

# Croydon Park Parish

## Parish Details

### Our Churches:

- St Margaret Mary's**  
286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park
- Mater Dei**  
55 Beaufort St, Woodville Park
- St Patrick's**  
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park

### Parish Office:

- 286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park  
-83460944  
-hello@croydonparkparish.com.au  
-www.croydonparkparish.com.au



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### Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 9.30am to 3.00pm

### Parish Priest:

Fr Charles Lukati

### Assistant Priest:

Fr Sam Arockiasamy SdM

### Parish Staff:

#### -Pastoral Associate:

Sr My Vu FdCC

#### -Sacramental Programme

#### Coordinator:

Mrs Kirsty Power

#### -Parish Secretary:

Mrs Paula Noujaim

#### -Office Assistant:

Mrs Melissa Hernandez

## Next Week's Readings

October 8th 2023

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time,  
Year A

**First Reading:** Isaiah 5:1-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 79:9, 12  
-16, 19-20 R: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

**Second Reading:**

Philippians 4:6-9

**Gospel:**

Matthew 21:33-43

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## Oct 1st 2023

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

*Jesus wants us to be sincere  
in our actions and our love*

### First Reading

*Ezekiel 18:25-28 (JB)*

#### **A reading from the prophet Ezekiel**

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 24:4-9 (JB)*

#### **R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.**

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R.**

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth. In your love remember me,

because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray,

he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

### Second Reading

*Philippians 2:1-11 (JB)*

#### **A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians**

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing.

Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus: His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel

*Matthew 20:1-16 (JB)*

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

# PLEASE PRAY FOR:



## RECENT:

We pray for **Angela Sacchetta** who passed away recently. May she rest in peace and her family be comforted.

## ANNIVERSARIES:

**Socorro M Bacho & Maria Tinh Dam**

**OUR SICK:** *Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sagesca, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Ngueyn, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mammone, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mammone, Tommy O'Mahony, Nicolena DiGiovanni, Dam Thi Khuc, Velibor, Boris & Bob Basevski, Giuseppina Candido, John Best, Jean Wishmuller, Mike Kain, Daryll Abrea, Veronica Aguilera, Rosa Greco, Cammi Longford, Alicea Longford, Hung Tran, Giuse Nguyen Thanh Dam, Joseph Patrose, Thomas Peter, Joe Vozzo, Chong Vu, Vince Greco, Marta Aguilera, Gloria Zelava, Viet Nguyen.*

## Sunday Intercessions

We pray that we may all be united in our convictions and in our love, with a common purpose and a common mind, so that there is no competition among us or conceit.  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for Pope Francis and all the participants in the Synod as they begin a three day retreat today in preparation for its start next Thursday, that they will be open to the presence, grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit.  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all Australians who will vote in the approaching referendum, that taking into account St Paul's words to think of other people's interests first, they will vote with the mind of Christ Jesus.  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves, that we may recognise Christ in every person we meet, giving thanks for diversity of race, culture, and language.  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who live in places of war and violence, persecution and desperate poverty, that the peoples of this world will have a concern for justice and work for peace in every place and way possible.  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our departed relatives, friends and parishioners, whose lives and deaths have had an influence on us, that they may belong to the Lord forever. We remember also...  
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

# GOSPEL DISCUSSION

Like the older son in the story, the Jewish leaders said they would obey God but did not. They refused to follow the Messiah! It was the outsiders - the tax collectors and others considered 'sinners' - who listened and followed. This is another example of the mystery or reversals evident in God's Kingdom.

Imagine Jesus in the world today.

Who might be the people to welcome and follow him?

Who might reject him or be challenged by him?

There are people in the world who promise everything and deliver little or nothing. Consider if you could be like these people in any way or maybe you know someone who is like this.

Then there are those who seem reluctant to get involved but then decide to enter fully into the cause or project.

Consider if you could be like these people in any way.

Neither of these groups is what we might call perfect!

The genuine follower is one who listens and obeys, a person who is true to his/her word.

*Think what it means to be a person who keeps her/his word.*

*What it means to make and keep a promise.*

In our faith journeys, we can say YES to God and try to live good Christian lives. Or we can say NO to God and reject the gospel. Reflect on what it means for them to say YES to God - how should you act? How should you speak? What should you believe?

## Jesus wants us to be sincere in our actions and our love.

(www.liturgia.com.au)

## WALK WITH GOD

for Young Adults  
(COYYA / Caritas Australia Initiative)  
Saturday October 7, 4pm-6pm  
Meet at: McElligott's Carpark,  
48 Carrick Hill Rd, Mitcham

Connecting young adults with the wonder and awe of God's creation through prayer and reflection.

Sabrina Stevens, National Youth Coordinator of Caritas Australia, will take us on a walk that incorporate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander spirituality as we explore the different perspectives of connecting with creation. This walk is not for the faint hearted.

We look forward to seeing you there for a prayerful walk and fellowship.



REGISTER NOW

[trybooking.com/CLGUF](http://trybooking.com/CLGUF)



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# St Margaret Mary's Feast Day

## Save The Date Sunday Oct 15<sup>th</sup>

All parishioners are invited to celebrate this Feast at the 10.30am Mass, followed by our Traditional

## Multicultural Lunch & Festivities



## CAN YOU HELP???

Please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you can

### donate food or help on the day

on 8346 0944 or at [hello@croydonparkparish.com.au](mailto:hello@croydonparkparish.com.au)

**Together we can achieve great things!**

## Ever Thought About Becoming A Catholic?



Every year we offer an opportunity for people who would like to explore if God is calling them to be baptised (or to become a member of the Catholic Church, if already baptised in another Christian Community). This journey concludes each year with adults being Baptised at the Easter Vigil.

- Perhaps this interest has been at the back of your mind
- Perhaps you want to belong to a faith-filled community
- Maybe the questions of your children, or coming to Mass, has awakened an interest in you

**This might be the moment of grace to take that first step and see what happens.**

- Parishioners might know a someone who has spoken about becoming a Catholic.
- Or there may be someone whom you think might just be waiting to be asked.

*Pope Francis encourages us to reach out – invite people to discover Jesus and the joy of his Gospel. So Share your Faith, Spread the Word, Invite Someone!*

For those who are interested, please contact the Parish Office on 8346 0944 or [hello@croydonparkparish.com.au](mailto:hello@croydonparkparish.com.au)

### Information Night

7pm Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup>, Parish Office.

## Mass Times: Oct 3 - 8

### Weekday Masses

-Tues	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Wed	-9.00am	-St Patrick's
	-6.00pm	- St Margaret Mary's followed by Adoration, Benediction & Night Prayer
-Thurs	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Fri	-9.15am	-Mater Dei
	-7.00pm	-Vietnamese (1st Friday)

### Weekend Masses

-Saturday	-6.00pm	Mater Dei Vigil
-Sunday	-8.30am	St Patrick's
	-8.30am	St Margaret Mary's (Polish)
	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's
	-5.00pm	Mater Dei (Vietnamese)

### Confessions

-Saturday 12 noon - 12.30pm in St Margaret Mary's Church or call the 8346 0944 to make an appointment.

*St Margaret Mary's Church can be opened for prayer during office hours (please sign in at Parish Office).*

## Our Parish Schools

Our three parish schools offer a Catholic education from Reception to Year 6. Contact each school for further information.

### -St Margaret Mary's School

Principal: Ms Kelly Campbell  
5 Eldon Street, Croydon Park (8245 5800)

**Playgroup Fridays, 9.15-10.45am**



### -St Patrick's School

Principal: Mrs Barbara Ahern  
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park (8303 4500)

**Playgroup Wed & Fri, 9.30-11.30am**



### -Whitefriars School

Principal: Mr Frank Congedi  
45 Beaufort St, Woodville Park (8178 7700)

**Playgroup Tues & Thurs, 9-10.30am**



## Our Parish Family

Baptised last Sunday at St Margaret Mary's Church, Victoria, daughter of Emiljan and Valentine. May God bless Victoria and her family.



## Parish Youth Group

Friday October 6<sup>th</sup>- 7pm in the Parish Hall



Hearts on Fire  
FEET ON THE MOVE



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
catholicmission.org.au/timor

In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale.

**This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.**



## CROYDON PARK PARISH SENIORS GROUP

Join us for coffee, tea and chats  
with fellow aged Parishioners.

**Monday 9th October, 10.30am at the Parish Office  
(286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park)**

Aged 60 and over are welcome.

Need assistance with travel? Give the Parish Office a call on 08 8346 0944

# The Southern Cross

Living Catholics

The October edition of  
**The Southern Cross Newspaper**  
is available this weekend for \$2.

# In The Mailbox

## Silent Retreat at The Monastery

Join us for some quiet, personal reflection on our silent retreat led by Fr Tony Edgar CP and Fr Pastor Mumburi CP.

The retreat will commence with dinner on Friday October 6

and conclude with breakfast on **Thursday October 12.**

Contact The Monastery office on 8338 8700

or [conference@themonastery.net.au](mailto:conference@themonastery.net.au)

## Annual Mothers and Christian Family Life Mass

(Honouring St Gerard Majella

-Patron of Mothers & Christian Families)

**Friday October 13**

Holy Rosary 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7pm

with 'Blessing of Expecting Mothers' at St Francis of Assisi Church,  
59 Newton Road, Newton.

After Mass veneration of St Gerard 1<sup>st</sup> class relic.

Religious books, medals etc. will be on sale in the Church foyer.

## A Josephite Celebration - Tales out of School

**Saturday October 14,**

2pm - 4.30pm, at Mt Carmel College,

33 Newcastle Street, Rosewater, parking off Miles St.

Open to all who have a connection to the Josephite story.

Hosted by the 'Josephites are the Future' group.

RSVP by Friday October 6 to David:

[david.cotton@mcc.catholic.edu.au](mailto:david.cotton@mcc.catholic.edu.au) or 0417 853 519

## The Voice Referendum

**On October 14 2023,** Australian citizens will

vote in the referendum on the

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament.

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan is encouraging Catholics

to prayerfully reflect on the upcoming referendum

and inform themselves from reliable sources such as

[www.indigenousvoice.church](http://www.indigenousvoice.church), [www.catholic.au](http://www.catholic.au) or [www.voice.gov.au](http://www.voice.gov.au).

E: [multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## Gardening Day

**St Margaret Mary's Church**

**9am Saturday, October 7th**

We need volunteers to help maintain  
the grounds around the Parish Office  
and St Margaret Mary's Church.

So if you like gardening, please come along.

Every little bit of help makes a big difference!

**Morning Tea will be provided.**



## Community Garden

"We are pleased to announce that our Parish has successfully applied for a grant from Grassroots Adelaide to revitalise the backyard space behind the Parish Office into a Community Garden. The coming months will see the space prepared into a community garden focusing on organic edible gardening that will be open to our Parish, School and wider community."