

Our Lady of the Wayside Maryvale

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WORSHIP

Holy Mass

Monday & Wednesday 17h30
Tuesday & Thursday 06h30
Friday 08h00
First Friday 08h00 & 18h00
Saturday 08h30 & 17h30
Sunday 08h00, 10h00 & 18h00

Benediction

First Friday 17h45

Adoration

Fridays 08h30 to 16h30

Confessions

First Friday 17h15 to 17h45
Saturday 10h30 to 11h00

Requirements:

Baptism - Notice of 3 months
Marriage - Notice of 6 months

Banking Details for Maryvale:

Bank: Standard Bank
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SCRIPTURE MEDITATION:

In today's Gospel we see the wild generosity of God's love. He welcomes late-comers, engages those whom no one seems to want, embraces the outsider. His thoughts are not our thoughts; his ways are not our ways. Let us celebrate the greatness of his mercy. He is rich in forgiving.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 17 September

17h30 - In thanksgiving for all the Confirmation teachers;

Sunday 18 September - 25th Sunday

08h00 - Enrico Mogentale RIP;
10h00 - Andrew Jabour RIP;
18h00 - Deceased members of Aduc family RIP;

Monday 19 September

17h30 - Marcella Suraci RIP;

Tuesday 20 September

06h30 - For a special intention;

Wednesday 21 September - St Matthew

17h30 - In thanksgiving—Lynne

Thursday 22 September

06h30 - Silvana Di Ruvo RIP;

Friday 23 September - St Padre Pio

08h00 - Deceased members of the Sutcliffe family;

Saturday 24 September

08h30 - Francisco Pestana RIP.

PRAY FOR THE CHRONICALLY ILL:

Bruna Lupini, George Nizetich, Gaetano Carleo, Barbara McLaren, Terry Stavrinis, Dougie Khoury, Mrs. McLennan, Sheila Hartin, Giacomo Cusano, Jose Adelino Mendonca, Tony Duarte, Dave Moffat, Itumeleng Mkalipi, Arnaldo Ansermino, Rob van Schalkwyk, Caroline Mabuella, Tony Schamotta, Delia Torrente, Antonietta Merolla, Marcelle Page, Rev Dick Descroizilles, Cameron Campbell

WEEKLY PROGRAMME:

Monday 19 September

6.00pm — Meditation Group
6.30pm — Bible Discussion

Tuesday 20 September

7.30pm — Charismatic Group

Wednesday 21 September

4.30pm — Divine Mercy Chaplet
6.15pm — Adult Enquiry

Thursday 22 September

10.00am — Prayer Group
6.30pm — Confirmation Classes
7.00pm — Men's Prayer Group

Friday 23 September

8.00am — Holy Mass followed by Adoration during the rosary.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Holy Mass at *Queen Alexandra* - Monday 19 September at 9.15am.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Wednesday 21 September at 7.00pm.

The Chicken Braai & Family Day last Sunday was a huge success!! Sincere thanks to all those who donated and helped with this event. It was a beautiful day for all the families of the parish. For those of you who missed this happy day, start planning for next year already!

Two folding chairs left at the braai can be collected from Phile, cell number 078-738-5553.

The Knights of Da Gama will host their *Annual Charity Golf Day* on Thursday 6 October at Modderfontein Golf Club. They are looking for sponsorship, prizes and 4-balls. Come and support this worthy charity fundraising event.

Reflection:

God is always with us, yet He is always further from us than we can imagine: God-with-us, God-in-us, God's incarnation in the world as a man — all of this is called God's *immanence*. On the other hand, God's being-far-from-us, His ways being further from us than the heavens are from the earth (an infinite distance!) — this is called God's *transcendence*. The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, God who is Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ is utterly transcendent; yet He becomes utterly immanent, in His Son Jesus. And this tension is in us always: between our *immanence* — being-here-on-earth with the people we love, trying to do God's will (as St Paul writes to the Philippians) — and our transcendence — our true homeland in heaven, our call to be with Christ, and the angels and saints, in eternity. The Sacred Liturgy unites the transcendental and the immanent: it is what *we* humans here on earth do, but it is also already divine: we are taking part in God's infinite majesty — it is a foretaste of eternity. In the words of TS Eliot's *Magi*, we long for another birth: our birth into eternity. Meanwhile, we seek with every fibre of our weak and fallible being to do God's holy will on earth: *Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven*. Now God who is both far above us, and completely within us — He is generous beyond all human understanding: He pays the last-comer in the Gospel as much as He paid the earlier workers. But we misunderstand His generosity, and quickly become jealous and bitter. What a funny species we are. Let us seek afresh this week to open our hearts to His overwhelming kindness, to truly give thanks for the blessings that other around us receive, to rejoice with them (as well as to grieve with them). In this way, our human *solidarity* with one another will be strengthened.