

PARISH AND SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR B) – SUNDAY 7 MARCH 2021

Mass registrations are helpful for our monitors. Register via Unanderra Parish Office:
unanderra@dow.org.au or 4271 1068

Weekly Programme	Immaculate Conception UNANDERRA	St Therese WEST WOLLONGONG
Monday 8 March	Mass: 7am	
Tuesday 9 March	Mass: 5.30pm	Mass: 7.45am
Wednesday 10 March	Mass: 9.30am	Adoration: 4.30pm Reconciliation: 4.30pm-5.15pm Mass: 5.30pm
Thursday 11 March	Mass: 11am (Polish) Adoration: 4:30pm Reconciliation: 4:30pm—5:15pm Mass: 5:30pm	Mass: 7:45am
Friday 12 March	Mass: 7am Stations of the Cross: 7pm	Mass: 9:30am Stations of the Cross: 5pm
Saturday 13 March	Rosary: 7.15am Mass: 7.30am Reconciliation: 5pm-5.30pm Vigil Mass: 6pm	Mass: 9am Reconciliation: 9.30am-10.30am
Sunday 14 March	Mass: 8am Mass: 10am (Polish)	Mass: 10am Mass: 5pm (also streamed online)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased

Bruna Tosti; Ruth Court
John Carolan; Kevin Barrett
Shirley Gill

Anniversaries

Richard Bampton, Doris Murphy
Don Bucknal, William Swift

Please also pray for the sick and those unable to attend Mass

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

unanderra@dow.org.au / 4271 1068

Monday: 11am-3pm (Magda)
Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday: 8:30am-1:30pm (Melissa)
Thursday: 9am-3pm (Magda)
Friday: 8:30am-1:30pm (Melissa)

Message from Fr Duane

If you are looking for a practical way to deepen your knowledge of your faith during this Lent, I happily recommend the resource called "Formed". I have recently signed up, through the subscription paid for entirely by the Diocese, email darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au or helen.bennett@dow.org.au to sign up as well! In time, we may also be able to utilise these resources in small and large groups in our parishes. If you find any of the shows, movies or series especially helpful, please let me know – for my own spiritual formation and for me to share with others, individually or in groups in the future.

Fr Duane Fernandez — Parish Priest

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the weeks of Lent, Stations of the Cross will take place in both parishes on Friday.

5pm at West Wollongong and

7pm at Unanderra

No pre-registration necessary, all registrations will take place at the door.



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Sunday 5pm Mass at West Wollongong continues to be live-streamed every week:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/ICASTImmaculateConceptionStThereseParishes>

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REGISTRATION PROCESS - BOTH UNANDERRA & WEST WOLLONGONG

At the moment, with the "2 square metre rule" we are not near capacity at any of our Sunday Masses. Registrations are still helpful for our monitors and admin staff. If pre-registering, please contact Unanderra parish office at unanderra@dow.org.au or 4271 1068, and include the names of all who will be attending Mass with you, contact phone numbers, and email addresses. If you don't pre-register you can still give your name to the monitor at the door.

ROSTER — NEXT WEEKEND

	Church Washing	Fiona Fernandez
Sat 13 Mar	Church Cleaning	F Fernandez, B Rice, R Tassone
	Lectors	Lawns — Sat 13 Mar
Sat 13 Mar 6pm Mass	V Cleary	H Fernandez, Milan Family
Sun 14 Mar 8am Mass	C Walsh	

ALL YOUR PASTORAL NEEDS

For any pastoral needs:

please contact

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ST MARY'S IS NOW ENROLLING



Year 7 2022 and 2023
(Current Years 5 & 6)

Come to our Expo and tour the College

Thursday 11 March 2021

3.30pm – 6.30pm

Register online for a tour and information session now!

All interested families welcome.

Meet the Principal, see the College in action
and talk to students and senior staff.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE EXPO AND TOURS

Call us now for more information on 4228 6011

Book online www.stmarys.nsw.edu.au

CALLING ALL BUSINESS PEOPLE

Catholic Business Connections (CBC) is an opportunity for business women and men in our diocese (active and retired) who share common values, to network and engage with each other and leaders representing the diocese. CBC gathers four times a year for lunch and to listen to guest speakers chosen to inspire with their unique story and share how they relate their work and spiritual life experience to the context of living in a modern world. The first luncheon for 2021 will be held on **Thursday 25 March at Rydges Hotel, Campbelltown (11.45am - 2pm)**.

Guest Speaker Rosemary Kariuki Australian of the Year 2021 - Local Hero.

For more information contact Debbie Gates, Diocesan Director of Development and Community Engagement (02) 4222 2446.

VOCATION NEWS

God's commandments lead us on the path of life. What path will you choose to walk? Pray for wisdom. (Exodus 20:1-17) If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au



YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

The Universal Church celebrates the Feast of St Joseph on the **19th March**. It is easy for us to think piously about St Joseph. May I suggest you listen to this song by Michael Card and think about the questions St Joseph was faced with. No doubt he was confused and concerned. Fr Paul Gurr refers to the connection between Jesus and Joseph by saying, "throughout his life he was fathered by a man called Joseph." I find that gentle and tender.

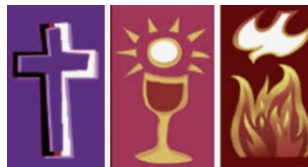
[Joseph's Song by Michael Card.wmv - YouTube](#)

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAMME – AIRS SUNDAY 7 MARCH 2021 –

The Journey this week: Monsignor Graham Schmitzer, Mother Hilda, Sr Susanna Edmunds, and Darren McDowell with reflections on engaging with Jesus' zeal for the Father's house – his zeal for us, our welfare and ultimate happiness, and restoring the wholeness of our relationship with God. The Journey available as a podcast at jcr.org.au



2021 PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS



On **Wednesday 10 March commencing at 7:00pm** in the Immaculate Conception Church we will be holding an Information evening for one parent/carer to attend. This is for all children who wish to enrol in 2021 for the reception of Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation. If your child / children attend a school other than St Pius please contact Sr Kerry at Kerry.Gardiner@sosj.org.au for more details.

EASTER MINISTRIES

Any person who would like to minister during our Holy Week and/or Easter ceremonies would you kindly contact Sr Kerry or the parish office indicating the ministry you would like to assist with and what day/days you are available. We need to cover all areas of the liturgy so your willingness would be greatly appreciated. Please leave a contact email address or phone number. Any enquiries please contact Sr Kerry.

POSITION VACANT—DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Suitably experienced and qualified persons are encouraged to apply for the role of Youth Ministry Coordinator in the Diocese of Wollongong. **Applications close on Tuesday 16 March**. For more information and a detailed role description, please go to <http://dow.sh/CYMWJob> or for enquiries contact helen.bennett@dow.org.au

ADORATION

CYMW is holding Holy Hour **every Wednesday evenings from 6:30PM to 7:30PM** for an hour of Adoration at St Francis Xavier Cathedral. There will be time for silence and reflection before the Lord and is a great time to quiet our hearts to listen to Him more closely. We hope to see to you there!



SUNDAY 7 MARCH 2021 — THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR B)

First Reading — Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me. 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. 'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

Responsorial Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. R.
2. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. R.
3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. R.
4. They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. R.

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless Glory. God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Gospel — John 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.