

PARISH AND SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY, UNANDERRA, NSW

(ESTABLISHED 1952)

Immaculate Conception Church was opened in 1954, solemnly dedicated in 1992, and became the diocesan shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1993

Second Sunday of Lent / C

28th February 2010

Sunday Masses	
morning	7am 9am 10.45am (Polish)
evening	5pm
Weekday Masses	
Monday	5.30pm
Tuesday	7am
Wednesday	7am
Thursday	5.30pm
Friday	12noon
Saturday	7.30am
Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)	
Saturday	9.30am to 10am
Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Monday	5pm

Fr John Makewa from Kenya will be visiting the parish until 2 March.

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Entrance Antiphon

Remember your mercies, Lord, your tenderness from ages past. Do not let our enemies triumph over us; O God, deliver Israel from all her distress.

Communion Antiphon

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.

Rosters for next weekend			
Sat. 6 th	Church Cleaning	F. Fernandez, B. Rice, S. Markocic, M. Kingston-Ray	
	Lawns	Fernandez Family	
Sun. 7 th	Acolytes	Lectors	Welcomers
7am	Paul Jones	Paul Gunning	B. Neich, L. Jennett
9am	Rob Klaus	Monica Peters	P. Cundy, B. Spain
5pm	Hans Lambert	Laura Zanetti	S. Michielin, M. Hollingshead
Counters	J. Anderson, M. Murphy (FH), C. Stratton		
Childrens Liturgy	Cath Chard, Kylie Crowe		

Baptisms this past week

Samuel John Percy Williams, Molly Anne Harrison, Emily Noreen Harrison

Marriage this weekend

Samuel John Percy Williams to Amanda-Lee Allard

Prayers are requested for: Sister Mary Rita Zampa (anniv.), Rose Wylie (anniv.), Beatrice Williams, Zillah, William and Phillip Perrin.

Topics in the Catholic press this week	
Catholic Weekly \$2.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation's joy at Bl. Mary's sainthood "Cross Currents" for the Diocese of Wollongong Abuse cases take toll on bishop
Catholic Leader \$1.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Josephites rejoice over Blessed Mary of the Cross MacKillop's sainthood decree Pope urges Lenten repentance Regional focus on Townsville Diocese

Morning Tea is available in the St. Joseph's Room after the 9 o'clock Mass this Sunday. All welcome.

Planned Giving Programme envelopes The new sets of envelopes are now available at the side door and the series commences on 7 March. Joining cards and direct debit forms are also available at the side door.

World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday, 5th March, 10am, Keiraview Uniting Church, Fisher Street, West Wollongong. The country of study is Cameroon. All welcome.

"Five minutes with the Word" is the title of a small booklet of daily reflections for Lent. About 4 free copies remain at the table near the font.

Dear Parishioners,

With the assistance of Fr Len Helm, I am planning to take my annual holidays in October and I am exploring the possibility of being in Rome for the canonisation of Mother Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Several travel firms are planning pilgrimages to Rome for the event and I have commenced talks with Academy Travel. I have a number of brochures should anyone else be interested.

Fr Mark

New altar servers names are being taken by Fr Mark of those who wish to train as altar servers. The lessons are likely to occur after Easter.

School enrolments See separate sheet. (pink)

Fr John Makewa has enjoyed his visit to the parish and will speak briefly at some of the Masses this Sunday. The amount raised last Sunday in support of his parish and special projects in Kenya was \$1500. Thank you to all contributors.

As was mentioned last Sunday, it is anticipated that a seminarian from Fr John's parish, Patrick Muema Kimulu will come here in a few months time, to commence studies for the Diocese of Wollongong.

Notices for Lent, Holy Week and Easter

Second Rite of Penance

Tuesday, 30th March, 6pm - Unanderra

Holy Week rosters If you can help as a lector, acolyte or altar server for the Holy Week ceremonies, or volunteer (12 needed, any age) for the washing of the feet on Holy Thursday, please sign up this Sunday.

Washing of the feet on Holy Thursday Please meet at 5.50pm at the side door, for a brief instruction.

The Old Testament readings at the Easter Vigil will be 1 (Genesis), 3 (Exodus) 5 (Isaiah) and 7 (Ezekiel)

Holy Hour and Stations of the Cross

on Fridays
5pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
5.15pm Stations of the Cross
5.45pm Confessions
6pm Benediction

Project Compassion is the annual Lenten appeal of Caritas Australia, to support its works throughout the world. The boxes and envelopes are available at the church doors. The envelopes can be placed on either collection and the boxes returned on Holy Thursday or a day soon afterwards.

Collection for the Holy Places will be taken up at both ceremonies on Good Friday, in support of the church in the Holy Land. The total for this collection last year was \$1485.40

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also fast days. Catholics between 18 and 60 years are bound to fast. All who are over 14 years are bound to abstain from meat on both days.

Paschal Precept Catholics are obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year, in the time between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday, 30th May.

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral, 7.30pm, Wednesday, 31st March. Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to attend.

Holy Thursday Mass at 6pm, followed by Adoration until 9pm, then Night Prayer at 9pm.

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 10am
Sacred Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3pm

Easter

Vigil Mass 7.30pm
Sunday Masses 7am, 9am, 5pm