# The Catholic Parish of Pittwater

Sacred Heart & Maria Regina. Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.

# Prayer to Keep God Present

Dear Merciful Lord,

In silence and prayer I feel your presence. Yet back in the world I forget. Why do I lose sight of you? I know you, I trust you, but I get distracted and fail. I let my flesh react, without thinking or care, ignoring or hurting others even though I don't want to. Won't you change me, O Lord?

I can't do it on my own. Remove the obstacles in my heart that cover your grace. When I arise from prayer, let me not forget your love, and may my prayer continue. When I engage with people may your mercy go forth, as I was saved by your mercy. Let me stand firm on principles on the rock that is Christ, whose Spirit gives me life. Help me be humble, my Lord. May your hand never leave me.

Let my life glorify Christ. In Jesus' name.

Amen.



# **Thoughts of Fr Francis Jordan**

Cast all your cares to the Lord and soon you will discover that the Lord directs all things to the best outcome!



Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions For September

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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

Love your neighbour Please wear a

> MASK for MASS thank you

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

Masses.

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#### We Pray for \* trybooking **Recently Deceased Corsino** Aliste To ensure that we fulfil the requirements of the 80 (Mona Vale) and 100 (Avalon) **Milagros Macarayan** people limit, we would like you to use Jonafe Macarayan the Trybooking website to book for our weekend Masses. If you would like the names of your There is no need to book for the weekday relatives or friends and offerings included, please drop the envelope in to the Parish Office by Midday on Wednesdays. Thank You. The bookings are now open. Further weekend Masses will be added each week, taking into consideration any changes in government restrictions. Here are some pointers that Shine Upon Them. might help: 1. Once you have selected the Mass you would like to book for, you will need to enter the quantity of May Their Souls And The Souls tickets at the bottom of the page. Then click NEXT. Of The Faithful Departed. 2. Once you have read and agreed to Through The Mercy Of God, the "Additional Information" you will need to select "YES" from the Rest In Peace, Amen. dropdown box that says "I Agree to the Terms Above" 3. You will then need to enter the **Deceased Anniversary** First Name and the Last Name of each of the Attendees. Then click Souls of the faithful departed 4. In the Checkout, you will need to complete all the fields, First **Mare Juricev** Name, Last Name, Phone **Vlado Kusturin** Number, Address, Suburb, Postcode and Email Address. Then click PURCHASE. Prayers for the Sick 5. If you have completed the Bill Eyre Manny Zarb Philip Maddrel Gail Reiher transaction successfully, you will see "Transaction Successful" on the following page and you will Gall Keiher Imelda Vince Eric Domagas Vicky Villaluz Ben Castillo Moira Howie Carol Brennan receive an email with the "ticket" to the Mass you have selected. 6. If you do not see "Transaction Successful" and you do not receive an email (please remember to Jomar Christine Hills check your junk email) then the items may still be in your cart and Donald McRae Sara Zofrea Beryl Peo-Duncan Joe Romeo you may need to re-complete one of the steps. 7. You do not need to print the John Andrew Graham John Charles Graham ticket. We will have your name Michael Carrodus Pat Regan Robyn Sheather Lynette Buhat on the "Ticket Holder List" for each Mass. To book for our Masses at Sacred Jan Nuelle Candida Hernandez Heart Church, Mona Vale, please visit Chin Quang Le Bernie Neville www.trybooking.com/BJP To book for our Masses at Maria Regina Church, Avalon, please visit The names on this list will be removed after four weeks unless otherwise requested or advised. https://www.trybooking.com/BJPSP Thank you Please do not hesitate to contact the Parish office 9157 0999 if you need any assistance.

#### LIBRARY

Now that the restrictions have been lifted concerning the opening of churches, although at present only 100 people, we can access the Library. You are very welcome to browse the vast assortment of books and DVDs in the Parish Library at Maria Regina after the daily and weekend Masses. Books and DVDs will still be reviewed in the Bulletin.

If you have an inquiry you may phone me on 99183973 (Home) 0401613643 (mobile).

Trish Newman





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For the needy, help is available by contacting the Brookvale Centre 9905 0424 during business hours.

Watch the daily Mass on **Demand from Broken Bay's** Cathedral at https://www.voutube.com /channel/UCNenwlfI7i14 XB9TsVBrLvQ We hope that this will help the faithful to celebrate the Holy Mass online wherever you are

# Share the News

**Our Churches-**Sacred Heart and Maria Regina are open.

Come for Mass. Come and pray. Come and light a candle. Come sit and find peace.

# **BOOK REVIEW**

Jacinta's Story by Andrea F. Phillips



The story of the Apparitions of Fatima as imaginatively told by Jacinta Marto. This little book is a most inspiring read for all of us. Australia needs Fatima.

# **NOW SHOWING at** United Cinemas, Avalon 5pm daily



Special screening on Wednesday 23 September at United Cinemas, Warriewood 7pm

# PLANNED GIVING

The money contributed to our parish via our second collection helps us to meet the running costs which our Parish incurs, including wages, electricity, telephones, insurances, rates, building and equipment repairs and maintenance, to name but a few. Whilst you are unable to attend Mass, if you are able to make your regular donation by way of automatic direct debit from your credit card, please complete the form included in this bulletin. Or donations can be made on our website: www.pittwaterparish.org through the donations and giving tile. If you would prefer not to give by credit card, please contact the parish office, 9157 0999 for other ways that you can contribute.





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We are excited to have a drone at the College tomorrow to take some footage of our Year 12 students on our super huge oval. We can't wait to publicise our planned image whilst our students social distance. We also have DAYSS visiting our College to help empower our Year 10 students and create positive changes in their lives and communities. The Premier's Reading Challenge which requires students to read 20 books has now been completed and we are thrilled at the number of students that have completed the challenge this year. We are busy planning our Year 12 Awards Assembly and are also thrilled at the news that Year 12 formals will now be allowed to proceed as from November. We have changed our initial date and are busy making plans for this special event for our students. Please join us in praying and extending

our best wishes to our students who are currently sitting their Year 11

examinations this week and continue to pray for our Year 12's and their end of year exams and events.

Some of our other news and events can be found here: www.matermaria.nsw. edu.au/news-events/

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I have the right to be treated fairly and equally.

I can do my part - by being truthful and kind



#### Hi! I'm Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

Did you know that you were made in the image and likeness of God, with unique beauty and dignity? And God who created you, loves you very much.

It's my job to help you protect that beauty and dignity that belongs to every person.

Children in our Diocese of Broken Bay have rights that need protecting. It is important to know that you have human rights and spiritual rights. These rights are presented here in this poster. You might be a member of a parish community, a student at one of our schools or connect with the services of CatholicCare.

It's important you know that certain rights belong to you and that adults of this Diocese are encouraged to learn about them.

Children have special rights because they are part of the human family. As a child, you need to be cared for and protected so that you have every possibility to grow and flourish in your human dignity. You have a right to seek help if ever you are in need.

These rights work together to help you live a good life. They may also help you to understand how to be kind and fair to yourself and others.

If you believe there is something more that is needed in raising awareness about these rights, please write to me, You can email me at **bishop@bbcatholic.org.au**.

God bless you and I am praying for you.

+Anthony

 I have the right to know who I am and where I come from.
I can do my part – by being curious and open to my family origins
I can bring the Spirit of Joy

I have the right to voice my thoughts when decisions are being made about me. I can do my part – by speaking confidently about my point of view and listening respectfully

I can bring the Spirit of Right Judgement

I have the right to go to school and receive an education. I can do my part – by being attentive and an active learner (can bring the Spirit of Knowledge

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I have the right to live and grow in a healthy and clean environment. I can do my part – by taking care of myself and my environment I can bring the Spirit of Perseverance & Endurance

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7 I have the right to privacy to enjoy and protect my life story. I can do my part – by accepting who I am and respecting others and their story I can bring the Spirit of Course

I have the right to find out information and express myself. I can do my part – by finding out about things that will help me make good choices I can bring the Spirit of Discernment

I have the right to be protected, no matter my ability, language, belief or who I am with. I can do my part – by supporting peers and being inclusive to all people I can bring the Spirit of Wonder

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I have the right to a safe and loving home with clothes to wear and food to eat. I can do my part – by sharing and giving to those in need when I can I can bring the Spirit of Love

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We acknowledge the lifelong trauma of abuse victims, survivors and their families, the failures of the Catholic Church to protect, believe and respond justly to children and vulnerable adults, and the consequent breach of community trust.

# ESt Leo's catholic SECOND ADDITIONAL STREAM added due to overwhelming demand



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#### Catholic Earthcare

SAFEGUARDING

#### Catholic Earthcare NSW Invites you to celebrate Season of Creation 2020 1 September - 4 October

Season of Creation is an annual celebration of prayer and action for our common home. During this season, all are called to enter a time of restoration and hope, a jubilee for our Earth, that requires radically new ways of living with creation.

Season of Creation starts with the World Day of Prayer for Creation on 1 September and ends with the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October.



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#### It is our responsibility to protect others and ourselves and stop the spread of COVID-19 in Australia.

As we move towards living COVIDSafe, it is important that you **stay at home if you** feel unwell. If you have cold or flu like symptoms, such as a fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose or shortness of breath, you should seek medical advice and get tested for COVID-19. You should get tested even if your symptoms are mild.

If you have a coughing episode in Church, we advice you to step out to the courtyard, or the parish centre, away from others for the moment.

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

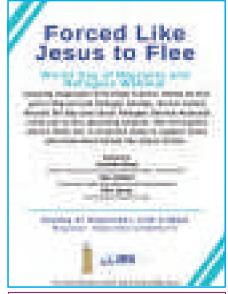
*Everyone must also stay 1.5 metres away* from other people whenever possible. Please sit only in the marked seats.

If you have been overseas or interstate in the last 14 days, or have been in contact with a confirmed case of Covid 19 in the last 14 days, or awaiting a Covid 19 test results, as much as we would like you to be with us here in Church, we appreciate your prayers more than your presence in this situation.

We will continue to record names and contact details of those present at services along with the date and time they attend, as required by NSW health.

#### MASK for MASS

The use of face masks is encouraged to keep our communities safe during this time.



PEWS @ SACRED HEART CHURCH

The re-uphostering of the pews at Sacred Heart have been completed.

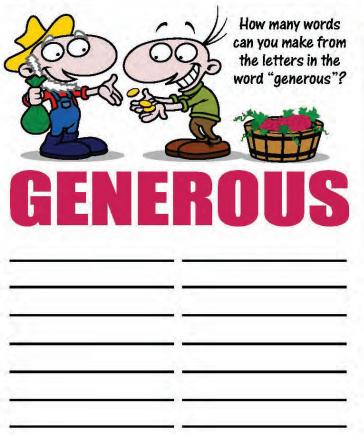
Donations are still needed to cover the cost, and can be made at the Tap and Go Devices or using the envelopes provided.

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#### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Jesus teaches that in the kingdom of God, those who are treated as least in this world will be come first. What kind of people are the 'last' in our world today?







COMPLETE THE TEXT MAZE

"Everyone who is now first will be last!"

# The Living Word

Is 55:6-9

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.

Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

#### **First Reading**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah *My thoughts are not your thoughts.* 

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our Cod who is rish in forgiving.

to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.

Ýes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

#### The word of the Lord

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18. R. v.18

#### (R.) The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. the Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. **(R.)** 

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)** 

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **(R.)** 

#### Second Reading Phil 1:20-24. 27 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For me to live is Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

#### The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation See Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia.

#### **Gospel** Mt 20:1-16 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

#### The Gospel of the Lord

#### Communion Antiphon

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Ps 118:4-5

or

Jn 10:14 I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

#### **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

Our attention shifts slightly in these last Sundays of Ordinary Time. We turn from concentration on the character and responsibilities of discipleship to reflection on the import of the end of time. As we move toward the close of the liturgical year, we are invited to consider the final coming of Christ and the last judgment.

The thought of judgment is enough to strike fear in the hearts of many. We sometimes experience tension between the idea of divine justice, which requires that the good be adequately rewarded and the evil be appropriately punished, and that of the mercy of God, which we hope will be generously extended to us. As seen in the readings for this Sunday, the justice of God does not conform to the standards of human justice. It is incomprehensible, because its foundation is mercy. While we might find consolation in this view of divine judgment when it is directed toward us, our hearts do not always seem to be generous enough to rejoice in the mercy extended to others. It is almost as if we feel that we have been cheated in some way, if God is merciful to others. However, divine mercy can work in us to abolish our pettiness and indignation and replace it with generosity of heart. We are called to conduct ourselves with this kind of generosity, this kind of love, this kind of mercy.



Thank you for your generous contributions in our recent Salvatorian Seminary appeal. The Salvatorians invite you to unite in prayer for the young Seminarians as well as for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

> Fr Bronek Pietrusewicz SDS & Fr Richard Sadowski SDS



# 👫 Holy Land Commissariat

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land normally takes place on Good Friday. This year, due to the closure of churches around the world during Holy Week because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Pope Francis moved the date for this collection.



This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.3 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, rural droughts and the increasing cost of living. This year, we are again facing great challenges due to COVID-19, but your generosity would again be greatly appreciated. We will be doing the collection this week, envelopes will be in the pews and donations can be placed in the boxes at the back of Church. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land and please also keep them in your prayers. Thank you.



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