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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



Thoughts of Blessed Francis Jordan
True humility is the key to heaven's treasury of grace.
Oh pilgrim, get up bravely, if you stumble along
the rugged path to life!

Prayer for Inner Growth

Eternal Father, here I am before You, willing to receive the seeds of blessing and wisdom.

Let this moment be a time of inner strength
May I learn and understand the deeper mysteries of faith and may it strengthen my belief in the Lord.

Draw me closer to Your Word and loving grace. Let me give up all weariness and shame into the wounds of Christ.

I open myself to You, O Lord.
In my weakness,
You make me strong.
In trusting You,
You enter my heart.
I know I'm never alone.

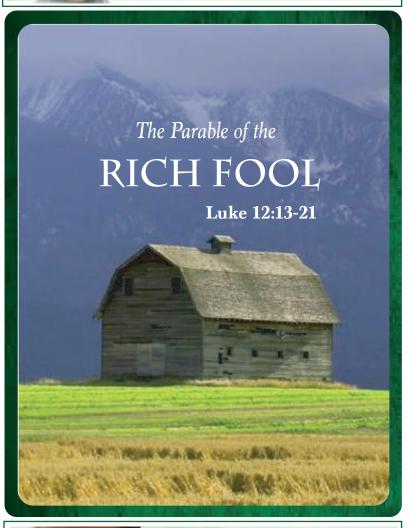
In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

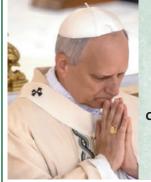




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We, the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay and the Catholic Parish of Pittwater are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.





POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION for AUGUST

For Mutual Coexistence
Let us pray that societies where
coexistence seems more difficult might
not succomb to the temptation of
confrontation for ethnic, political,
religious or ideological reasons.

MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church

1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30 am
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
8.30 am followed by Mass

Wednesday 9.30 am

Thursday 7 pm
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
7.30 pm to 9.00 pm

Friday 9:30 am
First Friday of the month,
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction
from 9:30 am,
followed by Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 10.30 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am & 6.00 pm (SOUL)

RECONCILIATION Saturday Vigil 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm

BAPTISM 4th Sunday of the Month 11.30 am

Maria Regina Church

7 Central Road, Avalon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8.00 am

Wednesday 8.00 am

Thursday 10 am 9.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction at 9.45 am

Friday 8.00 am
First Friday of the month,
Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 8.00 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am

RECONCILIATION Before Vigil Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.00 am

We Pray

Deceased Anniversary Lionel Doutre

May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Recently Deceased Evanka Grubisa

Prayer for the Sick

Anna Śmigowska Lily Janosik Giannina Amore Maureen Larios **Elaine Boyes** Pauline Chipman Ron Clarke Barbara Clarke Anna Katanec Mother Pauline Angela Miller Philip Khalifeh Joseph Khalifeh Therese Keane **Bruce Farr** Heidi Taylor **James** Jacinta Purnell - Major Garry Gleeson Nenita Roque Marie Celine Roque- Maca Neda Crvelin **Jesse Cathersides**

BOOK REVIEW

On the Threshhold of Transformation by: Richard Rohr



This book contains Daily Meditations for Men

'While much of our culture today would have us believe that failure and suffering are inherently bad, Fr Rohr helps men see that pain - in whateve form it takes - is a primary doorway through which they can pass to reach their authentic best selves, which is where they will truly encounter God.

THE BLESSING OF THE LORD BRINGS WEALTH AND HE ADDS NO TROUBLE TO IT

Liturgy for the Week

04/08 Monday, St John Vianney Num 11:4-15; Mt 14:13-21

05/08 Tuesday, Ordinary Time 18 Num 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36

06/08 Wednesday, The Transfiguration of the Lord Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Lk 9:28-36

07/08 Thursday, Ordinary Time 18 Ps 94:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

08/08 Friday, St Mary of the Cross 1 Kg 17:8-16; Mt 6:25-34

09/08 Saturday, Ordinary Time 18 Deut 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20

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Feast of Saint Mary MacKillop

8 AUGUST





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ALAN AMES MINISTRY



Holy Mass and Healing Services

Saturday, 9th August
5.00 pm Mass, Talk and Healing
St Luke's Church,
1 Beaconsfield St, Revesby NSW 2212

Sunday, 10th August
6.00 pm Mass, Talk and Healing
Sacred Heart Church,

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Alan Ames has been speaking and praying for healing around the world since 1994. He was blessed to speak with church approval at World Youth Day 2002 in Toronto, where he conducted three talks. World Youth Day is a Papal event. Also, in 2004, again with church approval, he spoke at two of the holiest sites in Christendom: the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth and St Catherine's, the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. Alan shares his unique conversion experiences that caused a dramatic change in his life from a violent alcoholic to a man of the Sacraments and prayer. Alan has permission to speak from Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, his bishop in Western Australia. He is strictly obedient to his spiritual director, a priest selected by the previous Archbishop Barry

Contact: Scott 0410 640 437 or alanames.org

Please let everyone know about Alan Ames Ministry. Spread the word!



PARISH MORNING TEA GATHERING

Everyone is welcome to join and get to know each other in our Parish Community.

Every month after the 8 am Mass on the 1st Sunday and after the 10 am Mass on the 3rd Sunday at SACRED HEART CHURCH, MONA VALE

2nd and 4th Sundays after the 9 am Mass at the front of MARIA REGINA CHURCH, AVALON



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Parish Bulletin - Term 3, Week 2

We held our Athletics Carnival on Tuesday at the ES Marks Field in Kensington. We had fantastic participation in both track and field events, with the winners competing at the annual BBSSSA Athletics Championships later this year. The school spirit presented a great example of the positive culture at Mater Maria.

Our Year 9 students spent three days at CRU Lake Macquarie, where they took part in exciting outdoor activities. These experiences not only built their self-reliance, leadership and responsibility but also encouraged a love for healthy outdoor pursuits. The camp strengthened the bonds between students and teachers, fostering a spirit of camaraderie that will last throughout the year.

Students studying Japanese had the opportunity to share their Personal Experience Project with other students in their Cross Campus Centre course, undertaking a Kendo Workshop and visiting Japanese businesses in the Chatswood Interchange.

Year 12 Drama and Music students showcased their talents during the Trial HSC performances in the Byrne Theatre.

Our students are actively participating in various sports programs, including the MWBA Basketball program, Peninsula Cup soccer tournament, as well as the Broken Bay rugby league and tennis gala days.

Every Friday, our prefects lead Faith Fridays - a special time of reflection, music, and community in the Chapel and Courtyard. All students are warmly invited to join.

Applications are now open for Year 2028 and 2029. Please note that waitlists are currently in place for Year 7, 2026 and 2027. For more information, visit: http://www.matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments



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A National Catholic Ministry for Men, founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts & lives of men & great need in the life of the Catholic Church.

ALL MEN WELCOME

We Meet
First & Third Tuesday of every Month
At 7pm
Sacred Heart Parish Centre

We will also be beginning a series on METANOIA

A video series & discussion, inviting everyone to a deeper more profound conversion - a metanoia - that moves us from something to someone, as metanoia ultimately turns us to Jesus.

Bringing men together, to renew their faith in God & encourage them to be an active force of renewal in the Church

For any questions contact Joe Cilia – 0418 863 814

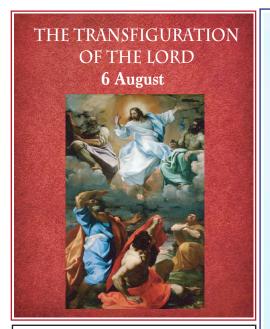


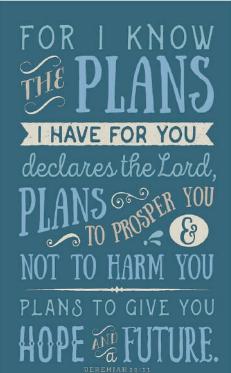
Łukasz (Fr Zygmunt's nephew) and wife Gosia would like to express their deepest gratitude to everyone who has kept their sweet daughter, Lily Janosik in their thoughts and prayers during her illness. Every prayer has brought comfort and reminded them that they are not alone. Please continue praying for Lily on her road to full recovery.

May God bless you all.



MONDAYS 9:30 - 11:30 (School Term) Please contact NIKKI - 0481 009 376





THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



ROSARY @ 9:00 am (Optional) MASS @ 9:30 am

After Mass there will be Adoration & meditation on the Luminous Mysteries followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

* Priest is available for Reconciliation before Mass



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To celebrate the Jubilee of Priests, Bishop Anthony Randazzo invites you to join him for an evening of prayer and fellowship. This will be a unique opportunity to meet priests from our diocese.

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The Living Word

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 69:2,6

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1 (R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 **A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the

same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 12:13-21 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The word of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Wisdom 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant Both the first reading and the psalm response speak about the transitoriness of life. Life is all we have and it is so fragile, so fleeting. When we realise this, we may fear that in the end we will have nothing to show for our lives. Such thoughts show that we have not learned the most basic lesson of life – life is to be lived!

The goods of the earth are both good and essential for survival and advancement. However, they do not satisfy the deepest longings of the human spirit. They provide us with pleasure and challenge, but they cannot shield us from the transitoriness of life itself. In the face of such impermanence, they are ultimately worthless. Life itself is the far greater good; goods only enhance life. Recognising the transitoriness of life and the vanity of goods, we come to see that the only reality worthy of our total commitment is our relationship with God in Christ. Though made of dust and thus subject to perishability, we are joined with Christ and are promised imperishability. Having died to the vanities of this world, having taken off our old selves with their evil desires, we can now live as a new self, in generosity rather than greed, with openness to others rather than religious or gender or social biases. In our commitment to Christ we will discover that we can transform what is transitory in life by giving it away in love. If we can live in this way, life is anything but vanity!



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- LUKE 16:9

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