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PARISH OF CHATSWOOD

25 JUNE 2023
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)



GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Welcome

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us! If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Our Lady of Dolours please contact us at 02 9410 9000 or email us at chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au - we would love to hear from you.

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Do not fear those who can kill the body.
This Sunday's Gospel - Matthew 10:26-33



Fr Joey Frez
Acting Parish Priest

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

While Father David is away on his vacation, Fr. Marek and I will provide you with parish updates and some personal thoughts.

The funeral of our beloved Anthony Mustaca was held last Tuesday. His children delivered beautiful and moving eulogies and the church was packed with his family, relatives, and friends. We continue to pray for the eternal repose of Anthony's soul. We also pray for his wife Heather, his daughters, his sons-in-law, and the rest of the family as they mourn his passing. May God's peace and presence be their consolation in this time of loss.

Last Sunday at the 10:30am Mass, we continued to have children receiving their first Holy Communion. Congratulations to all of them, and many thanks to their parents, at such a momentous occasion in their faith life.

After the 9:30am Mass, many of our children and their parents attended our morning tea at the OLD Primary School playground, playing games and enjoying the good weather. Seeing the kids just having fun reminded me of the importance of families and their children to our parish, and the life and vitality they bring.

With the countless ministerial demands in the parish, we often miss the importance of the family and the need for a ministry for families. John Paul II said that "the future of humanity passes by way of the family" (*Familiaris Consortio*, 86). This means that the future of humanity depends on the formation of children in their families. If we do not give good formation to our children, then we cannot expect a good future for them.

In terms of our faith, the family is considered to be the "domestic church" (*Lumen Gentium*, 11). Like the bigger church, families (and particularly parents) are responsible for educating and forming their children in the faith. As our Catechism states: "Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule. The home is well suited for education in the virtues (2223). Education in the faith by the parents should begin in the child's earliest years. This already happens when family members help one another to grow in faith by the witness of a Christian life in keeping with the Gospel. Family catechesis precedes, accompanies, and enriches other forms of instruction in the faith. Parents have the mission of teaching their children to pray and to discover their vocation as children of God (2226).

They say that faith is both taught and caught. This means that even though our children are taught about the faith in their Catechism class, if within the family the faith is not practiced, then there is a strong possibility that when they grow older, our children will lose the faith because they never caught it while growing up. Our parish is so blessed that we have children's liturgy at our 9:00am Mass. By coming to Sunday Mass with their parents, children are not only being taught about the Catholic faith, but they also catch the practice of the Catholic faith.



One of the important points made in our Catechism with regards to our children is their education in the virtues. St Gregory of Nyssa says that "the goal of a virtuous life is to be like God." To imitate our Lord then is to develop a virtuous life and it is best to teach our children the virtues from a young age.

We all know that family life is so busy these days, but we can never reap the fruits if we do not invest in the very thing that we deem important for us. We might invest our children's times in sports, music, arts and other skills, but let us not forget to also invest in that which will be with them always as they navigate through the many challenges in life, and that is faith in God.

Oftentimes I ask myself, 'What should we do to reach out and evangelise our children?' Our parish might have innumerable programs for the faith formation of our children, but if their parents do not bring them to participate in these programs, then they will never learn and catch the faith. Both parish and parents have the responsibility to evangelise our children, and both need each other. Our children deserve the best, so let us give them nothing less than the best!

IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER:

Our loved ones who have recently passed away:

Anthony Mustaca; Metin Sayer; Sr Norma Treanor RSM; Gabriella May; Mark Anthony Warnakula; Noela Morris; Michael Tjong; Frannie Fisher (sister of Pauline Larkins); Barbara Alvarino Jaramillo.

Our loved ones who are sick:

Mary Kin-Soon Ng; Bonnie Leung; Patricia Cunningham; Margaret Marchetto; Elena Guerrero; Baldo Polizzi.

Our loved ones, at rest with God, whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Bill Freeman; Eugenie Tai and Bernard Le; Bertha, Maurice and Philip Dayton; Guillermo Bolingot; Trevor Chard; Lourdes Eulalia Martinez; Marina Paino; Rita Cooper; John Byrne; Nevenka Cetinic Pensa; David Curtin; Marion Ardill Pyne; Keith Press.

Catherine Cunningham, daughter of Patricia Cunningham, would like to thank the parish for praying for her Mum. Patricia has made a good recovery and is in good spirits!

Our community would love to pray for you. If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Requests for Mass Intentions:

It is a privilege to our priests to be able to offer Mass for a special intention, we welcome such requests. It is important to note, however, that a priest can only receive one intention per Mass. Therefore, it may not be possible to have a Mass offered on a specific day and time, given that the priest may already have allocated an intention for the Mass. Do be assured that if a Mass cannot be offered on a specific occasion it will be offered by a priest at the first available opportunity. Notwithstanding, if you would like a Mass for a specific purpose at a particular time, please contact a priest directly to seek to arrange this.



Our Lady of Dolours, Pray for Us

Oh Sacred Heart,
whose love knows no bound,
Heal our wounds,
where sorrow's found.
Turn our weeping into grace,
With tender mercy, fill this space.

In the echo of our cries,
May hope's symphony arise.
Even in despair's cold night,
Ignite in us your holy light.

Mend our hearts, from shards restore,
Guide us to love's open door.
In sorrow's soil, let strength take root,
In pain's ashes, let hope bear fruit.

With each dawn, new mercies show,
In each dusk, peace's river flow.
Transform our tears into a sea,
Where sorrow births serenity.

Picture: Our Lady of Dolours by Olivia Lee



The Pope's Prayer Intention for June

For the abolition of torture:

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN COVER PICTURE: BLESSED MIGUEL PRO

Blessed Miguel Pro, a Mexican Jesuit priest who was martyred during the Cristero War, stands as a beacon of courage and faith for all Catholics. Despite the persecution of the Church in Mexico, he continued to serve his flock, conducting Mass in secret and offering spiritual guidance.

When captured, he refused to denounce his faith. Before his execution, he forgave his executioners and held his arms out in the form of a cross, crying out, "Viva Cristo Rey!" ("Long live Christ the King!"). His courage in the face of death is a reminder that while the body may be killed, the spirit remains invincible when fortified by faith. His life challenges Catholics to fear not those who can kill the body, but to fear instead the loss of conviction and faith.

Miguel Pro teaches us that true courage comes from a heart anchored in faith, reminding us of Jesus' words in this Sunday's Gospel according to Matthew: "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell." The brave life and death of Blessed Miguel Pro inspires us to live boldly for our faith, irrespective of the cost.

SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 26TH
PARISH IN COUNCIL

WALKING TOGETHER TO DEEPEN THE
IMPLICATIONS OF OUR PARISH MISSION
AND TOGETHER TAKE OUR JOURNEY
OF BEING CHURCH IN THE CITY FORWARD,
CONSIDERING NOW WHERE WE NEED TO
DEVELOP AND HOW

The second discourse of Matthew's Gospel occupies chapter 10. We hear it proclaimed on this Sunday and the following. In Matthew's version, the mission of the Twelve is only to the people of Israel (10:5-16) and they are to preach the nearness of kingdom not only in word but in action, by healing the sick, raising the dead, cleansing lepers, and casting out demons. Jesus warns them of the opposition they would encounter (10:17-25), before moving to today's section, which speaks of the fearlessness the apostles are to need in the face of such opposition.

'Do not be afraid', is the exhortation of Jesus to his apostles and to us. We live in a church seemingly enmeshed in endless scandal; the good news of God's love seems imprisoned in the darkness of unending failure among those of us who seek to serve God's people through leadership and ministry. Our society has lost trust in the institutional church because of such inexcusable evil. The words of Jesus today promise that even such tragedy cannot overpower the message, even though it certainly seems that way at the moment. Jesus promises that God watches over those whom the rest of the world forgets, the sparrows among us. It does seem hard to believe in a God who cares for the small and insignificant when many of the most vulnerable among us suffer at our hands instead of being cherished.

So these words of Jesus are ever more pressing as things look darkest. More than ever, Jesus' call to bear witness to him needs to be taken up by every baptised person. The Spirit has been given to us and it is the Spirit who shines in the darkness, it is the Spirit who makes Jesus come to life within us, it is the Spirit who gives us strength in our weakness. We bear witness to him by the faithfulness we show to his gospel, by the life-affirming care we lavish upon the downtrodden and destitute, the helpless and the homeless, the vulnerable and the needy.

Augustine of Hippo advises his community: 'Let us fear, in order not to fear; that is, let us fear wisely, in order not to fear groundlessly' (Sermo 65). We would be wise to fear denying God by a life of sin that does not bear witness to the life and love promised us. We would be wise to fear complacency, which blinds us to the demands of constant reform and conversion.

While today's gospel calls us to action, it also calls us to give thanks. We must be thankful for those who do witness to what is true and right, even if their fidelity is overshadowed by the failings of others. We must be thankful that fear is not the final word, that failure will not extinguish the good news of God's love, no matter how much that flickering light of hope seems to be about to go out. We must be thankful that the grace of God, poured into our hearts through the Spirit who makes our gifts of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ given up for our nourishment, is about to be given once again to us in this sacred meal we share.

- *Geoffrey D Dunn*

Cultural Community Mass:

Filipino: 12:00pm, 1st Sunday | Spanish: 12:00pm, 3rd Sunday | Indonesian: 7:00pm, 3rd Sunday

MASS & LITURGIES THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- Monday
26 June:
- **11:30am Chaplet of Divine Mercy**
 - 11:45am Rosary (Cenacle, MMP)
 - **12:30pm Mass**

- Tuesday
27 June:
- 8:45am Morning Prayer
 - **9:00am Mass**
 - 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 - **12:30pm Mass**

- Wednesday
28 June:
- Memorial of Saint Irenaeus**
- 8:45am Morning Prayer
 - **9:00 Mass**
 - 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 - **12:30pm Mass**

- Thursday
29 June:
- Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul**
- 8:45am Morning Prayer
 - **9:00am Mass**
 - 9:30am Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration, Rosary, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 - 12:00pm Benediction
 - **12:30pm Mass**
 - **7:00pm Holy Hour**
Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration with Reconciliation (Confession) also available.

- Friday
30 June:
- 8:45am Morning Prayer
 - **9:00am Mass**
 - 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 - **12:30pm Mass**

- Saturday
1 July:
- 8:45am Morning Prayer
 - **9:00am Mass**
 - 9:30am Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration with Reconciliation (Confession), and Rosary
 - 10:00am Novena Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 - 10:30am Benediction
 - **5:30pm Vigil Mass**

- Sunday Mass
2 July:
- **7:30am Mass**
 - **9:00am Family Mass**
 - **10:30am Mass**
 - **12:00pm Filipino Cultural Mass**
 - **5:30pm Mass**



GATHERINGS THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday 26 June:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30am Catechist Team Meeting (Magnificat)• 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)• 7:00pm Altaration (Magnificat, St Paul)
Tuesday 27 June:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Bible Discussion Group (St Paul)• 2:00pm Sacristy Use Meeting (Magnificat)• 4:00pm Atrium 3-6 years old (Atrium)• 4:00pm Atrium 6-9 and 9-12 year olds (Atrium)• 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)• 7:00pm Indonesian Legion of Mary• 7:00pm Filipino Choir (St Paul)
Wednesday 28 June:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30am Lifestyle English Conversation Programme (Magnificat)• 11:00am Parish Staff Meeting (Magnificat)• 2:00pm Organ Lesson (Church)• 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)• 7:00pm MenAlive Fellowship, Reflection & Discussion (Magnificat)• 7:00pm World Youth Day Formation
Thursday 29 June:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Atrium 3-6 years old (Atrium)• 5:00pm Music Reading Lessons (St Paul)• 5:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)• 5:30pm I am Jesus room prep time (Magnificat, St Paul)• 6:00pm Legion of Mary (St Peter)• 7:00pm I am Jesus Short Course (Magnificat, St Paul)
Friday 30 June:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Meditation (St Paul)• 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)• 7:00pm Online Zoom Meditation
Saturday 1 July:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11:00am Choir Rehearsal for 9:00am Mass (St Paul)• 11:30am Baptism Preparation (Magnificat)• 3:00pm Organ Practice (Church)• 3:30pm The Book of Revelation Series with Bishop David Walker (Magnificat)• 6:00pm Prayer Meeting (Magnificat)
Sunday Mass 2 July:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Filipino Choir Practice (Magnificat)• 10:00am Teen Choir Practice (St Paul)• 1:00pm Filipino Community Fellowship (Magnificat)• 6:30pm Capstone (Magnificat)



OUR WEEK IN PICS



OLOD Primary have been learning about our mission and how they will support the Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS). OLOD Kindy also dropped in for a visit and tour around the church and sacristy - guided by Fr Joey. They are some of our favourite visitors!



Last Saturday our Filipino community had their leadership group recollection day at Marymount Mercy Centre in Castle Hill facilitated by Fr Joey and Deacon Roberto. Here they broke open what "The Call for Ministry" means.



Fr David says Ciao to us all the way from Rome and sends us his amore! The International Safeguarding Conference has been a wonderful experience and he even got to catch up with Chiara Porro - the Australian Ambassador to the Holy See.

THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN

The Baptist



St John the Baptist as a Child by Bartolomé Esteban Murillo

This Saturday the 24th of June the Church celebrates the birth of St John the Baptist - one of only three birthdays that is recognised in the liturgical calendar, with the other two being that of Mary and Jesus.

St. John's birth marks the advent of a prophet who prepared the way for Jesus Christ. John was not just a herald of the divine message; his birth symbolized hope and renewal, a light in the darkness, as his aged parents, Elizabeth and Zechariah, bore a him against all odds.

St John's birth reminds us of the very real power of having faith in the face of impossibility, and is an encouragement to persist in our pursuits despite the obstacles that stand in our path because God will always be there.

St John's birth also serves as a reminder of the internal birth of awareness and consciousness that we should all have as people of God. Like John, we are all called to prepare the way, in our hearts and minds, for the emergence of Truth and Love. In our lives, we encounter situations that invite us to become 'John the Baptists' - to be beacons of hope, heralds of change, and catalysts for transformation.

Who knew a baby could symbolise so much for us? God did, and I think we do too when we look in to the eyes of children and see the beauty of their innocence and the promise of hope their lives bring.

In remembering the birth of St John the Baptist let's reflect on the sacred mystery of life, the power of faith, and our capacity for transformation.

How is God calling me to help prepare people and spaces for God in their life? How am I making way for God in my own life?

- Olivia L

Statue Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be available again to visit your home for a week from Saturday to Saturday or Sunday to Sunday. A special blessing will be given when the statue is picked up from the church after 9:00am Mass. A booklet of prayers will be provided to help your family and friends to venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary.

If interested please complete the schedule form (in the church foyer) with your name and contact number as well as the date you would like to have the statue OR call Cecilia 0466 961 240 or Ditas 0405 999 510



VINNIES CHATSWOOD WINTER APPEAL JULY 1-2



The St Vincent de Paul 2023 Chatswood Winter Appeal will be held next weekend on 1st to 2nd July 2023. This local Appeal is part of the Statewide Appeal which began in May and will last until the end of August.

The main work of the St Vincent de Paul Chatswood Conference is to provide support and assistance for people in need in our local area. The Chatswood Conference has so far received more than 50 requests for assistance; and has expended over \$8,000 in meeting the emergency needs of the people in our local community.

The supports we have provided included food, medical, pharmaceutical, whitegoods, furniture, rental assistance, transport and clothing.

Our parish contains a large government housing population from which comes most of the calls for assistance. Many of those seeking for support are people from disadvantage backgrounds, single parent family, people with mental health issues and those lacking life skills to handle problems.

Up until last year Appeals, your generous support has allowed us to cover all the costs in providing supports to people in need in our area without the need to seek supplement funds from other areas of the society.

If you wish to make a donation, envelopes will be available around the church and may be put on the collection plates. Provision is made in the envelopes for cash or credit card donations.

Alternatively, you may wish to use the QR code below or make a donation through the new Parish Winter Appeal web site: <https://tinyurl.com/37jyk97n>

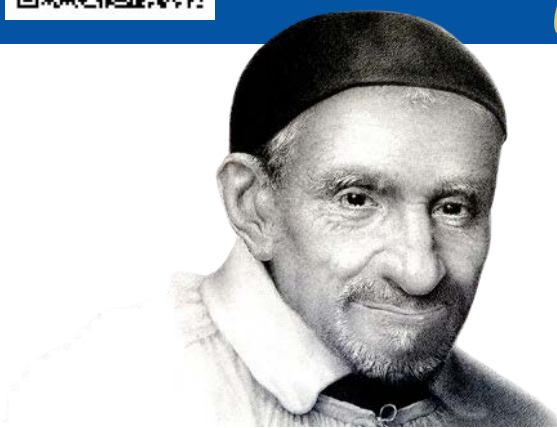
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Your continuing support for the Winter Appeal is very much appreciated.



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**GO TO THE POOR:
HERE, YOU WILL FIND GOD**

- ST VINCENT DE PAUL -



Join us to commission and farewell our World Youth Day pilgrims as they travel to Portugal to join thousands of other young people at World Youth Day in Lisbon!

Mass is at 6:30pm followed by refreshments in the Magnificat Room.

All are welcome!



WORLD YOUTH DAY

PILGRIM COMMISSIONING MASS

19 JULY
6:30PM

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PARISH NOTICES

CONFIRMATION 2023 ENROLMENTS OPEN

Enrolment for preparation and reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation will open via Our Lady of Dolours parish website on **Monday 19 June 2023**.

In our parish, children are eligible to enrol for Confirmation once they have been baptised and have reached 8 years of age or older. Please see the 'Children's Sacraments' page on our parish website for further details.

To enrol your child

Go the parish website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood>

From the home page: Click on Sacraments > Click on Children's Sacraments > Click on Confirmation

This page includes information you will need to enrol including all the dates for the program.

When you are ready to enrol, Click on Book Now button at the bottom of this page and complete the details.

Enrolments close on Monday 17 July.

For queries, contact Angela or Mona in the parish office at chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned Giving envelopes will be available at the back of the church from Sunday June 4th for parishioners who have ordered them. They will be left here for you to pick up until June 25th - then they can be picked up from Carol in the front office.

Thank you for your support!

Chloe A

BECOME A CATECHIST

Have you thought about assisting an SRE teacher in a class / becoming an SRE teacher?

- It's a half hour weekly commitment, in school terms.
- Classes are available in state primary schools within the parish.
- Catholic Scripture classes are informative and fun for the children and rewarding for you!

Training and resources are available including teachers and student manuals. If you have any queries or if you're interested it would be great to hear from you!

Please contact Karen Forbes on 02 9410 9029 or email: karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au



LIVESTREAMING



Next week we begin training our volunteers to use our new Livesreaming equipment! After training, our volunteers will have a go at streaming Masses and we will let you know which ones these are the weekend before, via the bulletin. This will allow the parish to stream Masses, and offer funerals and weddings this resource. Very exciting!

Random Fun Fact: St Isidore of Seville is the patron saint of the internet and computer because of his pursuit of knowledge - making him a bridge between the ancient world and the digital age!





IS CANCER IMPACTING YOUR WORK OR CAREER?

Work is important for our sense of purpose and self-worth, and social relationships, financial security, and general wellbeing.

More than 40% of cancers occur in working-aged adults. Surgery, chemotherapy, radiotherapy and target therapies can impact our ability to fully participate in work and study.

LiveWorkCancer has established Networks to support women and men navigating work/careers and while experiencing cancer.

We invite anyone managing cancer and work to join one of our Networks, via Zoom.

Participation is FREE, and participants will benefit from being connected with others who understand work-cancer experience first-hand and hear from guest speakers who have valuable knowledge to share.

Women's network meets:

- First Tuesday of the month, 7pm – 8pm
- Third Wednesday of the month, 12noon – 1pm

Men's network meets:

- First Friday of the month, 4pm – 5pm

A network for Carer's will be available in August

To join: register at

<https://www.liveworkcancer.com/working>
or email: enquiries@liveworkcancer.com



Live Work Cancer is a wonderful space of support that is headed by OLOD parishioner, Sue.

VINNIES MAY REPORT



During May the Chatswood Conference of the St Vincent de Paul received 11 requests for help; 7 of these were from people previously unknown to the Conference.

The most urgent was from a well educated asylum seeker, ineligible for Centre Link Benefits, who had lost his job, fallen behind in rent and was not eating regularly. We assisted with rent and provided funds for food and job seeking.

Two others were Job Seekers whose benefits had been suspended; we helped with food to cover the period till pensions were restored.

Two others had to change their accommodation; we helped these with food, appliances, clothing and bedding.

The other requests involved food, medical treatment and transport. Over \$1800 of assistance was given.

- John R



IGNITE CONFERENCE 23

Wonder

I will astound these people with wonder upon wonder
Isaiah 29:14



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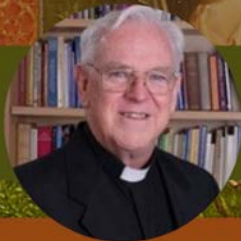
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THE BOOK OF Revelation

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01 JULY

08 JULY

15 JULY

3:30pm - 5:00pm at the Magnificat Room
96 Archer St, Chatswood - entry from Kirk St

For more info please contact
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

All are welcome!



Ministers of the Word Needed

Ministers of the Word (Readers) are needed for the 5:30pm Vigil Mass, and the 7:30am Sunday Mass on the 4th week of the month.

If you are interested please contact Ditas at bhnaguit@gmail.com

PIETY STALL AND PEW GIFT SHOP

Need a last minute gift? Check out the Piety Stall at the back of the church, as well as the PEW garden gift cabinet outside the church on your way to the church carpark. There are so many beautiful, unique gifts for any occasion you're thinking of!



Handmade cards from \$6 (Piety and PEW)

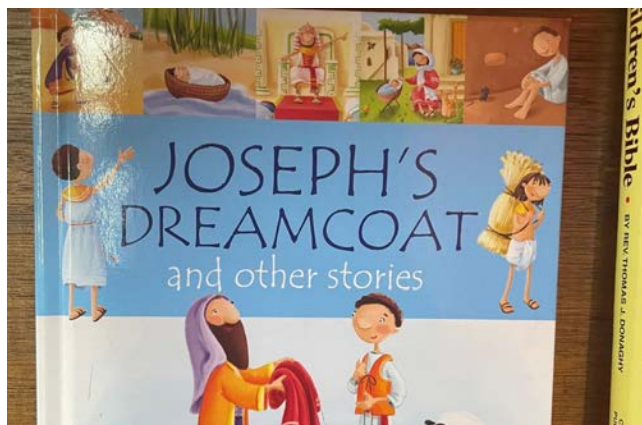
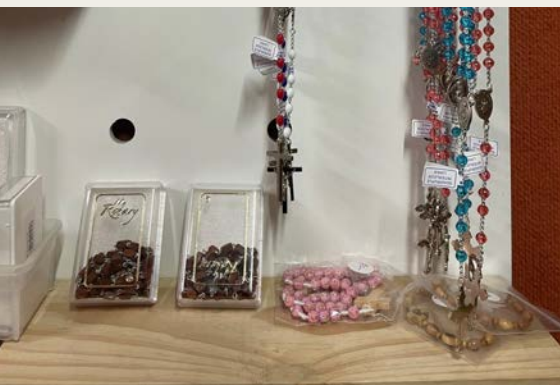


Cup of Courage & Cup of Gratitude \$12 (PEW)



Crosses \$16 Prayer Box \$10 (PEW)

Rosaries from \$7 (Piety)



Children's Books from \$12 (Piety & PEW)

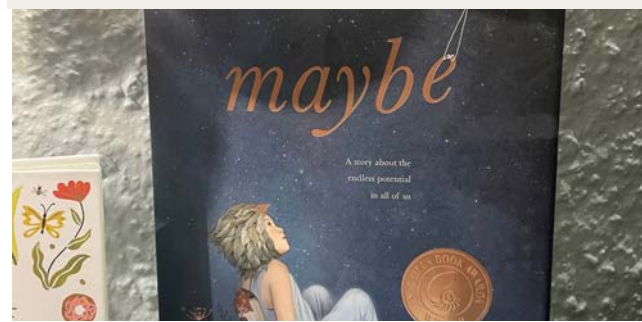
Bibles \$20 (Piety)



Baptism of Jesus cast \$12 (Piety)



Saint statues from \$40 (PEW)



CHOIR CORNER



Titus Grenyer
Director of Music

As we look to enhance the worship in our parish, the time has come to formally establish the Parish Choir. This choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 5:30-7:00pm, and generally sings on a Sunday at the 10:30am service. If you love to sing, you are invited to be a part of the next chapter in our church's musical life. Regular attendance is not essential.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

On the third Sunday of each month, we invite the children of the parish to sing in the Children's Choir for the 9:00am mass. Music is a wonderful and natural gift of children, and this is the perfect opportunity for them to be a part of the music in the church. Rehearsals take place after the 9:00am mass, on the second Sunday of the month.

If you have any questions, please contact titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au

MUSIC READING LESSONS

Have you ever wondered how to decipher written music but not known who to ask?

Eileen Gallery is running basic music reading lessons. Feel free to come along if:

- you're a choir member who can't read music, or would like to improve your music reading skills; or
- you're thinking of joining the choir, but concerned that reading music might be a prerequisite. It isn't, but the ability to read music makes learning new songs much easier and faster.

So if you're not sure, why not come along. Join us at 5pm on Thursdays in the St Paul meeting room to explore this new language - the language of music.

Call Eileen on 0418 163 062 with any questions.

HELPING AT ST PETER'S GREEN

Volunteers are needed to help at St Peter's Green Catholic Residential Aged Care Facility - 5 Felton Ave, Lane Cove North 2066

- Tuesdays at 10:30am
Giving communion to residents in their rooms and/or Leading Communion Service.
- Fridays at 2:00pm
Leading the rosary and/or giving Communion to residents in their rooms.
- Sundays from 10:45am - 11:45am to assist with setting up and cleaning up after the 11am Sunday Mass.



For any questions or to volunteer please e-mail Fr Joey at Joey.Frez@bbcatholic.org.au

Our Lady of Dolours Parish is committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and those in the community who are vulnerable.

Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ who teaches the fundamental sanctity of each human person.

Should you witness anything that undermines the safety of anyone in this parish please contact the parish office on (02) 9410 9000 or chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au or contact the Office of Safeguarding on (02) 8379 1605



FLORAL ARRANGEMENT DONATIONS

Altar flower arrangements can be donated to honour any special occasion. Donations can be made on a one-time basis or annually. The suggested donation for floral arrangements is \$100. Volunteers will then beautifully and simply arrange your flowers for Sunday.



Please submit your donation at least one month prior to the date you would like to dedicate the flowers. To reserve a date on the calendar, contact the parish on 02 9410 9000 or chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Every week the parish is generously supplied with beautiful, fresh, flowers from Dale and Winnie over at Roseville Fresh Foods - 55 Hill St, Roseville NSW 2069. We thank Dale and Winnie deeply for the generosity and care with which they have supported our parish!

Thank you!



Scan this QR code to donate to the first or second collection for our Parish.

Thank you for the many ways in which you already support our parish!

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FR DAVID'S BLOG



We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we gather, the Cammeraygal people, and pay respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

We extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as we continue the journey of Reconciliation and pray for justice and peace.

Image: Crucifixion by Richard Campbell

AROUND AND ABOUT



THE BOOK OF JOB: FAITH AND JUSTICE IN A WORLD OF INCOMPREHENSIBLE NIHILISM presented by Dr Robert Tilley

No other book of the Old Testament has exercised as much of an influence on modern philosophy, literature, and film as the Book of Job has. Only, it could be argued that this is for the wrong reason...

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm | Venue: The Crypt, St Patrick's Church, 20 Gosvenor Street The Rocks | Cost: \$90
Please register and pay at <https://www.trybooking.com/CIFXM>
For more information: email thecalltobe@gmail.com



Catholics in Coalition for Justice and Peace

THURSDAY 29 June 2023 at 4pm – 6pm

Mercy Convent, 4-6 Victoria Rd North Parramatta

TOPIC: THE AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTION AND THE VOICE

Speaker: Dr Anne Twomey AO

Dr Anne Frances Twomey AO is an Australian academic and lawyer specialising in Australian constitutional law. She is a regular commentator on legal and constitutional issues for the Australian media. Anne has been the key constitutional lawyer involved in determining the wording of the Referendum question.

Email ccjp@bigpond.com



Meditation Days at St Benedict's Monastery, Arcadia

Invitation to St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia for 2023 :

Sundays - 19th February, 21st May, 20th August and 19th November.

For our Introduction and Renewal Days for Christian Meditation.

Timetable : Arrival from 10am to register for a 10:30am start, presentations, introduction to meditation, periods of meditation, Mass, information exchange, conclusion around 3pm.

Book display and morning tea provided, BYO picnic lunch.

Enquires : Ann Bergman, anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas , atlomas@bigpond.com / 9653 2637

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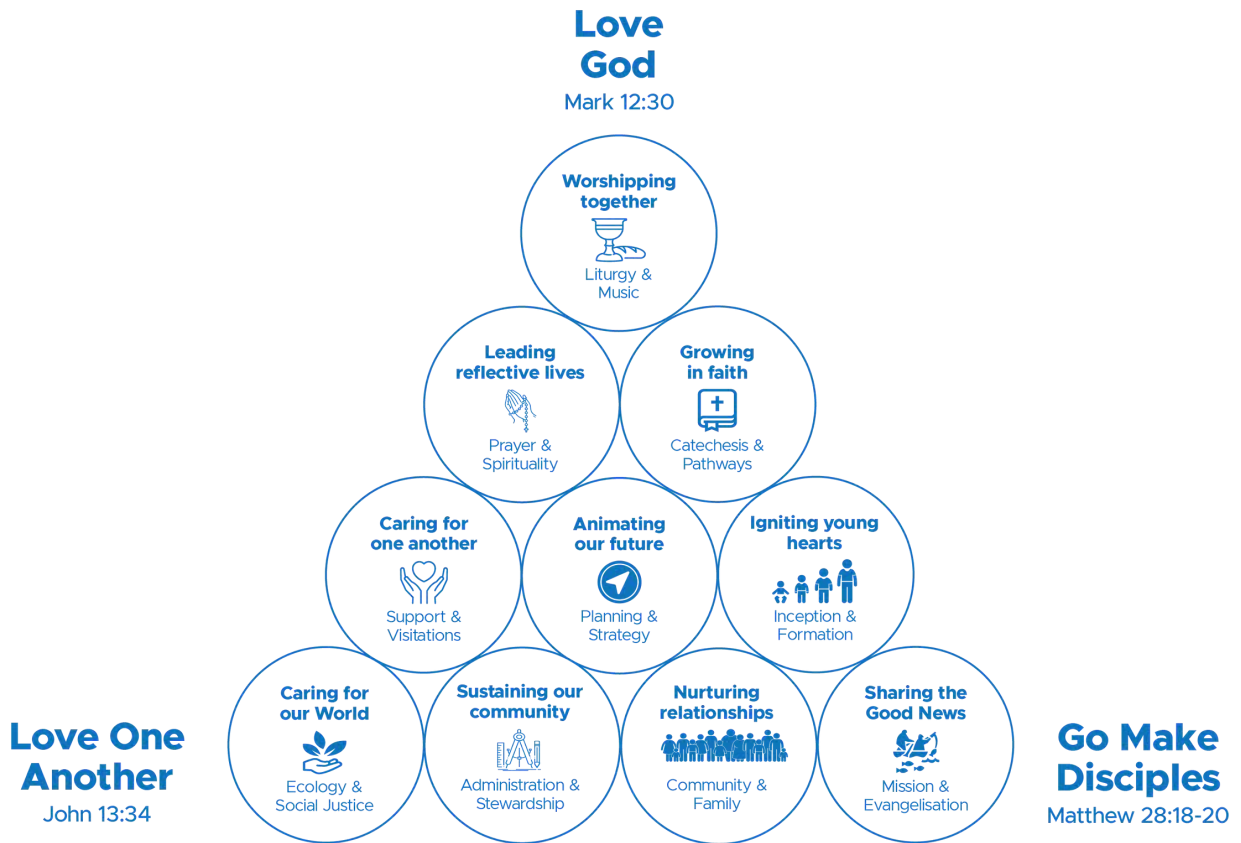
Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills and knowledge with those who have few other chances for training.

Build enduring global relationships while assisting sustainable, self-reliant, community development.

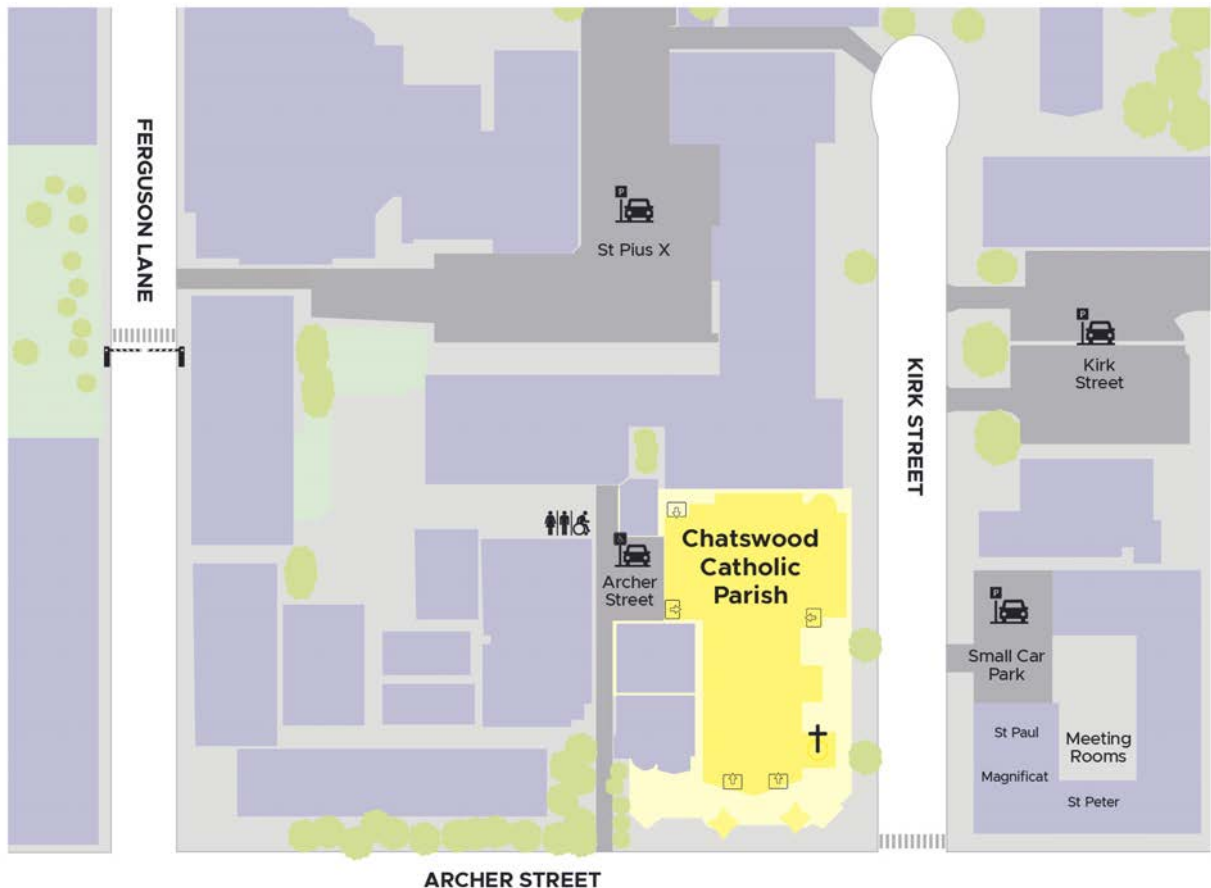
Explore 35 positions by going to www.palms.org.au or call 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567 for more info. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.



OUR CIRCLES OF MINISTRY



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Mass This Week:

Monday Mass 12:30pm.

Tuesday Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.

Wednesday Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.

Thursday Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.

Reconciliation: 7:00pm.

Friday Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.

Saturday Mass: 9:00am

Reconciliation: 9:30am.

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm

Sunday Mass

- 7:30am

- 9:00am

- 10:30am

- 5:30pm - Youth Mass

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Want to receive the bulletin via e-mail?

Contact Olivia at

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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25th, 2023




*In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that
God sees even little things.
What little things did He mention?
Connect the dots to find out!*

Saint Junipero Serra

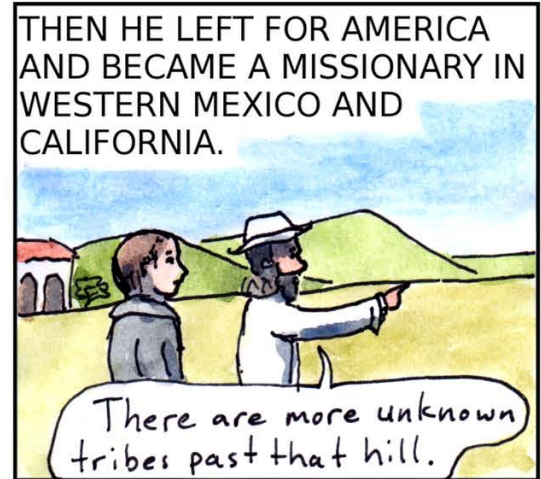
July 1

JUNIPERO SERRA WAS BORN IN 1713 IN MAJORCA, SPAIN. HE WAS VERY INTELLIGENT AND BECAME A PRIEST AND PROFESSOR.



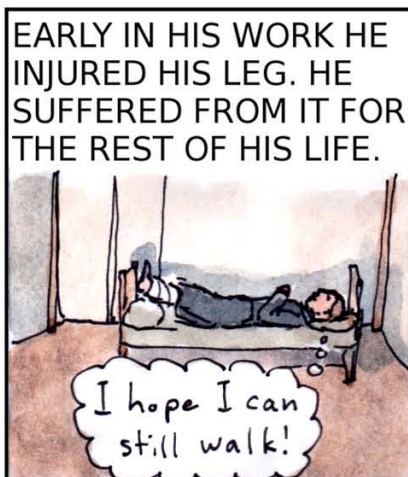
Should we be leaving foreign people in their ignorance?

THEN HE LEFT FOR AMERICA AND BECAME A MISSIONARY IN WESTERN MEXICO AND CALIFORNIA.



There are more unknown tribes past that hill.

EARLY IN HIS WORK HE INJURED HIS LEG. HE SUFFERED FROM IT FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE.



I hope I can still walk!



It's the man who speaks of Jesus!

STILL HE WALKED HUNDREDS OF MILES, CONVERTING AND BAPTIZING THE NATIVES.

HE BAPTIZED THOUSANDS AND TAUGHT THEM HOW TO FARM.

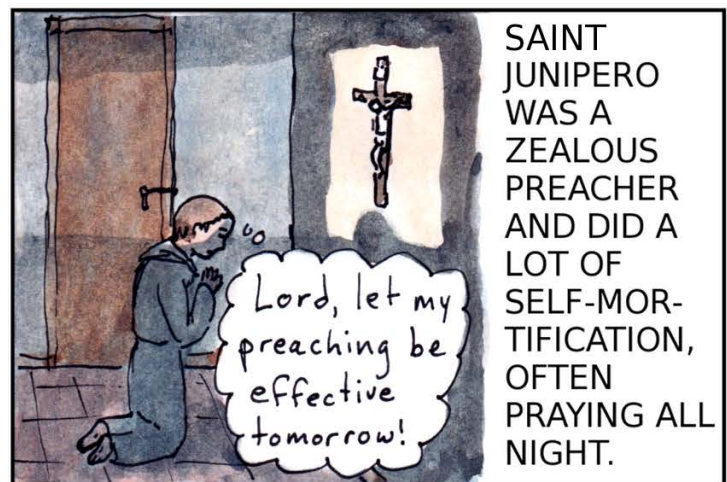


So you save the seeds from the best plants...

HE FOUNDED MANY MISSIONS INCLUDING SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO.



We can build the church right here.



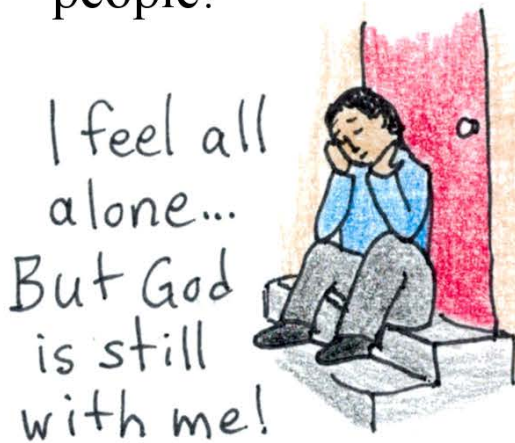
Lord, let my preaching be effective tomorrow!

SAINT JUNIPERO WAS A ZEALOUS PREACHER AND DID A LOT OF SELF-MORTIFICATION, OFTEN PRAYING ALL NIGHT.

SAINT JUNIPERO WORKED FOR MANY YEARS TO BRING THE NATIVE AMERICANS TO CHRIST, IN SPITE OF HIS BAD LEG AND THE DANGER OF BEING KILLED BY THE ENEMIES OF THE FAITH. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM THAT GOD CAN DO GREAT THINGS THROUGH US WHEN WE DON'T GIVE UP EVEN WHEN IT HURTS.

Don't Worry! God Cares About You!

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us not to fear those who can kill us. He tells us that God pays attention to the sparrows, which are just little birds. How much more He cares about us, His people!



What Jesus says reminds us that we should always remember that God loves and cares for us. We don't need to live in fear, because God always wants what is best for us.

Sometimes bad things happen to us - we can become poor, we can lose friends, we can get hurt or sick. But God is still caring for us through those times. These things can help remind us of how much we need God. Just food and possessions and other people and even our health are not enough

Every time you see a picture of Jesus remember that God is caring about you right now! Thank Him for His love and try to share His love and care with those around you!



Answers to Fill-in-the-Blanks: LIGHT, PROCLAIM, BODY, CANNOT, FEAR, SPARROWS, PENNY, FATHER'S, OF, NOT, MORE, EVERYONE, BEFORE, BUT, God cares for you!