

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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / C

7th February 2010

Sunday Masses	
morning	7am 9am 10.45am (Polish)
evening	5pm
Weekday Masses	
Monday	5.30pm
Tuesday	7am 10.45am Figtree Nursing Home
Wednesday	7am Saint Scholastica 10am Requiem Mass
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

Liturgical Year

Sundays – year C and weekdays, cycle B

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Entrance Antiphon

Come, let us worship the Lord. Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Communion Antiphon

Happy are the sorrowing; they shall be consoled. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right; they shall be satisfied.

Rosters for next weekend			
Sat. 13 th	Church Cleaning	Peters Family	
	Lawns	John Lonard, Harrison & Jordan Yates, Frank Timpano	
Sun. 14 th	Acolytes	Lectors	Welcomers
7am	Laurie Burns	Larry Jennett	F. McNamara, L. Wade
9am	Paul Jones	E./L./J. Ray	Peters Family
5pm	Hans Lambert	Colleen Walsh	Vasconcelos Family
Counters	Z. & M. Cauduro, A. Gunning		
Childrens Liturgy	Maria Matos, Kirra Calvert		

Prayers are requested for: Inez Josephine Young (rec. dec.), Michele Abbatantuono (anniv.), Mark Stevenson, Frank Perrin, June Ragg, William and Clare Eccleston, Peggy Box (rec. dec.), Duro Susec, Elda Troiano (rec. dec.), Joan Amelia Chambers (anniv.)

Topics in the Catholic press this week	
Catholic Weekly \$2.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archbishop Coleridge of Canberra celebrates Sydney "Red" Mass Treatment for asthma led to life as a priest
Catholic Leader \$1.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nuncio reunites with old seminary friends in Brisbane Save marriages, avoid annulments, Pope Benedict urges

Catholic Womens' League will hold its next meeting in St. Joseph's Room on Thursday, 11th February at 1pm. All welcome.

Caritas Australia The appeal for Haiti has now raised more than \$4000 (the exact total is not yet available) plus \$575.20 from the Polish community. Thank you for the very generous response. Over \$100,000 has been raised throughout the Diocese of Wollongong.

Palms to Ashes Please return the palms from last year's Palm Sunday, so that they can burnt for this year's ashes. They can be left in the baskets near the Sacred Heart altar. Ash Wednesday is on 17th February and the Masses will be 7am and 5.30pm. Also, a Mass is scheduled for SPX at 10am. If rain prevents the school from attending, there will be a liturgy at the school at the same time and the 10am Mass will be cancelled.

Planned Giving Programme (the envelope system) 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 available at the side door.

Australian Catholics The latest edition is available at both doors.

Annual Parish Financial statement Copies are available at the side door.

Repairs to the church At the recent meeting, the Parish Finance Council has arranged for repairs to be completed to a part of the church near the font, at a cost of \$7000 and this is scheduled to be done on Tuesday, 16th February. On that day the church will be closed to all users between 10am and 3pm.

Childrens' Liturgy will re-commence next Sunday, as the St. Joseph's Room is not ready for use this Sunday.

Parish catechists and the staff of SPX School will make their annual public commitment before the parish at 9am Mass on next Sunday, 14th February.

Information on the sacraments for 2010 for the programmes for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, can be collected from Fr Mark today.

Sacrament of Penance (First Reconciliation Programme) The enrolment forms will be available at Mass next Sunday, 14th February. Group leaders are now required. Contact Fr Mark or Sister Joan if you can help.

Fr John Makewa from the Parish of Makueni in the Diocese of Machakos in Kenya will be visiting the parish until 2 March. Please make Fr John welcome.

Lenten Programme 2010 is entitled "Do you love me?" The following groups will welcome participants:

Group 1 will meet on Tuesdays at 2pm in the St. Joseph's Room, starting on 16th February.

Group 2 will meet at the home of Leo and Jo Haywood, 244 Farmborough Road, FH, (4271.3782) on Wednesdays at 7pm.

Contact Sister Joan (4272.9980) for details and books, if you would like to form a group.

Craft Group recommences on Wednesday, 10th February at 10am. Enquiries to April Thrift 4272.9521

Columban calendars \$7 – table near the font.

Seminarians for the diocese in 2010

The seminarians for the Diocese of Wollongong this year are Duane Fernandez, Stephen Varney, Christopher Isika and Aniceto (Choy) Sanchez, all of whom are studying at Good Shepherd, Homebush.

Bede Amadi continues his doctoral studies in Malaysia and will return after April 2011. Peter Zielinski is now a seminarian for the Diocese of Lismore. More information about other applicants and previous seminarians is available from Fr Mark.

Mobile Muncher The mobile phone recycling programme will conclude this Sunday. The collection box is near the Sacred Heart altar.