

PARISH AND SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK

UNANDERRA (U) & WEST WOLLONGONG (WW)

Monday	16 Sept	Sts Cornelius and Cyprian	
		Mass: 7am	(U)

Tuesday	17 Sept	Mass: 7.45am	(WW)
		Adoration: 4.30pm-5.30pm	(U)
		Mass: 5.30pm	(U)

Wednesday	18 Sept	Mass: 7am	(U)
		Mass: 5.30pm	(WW)

Thursday	19 Sept	Adoration: 4.30pm-5.30pm	(U)
		(Reconciliation Available)	(U)
		Mass: 5.30pm	(U)
		Reconciliation: 6pm-6.45pm	(WW)
		Mass: 7pm	(WW)

Friday	20 Sept	St Andrew Kim Tae-gon	
		Mass: 9.30am	(U)
		Mass: 10.15am	(WW)

Saturday	21 Sept	St Matthew	
		Mass: 7.30am	(U)
		Mass: 9am	(WW)
		Reconciliation: 9.30am-10.30am	(WW)
		Reconciliation: 5pm-5.30pm	(U)
		Vigil Mass: 6pm	(U)

Sunday	22 Sept	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		Mass: 8am	(U)
		Mass: 10am	(WW)
		Mass: 10am* (Polish)	(U)
		Mass: 5pm	(WW)

(*New Time)

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C 15 SEPTEMBER 2019

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.

First Reading:

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

Responsorial Psalm:

I will rise and go to my father.

Second Reading:

Timothy 1:12-17

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!

Gospel:

St Luke 15:1-32

Communion Antiphon:

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter
in the shadow of your wings.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased

Ken QUETCHER

Pat MURPHY

Anniversaries

Jose DIAZ

Bishop Thomas McCABE

Paul BLOOD

Vina ABANG

Hazel McNAMARA

Brian QUETCHER

Edoardo MILAN



PARISH OFFICE DAYS/HOURS

NB: New Parish office days/hours

Mon: 8.30am–3pm (Magda)

Tue: Closed

Wed: 8.30am–11.30am (Sue)

Thu: 8.30am–3pm (Sue)

Fri: 8.30am–3pm (Sue)

ROSTER – NEXT WEEKEND

September	Church Washing	Jackie Allen	
Sat 21 Sept	Church Cleaning	P & A Browne, W & S Brown	
	Lawns	Winner Family, P Briscoe, A Gollop	
	Acolytes	Lectors	Welcomers
Sat 21 Sept 6pm Mass	A Carlotto	R Baxendale	B Faraway
Sun 22 Sept 8am Mass	N Dwyer, C Carolan	M Walsh, J De Battista	L Harper P De Battista
Counters	A Gunning, M Cauduro, C Garrett		
Children's Liturgy	M Rodwell, S Michielin		

PARISH ACTIVITIES



- Catholic Women's League:** 2nd Thursday of the month - 10.30am in St Joseph's room
New members always welcome!
Please contact: Barbara - 4271 1584
- St Vincent de Paul Conference:** Every Tue 7.30pm in St Joseph's room
- Parish Pastoral Council:** 2nd Monday of alternate months at 7.30pm in St Joseph's room
- Nursing Home Masses**
- Hillside Nursing Home:** 1st Tuesday of the month - 2pm
- Figtree Nursing Home:** 2nd Tuesday of the month - 10:45am
- Villa Maria Nursing Home:** 3rd Tuesday of the month - 9:30am

Refreshments after 8am Mass on 1st weekend of each month in St Joseph's Meeting Room (Unanderra)

MOVIE SCREENING

The movie UNPLANNED is screening at Hoyts Warrawong for 2 nights only at 7pm
Wednesday 18 Sept and Monday 23 Sept
UNPLANNED is the story of Abby Johnson, who changed from being pro-choice to pro-life.
This film is topical given the current abortion bill in NSW parliament.

To book tickets, go to:

- 18 Sept:** <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-hoyts-cinemas-warrawong/>
- 23 Sept:** <https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-hoyts-cinemas-warrawong-2>

WHAT SHE
SAW CHANGED
EVERYTHING
UNPLANNED



SR JOAN & SR MARGARET'S FAREWELL

Parishioners and friends are invited to join us as we say **Thank You** and **Farewell** to **Sister Joan and Sister Margaret**

On:

Saturday 28 September 2019
2pm – Mass

Immaculate Conception Church
48-50 Princes Highway Unanderra
Followed by:

3pm – Afternoon Tea
St Pius X School Hall

Cummins Street Unanderra

RSVP:

(for catering purposes only)

Friday 20 September 2019 — 3pm

by contacting Sue or Magda

at Unanderra Parish Office (*office days/hours on front page*)

unanderra@dow.org.au or 4271 1068



SR JOAN & SR MARGARET

Next weekend, we will be collecting cards and/or gifts/donations to farewell Sr Joan and Sr Margaret; and there will be a card for all to sign. If anyone would like to attend the afternoon tea organised to farewell Sr Joan and Sr Margaret on Saturday 28 September, please see the notice above and **RSVP before 3pm on Friday 20 September** for catering purposes.

PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN



**Mass and Adoration
for the
Protection of the
Unborn in NSW**

Immaculate Conception Parish Unanderra
Monday 16 September 2019
4.30pm Adoration & 5.30pm Mass
(Adoration until 10pm with Rosary at 8pm)
Tuesday 17 September 2019
4.30pm Adoration & 5.30pm Mass
(Adoration until 10pm with Rosary at 8pm)

CATHOLIC ANSWERS SPEAKER

EWTN Catholic Answers Speaker Karlo Broussard comes to Wollongong - **Sunday 13 October 2019** (Parousia Media)

Topic: "My Truth, Your Truth" Tackling relativism and the damage it has done to the modern world.

5pm — Mass at St Francis Xavier Cathedral
38 Harbour Street Wollongong.

6pm — Xavier Centre - light supper provided.

6.30pm — Talk: "My Truth, Your Truth"

7.30pm — Q&A

8pm — Close

Catechists will have attendance logged on their record of ongoing training.

RSVP: All welcome! For catering purposes – Please RSVP to **Helen Bennett** on **4222 2403** or **helen.bennett@dow.org.au**

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

On 18 October 2019, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is inviting children worldwide to take part in the campaign "One Million Children Praying the Rosary."

For more information and for prayer resources, please visit **www.millionkidspraying.org**



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA

THE BISHOP'S APPEAL

TO SUPPORT THE RETIREMENT AND HEALTH OF CLERGY

Each parish provides "living" support to its active clergy, but it is the responsibility of our Diocese to fund the support and care for the retirement and health of diocesan



clergy who have dedicated their lives in service of the Church.

In our Diocese, this support is partly funded by The Bishop's Annual Appeal, which will be held in our Parish this weekend.

For your convenience, donations can also be made online via the Diocese of Wollongong's website **www.dow.org.au**

LIVING FAITH (\$4)

and

WORD AMONG US (\$5)

are currently available for purchase, located on the middle seat of the Church

THE JOURNEY

CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAMME

— AIRS SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2019 —

This week on the Journey, Fr Mark De Battista gives his homily for this week's Gospel; and you'll also hear from Mother Hilda Scott in her Wisdom from the Abbey. There are heaps of great music too from the Christian music artists on our show.

Go to **www.jcr.org.au** to make sure you never miss a show, with it sent to you each week as a podcast via email — for free!

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

8–10 November 2019

Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW



Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship!

Book online at **www.wwme.org.au**

Alternatively contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan on **0490 774 419** or **adrian.janet1@bigpond.com**

A VOCATION VIEW

We are called to proclaim God's abundant love for all people. Become an instrument of that love.

Our world needs you! (Luke 15:1-32)



Please contact

the Vocations Team at **priesthood@dow.org.au**

MGR GRAHAM'S PARISH FAREWELL CARD

For anyone you who missed out on signing Mgr Graham's farewell card, it will be available at the Parish office for the next few weeks, should you wish to sign it (**please see the new Parish office days/hours on the front page of this bulletin**).

The card will not be presented to Mgr Graham until he returns from his overseas trip around the end of October.



Message from Fr Duane

During the recent period of change in the two parishes of Immaculate Conception Unanderra and St Therese West Wollongong, it was decided that the Parish Pastoral Councils (PPCs) would meet together every second month. Last Sunday was the first combined meeting at St Therese, where there was a wonderful spirit of co-operation. Meetings will rotate between the two places led by the respective chairpersons, and after each meeting the chair will compose a newsletter for both parishes. It was agreed that we would refer to the combined PPC meetings as "ICAST" (short for "Immaculate Conception And St Therese") for convenience, and you can find more details of the first ICAST meeting in the enclosed ICAST newsletter. As you'll notice in the newsletter, while there has been a sense of loss for some of us after the changes that we've had to make in both places, there are also a number of "wins" that are starting to come from the co-operation between these two wonderful parishes. Let's strive to work and pray together for the upbuilding of both parishes, and take every opportunity to build relationships across the two communities.



I will be at the Diocesan Clergy Retreat from Monday to Friday this week (16–20 September 2019). Many thanks to Fr Jerzy for generously offering to celebrate the weekday Masses at both Immaculate Conception and St Therese this week. I will keep you all in my prayers, and please also pray for me and the Diocesan Clergy that we find the spiritual refreshment we need during this time, and that I come back a better priest for you all!

Fr Duane Fernandez
Parish Priest



BAPTISMS

Sundays at 12 noon (second and fourth Sunday of each month only)

Second Sunday of the Month — **West Wollongong**

Fourth Sunday of the Month — **Unanderra**

(Minimum of one month's notice is required)

MARRIAGES / FUNERALS / ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By appointment only — please contact Fr Duane

(Minimum of six months' notice for weddings is required — no Sunday weddings)

PARISH SICK LIST

If you would like to include your loved ones' names on our Sick List —

please email the Parish office at unanderra@dow.org.au or telephone **4271 1068** and leave a message