# Sacred Heart Parish

### LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

### 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 15 SEPTEMBER 2019

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Vigil - Saturday 5.30 pm, Luddenham 7:30am, Luddenham 9.30am, Warragamba

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 9:00am, Warragamba
Thursday 7.00am, Mulgoa
Friday 9:30am, Luddenham
(Adoration from 8.30am)
Saturday 9:00am, Luddenham
(3rd Saturday of Month Greendale)

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am, Luddenham Saturday 4.30pm, Luddenham Wednesday 9.30am, Warragamba Or anytime by appointment.

### **BAPTISMS**

Preparation Class:
4th Wednesday each month;
Presentation: 1st Sunday each month.
Please contact Parish Office to book.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

1st Wednesday of Month at 9am Mass,
Warragamba
1st Friday of Month at 9.30am Mass,
Luddenham

### **ITALIAN MASS**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Month 11:00am Luddenham

### PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Giovani Presiga Gaviria
Pastoral Associate: Carmel Fenton
Parish Secretary: Tracey Caruana
Admin Assistant: Colleen Nicholas

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

### PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

Weir Road, Warragamba

Tuesday: 9:30am - 4:00pm Thursday: 9:30am - 4:00pm Saturday: 9:30am - 12:00pm

### HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Sacred Heart Parish Luddenham/ Warragamba SACRAMENTAL PROCESS - PENANCE (FIRST RECONCILIATION)

Information Sessions for the Sacrament of Penance (First Reconciliation) will be held at Holy Family Church, Luddenham on:

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am and 7.00pm

You only need to attend ONE meeting

Please note that this meeting is for parents only.

If you are not able to attend one of the meetings, please contact Carmel at the parish office. Please note that it will not be possible to collect an enrolment form prior to the meeting.

To be eligible for First Reconciliation, your child must be in Year 3 or above and be baptised.

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A huge **THANK YOU** to Chris Wilson and ■ the St Dominic's College Band for singing at our Vigil Mass last Saturday.

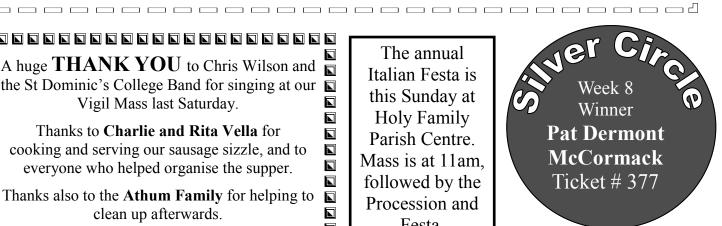
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Thanks to Charlie and Rita Vella for cooking and serving our sausage sizzle, and to everyone who helped organise the supper.

Thanks also to the **Athum Family** for helping to clean up afterwards.

The annual Italian Festa is this Sunday at Holy Family Parish Centre. Mass is at 11am, followed by the Procession and Festa.



### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat 25-27 October 2019 Healing lives touched by abortion.

For more information & to register, please call Margaret on 0400 092 555 (confidential number) or email your telephone number for a return call rachelsvineyardaus@gmail.com

### Air Conditioning for Luddenham Church We have reached our target of \$45,000 for air

conditioning in Luddenham Church. Total funds raised are \$45,450. Thank you to everyone who donated money and supported our fund raising activities. As soon as we have finalised some Diocesan requirements, we will begin installation.

### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recently Deceased:** Rino Vella, Victoria Vella (Mother of Tony and Louis).

Please Remember: Pearl Levinge, Nina Aquilina, Michael Buttigieg, Grace Buttigieg, Laurie Buttigieg.

Sick: Ella Street, Pat Slater, Jack Marks, Lauren White, Lorelei Murko, John Wood, Elia Muscat, Diane Hill, Michelle Stait.

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Entrance Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your

servant, and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: I will rise and go to my Father.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of

reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Next Sunday - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13.

### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

In chapter 15 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells three parables about losing, finding, and rejoicing. The outcasts of society, the taxpayers, and the sinners approach Jesus eager to hear what he has to say. In Luke's Gospel, hearing is a sign of conversion. The Pharisees and scribes, still suspicious of Jesus, complain about him associating with sinners. So he tells them these three parables.

In the first story, the parable of The Lost Sheep, the shepherd leaves behind the 99 sheep to search for the 1 lost sheep. When he finds it, the shepherd rejoices not alone as in Matthew's version, but with friends and neighbors. In the same way, God rejoices more over 1 sinner who repents—like the outcasts who have come to hear Jesus—than over the 99 righteous like the Pharisees and scribes.

The second story, about a poor woman who will not stop searching until she finds her lost coin, makes the same point. Why are the Pharisees complaining? They should rejoice when the lost are found. Finally we come to what is probably the most memorable parable in the Gospels, the story we know as The Prodigal Son. Just as in The Lost Sheep and The Lost Coin, this story (found only in Luke) is really about the seeker. The loving father is at the center of this parable. Even though his son runs off with his father's inheritance and squanders the money, the father waits for him, hoping for his return. Upon his son's return, the father, "full of compassion," runs out to embrace and forgive him before the son can utter one word of repentance. At this point the rejoicing begins.

The parable does not end there. Rather, it makes one more point about the older son's reaction. This son who never left, just like the Pharisees and scribes who feel they are righteous, refuses to enter his father's house to join in the rejoicing. He has served his father. He has obeyed him. Perhaps it was not out of love. The father's response teaches us that God's care and compassion extend to the righteous and sinner alike. When we are lost, God doesn't wait for our return. He actively seeks us out. And when the lost are found, how could we not celebrate and rejoice?

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### Weekend Retreat for Adults Friday 1st November 5 pm to Sunday 3rd November 3 pm

With details to be finalised this is a great weekend to get away for some peace and prayer, in the lovely retreat centre at

Mt Schoenstatt. You will experience the graces of the Shrine along with comfortable and clean, twin share rooms with ensuite, home cooked meals and the tranquil atmosphere of the property.

To express your interest in this weekend please phone: 02 4773 8338 or email:

info@schoenstatt.org.au.

Further details will be provided in the next few weeks.

# **Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass 27 October**

All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass and Lunch on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. A light lunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 02 8838 3460 or email <a href="mailto:lmf@parracatholic.org">lmf@parracatholic.org</a>.

Our 9am Mass next Saturday will be at Greendale Church.

ROSTER	14/15 SEPTEMBER 2019			21/22 SEPTEMBER 2019		
	VIGIL MASS	7.30 MASS	9.30 MASS	VIGIL MASS	7.30 MASS	9.30 MASS
Acolyte		Paul Rohan				Tony Vella
Junior Servers	Alicia Harry					
Ministers Of the Word	Angela & Georgia Calderwood	Mary Powell	Karen Rogan Anthony Sciberras	Janet Borg Hayley Vella	Marta Jennings	Lila Gerhard Niki Petelo
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