



Parish Directory

Opportunities to Love, Grow & Serve

December 2025



Our Lady
OF DOLOURS

Bringing the light
of Christ to the city
we Love
we Grow
we Serve

Weekend Masses

Saturday

5.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

7.30 am followed by Morning Tea on the first Sunday of the month

9 am Family Mass includes Children's Liturgy of the Word during school terms and Children's Mass every third Sunday of the month

10.30 am followed by Morning Tea in the PEW garden

11 am St Peter's Green, Lane Cove for residents only

5.30 pm Youth Mass with assistance on occasion from Pius X and Mercy College students

Culture Masses

Filipino Culture Mass: 12 pm, first Sunday of the month

Indonesian Culture Mass: 7 pm, second Saturday of the month

Weekday Masses

Monday: 12.30 pm

Tuesday: 9 am and 12.30 pm

Wednesday: 9 am, 12.30 pm and 6.30 pm

Our 6.30 pm Mass is dedicated to Mental Health and is followed by Anointing of the Sick.

Thursday: 9 am and 12.30 pm (Infant/Parent Mass)

Friday: 9 am and 12.30 pm

Saturday: 9 am

Votive Masses

A votive Mass of the Sacred Heart is celebrated on the first Friday of the month if the liturgy allows.

A votive Mass of Our Lady is celebrated each Saturday if the liturgy allows.

Sacraments

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday evenings 7 pm – 8 pm and Saturday mornings 9.30 am – 10.30 am.

Sacrament of Anointing: Each Wednesday after 6.30 pm Mass and the third Wednesday of the month after 12.30 pm Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony: By appointment, call 9410 9000.

Devotions

Morning Prayer: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.45 am.

Rosary & Marian Devotion: Monday at 11.45 am (Cenacle of the MMP), Tuesday to Friday following the 9 am and 12.30 pm Masses, and Saturday following the 9 am Mass, followed by Novena/Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 10 am. Online Rosaries are often prayed on significant feast days.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Monday at 11.30 am and Tuesday to Friday, following the Rosary after the 9 am Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday morning after the 9 am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 12 pm, Thursday evening Holy Hour 7 pm – 8 pm, and Saturday morning after the 9 am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 10.30 am.

Blessings

If you are seeking a house or car blessing, or to arrange a blessing for your wedding anniversary, phone the Parish on 9410 9000 or email chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Funerals

Conducted Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Altar Flowers

You can reserve a date for Altar flowers. Altar flower arrangements can be in memory of a loved one, or in honour of a special occasion such as birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, marriages, etc. Donations can be made on a one-time basis or annually. The suggested donation for flower memorials is \$130. Volunteers will then beautifully and simply arrange the flowers for Sunday.

Please submit your donation at least one month prior to the date you would like to dedicate the flowers. This will give the parish office time to ensure your dedication is in the weekly bulletin. To reserve a date on the Altar flower calendar, phone the Parish on 9410 9000 or email chloe.aylward@bbcatholic.org.au

Contacting the Parish

Street address: 94 Archer St, Chatswood

Postal address: PO Box 1446, Chatswood 2057

Phone: 9410 9000

After hours' emergency: 0473 643 317

Email: chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am - 5 pm (closed for lunch 1.30 pm to 2 pm)

Room Bookings

To book Harrington Hall or a parish meeting room, please contact the Parish Office on 9410 9000.

Parish News & Updates

Bulletin: bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/news-events/parish-bulletins

Facebook: facebook.com/ourlady.ofdolours.3

Instagram: [ourladyofdolourschatswood](https://www.instagram.com/ourladyofdolourschatswood)

YouTube: youtube.com/channel/UCOuWB-xkzimV6TdjNbTbSnw

Fr David's Twitter: twitter.com/frdavidranson

Fr David's personal blog: davidranson.com.au

Our Parish Team

Parish Priest

Very Rev Dr David Ranson PP VG

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Assistant Priest

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Deacon Tan Nguyen

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Titus Grenyer

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9410 9000



Fr David



Fr Hien



Fr Anselam



Dn Tan



Kristha



Duyen



Chloe



Angela



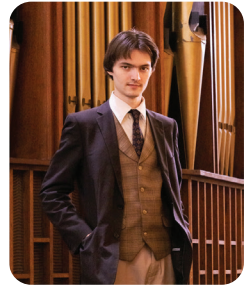
Mona



Karen



Amelia



Titus



Sienna



Diana

Our Ministry Circles

Our parish is blessed with ten ministry circles, forming a remarkably diverse kaleidoscope of pastoral life and each offering opportunities for people of all ages and groups to come together as a community of faith, as disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We invite you to reflect over the coming pages on how you might participate in the many ministry opportunities available and deepen your relationships with other parishioners, our local community and with Jesus.

We seek God

Mark 12:30



We serve with love

John 13:34



We make disciples

Matthew 28:18-20

Worshipping Together

Liturgy & Music

"Address one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart."
Ephesians 5:19



Our Music Ministries

Director of Music

Titus Grenyer: titus.grenyer@bbccatholic.org.au or 9410 9034

Organists

Junior Organ Scholars 2025: Ashley He

Senior Organ Scholar 2025: Tim Li

Ensembles

The music ministry comprises the following ensembles:

Parish Choir every Sunday 10.30 am led by the Director of Music

The Parish Choir is open to all who are interested, and we have many opportunities for those who want to sing in church for weekend masses, in choirs or as cantors.

If you play a keyboard instrument or another instrument (e.g., flute, violin, clarinet), we can definitely find a place for you.

If you are interested in organ lessons or if you would like to be a part of the Musicians e-mailing list please contact our Director of Music, Titus Grenyer: titus.grenyer@bbccatholic.org.au

Children's Choir every first and third Sunday 9 am led by the Director of Music

Teen's Choir every second Sunday 5.30 pm, led by Hannah: hannah.johnsun8@gmail.com

Young Adult's Choir every first Sunday 5.30 pm, led by Ashleigh: ashwan9904@gmail.com

Filipino Choir every fourth Sunday 9 am and every first Sunday 12 pm, contact Giselle at giselle.goloy@gmail.com

Indonesian Choir led by Josep Rustam, contact Molita at molita.khreich@gmail.com

We are always looking for more musicians to contribute their talents to our music ministry.

Mass Welcomers

Welcoming people to weekend Masses. To join our friendly team, email Anthony Seeto at anthony@churchinthecity.com.au

Altar Servers

We have both Junior and Senior Altar Servers who assist at the altar during Mass.

Junior Servers: Open to girls and boys who have made their First Holy Communion.

Senior Servers: Open to women and men, 17 years and over.

To learn more, contact Gerard Ryan on 9419 8310 or gerardryan27@gmail.com

Mass Readers

Readers proclaim the Word of God at Mass. They prepare by studying and meditating on the readings at home. Readers are rostered on a regular basis.

For more information, contact Ditas Naguit at hnaguit@yahoo.com

Daily Mass Sheets

For more information, contact Irene Cheung at mrsirenecheung@hotmail.com

Mass Wardens

Take up the collections at Mass. For more information, phone the Parish on 9410 9000 or email chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Altar Society Flowers

Irene Cheung: mrsirenecheung@hotmail.com

Vestments and Linen

Maria Taylor, Maureen Playdon and Gemma Hill.

Leading Reflective Lives

Prayer & Spirituality

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."

Romans 12:12



Meditation Group

Meets weekly in St Paul Meeting Room on Fridays 10 am, and Online Zoom on Fridays at 5.30 pm.

To learn more, contact Jon at jnnurman@yahoo.com or WhatsApp/SMS to 0439 449 554.

Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests (MMP)

An international movement bound in fraternal love for the Lord. The Cenacle of the MMP meets every Monday at 11.45 am near Our Lady's shrine, preceded by the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 11.30 am.

Association of Our Lady Help of Christians

Emphasises the means towards salvation given at Fatima and spreads devotion to the Divine Mercy. Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm via Zoom.

To learn more contact Michael and Cecilia on 0466 961 240 or email aikimtan10@gmail.com

Home Visit of Our Lady of Fatima Statue

Contact Michael and Cecilia on 0466 961 240 or email aikimtan10@gmail.com

Public Rosary

Our purpose is to fulfil the request of Our Lady at Fatima to pray the rosary every first Saturday of the month. The Public Rosary is held on the first Saturday of every month, starting at 3 pm with confessions, the Divine Mercy chaplet at 3.45 pm and the Rosary at 4 pm on the Church forecourt, weather permitting.

For further information, please contact Elaine at mail@gotomary.com

Online Rosary

Nightly via Zoom. To join, contact Cecilia on 0466 961 240 or email aikimtan10@gmail.com

Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

The relic of Blessed Carlo is housed in our Eucharistic Chapel, where Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are available at all times, except during parish prayer times and Mass.

We welcome groups who wish to come together for Adoration, what a beautiful way to deepen your faith! To arrange a group visit, please email david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au

Parish Library

Our parish library is located in the front left of the church foyer. We invite you to borrow any resources that can help deepen your faith.

To assist us in managing the library space, we kindly ask that all donations be submitted for approval to chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au before being dropped off.

Growing in Faith

Catechesis & Pathways



"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

A process for welcoming new Catholics. For more information, phone the Parish on 9410 9000 or email chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Exploring the Faith Series

A 30 week course that explores the Catholic Faith in a comprehensive and systematic manner. For more information, email Anthony at anthony@churchinthecity.com.au

Chinese RCIA

For more information, email Grace at grace_tai@hotmail.com

Korean RCIA

Meets each Sunday after the 9am Mass. For more information, call Elizabeth on 0422 755 926.

Alpha

An excellent way to welcome newcomers to the Christian faith. To learn more, email Gillian at chatswoodalpha@bbcatholic.org.au

Spiritual Growth Book Club

Journey together with other parishioners, nourished by readings which deepen our faith and spirituality. This year we are focusing on the Notes on Prayer series of books. Meets on the last Friday of each month at 6.30 pm in the Magnificat Room. No need to register, just come along!

Hope Gospel Reflection Group

We gather each Saturday at 1.30 pm in the St Paul Room to read the Gospel for the coming week, reflect upon it, and share personal insights, reflections from the heart, and life experiences that tie in with the Gospel. Contact Hannah at hannah.olodchatswood@gmail.com

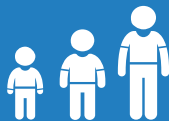
Bible Discussion Group

Meets each Tuesday at 9.45 am in the St Paul Room. Call Madelyn on 9427 5204.

Igniting Young Hearts

Inception & Formation

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them;
for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."*
Matthew 19:14



Infant Baptism Program (0-5 years)

A 3-step program for parents and their babies to be baptised.

Preparation Session: first Saturday of the month at 11.30 am.

For more information, call Fr Hien on 9410 9027, email hien.vu@bbcatholic.org.au or visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/liturgy-sacraments/baptism/infant-baptism

School Children's Baptism Program (6-12 years)

Welcomes the families of children to be baptised, held twice a year.

For more information, call Angela on 9410 9033, email angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au or visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/liturgy-sacraments/baptism/childrens-baptism

Children's Sacramental Program

Family centred, parish program to prepare children for Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Communion. To learn more, contact Angela on 9410 9033 or angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au

Children's Atrium (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd)

A place for children to explore their relationship with God. Sessions available for 3-6, 6-9 and 9-12 year olds, held during school terms.

To learn more, contact Angela Hague or Rose Aung-Thein at old.childrens.atrrium@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word for ages 3 - 10

Meets in the Church at 9 am every 1st, 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, except during school holidays. For more information, email Branka at branka_111@hotmail.com

SRE Catechists

Teaching Special Religious Education (SRE) at Mowbray PS, Roseville PS, Castle Cove PS, Artarmon PS, Chatswood PS and Chatswood HS.

For more information, contact Karen Forbes on 9410 9029 or karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au

Catholic Schools in our Parish

Our Lady of Dolours Primary School

Principal: Mr Marco Ianni - 9419 2645

Parent Engagement Co-Ordinator: Rebecca Molinaro - rebecca.molinaro@dbb.catholic.edu.au
Monday and Thursday 9.30 am to 3.30 pm

Mercy College

Acting Principal: Mrs Mellissa Murray - 7256 2120

Parent Engagement Co-Ordinator: Annette Leahy - annette.leahy1@dbb.catholic.edu.au

St Pius X College (An EREA School)

Principal: Mr Michael Ronchetti - 9411 4733

Foundation Youth Ministry

Cornerstone: for Years 5-8

Cornerstone is geared towards the needs of students in year 5 to 8 and aims to provide attendees with foundational knowledge of their faith whilst contributing to the development of strong friendships.

The name of our youth group has a strong scriptural basis, particularly in the passage:
"The stone that the builder's rejected has become the cornerstone: (Psalm 118:22)

which foreshadows Jesus' rejection and subsequent crucifixion and resurrection which is now the basis of our faith.

Cornerstone meets every second and fourth Sunday after 5.30 pm Mass.

Keystone: for Years 9-12

Keystone is directed towards students in year 9 to 12 and aims to build on the knowledge instilled in the attendees younger years of formation by centring presentations and discussions around more sophisticated theological doctrines.

The name of our youth group is based on our awareness of knowledge as the key to actively practising the Catholic faith.

Keystone provides a safe space for youth to learn about the depth of our faith and grow to become even more active participants in the wider parish community. By facilitating the building of friendships with other Catholics their age, Keystone supports teenagers so that they can grow in confidence while exploring and understanding their faith.

Keystone meets every second and fourth Sunday after 5.30 pm Mass.

Capstone: For young adults 18+

Capstone aims to build a community of young adults that help each other to grow closer to Christ discovering the beauty of faith.

The talks are led by participants and parish clergy on topics that concern living out the Catholic faith in today's world. The group is animated by Fr Hien with great involvement of its participants.

The name of this group refers to the pursuit of adulthood in faith, not only in the sphere of knowledge, but above all in the sphere of decision-making in the spirit of surrendering to the will of God which is the culmination of our path of faith.

Capstone meets every first and third Sunday after 5.30 pm Mass, from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm with optional compline afterwards.

Learn More

To find out more about our Youth Ministry or to be added to the mailing list for updates on youth events call 9410 9026 or email foundationyouth@bbcatholic.org.au

Visit our Youth Ministry home page



Connect with us on Instagram



Hub of Hope

Hub of Hope brings together senior students (Years 10-12) from any school, four times a term in our parish meeting room to explore avenues for putting the Gospel into practical action, raising awareness of social concerns, and addressing the question, "What then must I do?"

The gatherings occur on a Monday from 4 pm to 5.30 pm. For more information, contact Ryan Balboa at rbalboa@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au

Sharing the Good News

Mission & Evangelisation

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:1-11



Legion of Mary

Meets on Saturdays at 10.30 am in the Magnificat Room.

For more information, email Elizabeth at info@legionofmary.org.au

Indonesian Legion of Mary

Meets Tuesdays 7 - 8 pm. To learn more, email Caroline at caroline.lim26@yahoo.com

The Willoughby Christian Ministry Association

Our Parish is a member of The Willoughby Christian Ministry Association.

Our Parish contributes annually to the Carols on the Concourse, Chatswood Street Fair, Chatswood Lunar New Year Fair and Stations of the Cross on the Concourse.



Nurturing Relationships

Community & Family

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." **Matthew 18:20**



Morning Teas

7.30 am Mass Sunday Morning Tea: contact Jan at gfiadino@bigpond.net.au

9 am Mass Sunday Morning Tea: contact Margaret at margaret.chan@internode.on.net

10.30 am Mass Sunday Morning Tea: contact Jo at jokaraolis1@bigpond.com

Cultural Communities

Indonesian Community

Support, friendship and community for immigrant families and students from Indonesia. Mass at 7 pm, on the third Sunday of each month. Contact Sidha at dsoeharno@yahoo.com.au

Chinese Catholic Association

Seeking ways of inclusion of our people with Chinese heritage. For more information, contact Hannah Fong at hannah.olodchatswood@gmail.com

Filipino Catholic Chatswood Parish (FCCP)

Social activities and Mass in English at 12 noon on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, contact Giselle Goloy at giselle.goloy@gmail.com

Seniors

Providing a social opportunity for our seniors with various activities and speakers. Meets the first Thursday of each month at 10 am in the Magnificat meeting room for coffee and a chat.

For more information, contact Mona Saouma at mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au

menALIVE

Fellowship, prayer and reflection for men. Meets every fortnight on Wednesday evenings.

For more information, contact Peter on 0433 030 016 or email pwoo2010@gmail.com

Playgroup

Playgroups offer babies, toddlers, and young children a wide variety of early learning experiences. Playgroup is a great way for your child(ren) to learn about the world, make friends and develop social skills. Playgroup also gives mums, dads, grandparents, and caregivers a chance to share ideas and experiences. Meets every Thursday, even in school holidays, from 1 pm to 2.30 pm in the Magnificat meeting room.

For more information, contact Mona Saouma at mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au

Mums' Ministry

A fellowship group for all mothers, all stages of motherhood, to come together in community, prayer, and various activity. Meets on the first Sunday of each month from 3.45 pm to 4.15 pm. in the St Peter Meeting Room.

To learn more, contact Chloe at chloe.aylward@bbcatholic.org.au

Family Groups

Families meeting once a month for social gatherings including bush walks, picnics and dinners.

For more information, contact Patricia Biddell on 0405 200 991 or p.biddell.123@gmail.com

Caring for One Another

Support & Visitations

"Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples." John 13:34-35



Communion to the Sick

Assist with distribution of communion at Mass and take communion to the sick and housebound. For more information, contact Gerard on 9419 8310 or gerardryan27@gmail.com

St Vincent de Paul Society

Assists people in material need. To learn more, call John on 0439 783 956.

Vinnies Youth

Vinnies Youth is the term given to Young Adult members and volunteers of St Vincent de Paul Society. Getting involved in Vinnies Youth is about putting faith in action – we offer a number of opportunities to serve people in your local community.

These include: Kids Days Out, Buddy Camps, Home Visitation, Tutoring and Mentoring, Vinnies Shops, Soup Vans and even school's engagement. To find out more, contact Aaron Espiritu at aaronjoshua.espiritu@vinnies.org.au

Practise Language And Conversational English (PLACE)

Giving people of all backgrounds who are not comfortable with the use of everyday English, the opportunity to improve their language skills and build confidence in a friendly and supportive environment.

Meets Wednesday mornings during school terms from 9:30 am - 11 am. To learn more, email Anthony at anthony@churchinthecity.com.au

Visits to the Elderly

With the guidance and assistance of Fr Anselam, volunteers can help set up mass, do readings, organise music and help distribute Holy Communion at Nursing Home Visits. When at home visits, the volunteer can pray the rosary with the resident and/or family. For more information, please contact Dee on 9410 9035 or chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Aged Care Facilities

- St Peter's Green (with Catholic Chapel)
- Archbold House
- Dougherty Centre
- Willowood Nursing Home
- Windsor Gardens

To find out the details of when each facility is visited, contact the Parish on 9410 9000.

Caring for our World

Ecology & Social Justice

"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone."
Galatians 6:10



Marian Catholic Action Group

Promoting the practice of Catholic faith and action particularly in moral and social conscience. For more information, phone Michael and Cecilia O'Connell on 9967 2601 or email aikimtan10@gmail.com

Our Lady of Dolours Community Action

Community Action group is an initiative of our parish to respond to the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor by using our hands in practical action and our voices in public forums. For more information, email Gillian: gillian-hawkins@bigpond.com, Ditas: hnaguit@yahoo.com or Jo: jokaraolis1@bigpond.com

Community Garden Group

Thanks to the students of St Pius X College, a number of our former pews have recently been repurposed into garden beds. Our Community Garden Group keeps the beds watered and fertilised. Please let Jo Karaolis know if you'd like to be help care for our Community Garden by emailing jokaraolis1@bigpond.com

Partnerships

StreetWork

A non-denominational, community organisation working with 'at risk' young people affected by crime, mental health issues and violence. Our parish conducts regular sausage sizzles at Chatswood Bunnings to raise money for StreetWork. To learn more visit streetwork.org.au or contact our BBQ coordinator, Gillian by emailing gillianhawkins@bigpond.com

Australian Timor Leste Advancement Society

Through a partnership with the Australian Timor Leste Advancement Society (ATLAS) our parish supports the provision of opportunities for tertiary education of young people in East Timor.

Our parish project leader for this collaboration is Carla Gageler: carlagageler@outlook.com

The Sydney Alliance

Our Parish is a member of The Sydney Alliance. To learn more, visit sydneyalliance.org.au

Sustaining our Community

Administration & Stewardship



"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

1 Peter 4:10

Parish Finance Committee

Fr David Ranson (Chair), Fr Hien Vu, Fr Anselam Lakra, Ilona Dudek, Ditas Naguit, Gabriel Yi, Sally Macaranas and Brendan Tertini.

Collection Counters

Processes envelopes and weekend mass collections. For more information, email Susanna Siu at sansusanna@gmail.com

Pew Gift Shop

Our Pew Gift Shop is operated by a dedicated team of volunteers passionate about offering resources and gifts that enrich and inspire faith. In addition to managing the shop, this group also oversees the beautiful Pew Garden space.

For more information on how you can get involved or to make a Pew Garden space booking, please phone the Parish Office on 9410 9000 or email chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Planned Giving

Individual communities in the Church, such as a Parish, are responsible for their own financial situation and responsibilities.

It is your weekly contributions that enable us to have a Parish.

Without your continuing support we cannot undertake the array of activities that make our Parish a welcoming and developing community.

There are many ways to give including filling out a Pledge Form...

1. Online Planned Giving at brokenbay.goodgiving.com.au

2. Set up a regular gift via Electronic Funds Transfer/Internet banking

For more information visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/giving

Animating our Future

Planning & Strategy



“Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.”
Proverbs 16:3

Being a Parish-in-Council

To serve our future, we have moved away from having a Parish Pastoral & Missionary Council, limited to the participation of just a few, to being a Parish-in-Council, in which all enjoy the invitation to come together in discernment.

Such an initiative is also grounded in growing as a synodal Church, coming together as a community, to encounter one another, listen to each other, and experience the bond of communion with one another through a shared participation, allowing ourselves to be formed with a sense of common mission.

To find out more, contact chatswood@parishincouncil.com.au

Ministry of Facilitation

Our Ministry of Facilitation plays a vital role in guiding the process of reflective sharing, attentive listening and prayerful discernment through Conversation in the Spirit, the practice at the heart of the Synods on Synodality and our own Parish-in-Council gatherings.

Nearly 60 trained facilitators and scribes - parishioners, parish staff, and teachers from St Pius and Mercy College - are now part of the growing team, supporting Parish-in-Council gatherings.

The fruits of this work are clear: conversations shaped by openness, decisions grounded in shared wisdom, and a community learning to listen with both heart and ear.

To find out more, contact chatswood@parishincouncil.com.au



Where to park and parish facilities



Parking

Kirk Street

Large carpark.

St Pius X

Entry through Kirk Street.

Meeting Rooms

Adjacent to the parish meeting rooms. Open for morning Masses and closes at 8 pm.

Archer Street

A few parking spots are available to the rear of the parish office and reserved for people with mobility needs.

Toilets

Toilets, including a disabled access toilet, are located in the area behind the Parish Office, at the end of the Archer Street driveway.

Church Quiet Play Space

A quiet play area space for young children is available to the right of the church altar. We invite parents and caregivers to make use of this space to help enhance your experience at Mass. Feel free to rearrange the chairs to accommodate your prams or any other needs. We also extend this invitation to those with accessibility requirements, your comfort and participation are important to us.