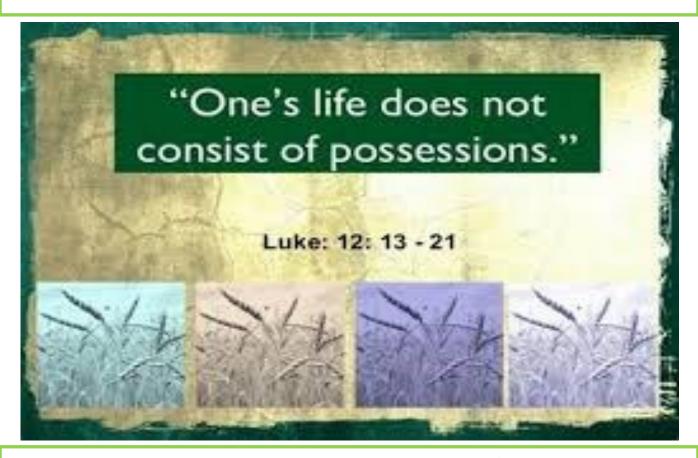


The Catholic Parish of Chatswood 94 Archer Street Chatswood NSW 2067

## Sunday 3 August 2025 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Welcome!



你們該思念天上的事,不該思念地上的事。 **哥羅森書3:2** Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. **Colossians 3:2** 

Please note that we are keeping the Ferguson Lane entrance into the Pius College 'carpark' closed early Sunday mornings to dissuade unauthorized use. Please use the Kirk St entrance only.

OF AN EVENING PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CARS PARKED IN PIUS COLLEGE. For school security the carpark is closed about 30 minutes after the evening Mass. Should you be needing to park longer, please move to the parish's Kirk St Carpark.



### Masses This Week

Monday	4 August	12.30pm	St John Vianney, priest
Tuesday	5 August	9.00am and 12.30pm	Weekday, Ordinary Time 18
Wednesday	6 August	9.00am and 12.30pm and 6.30pm	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Thursday	7 August	9.00am and 12.30pm	Weekday, Ordinary Time 18
Friday	8 August	9.00am and 12.30pm	St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
Saturday	9 August	9.00am and 5.30pm	Weekday Ordinary Time 18
Sunday	10 August	Usual Times	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Please Remember in our Prayer

#### For those recently died:

Michael de Dombal; Gregoria Cagoro; Jiennch Nones; Carmela Battaglia; Joseph Chow, John Patrick; McNulty, Danilo Panopiol Jakov Skibola; Tong My Hanh; Hanah Tong; Victoria Balcanao; Frank Hallissy.

#### For those who are sick:

Christina Chen; Mary Oakley; Maureen Potter; Justine Straiton Elbourn; Eugenia San Gabriel; Jim Dennis; Jeremy Moon; Wai Ping Tan; Ley Peng Tan; Lody Herlianto; Chet Catapang; Mila Fidel; Onni Wong; Victor Chun Kau Ng; Eileen Swinsburg; Xu He Ooi; Carmel Villanueva; Mr Gurung; Delfin Mendoza; Irene Margaret; Ying Leong Fong; Laila Haddad; Thomas West; Lucy Rodriguez; Gillian Hawkins; Sr Marie Dayton; Judith Ryan; Minnie Walshe; Maria Taylor; Ban le Llamas; Sally Hawkins; Donna Fernandez; Allison Roberts; Zac Vlasic; Helen Coutts-Trotter (sister of Terry Meagher); Teddy Malapria; Kristen O'Loan; Mitch East; Victor Villanueva Herriquez; Johnson Siu; Joseph Bonnici; Bill Piper; Gerard de Leon; Carlos de Leon; Mary kin-Soon Ng; Bonnie Leung; John Triog and family; Esther Grant and family.

#### For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Vlaho Vlatko; Zele Cetinic Pensa; Kevin Sudradjat; Frances Hung; Wah Chew Chan; Charles Shortis; Marie Keenan; Teresita Daposala; Genevieve Tubier; Maria Elita Lim; John Schaeffer; Eugenie Tran; Paul Truc Le; Jean Marie Ta; Marie Keenan; Ivan Byak; Edward Fernando; William Freeman; Annunciacion and Abraham Gadiane; Kevin Bruce; Rosalindo and Leoncio Rendon.

#### Thanksgiving:

Maria Mendoza

#### Birthday:

Christina Chen

#### Congratulations on our newly baptised in July:

David Colten Guffey, Jonathan Drake Guffey, baby Lars Michael Drexler Contrera & baby Coleen Aquino.

#### **Congratulations on reception into our Catholic Church**

Paul Drexler

## Upcoming Events in our Parish

Saturday	2 August	First Saturday Public Rosary at 3.45pm
Sunday	3 August	Special Jubilee Mass at 10.30am with student orchestra
Sunday	3 August	Open Day for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Atrium
Monday	4 August	ALPHA commences (Magnificat Hall)
Wednesday	6 August	'Exploring the Faith' Program commences (St Peter's meeting room)
Saturday	23 August	Commencement of Parish Film Festival (conducted over 4 weeks to 13 September)
Sunday	31 August	Commencement of Week Novena for Canonisation of Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati
Saturday	6 September	Chatswood Annual Fair Day and Parade
Sunday	7 September	Canonisation Mass for Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati at 5.30pm

## From Fr David

#### Dear friends

It is with great sadness that we learnt, last weekend, of the death of Justine Straiton Elbourn, Kay's daughter. Our hearts go out to Kay, and Justine's husband, Stephen and their family at this very sad time. Eternal rest grant unto Justine, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her always. We will farewell Justine from Macquarie Park in the coming week.

Our warmest wishes and congratulations go out to Elsan Rosandi and Mary Vu, and their families! This weekend Elsan and Mary, who are very much part of our community of Chatswood, marry at the Holy Name of Mary church at Hunter's Hill. We wish them every blessing as they begin their married life together.

A great word of gratitude to our newly-formed student orchestra which comes together for the very first time this Sunday at our 10.30am Mass under the direction of our Parish Director of Music, Titus Grenyer. The members have been rehearsing some time, and they will come together again for our very special celebration of the canonisations of Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati on the evening of **Sunday 7 September.** On that occasion Bishop Anthony will formally bless our new Eucharistic Chapel and install our relic of St Pier Giorgio Frassati (a fragment of his clothing). We have still a little more to do to complete the work on the chapel, but we are hopeful now that it will all be complete by the beginning of September.

Fr Joey extends his great thanks to everyone who responded so generously recently to his invitation to join us in his ministry of promoting vocations to the priestly life. We had over 100 people nominate themselves as companions in prayer and as missionaries to assist in different ways. On page 18 of our Bulletin we will find an invitation to attend a Gala Dinner on **Friday 22 August** at the Epping Club—a grand fundraiser to support our seminarians. Please do come along! It will be a great evening to meet our students preparing for the priesthood, three of whom will shortly be ordained as Deacons and then as Priests, God willing, in 2026.

We have some wonderful community opportunities before us in the coming months, including our inaugural hosting of the Angelus Film Festival from **Saturday 23 August** and then over the following three Saturday evenings. We hope this will be a great family occasion, so do spread the word!

Also be sure to join us for the Chatswood Fair on **Saturday 6 September**! This year, for the first time, our parish will be an entry in the street parade, and for the first time, too, our stalls will include presentation and representation from Our Lady of Dolours Primary School, Mercy College and Pius X College. So, this will be a wonderful display of our Chatswood Catholic community.

We acknowledge the Cammeraygal People of the Eora Nation, custodians of the land on which our parish stands and we commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of national reconciliation.

As a Parish of Catholic Faith we are committed to ensuring always a community of safety and care for all especially for children, and those who are vulnerable.



Our Altar Flowers this weekend are donated by Amelia & Oz, in thanksgiving to God.

Join us on Sunday 17 August at 4.00pm
Magnificat Meeting Room
for a special opportunity to meet our sculptor
for our external Marian grotto.

Linda will share the work she has done for other churches and Catholic centres and hear our own aspirations for the development of our own Marian figure

#### **KLARFELD BRONZES**

www.klarfeld.com

## A Year of Jubilee

# **OF HOPE 2025**



Our Parish church is designated by Bishop Randazzo as a Shrine of Hope for Young People during the Year of Jubilee.

Friday 21 March 5.30pm—7pm Students from Central Coast Catholic Schools

Saturday 5 April 9am Mass 50 Young Adults from Hornsby Parish

Monday 7 April Parish group from Toukley-Lake Munmorah

Tuesday 8 April 10.30am - 1.00pm Parishioners from St John the Baptist Woy Woy

Thursday 10 April Parish group from St Monica's Parramatta Diocese

Saturday 26 April—afternoon Young Adults from Parish of Manly-Freshwater

Friday 9 May—11.50am-12.30pm 70 Students from Redfield College

Monday 12 May at 10.30am Students from Tangara School for Girls

Sunday 24 May—afternoon Young Adults from around our Diocese, walking from Lindfield

Friday 6 June 10am –11.30am 80 Staff from St Brigid's College, Lake Munmorah

6 June 1.00pm—2pm 120 Staff from St Peter's College, Tuggerah

Thursday 19 June, 11.30am—1.00pm 45 x Stage 3 Students from St Thomas and St Philip Neri, Willougby

Saturday 28 June, 11.30am Parishioners from Parish of Wyoming

Tuesday 5 August 11.30am, 30-50 Homeschool children

Thursday 14 August at 10.30am School leaders from St Mary's Manly

Saturday 30 August at 10.30am Parish group from Warringah Parish (Dee Why)

Wednesday 15 October, 10am-12noon Wyong Parishioners

Friday 24 October 11.30am Staff of Schools of Lower North Shore Parish
Saturday 8 November 10.30am Parishioners from St Patrick's East Gosford

Saturday 22 November Catholic Indonesian Community



Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati will be canonized on Sunday 7 September by Pope Leo XIV,

Our Eucharistic Chapel will soon have relic of both saints.

Our special Canonisation Mass will be celebrated
Sunday 7 September 2025
5.30pm
Bisbop Randazzo will join us to install the relic of Pier Giorgio and bless our chapel.

## Who is Pier Giorgio Frassati to be canonised on 7 September?

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901–1925) was an Italian layman whose short life left a profound impact on the Church and the world. Known as the "Man of the Beatitudes," Frassati embodied a dynamic blend of intellectual vigour, deep spiritual life, and passionate social concern, all rooted in his Catholic faith. His life continues to inspire young people across the globe to live a life of holiness, service, and joy.

Born in Turin into a prominent family—his father was the founder of the newspaper *La Stampa* and later an Italian ambassador—Pier Giorgio was raised in a culturally and politically engaged but largely secular environment. From an early age, however, he showed a deep personal piety. He had a particular devotion to the Eucharist, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the teachings of the Church, despite the relative indifference of his family. His religious devotion did not isolate him but made him more deeply committed to others.

Pier Giorgio pursued engineering, specializing in mining, at the Polytechnic of Turin, with the hope of working directly with and for miners. He believed in the dignity of labour and sought to stand in solidarity with the working class, not merely as a philanthropist but as a brother. He was active in Catholic student groups, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and was a Third Order Dominican. He participated in political activism, advocating for Catholic social teaching and resisting fascism, yet always with charity and civility.

Frassati's days were filled with activity: he attended daily Mass, spent hours in Eucharistic adoration, visited the poor, supported families in need, and wrote letters promoting justice and peace. Yet, he was also known for his laughter, athleticism, and love of the outdoors. He organized hiking and skiing trips, seeing nature as a way to encounter God and build friendships. His joyful personality, combined with an uncompromising moral integrity, made him a natural leader among his peers.

His hidden life of charity became fully known only after his sudden death from polio at the age of 24. Thousands of the poor and marginalized, unknown to his own family, lined the streets of Turin for his funeral. They bore witness to a young man who had lived the Gospel in silence and humility. His life was a testimony that holiness is not reserved for priests or religious, but is possible for every layperson, especially the young. In 1990, Pope John Paul II beatified Frassati, calling him "a man of the eight Beatitudes" and presenting him as a model for the youth of the modern world. His life, marked by prayer, sacrificial love, and contagious joy, stands as a compelling answer to the search for meaning and purpose in contemporary life.

Pier Giorgio Frassati reminds the world that sanctity is not about withdrawing from the world but plunging into it with Christ. He once wrote, "Charity is not enough; we need social reform." Yet he knew that true reform begins in the heart. His motto—*Verso l'alto* ("to the heights") — captures his life's aim: to ascend not only mountains, but the heights of holiness.

Some quotes from him paraphrased from letters that reflect his passion to live meaningfully through service and faith.

- ⇒ "Verso l'alto!" ("To the heights!") His personal motto, symbolizing both his love for mountain climbing and his spiritual aspiration toward holiness.
- ⇒ "Charity is not enough; we need social reform. Charity is the spark that lights the fire of justice."
- ⇒ "Jesus visits me every morning in Holy Communion. I repay Him in my very small way by visiting the poor."
- ⇒ "I urge you with all the strength of my soul to approach the Eucharist table as often as possible. Feed on this Bread of the Angels from which you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles."
- ⇒ "To live without faith, without a patrimony to defend, without a steady struggle for truth, that is not living, but existing."
- ⇒ "Modern society is drowning in the sorrows of human injustice... The only way to save it is Christian charity."
- ⇒ "I believe that life must be a continual preparation for the next life, because we are not made for this earth but for Heaven."
- ⇒ "True happiness, young people, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we can have only if we are pure in heart and in mind."
- ⇒ "I don't want to just live—I want to live with purpose."

## Animating our Future Ministry Circle

## REACHING OUT WITH LOVE

On Sunday 29 June, we came together as a parish community for our seventh Parish-in-Council meeting.

The afternoon, like our previous six Parish-in-Councils, featured lunch, thought-provoking presentations, table conversations and the opportunity for each and every one of our diverse voices to be heard.

The theme for PiC VII was Reaching out with Love, our fourth area of parish mission focus, discerning how "together we will compassionately and confidently connect with people, wherever they are in their faith journey, offering a safe, joy-filled place to embrace Jesus as their saviour."

We listened, reflected and then together guided by the Holy Spirit, discerned what actions we will each take to share what we love about our faith with others and the actions we will each take to invite others to our parish?

The adopted actions we will now take to reach out with love are..

#### **Praying**

- I will pray that everyone may discover and embrace Jesus as their saviour
- I will pray for opportunities to share our faith with others and the confidence for when these moments arise
- I will share my prayers which were answered with others

#### Leading

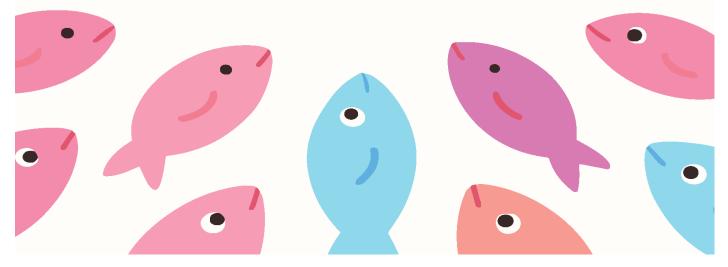
- · I will lead a good example
- I will visibly live out my faith in public e.g., carrying my rosary bracelet, saying grace before meals, praising God verbally in conversations, sharing online/social media
- I will make the time to walk with others in their faith journey, building genuine and deep relationships with people

#### **Sharing**

- I will take opportunities to share my personal faith experience in everyday conversation with family and friends
- I will share about my faith and our parish with work and other colleagues e.g., 'what did you do over the weekend?'
- I will share with others what brings me closer to God, how my faith strengthens me, how the Holy Spirit has helped me through difficult times, how I'm involved in the parish and what it means to me

#### Inviting

- I will encourage and invite family, friends and colleagues to come to Mass
- I will promote and invite family, friends and colleagues to experience parish activities and ministries e.g., monthly community lunch, choir, Mother's Playgroup, Atrium, Men Alive, Alpha, Praise Fest, Taizé prayer nights, zoom rosary, PEW, Community Action, Our Lady's Ladies, Capstone, RCIA, Seniors Morning Tea, Zoom Bible Study Groups etc



## Animating our Future Ministry Circle



## Our Sharing our Faith Ministry Circle



Over the last several weeks, members of our Parish have joined with our Jewish brothers and sisters from North Shore Temple Emanuel at Chatswood for evenings of reflection on the values that define us in our humanity. We have used the series "I Believe"—a resource of short podcasts on different people's account of an experience that shaped their lives. It has been a wonderful way of building bridges, listening and learning, and throughout, developing new friendships!

#### Our Parish Participation in the Chatswood Fair Day—Saturday 6 September 2025

In addition to the stalls, we will also be participating in the upcoming Chatswood Street Fair parade on Saturday 6 September. It is free to participants and Willoughby council will provide us with a banner which we will give back to them after the parade.

Our banner will be 'Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Community.'

We will be joined by staff and students from Mercy College, St Pius X (including their drummers) and possibly OLD Primary School.

A number of members of our Filipino and Chinese parishioners are keen to wear their traditional clothes in the parade. Kristha and Hannah Fong are coordinating this.

We are opening up the invitation to all parishioners to wear their traditional clothes to show our diverse multicultural Catholic community eg. Croation, Italian, Spanish, Indian etc. Please encourage everyone you know to register if they wish via <a href="mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au">chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au</a>

# Join us! CHATSWOOD STREETFAIR PARADE

Date: 6th September Parade Time: 2pm 2025



This year's Chatswood Street Fair parade will start at 2pm around the streets of Chatswood main shopping area.

We warmly invite you to join us as we fill the parade with colourful traditional cultural costumes, love, and pride as a Catholic parish community!

It is free to register! Please contact: chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au or 02 9451 9000



## Our Caring for one Another Ministry Circle



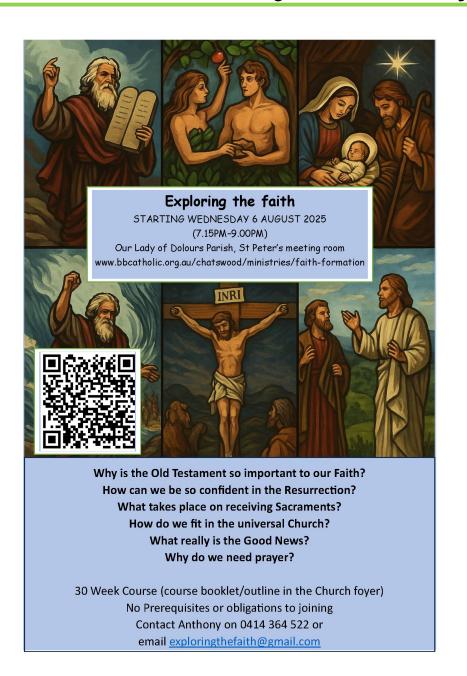
#### **Introduction to Pastoral Care Course**

Volunteer Catholic Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit hospitals throughout the Diocese of Broken Bay providing comfort and care to Catholic patients. Our Diocese and NSW Health require that 40 hours of training is completed to perform this important role. The *Introduction to Pastoral Care Course* (IPCC) meets this requirement, is **FREE** and is open to those who already volunteer in a hospital context, or in local health and aged care facilities, and to those who might be deciding if they are suited to this ministry. As well as being prepared by your Parish to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, some of the key qualities we are looking for in anyone who may be considering being part of this hospital ministry are:

- A genuine prayerful faith life including reverence for and regular participation in Sunday Eucharist
- An ability to listen and a willingness to refer on when necessary
- A warm, friendly, empathetic disposition
- The ability to relate to people of different ages, personalities and backgrounds
- A respect for others and their diversity
- The ability to work as part of a team
- Enthusiasm, motivation and professionalism
- A compassionate heart

The course runs for five consecutive **Mondays: September 1st and 8th** at St Leonard's Catholic Church Hall, Naremburn and **15th, 22nd and 29th** at Royal North Shore Hospital, St Leonards, between 9:00am and 3:00 pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Ccontact Peter Brown, *Practice Manager Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care*, CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay on 0418 616 602.

## Our Growing in Faith Ministry Circle







**RCIA Program** Starting Soon!

We are preparing to offer the RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), with classes commencing in August 2025.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, please contact:

Fr David or Fr Hien for more information.

中文成人慕道班 将于 8月9日 上午9:00 开课 欢迎有兴趣认识天主教或希望领洗的朋友报名参加: Grace Tai(广东话)0403 345 809 Rose Huang(普通话)0490 536 978 中文成人慕道班将于**8**月**9**号 **9:00 am**开课。有兴趣了解天 主教或有意向领洗者可联系:

Grace Tai (广东话) 0403 345 809

-Rose Huang (普通话) 0490 536 978

## Our Growing in Faith Ministry Circle



Every year we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus at Easter. But why? What makes Jesus so special that we remember him year after year – for 2025 years?

Come and explore this question and the other big questions about life, faith, God and meaning, as we journey in Alpha together in 2025.

Alpha is an introduction to Christian faith which assumes nothing. If you've never read the Bible, never prayed, never been to church before, then Alpha is for you.

But it's also for you if you've been coming to church for a long time – maybe your whole life – but you've still got big questions.

In each Alpha session we have a meal together, watch a video and have a conversation about what we've watched. We ask questions and together work out the answers.

We'll be offering Alpha once a week on Mondays commencing on Monday, 4 August 2025 – we meet at 7:00pm (for dinner)

We'd love you to come! Please feel free to bring a friend who would also like to know more about Jesus!

Let's explore life, faith and meaning together in 2025!

Registration is essential, for catering purposes.

For more details – and to register – go to:

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/ministries/alpha For queries contact: Gillian 0412 373 324; Email: gillian-hawkins@bigpond.com

## Our Leading Reflective Lives Ministry Circle





# Our Sunday Celebration

#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

3 August 2025

BECOME RICH IN THE SIGHT OF GOD. Today we reflect on the call we all have to love God by sharing what we have with others. The rich man in today's Gospel chose foolishly to hoard his possessions. If we are prepared to risk putting what we have at the service of others, we may find ourselves poor in material terms but rich in the eyes of God. A treasure awaits us in heaven, along with many blessings in this life.

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Ps 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.

#### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### R. Amen

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

#### R. Lord, have mercy.

P. Your are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

#### R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

#### R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

#### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

#### COLLECT

P. Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,

that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. R Amen

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **FIRST READING**

Eccl 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.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### **RESP PSALM** Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17. R. v. 1

## R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

- 1. 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.  $\,R.\,$
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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**

Col 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.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

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

GOSPEL

Lk 12:13-21

P. The Lord be with you.

#### R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

#### R. Glory to you, O Lord.

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 Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **HOMILY**

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

#### R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray, and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice, make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

## PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

#### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always. R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

#### LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON Wis 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven

endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

and my soul shall be healed.

P. Accompany with constant protection,
O Lord, those you renew with these heavenly
gifts and, in your never-failing care for them,

make them worthy of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, **★** and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**

#### WHAT IS TRULY IMPORTANT

Unfortunately, arguments do sometimes happen within families on the death of a family member. These often revolve around property, ownership and how the Will is divided. Family disputes are not unknown. The same occurred in Luke's day.

Today's Gospel begins with the dispute between two brothers over an inheritance claim. One of them wants Jesus to arbitrate. But Jesus moves the issue to the deeper level of encounter. He names it as greed. The wisdom that emerges is that human security is never guaranteed by property ownership or possessions. This is a familiar theme in Luke's Gospel. It is an issue among those whom Luke addresses. Reading behind the lines of today's Gospel, the evangelist responds to concerns about wealth, greed, inheritance disputes and inner tensions.

The second part of the Gospel explores these issues further: A farmer decides to build bigger barns to store his harvest. But what he has forgotten is that he is not the one responsible for the bumper harvest. It is the earth. In his avariciousness he has lost his ecological connectedness. Greed blurs his spiritual vision and sensitivity to God's earth. The farmer seeks rather a life of ease and comfort. The evangelist reminds the Gospel's audience to keep things in perspective. The disciple's real focus is on one's soul and relationship with God. Today's Gospel is a sobering reminder of what is truly important.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

#### A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL



Unauthorised reproduction of this bulletin prohibited. Published with ecclesiastical approval by ST PAULS PUBLICATIONS, PO Box 906, Strathfield NSW 2135. Tel 02 9394 3400 Email: sales@stpauls.com.au Scripture readings taken from The Jerusalem Bible, © 1966 Hodder & Stoughton Ltd. All rights reserved. Psalm text from The Psalms, A New Translation, © 1963, The Grail (England), HarperCollins. New translation of the Order of Mass from The Roman Missal © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Artwork by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj. Layout, commentaries and illustrations © St Pauls Publications, 2025. No 726. Website: www.stpauls.com.au

## Mass in Honour of Blessed Carlo Acutis





## Our Nurturing our Relationships Ministry Circle





Members f our Parish Choir, along with Fr Anselam, celebrate birthdays of the last month.

Ad multos annos!



In our busy world, more and more women are experiencing a desire for deep connection, engaging conversation, and personal and spiritual nourishment. This evening is an opportunity for women to connect, reflect, discuss, and create meaningful friendships while deepening their relationship with God.

3rd FRIDAY EVERY MONTH 7:00pm - 9:30pm Magnificat Meeting Room





# THE ANGELUS



TTO 13TH SEPTEMBER 2025
HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, AUGUST

AT HARRINGTON HALL, 94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD



#### CABRINI

**AUGUST** 

7PM

Based on a true story A biopic on Mother Cabrini "Patroness of immigrants" and the first American Saint. Set in the late 19th century New York and Italy, Mother Cabrini an inspirational and indomitable woman of faith was sent to the new world to care for the homeless Italian migrant children and the destitute. Challenged along the way by people in high office, Mother Cabrini always kept her focus on God and the mission to care for the poor.



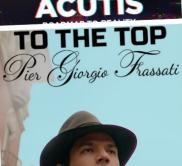
## THE KING OF KINGS

Renowned story teller Charles Dickens finds it challenging to bond with his imaginative son, Walter amidst his busy career. After Walter disrupts one of Charles' readings, he decides to share the story of Jesus Christ with him, hoping to bridge the gap between them. As Charles Dickens narrates the story, Walter becomes captivated, experiencing the events of Jesus' life vividly. Through the journey of Jesus, Walter and his father's relationship **AUGUST** deepens, culminating in a bond of love forged through storytelling 7PM



CARLO ACUTIS: ROADMAP TO REALITY This film explores the life lived by Carlo Acutis and the lessons

he offers young people regarding the challenges of the digital world. The documentary blends live action, animation and documentary-style interviews with Acutis' family, friends, tech experts and scholars to tackle urgent questions about artificial SEPTEMBER intelligence and the technological world we live in. One of the themes of the film is that Acutis was online to lead people offline to the Eucharist, back to real encounters and he's a great role model for us.



7PM

SEPTEMBER 7PM

PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI: TO THE TOP

Filmed in Italy, this docudrama chronicles the life and spirituality of Pier Giorgio Frassati, an Italian activist who put his Catholic beliefs into practice to help the poor and downtrodden in his hometown of Turin. The film uses the aspect of his mountain climbing to shed light on his holiness and humanity. A Saint with appeal for the young, Pier Giorgio loved to go with friends in the mountains, to play jokes among them, to laugh and to have a good time together. But at the centre of everything was faith, was prayer, was love for God.

**FREE EVENT** 

02 9410 9000

chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DDYSC

## Our Nurturing our Relationships Ministry Circle



# Nurturing relationships

Community & Family





A special Thank you to all those who made our Community Lunch, following our 10.30am Mass last Sunday, so wonderful! A particular shout-out to our great Men Alive group who facilitated the occasion for us!

On the right hand page, some photos form the recent celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Indonesian Catholic community' Legion of Mary!

## Our Sustaining our Future Ministry Circle



# Our PEW Gift Shop has opened its doors to welcome parishioners to visit and browse some of our beautiful religious and inspirational gift items.

The PEW Gift Shop isn't just a place to buy items - it can be a sanctuary of hope, peace and love in the midst of a noisy city. Whether through acts of service, a warm atmosphere, or truth-filled gifts, it can reflect the light of Christ to everyone who walks through its doors.

Please feel free to drop by and have a chat with the PEW crew. We open the shop after weekend masses (Sat 5:30pm; Sun 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am and 5:30pm) and after the 12:30pm mass on weekdays."





## Our Igniting Young Hearts Ministry Circle

# CAPSTONE

Young Adults Group



Come for **food**, **faith** and **fellowship** as Capstone member, Thomas Avanus, speaks to us about our Lords great power

6.30pm - 8.30pm w/ optional compline after

Harrington Hall Our Lady of Dolours Sunday 3rd August







opportunity to gather with other parents,

without judgement, with the support of

the Priest and parishioners.



Since August 2007, we have been welcoming children to this wonderful place called the Atrium of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), so that they can spend time with God and nurture their relationship with him.

The CGS Atrium is a beautiful ministry within the parish and we invite you to come and see for yourself what a wonderful place the atrium is at our **Open Day** 

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August from 10am until 12:30pm



There will be a sausage sizzle and activities for the children

For further information about the atrium please contact Angela or Rose at: old.childrens.atrium@gmail.com

## Our Igníting Young Hearts Ministry Circle



## Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle





#### **Chatswood OLOD Vinnies June Report**

Vinnies received 9 requests for help in June, two were from "clients" new to us. Of the "old clients", 2 addressed pharmaceutical needs, one involving a severely handicapped and ill child. Another case concerned a mother struggling with language, DV effects, fines, car accident and power bills; we helped where we could. Another lady had budgeting difficulties (we usually refer such problems to a budget councilor either at Catholic Care or in house). The other 3 "oldies" did not require material assistance. One new "client" was a First Nations chap and the other a New Australian. The former had had a difficult life, has issues affecting employability but looked to us to assist with probs associated with travelling interstate for his father's funeral. The other sought blankets, warm clothing and a heater. In all over \$400 was expended with commitments of \$1200 for pharmacy needs.





## COMBATING HOMELESSNESS TOGETHER

Please donate to CatholicCare's homelessness services across the Diocese

Thank you

Donor envelopes available during Mass Saturday and Sunday 9 & 10 August

## Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle

#### ITEMS WANTED FOR OUR REFUGEE FAMILY

We are expecting our refugee family to arrive in 4 weeks time, flying in from Trinidad. The mother tells me that they have very little luggage as they don't own much in the way of clothes or anything else. Thanks to your generosity at the Feast for Freedom, we have money to buy them new things, especially underwear and personal items, but perhaps you have clothes that your children have outgrown that are still in near new condition that you would like to go to the family? Of so, please read on.

This is what we know about the sizes of the family members:

Mother: A thin build, size S or M with size 37 shoes

Older daughter: 18 years. Also thin, size S or M, but with much larger feet: size 42

Son aged 9 but wears size 10 or 12 in shirts & trousers and size 34 shoes

Younger daughter aged 7 dress size 6 or 8, shoes size 33

Also we want to have toys and games ready for the children to ease them into this frightening and (for them) cold new world. Perhaps you have toys or games that your children no longer play with or use? We asked them what they like and the boy said he likes soccer and lego and the little girl said she would love to learn to skate (we think she meant ice skating - probably thinks that's what you do in the cold) and she wants a pink guitar! To be serious, the house has space for the children to have their own playroom and the outside area has a hard surface large enough for a portable soccer net and basketball hoop. We don't suggest books because the family speaks Spanish only at present but picture books and graphic books suitable for their ages would be good.

If you have good quality items that match anything in the list above that your family no longer needs, please bring them to weekend Mass and place them in the collection box in the front of the church. Dee, our parish engagement officer, will collect them for us on Monday mornings for the next 2 weeks. During the week, please take them to Diana in the front office as sadly items go missing if left for long in the church.

With thanks from our community refugee sponsorship group





### Around and About



www.trybooking.com/DAPZO Www.trybooking.com/DAPZO
For enquiries, please contact Mona Saouma on (02) 9410



Honour a special occasion or remember a loved one with altar flower arrangements

Donations can be one-time or annual.



Suggested donations: \$130+ for standard arrangements, \$150-\$200 for fuller or specific flowers like roses.



Our volunteers, Irene, Cynthia, and Teresa, will beautifully arrange and place them by the tabernacle for Sunday.



Submit your donation at least one month in advance.

To reserve a date, contact Chloe at Chloe.Aylward@bbcatholic.org.au.

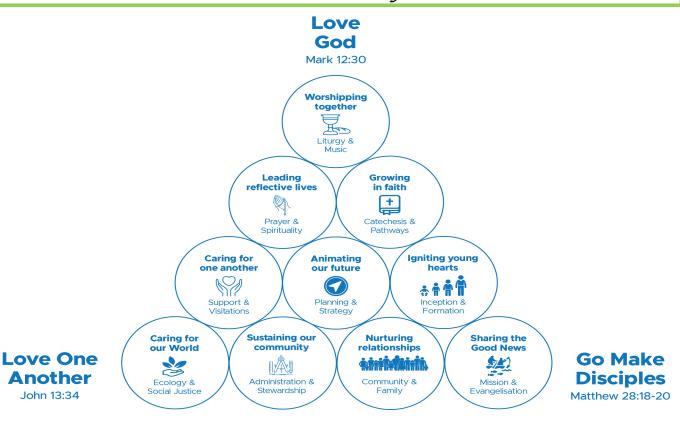


\* Terms and conditions apply.

Our Serra Association invite us to remember one of the bishops, priests and deacons in our Diocese in our prayer each day.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 Bishop Anthony Randazzo	2 Bishop Emeritus David Walker	3 Bishop Emeritus Robert McGuckin	4 Fr Colin Blayney	5 Fr Stephen Hill	6 Fr Timothy Raj MSFS
7 Fr Alex Peter MSFS	8 Fr Vincent Lourduswamy MSFS	9 Fr Michael Be- Ionio OSA	10 Fr Michael Sullivan OSA	11 Fr Jumbin Torres OSA	12 Fr John Zhang OSA	13 Father Van Tu Nguyen OSA
14 Fr Robert Borg	15 Fr Jim McKeon	16 Fr Aldrin Valdehueza	17 Fr Vince Casey Fr John Hill	18 Fr Greg Chee OCD	19 Fr Gerard Mo- ran OCD	20 Fr Sunny Peack- al OCD
21 Fr Restituto Og- simer cs	22 Fr Jose Aliro Gutierrez cs	23 Fr Savino Ber- nardi cs	24 Deacon Roberto Corpuz	25 Deacon Richard Houwing	26 Deacon Adrian Gomez	27 Deacon Paul Simmons
28 Deacon Peter McCulloch	29 Deacon Kevin Hale Deacon Kevin	30 Fr Ireneuz Czexh SDS	31 Fr Brendan Lee			

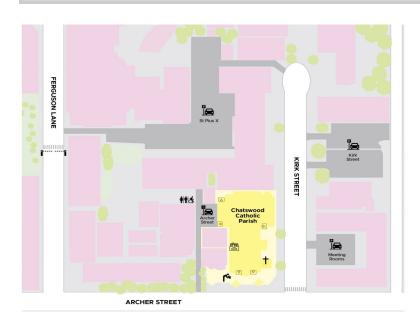
## Our Parish Ministry Circles



## Supporting our Parish Financially

Donation for	Description	BSB	Account Number
Clergy Giving (First collection) (support for Clergy)	Chatswood Parish Pastoral Revenue A/C	062-784	100001606
(Support for Ciergy)			
Parish Giving (2nd collection)	Chatswood Parish Working A/C	062-784	100001609
Planned Giving by EFT & general donation to Parish			
(support for Parish operation)			

## Parking at our Parish



After our weekend evening Masses the Pius Carpark is closed about one hour after Mass for the security of the College. Please move your car to the parish car park on Kirk St if you are going to be longer than an hour following Mass.

## Parish Contact Information

PO Box 1446 Chatswood NSW 2057 Office Hours Monday to Friday 9.00am—5.00pm Office Phone: 9410 9000 Emergency Calls: 0473 046 906

Parish Priest: Very Rev Dr David Ranson VG

david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au

Personal blog: davidranson.com.au

Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Anselam Lakra anselam.lakra@bbcatholic.org.au 9410 9028

Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Hien Vu hien.vu@bbcatholic.org.au 9410 9027

**Receptionist: Diana Tinambun** chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au 9410 9000

Administration and Facilities Officer: Kristha Mangahas kristha.mangahas@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9030

Parish Engagement Officer: Duyen Au

duyen.au@bbcatholic.org.au 9410 9025

Project Officer: Chloe Aylward chloe.aylward@bbcatholic.org.au 9410 9021

**Director of Music: Titus Grenyer** 

titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9034

Children's Ministry Coordinator: Angela Hague

angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9033

**Pastoral Support Worker: Mona Saouma** 

mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9024

Catechist Coordinator: Karen Forbes karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9029

Youth Ministry Officer: Sienna Klarica

sienna. klarica@bbcatholic.org. au

9410 9026

**Book-keeper: Amelia Lee** amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au

9410 9032

Our Lady of Dolours Primary Parent Engagement Coordinator
Rebecca Molinaro: rebecca.molinaro@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Mercy College Parent Engagement Coordinator Annette Leahy: annette.leahy1@dbb.catholic.edu.au

#### **Sunday Masses**

5.30pm Saturday evening Vigil Mass

**7.30am** (followed by Morning Tea on 1st Sunday of the month at the PEW café)

**9.00am** (Includes Children's Liturgy of the Word on 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays, except on long weekends), followed by Morning Tea on the forecourt

**10.30am**, followed by Morning Tea on the 2nd Sunday of the month, and Community Lunch on the last Sunday.

11.00am at St Peter's Green Aged Care Facility, North Lane Cove (Note this is for residents only)

5.30pm

**Filipino Culture Mass** 

12noon, 1st Sunday of the month

**Indonesian Culture Mass** 

7.00pm, 2nd Saturday of the month (from Saturday 9 August)

**First Friday of the month:** 6.30pm—8.30pm Divine Retreat Centre Healing Mass and Prayer

#### **Weekday Masses and Devotions**

Monday: 12.30pm

Tuesday: 9.00am and 12.30pm

Wednesday: 9.00am and 12.30pm and 6.30pm

(The Sacrament of Anointing: after each Wednesday evening Mass and after 12.30pm the 3rd Wednesday

of the month)

Thursday: 9.00am and 12.30pm Friday: 9.00am and 12.30pm

Saturday: 9.00am

Morning Prayer: Tuesday to Saturday: 8.45am

Rosary

Monday: 11.45am (preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet at 11.30am); Tuesday to Saturday 9.30am; Monday to Fridays: 1.00pm

**Thursday Adoration** After 9am Mass. Ends with Divine Mercy Chaplet at midday followed by Benediction.

**Thursday Holy Hour** with Exposition and **Reconciliation** 7.00pm