b>Joshua, Amelia Herczeg, Lewis Savic</b> <b>Sarah Lenthall, Mary-Rose Mejalli, Jerard Sarmiento, Gabrielle, Florencia Wanandy</b>
<b>Musicians</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Magnificat Choir</b> <b>Fr Henry</b> <b>Tongan Choir</b>
<b>Children's</b>	Liturgy	<b>2nd &amp; 3rd Sunday of the month Only</b>
<b>Rosary</b>		<b>The Soares Family</b> <b>33 Pretoria Road, Seven Hills</b>
<b>Flowers</b>		<b>Lucinda &amp; Orlindo</b>
<b>Bookshop</b>	Vigil 8am 9.30am	<b>Marinela Simic,</b> <b>Edith Gartner</b> <b>Fenty Saputra</b>
<b>Morning Church Cleaning</b>	Tea	<b>Malayalee Community</b>
<b>Welcomers</b>	15 Nov 6pm 8am 9.30am	<b>Elodia, Ruth, Elizabeth, Amy</b> <b>Helen Gonzales, Ram Ugre, Annette Peatman, Judith Deloso</b> <b>Kathy Chamberlain, Chandra Sampantham, Joyce Hillbrick</b> <b>Artelle Lenthall, Maria Michal, VOLUNTEERS</b>

**PARISH DIARY**

<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
4 Nov	Remembrance Sunday	6pm, 8am 9.30am
5 Nov	Legion of Mary Meeting	1.30pm
5 Nov	St Vincent de Paul	7pm
6 Nov	Over 50's Melbourne Cup	10.30am
7 Nov	Themes of Christian Leadership-hall	7:30pm
8 Nov	Christ Community Prayer Group	9:30am
9 Nov	Young Adults Group	7pm
12 Nov	Legion of Mary Meeting	1:30pm
13 Nov	Plenary 2020 Meeting	7:30pm
14 Nov	Parish Council Meeting	7:30pm

newcomers. Bring your own picnic lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Registration is on the day. There is no set charge, a donation may be made for the monks. There may be accommodation available at the Monastery Guest House, enquiries to Br Terry Cavanagh on 0438282318. Other enquiries to Ann Bergman on 02 94982625 or anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas 02 94564775 or atlomas@bigpond.com.

**LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS 2019 Thirsting for Justice**  
18-30 March 2019. Cost of pilgrimage is \$4350 for 12 days with some additional expenses. Please contact Lisa Bright on 96221125 or lbright@mqqofblacktown.org.au for an information pack.



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**New Parishioners**  
Would you like to join or maybe receive a visit from Fr Henry or a parishioner?

**Sick or Housebound**  
Do you know someone who would like Holy Communion or a visit?

**Planned Giving**  
Would you like to support our Parish?  
Envelopes/Credit Card/Direct Debit Available

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**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS

*"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."*

**Parish Priest:** Fr Henry Huu Duc Tran  
**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Erika Hien  
**Sacrament & Youth Co-Ordinator:** Mrs Judy Barden  
**Parish Church** 7 Grantham Rd, Seven Hills 2147  
**Postal Address:** PO Box 944, Seven Hills 1730  
**Parish Website:** www.olol7hills.org.au  
**Parish School:** Our Lady of Lourdes  
**Principal:** Ms Keiran Byrnes

**Pastoral Care of the Sick and Elderly:** Mrs Bathista Emmanuel  
**Office Hours Monday-Friday:** 8.30am - 3.00pm  
**Telephone:** 9622 2920  
**Parish Office Email:** secretary@olol7hills.org.au  
**Youth Group Email:** youtholol7h@gmail.com  
**Public School Catechist Co-Ordinator:** Mr Bob McNally

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4th November, 2018 Year B**

**WEEKEND MASS** Saturday Vigil 6pm  
Sunday 8am & 9.30am

**HEALING MASS & ANOINTING OF SICK**  
1st Thursday of month at 8am. **6 December**

**WEEKDAY MASS** Tues - Friday 8am

**RECONCILIATION** Saturday 4.30 - 5.30pm

**PRAYER AND WORSHIP SERVICE** Monday & Saturday 8am

**MARRIAGES** Please contact Parish Office 6 months prior to the wedding

**Church Open Monday-Friday** Mon -Fri 8.30am-3pm (for prayer and reflection)

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION** **21st November** 7.30pm  
Baptisms 2nd & 4th Sunday 11am

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes** Friday after 8am Mass until 9am

**FAMILY MASS** **25th November**  
**YOUTH MASS** 1st Sunday of the month 9.30am  
**4th November**

**Exposition, Divine Mercy and Mass** **7th December** 7.00pm

**A Blessing for Children is available at all Masses**

**READINGS FOR This Sunday** 1st Reading: Deut 6:2-6  
2nd Reading: Heb 7:23-28

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart. This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood  
This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

**READINGS FOR Next Sunday** 1st Reading: Kings 17:10-16  
2nd Reading: Heb 9:24-28

The widow made a little scone from her flour and brought it to Elijah  
Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

This poor widow has put in more than all who contributed

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation

**OPENING PRAYER:** Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

**RESPONSE TO PSALM:** I love you, Lord, my strength.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia

**COMMUNION VERSE:** You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.



### Let us Pray for the Sick

Sue Tiplado, Letitia Haines, Rose Stambouliah, Andrew Fedrigo, Nancy Youssef, Paul Gerard, Helen Diab, Alexander Balatbat, Gordon McLandsborough  
**If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920**

### Let us Pray for the Deceased

**Recently Deceased:** Evangeline Garcia, Brian Harnett, Laksgabtha Fernando,



**Anniversaries:** John Spiteri, Vincente Sesduero, Martha Joseph, Michelle Azzioardi, Josephine Gomez, Ivy Silva, Annie Almeida

**Remembrance:** All those listed in our Remembrance book for November, Wayne Cregan, John & Sharon Lawrence, Roy, Mary and Des Barney, Mary Muscat, Pauline Meilak, Stephen & Louis Mula, Lourda Motha, Sheena Landagan, Lakshman Perera, Roque Santos, Harold Lafleur, Rosine Lafleur, Marc Lafleur, Simone Commarmond

### A Plenary Prayer:

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost, Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen

### MONEY MATTERS

**Envelopes \$ 1685.00**  
**Loose \$ 708.00**  
**TOTAL \$ 2393.00**  
**WEEKLY TARGET: \$3500.00**



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### CUPPA FOR OUR CARPARK

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Banking details are BSB: 067 950;  
Account Number 000552;  
Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.  
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**Envelopes available at rear of church**

### TAI CHI 2018:

Friday 7th December is the last Tai Chi class for 2018. Classes will resume in January. Start date will be announced after Christmas.

**Four2Eight** is on after the 9:30am Mass this weekend. We will meet outside the hall just after Mass.

### FROM POPE FRANCIS

**“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted”**



The world tells us exactly the opposite: entertainment, pleasure, diversion and escape make for the good life. The worldly person ignores problems of sickness or sorrow in the family or all around him; he averts his gaze. The world has no desire to mourn; it would rather disregard painful situations, cover them up or hide them. Much energy is expended on fleeing from situations of suffering in the belief that reality can be concealed. But the cross can never be absent.

A person who sees things as they truly are and sympathizes with pain and sorrow is capable of touching life's depths and finding authentic happiness. He or she is consoled, not by the world but by Jesus. Such persons are unafraid to share in the suffering of others; they do not flee from painful situations. They discover the meaning of life by coming to the aid of those who suffer, understanding their anguish and bringing relief. They sense that the other is flesh of our flesh, and are not afraid to draw near, even to touch their wounds. They feel compassion for others in such a way that all distance vanishes. In this way they can embrace Saint Paul's exhortation: "Weep with those who weep" (Rom 12:15).

Knowing how to mourn with others: that is holiness.

### Pope Francis, apostolic exhortation, GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE

### FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Every time we come to Sunday Mass here, we, in no doubt, have a chance to refresh the core of our Catholic beliefs summed up in the Creed or the Profession of Faith. The Apostles' Creed we have been using in the parish highlights the interconnection between the three Churches: in heaven, in purgatory and on earth, technically known as the communion of saints.



As Catholics, we believe that members of the Church in heaven, who now receive their eternal reward in eternity, are in the position to assist both those who are purified in purgatory and the pilgrims on earth, that members of the purgatory Church have to rely on the prayers and good works of those on earth to help them gain credits before God, and that we the living must obtain credits for ourselves through works of charity and prayers to praise God, the source of all holiness, to honour the saints in heaven and to remember the souls.

More than any other time of the year, the month of November makes us remember very clear that we are not alone in this world, for we are intimately related to the saints in heaven and the souls in purgatory through the communion of saints, and the feast of All Saints and the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed speak volumes of that.

Significantly the Gospel this week highlights the conversion between Jesus and a scribe around the issue of the most important commandments. Jesus recalls the love of God that Moses commands the Israelites to carry out in the book of Deuteronomy as the first, and then adds on the love of neighbour as his own contribution. Note that the commandment of love shall be used by Jesus as the guiding principle to judge the people of the world in the Last Judgment (cf. Mt 25.31-46).

As we honour the saints and demonstrate our affection for the souls through prayers, traditional Mass offerings, and good deeds, we are also mindful of what we are called to do as members of the Church on earth, that we have to bear faithful witness to Jesus' commandments of loving God and of loving people. 'You are not far from the kingdom of God,' what Jesus

said to the scribe at the end, perhaps also means to warn him that, 'you haven't reached the kingdom of God yet, since you need to take the next step, which is to put your knowledge of the commandments into practice.' Let us pray for the strength to show our love for God through our praise and worships, and the energy to demonstrate our love for others especially the souls, the sick and the needy through our prayers and acts of charity. Have a love-oriented week.

Fr. Henry

### PARISH NEWS...

#### SAD TO SAY GOODBYE

Due to urgent needs for a better recovery from her illnesses, Debra has made the difficult decision to leave the position as our Parish secretary after more than ten years of dedicated and wholehearted service given to our parish community. This is a great loss to us and it is very sad not to see her around in the office from the end of the month.

At her Farewell Mass at the 9.30am this Sunday, let us give praise and thanks to God for the gifts she shared with us, and pray for the best in her journey ahead.

On behalf of the parish community, I would like to thank Debra from the bottom of my heart for her utmost dedication, professionalism and loyalty, and wish her all the best with all the treatments.

#### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Throughout this month of November, we remember in our prayers those who have gone before us, especially those who are dear to us. In this spirit of remembrance, all are invited to enter the names of the deceased you would like to pray for in the November book, which will be available at the Baptismal font before Mass, and then placed before the main altar at Mass.

It would be very helpful if you could leave your November envelopes in the Intention Bowl on the altar.

#### LOURDES OVER 50'S

Meeting on next **Tuesday 6th November Melbourne Cup Day starts at 10.30am and finishes about 2.00pm.** Parishioners are welcome to join us. Please bring a plate for shared lunch. There will be sweeps for the horses. Final payment to be paid at the meeting for the Christmas lunch on Thursday 15th November and the Courtesy Bus on Monday 17th December.

#### RCIA

We are inviting all who are interested to become Catholic to join our RCIA program 2018-2019. Please contact Fr Henry for a chat before the start of the program.

#### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

Session 4 will be held on Tuesday, 13 November at 7:30 pm. All interested parishioners are invited to join the previous attendees in this session. Please come along and have your say in the issues facing the Australian Church at this time. Part 1 of the meeting will continue discussions on two priority topics from the last meeting (a) The introduction of the third rite of Reconciliation and (b) What can we do to continue to engage parents following the Sacramental Programs and to inform all adults in the practice of their Faith. For Part 2 we will again be open to the Spirit and provide for group discussion on any aspects for further input to the Plenary Council on what is needed to advance our Church in Australia. Please come along and **HAVE YOUR SAY.** The Plenary Council wants all your ideas sent to them for consideration. Over the 3 remaining fortnightly meetings several high priority issues will continue to be examined in detail and any new issues recorded.

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 PARISH GROUP SHARING

The group met on Tuesday 30 October and spent time on examining the 3rd Rite of Reconciliation. The group decided that the 3rd was well-suited for these modern times as it promoted community spirit, allowed people to experience forgiveness and brings unchurched back to reconciliation and Mass. There was a place for all three Rites of Reconciliation. In Faith Foundation and the Mass, we found that children need a Catholic for family prayer and family support through their teenage years. People need to know that God is real and does things for them. People need to understand the Mystery of the Mass and the subtle changes to the parts of the Mass that can make it more attractive to all. It was further agreed that small groups are good for generating friendships and fellowship both socially and at Mass. Attendees raised more issues relating to improving our Catholic Church in Australia. More information next week.

#### CENTRAL DEANERY MASS

**25th November, at 5:30pm** Mary Queen of the Family 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. The youth/young adults of the Central Deanery of the Diocese of Parramatta, invites everyone for a Youth Mass lead by Fr Paul Marshall at Blacktown. There will be Mass followed by food and fellowship commencing after Mass. All youth from the Parishes of the Central Deanery are encouraged to participate in various roles for Mass. Any Four2Eight, Senior Youth or Young Adult's from our parish who wish to participate please contact Laura Bellissimo (0423 839 333) or Ian Epondulan (0401 161 264). Also see flyers and posters in the church from today or click on the QR code for more info.



#### ST CECILIA MUSICIAN'S CELEBRATION

On **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November at the 9:30am Mass,** we will celebrate the **Feast of St Cecelia – Patron Saint of Musicians.** All musicians and choir members are invited to be a part of this combined celebration. After Mass, there will be a shared morning tea in the parish hall.

Parishioners are invited to bring along a plate to share. We thank our musicians and choir members for their continued faithful service to our community and look forward to acknowledging their service on this special day.

#### THEMES FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

On behalf of the Central Deanery Pastoral Council the Institute for Mission Team has provided a night in our parish to help our leaders, present and future, and our parishioners learn more about our Church and the various leadership roles in the parish groups. Members from all the parishes within the central deanery will be attending this night which will include: A spiritual encounter using Scripture, praise and Eucharistic adoration, understanding and practice for a spirituality of accompaniment, nourishment of key skills for a community or a small group context, building of evangelising energies without building more events.

Parishioners and members of all groups within the parish are strongly invited to attend this faith formation workshop in our Church Hall at 7:30pm on Wed 7 November. Please add your name to the clipboard at the rear of the church if you wish to come to this event. Thank you.

### DIOCESAN NEWS

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: 18th November** You are invited to our Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Days for 2018 at St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Road, Arcadia on **Sunday 18th November.** Arrival time at the monastery is from 10am for a 10:30am start. Conclusion is around 3pm. Mass is celebrated at 2pm.

There will be presentations and periods of meditation with the opportunity of an introduction to Christian Meditation for