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Thoughts of Fr Francis Jordan

We must diligently and wisely use all ways and means which the love of Christ inspires to glorify God.

Pope Francis' **Prayer Intentions** For June

Families We pray for Christian families around the the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us at Pittwater Parish Sacred Heart Church and Maria Regina Church.

Continue to practise good hygiene. Please use the hand sanitisers provided in both of our Churches.

If you have used this bulletin, please take it home with you.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer

O Most Holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with a lively sorrow for my sins, Loffer You this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to Your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live

Amen.

in You and for You.





MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART CHURCH 1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale

Weekday Masses Tuesday 8.30am **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 8am, followed by Mass at 9.30am

Wednesday 9.30am Thursday 7pm **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 7.30pm to 9pm Friday 9.30am First Friday of the Month, **Exposition of the**

Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 9.30am, followed by Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 10.30am

Blessed Sacrament.

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 8.00am • 10.00am • 6.00pm (SOUL)

Reconciliation 4.00pm to 4.30pm Saturday

> **Baptism** 4th Sunday - 11.30am

MARIA REGINA CHURCH 7 Central Road, Avalon

Weekday Masses Monday 8am Wednesday 8am Thursday 10am 9am Exposition of the **Blessed Sacrament**, **Adoration and Benediction** at 9.45am Friday 8am

Mass with Anointing of the Sick - First Friday of the Month at 8am

> Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am

Reconciliation **Before Vigil Mass on Saturday**

> **Baptism** 3rd Sunday - 11.00am

Recently Deceased

Norm Nuelle Clive Andrew Vella Paul Frank Sofia John Joseph Cincotta Dominique Viriot

If you would like the names of your relatives or friends and offerings included, please drop the envelope in to the Parish Office by Midday on Wednesdays.

Prayers for the Sick

Beryl Peo-Duncan Michael Carrodus Pat Regan Garry Gleeson **Annette Davis Andrew Hood Jeff Langley** Erin Ocampo Mark Lindfiels Vicky Kalingasan **Bill Eyre** Brian Gregan **Mrian Poe** Marcia Bailey **Bec Burroughs** Susan Hickey Sophia Burfitt Margaret De Landre Maeve Robinson Jenny Carroll Matt Ukishima Pietrina Maiorana Susan Makabenta Mina Lee **Denise Wagner**

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Leonie Ariemetto

Liturgy for the Week

27/06 Monday Ordinary Time 13 Amos 2:6-10; Mt 8:18-22

28/06 Tuesday St Irenaeus Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

29/06 Wednesday Sts Peter & Paul Acts 3:1-10; Mt 16:13-19

30/06 Thursday Ordinary Time 13 Amos 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8

01/07 Friday Ordinary Time 13 Amos 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13

02/07 Saturday Ordinary Time 13 Amos 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17

BOOK REVIEW

St Mark's Gospel The Navarre Bible

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A seminar for the Catholic community of Broken Bay featuring an expert legal advisor to answer your questions.

Date: Thursday 14 July 2022 11.00am - 12.30pm

The Lakes Parish Hall, St Joseph's Catholic Church Venue:

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Register: www.bbcatholic.org.au/willsday or contact David on

02 8379 1664 / david.armstrong@bbcatholic.org.au



Catering:

Cecilia Castle, principal of Castle Lawyers, will present and answer questions from her legal expertise of over 30 years. Cecilia is a regular speaker and writer on legal topics, Catholic and parishioner in the Diocese of Broken Bay.

"An authentic faith always involves a deep desire

to leave this earth a better place than we found it.

Understanding the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and What it Means



When I was a child, a beautiful picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus hung in my parents' bedroom. A warm, smiling Jesus lovingly pointed to His heart, pierced and crowned with thorns, in an eternal gesture of invitation. Whenever I looked at that picture, I felt good embraced, loved, cared for — as if the Lord were inviting me to step into His joy and peace. My mother had a great devotion to the Sacred Heart; every First Friday, we would consecrate our lives anew to His love and mercy.

In the Gospels, Jesus' heart is moved with pity for the crowds (see Mt 9:36) and He tells us that He is gentle and humble of heart (Mt 11:29).

The Sacred Heart of Jesus that began beating in the womb of the Blessed Virgin more than 2,000 years ago still beats today in the glorified humanity of the Risen Christ. And it will pulsate forever, pumping out the grace, mercy and life of God to all of humanity. In the Heart of the Lord, we experience the overwhelming mercy of God and His infinite desire to be in relationship with us. Over the centuries, many Christians developed harsh images of God and Jesus as fearsome judges, distant from human affairs, ready to impose punishment for moral failure. The Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints became the friendly, approachable intercessors who would go to God for us, pleading for sinful and erring souls. Jansenism, particularly prevalent in France in the 16th and 17th centuries, overemphasised the wrath of God, the unworthiness of human nature and fear as a fundamental response to the divine. Viewed in this context, the apparitions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque manifest a need for a theological correction and a spiritual balance regarding popular perceptions of Christ. Jesus revealed to the saint His heart, burning with love for humanity. Pierced and crucified — offering salvation and mercy — Jesus' heart longs for us to offer our love and devotion in return. If some distorted forms of spirituality focused only on God's punishment, the Sacred Heart emphasized mercy. If many believers

inordinately feared God, here divine love and joy were manifest. If Jesus had seemed distant and unapproachable before, the Sacred Heart beckons us to enter into the divine furnace of charity.

St. Margaret Mary described her experience of the Lord: "My divine Heart is so passionately fond of the human race and of you, in particular, that it cannot keep back the pent-up flames of its burning charity any longer. They must burst out through you and reveal my Heart to the world, so as to enrich mankind with my treasures." Following this revelation, Jesus united her heart with His in a fusion of mystical love and joy.

Lest we think that such a love is naive, simplistic or easy, the Sacred Heart shines forth, crowned with thorns, pierced and bleeding. The crucifixion of Christ is the terrifying path through the valley of darkness and evil which God himself walks, embracing everything sinful, broken and dead that ensnares and destroys us. By remaining silent before His persecutors, praying for His killers, loving a dying thief and asking forgiveness for sinners, Jesus shows that the unconditional, infinite and divine love of His heart is the only force that can heal the world of its hatred, sin and rejection of God. By taking upon himself the totality of human evil committed by every person of every time, Christ refracts this overwhelming darkness into the light of the Resurrection. Sacred Heart devotion is not magic or some automatic ticket to heaven; it is a sacred way for us to encounter the fullness of the Gospel, the good news of God's saving love poured out for us in Jesus Christ. As we steadily progress in our knowledge and communion with the Lord, we will fall ever more deeply in love with Jesus and live out that transforming and redemptive relationship in every detail of our lives. This devotion unites our minds, hearts and wills in one great act of oblation — a total gift of the self to the One who has first offered himself completely to and for us.

By: Bishop Donald J. Hying is bishop of the Diocese of Madison, Wisconsin.



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Parish Bulletin Term 2 Week 9



It was a huge week of sport for the college with several gala days and competitions taking place. These included the BBSSSA Junior Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day for Year 7 and Year 8 students on Tuesday, with Year 10 students attending the PASS Refereeing Primary School Gala Day on Wednesday. Other activities included the Jamie Lyon Cup Rugby League competition, MWBA Basketball, Peninsula Cup Boys Soccer, Peninsula Cup Netball, BBSSSA Junior and Intermediate Girls Basketball, and the NSW All Schools Open Boys Rugby and Girls Rugby 7s.

Wednesday was a big day for pastoral care at the college. Our Year 7s attended 'The Hurting Game' by Brainstorm Productions. This was a funny and engaging live performance to provide high school students with strategies for resilience, help-seeking, online safety and positive relationships. Our Year 8 students attended a workshop delivered by Elephant Ed on complexities regarding the legalities and ramifications of using social media inappropriately. Whilst our Year 12 students attended a presentation in the Byrne Theatre about resilience, courage, and change.

On Thursday, our Year 12 History students attended an HTA Study Day at the University of Sydney. The lecture was presented by experienced teachers and markers of the HSC, providing these students with invaluable assistance. On Friday, our Year 12 English Studies class visited United Cinemas in Warriewood to watch a film viewing of Elvis. The students are currently studying a module which enables them to develop a deeper understanding of how language is used in a range of song lyrics to express emotions, attitudes, ideas, and themes related to the human experience. It is currently enrolment time for students who would be starting high school in 2024. The first round of offers has been made and over the next month parents and students on the waiting list have been offered a meeting with our Principal, Marc Reicher. Early next term all those who have been offered positions will meet in small groups with the Principal to gain some valuable insights into Mater Maria and have any questions

Applications for Year 7, 2025 are now open. There are waiting lists for Year 7, 2023 and Year 7, 2024. For more information about enrolling at our Mater Maria Catholic College please visit https://matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments/.

answered.

Welcome to Pittwater Parish

Maliya Margo Maloney
William Robert Donadel
Emily Shaw Donadel
Abby Claire Aitken
Zara Iris Lynch
Kai Davies
Piper Davies

on the
26th of June 2022
Sacred Heart Church
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Vox Populi - The Voice of the People

This Sunday we celebrate the 10th World Meeting of Families.

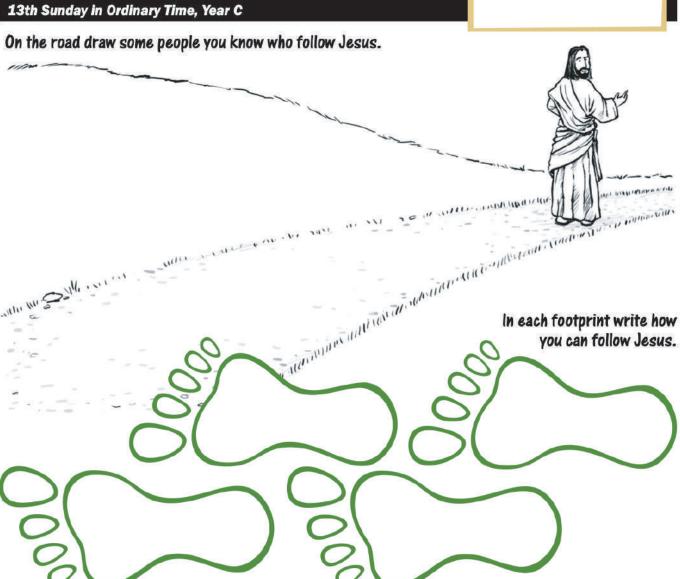
While Rome is the main venue for the event this weekend, Pope Francis has asked dioceses around the world to make it possible for every family to participate in the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) after being postponed for a year due to the pandemic.

The theme for this year is "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness". Our will celebrate WMOF with a Mass on Sunday 26 June at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara at 2pm with Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

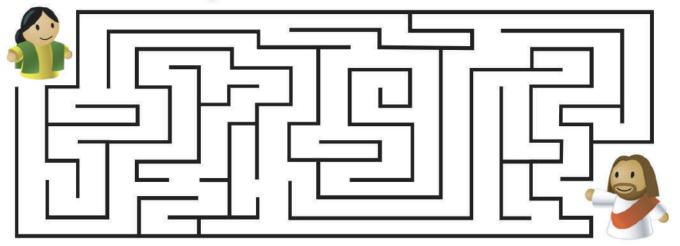
All families are warmly invited. The Mass will be followed by refreshments, and fun games for kids at The Light of Christ Centre. While the children are enjoying supervised outdoor games, the adults can hear Simon Carrington from Fire Up Ministries talking about "The Joy of Married Love"

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated WMOF in a different city in the world. For more on WMOF, reflections, news, videos and resources, visit Dicastry for Laity Family and Life at http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/sezione-famiglia/incontrimondiali-delle-famiglie/wmof2022.html and join us on Sunday.





Follow Jesus through the maze.



The Living Word

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

First Reading

1 Kgs 19:16. 19-21

A reading from the book of the Kings Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.' Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, andfollowed Elijah and became his servant

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11. R. cf. v.5
(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. (R)

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,

who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R)

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;

even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the

nor let your beloved know decay. (R)

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. (R)

Second Reading

Gal 5:1. 13-18

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Galatians

My brothers, you were called to freedom.

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this

liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation 1 Sm 3:9; Jn 6:68

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 9:51-62

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head. Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God. Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

REFLECTION

Today we consider some of the personal difficulties we might have to face as disciples. First, there is no part-time discipleship. Our commitment must be wholehearted and complete. We must have a willing attitude that frees us interiorly from all other concerns so that we might be able to follow Christ regardless of our state in life or our occupation. This attitude of commitment comes not merely from our own generosity of heart but from our having been transformed into Christ through faith and baptism.

We may face conflicts when our various allegiances seem to clash. We may have famīly responsibilities. There are children to raise, elderly parents or infirm relatives to care for. What does discipleship require of us? We all must earn a living. Are we expected to leave our employment to follow Jesus? And if so, what then will we do? All disciples must face the interior struggle caused by the conflict of legitimate responsibilities. The freedom of which Paul speaks comes with genuine love. If, out of love, we can negotiate successfully these conflicts caused by competing responsibilities, without compromising our total commitment to Christ, we will find a new kind freedom. This is the freedom that enables us to be faithful to both sets of responsibilities according to the proper priority. We will see that commitment to Christ is primary and the circumstances of our lives with the accompanying responsibilities set the parameters within which we live out our commitment. It is not in opposition with these responsibilities or despite them, but by means of or through them that we live out our discipleship.

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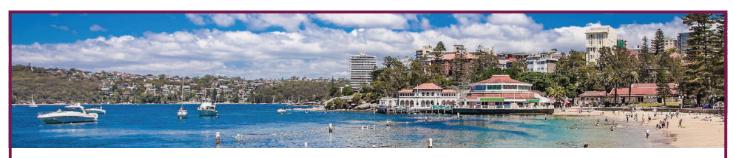
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