

*Sunday 16 November 2025*  
*33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Welcome!*  
*Come and See! Come and Grow! Come and Serve!*



你們要為了我的名字，受眾人的憎恨。路加福音 21:17

You will be hated by all because of my name **Luke 21:17**



*Bringing the Light of Christ to the City: We Love; We Grow; We Serve*

# Come and See!

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## 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

**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, followed by Rosary then Divine Mercy Chaplet ends at midday with Benediction.

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

Saturday Morning: **Reconciliation** from 9.30am.

## *Come and See!*

Dear friends,

As we enter the second last Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Gospel places us before the mystery of the “end times”—not to frighten us, but to remind us of what truly endures. Jesus invites us to live with **eschatological hope**: to look toward the final fulfilment of God’s Kingdom (the *eschaton*) while remaining steadfast and faithful in the present moment.

This spirit of hope has been beautifully alive in our parish during the Jubilee Year of 2025. Currently, Fr David is leading our pilgrims through the eternal city of Rome, walking through the Holy Doors of the basilicas and praying at sacred sites.

Here at our local church, Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood, we have been blessed to welcome many pilgrims here at our **Shrine of Hope**, from within our Diocese of Broken Bay and beyond. It is such a joy to see hearts drawn to prayer: to adore the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, to venerate the relics, learn about the saints, pray, and feel welcomed. This has inspired countless others who visit our shrine. As we look to the year ahead—and towards 2028 and the Eucharistic Congress—we are discerning new pathways and possibilities to deepen this spirit of pilgrimage and make our Shrine a true home of encounter and hope.

Our community’s heart for mission continues. This weekend’s **Cebu Fundraising Dinner** will gather us in generosity to support those in need—an expression of our belief that the Church is truly universal, and that even small acts of charity ripple far beyond our borders.

This week on Tuesday, we also commend to the Lord the soul of **Gerard Say**—a man faithful to God, who poured out his life in service to our parish community. Let us hold his family in our prayers, grateful for his presence among us and the witness of his faith.

Looking ahead, it is an honour for our parish to host **Red Wednesday** once again. It is a privilege to unite in prayer with Bishop Anthony, remembering and supporting our brothers and sisters around the world who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus. May our solidarity bring comfort, and may our prayers bring hope. This week’s usual Wednesday evening Mass will be celebrated as Red Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Next Sunday, the **Solemnity of Christ the King**, we will begin the **reintroduction of the Chalice** at Mass—both weekday and weekend. Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will receive a refresher to ensure that the beautiful gift of the Precious Blood is offered and received with dignity and reverence.

Finally, over the next three weekends we will be running our **Parish Pulse Survey**. This is an opportunity for us to listen to one another—to understand what we are doing well and where we can grow as a parish family. You can complete the survey online using the link or QR code provided, or in print during Mass. Teens aged 12–18 will have their own survey available in print. This will become a regular part of our parish life each November, giving us a chance to reflect on how we are growing as a parish family. Your voice is a gift— and thank you for sharing it with us!



May the Lord strengthen us to persevere in faith, to stand firm in hope, and to walk together as one parish family.

In Christ,  
**Fr Hien**

**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.**

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## Our Meeting Room Schedule This Week

Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Subject
17/11/2025	11:30 AM	12:00 PM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	Rosary (Cenacle MMP)
	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	12:30pm Mass
18/11/2025	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Mass
	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	Funeral- Gerard Anthony SAY by Fr Anselam
	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	12.30pm Mass
	4:00 PM	5:30 PM	Organ Practice: AH
19/11/2025	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Mass
	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	Mass
	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (3rd Wed of Month after Mass)
	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	Evening Mass of Hope
20/11/2025	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Mass
	9:30 AM	12:00 PM	Adoration and Exposition
	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	12.30pm Mass
	2:45 PM	5:30 PM	Organ Lessons: 2:45–3:45pm (SC) • 3:45–4:45pm (TL) • 4:45–5:30pm (AH)
	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Holy Hour Adoration
21/11/2025	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Mass
	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Organ practice- AS
	12:30 PM	1:00 PM	12:30pm Mass
22/11/2025	7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Indonesian Pilgrimage Mass by Fr Handoko
	9:00 AM	9:30 AM	Mass
	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	Exposition, Reconciliation, Rosary, Benediction.
	11:00 AM	12:30 PM	TG's Choir Practice
	11:45 AM	12:15 PM	Youth Pilgrimage from Wyong Parish (private veneration & prayer only)
	12:15 PM	1:00 PM	Youth Pilgrimage from Wyong Parish- Lunch (in Forecourt)
	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	Bump In- Wedding
	2:00 PM	4:00 PM	Wedding Nikolas Gavranic & Savanah Hakim by Fr Anselam
	4:00 PM	4:30 PM	Kids Baptism Practise in Church
	4:30 PM	5:30 PM	Vigil Singer Bookings
	5:30 PM	6:30 PM	5:30 Vigil Mass
23/11/2025	7:30 AM	11:30 AM	<b>Mass Times:</b> 7:30–8:30am • 9:00–10:00am • 10:30–11:30am
	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Infant Baptism
	2:30 PM	4:00 PM	Organ Practice: AH
	5:30 PM	6:30 PM	5:30pm Mass (Youth Mass 1,2,3,4)

**Note:** There might be changes to schedules due to late bookings. Please check with parish office to confirm.

## Upcoming Events in our Parish

Wednesday	19 November	Red Wednesday Mass at 7.00pm for persecuted Christians
Sunday	23 November	Christ the King: Reinstitution of the chalice
Saturday	29 November	Evening Prayer at 4.45pm
	29 November—3 December	ACYF (Australian Catholic Youth Festival) in Melbourne
Sunday	30 November	First Sunday of Advent; Community Lunch after 10.30am Mass
Saturday	6 December	Forecourt Rosary at 3.30pm
Saturday	13 December	Parish Catechists Christmas Lunch
Sunday	14 December	Carols on the Concourse
Tuesday	16—24 December	<i>Simbang Gabi</i> 5.30am Masses



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## Our Church Schedule This Week

Monday	17 November	12.30pm	St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious
Tuesday	18 November	9.00am and 12.30pm	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Wednesday	19 November	9.00am and 12.30pm and 7.00pm— <b>Red Wednesday</b> Mass	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33 <b>(Red Wednesday, Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians)</b>
Thursday	20 November	9.00am and 12.30pm	Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Friday	21 November	9.00am and 12.30pm	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday	22 November	9.00am	St Cecilia, virgin, martyr
Sunday	23 November	Usual Times	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b>

Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Subject	Location
17/11/2025	1:30 PM	3:00 PM	Friends & Fellowship	Magnificat;
	5:00 PM	9:00 PM	AET 7pm - 9pm Beta	Magnificat; St Peter; St Paul; Pastoral Plan
18/11/2025	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Bible Discussion group	St Paul; Pastoral Plan
	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Breathe- Prayer & Support Group (St Pius)	PEW Garden
	6:30 PM	9:00 PM	Indonesian Legion of Mary [AET=7 pm]	St Peter; Pastoral Plan
	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	Filipino Choir	Harrington Hall
19/11/2025	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	Parish Team Meeting (Wednesdays @9.30am)	St Paul; Pastoral Plan
	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	Lifestyle English Conversation Programme (weekly)	Magnificat;
	11:15 AM	2:45 PM	Chinese ALPHA @1pm	St Peter, Magnificat; Pastoral Plan,
	5:30 PM	7:00 PM	TG Choir rehearsal	Pastoral Plan; St Paul
	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	CIC Indo Instrument practice	Harrington Hall
	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	Exploring the Faith	St Peter
20/11/2025	11:00 AM	4:00 PM	Playgroup Chatswood Parish [AET= 1-3 pm]	Magnificat; Pastoral Plan
	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	RCIA program Part 1	St Peter
21/11/2025	8:30 AM	3:30 PM	CCD Reflection Day	Magnificat; St Paul; Pastoral Plan
	9:30 AM	11:15 AM	Meditation Group [AET 10am-11.15am]	St Peter
	6:30 PM	8:30 PM	Choir practice	St Peter
22/11/2025	12:15 PM	1:00 PM	Youth Pilgrimage from Wyong Parish- Lunch (if it rains)	PEW Garden
	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Bible Study group - CCA + General	St Paul;
	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Indo Choir- Christmas Practice	Magnificat; St Paul
23/11/2025	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	TG's Choir Practice	St Paul; Pastoral Plan
	10:00 AM	2:00 PM	Volunteer Thank You Lunch	Harrington Hall; Pastoral Plan
	11:30 AM	1:00 PM	Pro Life meeting	St Peter
	1:30 PM	3:00 PM	Christian Meditation group	St Peter
	4:30 PM	9:00 PM	Cornerstone and Keystone Youth Group @6.30-8.30pm	Magnificat; Pastoral Plan
	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	Filipino Choir	St Paul



### Lost property

**Some lost property has been collected from the meeting rooms, including a bag, jackets, and a water bottle. If you think you may have left something behind, please contact Kristha at the parish office. Any items not claimed after a reasonable time will be donated or disposed of as appropriate.**

# Come and See!

## Love God

Mark 12:30

### Worshipping together



Liturgy & Music

### Leading reflective lives



Prayer & Spirituality

### Growing in faith



Catechesis & Pathways

### Caring for one another



Support & Visitations

### Animating our future



Planning & Strategy

### Igniting young hearts



Inception & Formation

### Caring for our World



Ecology & Social Justice

### Sustaining our community



Administration & Stewardship

### Nurturing relationships



Community & Family

### Sharing the Good News



Mission & Evangelisation

## Love One Another

John 13:34

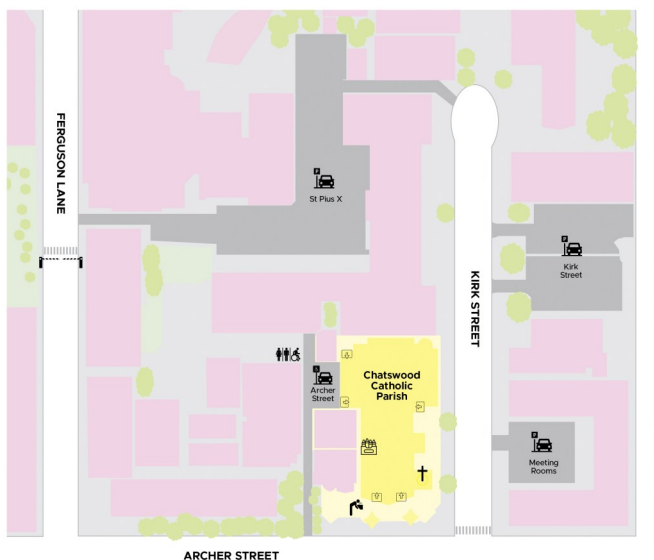
## Go Make Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20

## 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
Parish Giving (2nd collection) Planned Giving by EFT & general donation to Parish (support for Parish operation)	Chatswood Parish Working A/C	062-784	100001609

## Parking at our Parish



## Sustaining our community



## Administration & Stewardship

## *Come and See!*

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

# JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025



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, Willoughby
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 3.00pm	Parish group from Warringah Parish (Dee Why)
Saturday	13 September 12.30pm	Parish Group from Hornsby Cathedral Parish
Saturday	27 September 2.00pm	Youth Group from St Agatha's Parish Pennant Hills Western Sydney Catholic Chinese Community Youth Group
Tuesday	30 September 11.30am	Diocesan Parent Engagement Coordinators
Thursday	9 October 12.30pm	Parish group from French's Forest Parish
Wednesday	15 October, 9.30am	Wyong Parishioners
Friday	24 October 11.30am	Staff of Schools of Lower North Shore Parish
Tuesday	28 October 10.00am	Students from Holy Spirit Primary School, North Ryde
Saturday	8 November	Parishioners from St Patrick's East Gosford, 10.30am Parishioners from Epping/Carlingford at 2.00pm
Sunday	9 November, 2pm	Parish group at St Felix's, Bankstown
Thursday	13 November, 1.30pm	Parishioners from the Parish of Pittwater
Friday	14 November	Students from Holy Family Primary School Lindfield, 10.30am-11.15pm
Saturday	15 November	Parishioners from Parish of Manly-Freshwater, 9.00am Parishioners from the Parish of The Lakes, 10.30am
Saturday	22 November	Catholic Indonesian Community Youth and parents from Wyong parish
Saturday	6 December	Molinaro Family Pilgrimage
Monday	15 December at 10am	65 Staff from St Joseph's Catholic College, East Gosford

## *Come and See!*

### **Gerard Say RIP**



*With deep sadness, we share the news of the recent passing of our long-standing parishioner, Gerard Say. Gerard was a beloved and faithful member of our community for many decades. His life of service, prayer, and friendship leaves a lasting legacy among us.*

*Below is a reflection on Gerard's life and his generous contribution to our parish, written by Professor Gerard Ryan.*



"We were saddened to learn of the recent death of long-standing parishioner Gerard Say, following a fall at home. Gerard was born in Sydney and his family spent some time in Wagga Wagga. He had one sister (now deceased). After his father's passing in the 1970s, Gerard and his mother Marie moved to Chatswood and they became well-known figures in our parish community. Marie (now deceased) was very involved the Catholic Women's League (among other things).

Gerard was equally involved in our parish. He was an Acolyte (serving on the Altar for many years), Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (who never actually retired), Reader (who was still in fine voice reading at 10:30 am Mass the weekend before his fall and sad passing) and Singer. Gerard was an outstanding Reader. A tall man with a big chest, he had a wonderful ability to project his voice. His mastery of the English language and ability to put the emphasis, modulation and pauses in all the right places meant that he truly did effectively proclaim God's word (rather than just read it). He was a regular Reader at the Sunday 10:30 am Mass and at the Easter Vigil. He was also a Narrator in the famous Passion Play which ran in the parish each Easter from the 1970s to the 1990s. Gerard also had an excellent singing voice. You could hear him from the other side of the church, carrying the congregation most enthusiastically and mastering a diverse range of hymns. Gerard was also an enthusiastic and long-standing member of our Family Groups.

Gerard was a man who was genuinely interested in others and took the time to stop and ask you how you were. He remembered the fine details of any problem you had previously disclosed. Those who had experience of Gerard as a School Principal always spoke highly of him and the time he devoted to meet with families who needed his time. Outside of the Church, Gerard was involved in Rotary. In his retirement, you would often find him doing his shopping or having coffee in Chatswood Chase. He was only too happy to stop and chat.

We have lost a giant of our parish family. So next time you come to Mass, sing that little louder in memory of Gerard. We give thanks for his life and his enormous contribution both to our parish family over 5 decades and to Catholic education in Wagga Wagga and Broken Bay. We extend our condolences to his niece Louisa and her family.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."



### **Pope's Prayer Intention for November 2025**

During the month of November, Pope Leo invites us to pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter might find consolation in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.



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# PARISH VOLUNTEERS THANK YOU LUNCH



Thank you for volunteering your time and charisms, contributing to the life of the parish at Our Lady of Dolours this year.

We would love for you to join us for a wonderful afternoon of community spirit!

**23 NOVEMBER  
2025**

**11:30am Arrivals**

**12pm Start**

**Harrington Hall**

**94 Archer St Chatswood NSW 2067**

Please RSVP for catering purposes  
<https://www.trybooking.com/DHJFB>





## *Come and See*



### **Parish Pilgrimage 2025 – Jubilee Year of Hope**

Our parish pilgrims, led by Fr David, continue their journey through the sacred sites of the cities of Rome and Assisi. Many prayers accompany them along the way!





## *Come and See*



**(Above)** Fr David, Deacon Roberto, and the pilgrims are pictured at the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls.

**(Below)** Fr David and our pilgrims met with the Archbishop of Assisi, Domenico Sorrentino (left), and Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo (far right), author of *Blessed Carlo Acutis: 5 Steps to Being a Saint*. This encounter took place at the Sanctuary of the Renunciation in the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore, Assisi, Italy, where the body of Saint Carlo Acutis rests.

As St Carlo Acutis reminded us, *"The Eucharist is the highway to heaven"* — may our pilgrimage lead us ever closer to Christ.





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Last Saturday (8 November), we were visited by pilgrims from the Parishes of **Epping–Carlingford** and **East Gosford**.

On Sunday afternoon (9 November), we welcomed pilgrims from the **Parish of Bankstown**.

This week, on Thursday afternoon, we welcomed parishioners led by Fr Richard from **Pittwater parish**.

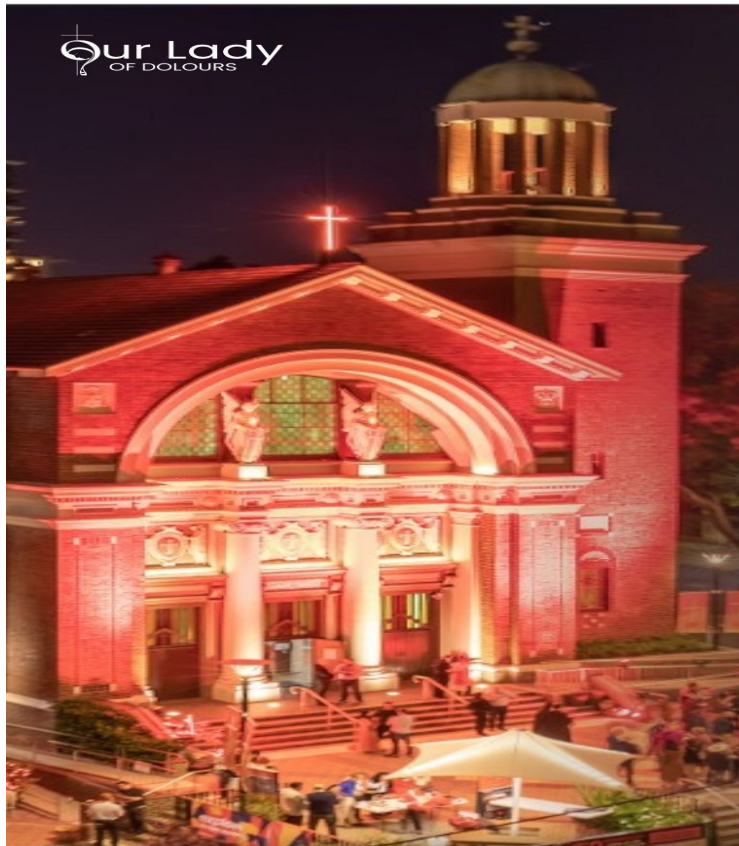
Our Shrine of Hope is receiving an increasing number of pilgrims in this Jubilee Year, and we continue to reflect on how we can remain a place of prayer, welcome, and homage for all who come.

**Below:** Our three school communities — St Pius X, Mercy Catholic College, and Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary — took part in the **Remembrance Day commemoration** service at the **Garden of Remembrance** in the Chatswood community. It was a moment to pause and pray for the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for our peace. Lest we forget.





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# RED WEDNESDAY

***Prayer & Support for  
Persecuted Christians***

All are invited to Mass to  
remember and pray for  
persecuted Christians around the  
world.

**7pm Wednesday  
19<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

***Celebrant:***

**Most Reverend  
Anthony Randazzo  
*Bishop of Broken Bay***

**Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church  
94 Archer St  
Chatswood NSW 2067**

*\*Light refreshments will be served after  
mass*



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BROKEN BAY**



**To donate to ACN:**



The persecution of Christians throughout the world remains a constant, and in some cases, growing threat. In countries like Nigeria, Christians face systemic discrimination, violence, and persecution every day.

The situation has become increasingly unliveable for many because of the terrorist group Boko Haram, whose insurgency has displaced nearly 2.9 million people. Priests have been kidnapped or murdered and the Christian population is being treated as second-class citizens.

While we can often feel far removed from these conflicts, they affect the body of Christ and demand a response.

Red November is a global movement led by Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), uniting tens of thousands of people to shine a spotlight on Christian persecution. Cathedrals and churches across Australia and New Zealand will be lit in red, to symbolise the blood of the martyrs, including in Chatswood.

Red Wednesday is a chance to unite in prayer to show solidarity with persecuted Christians suffering increased violence, persecution and human rights abuses worldwide.

Cardinal Mykola Bychok, Australia's first official Ambassador for Red November, encouraged all Catholics to pray and offer Masses this Red November.

"Through Red Wednesday and Red November, we shine a light into places of darkness. We remind the world that behind statistics are real people: fathers and mothers, children and grandparents, whose only "crime" is the courage to believe, to pray, to live their faith," said the cardinal.

"It is not just about remembering distant lands. It is about remembering that the freedom we enjoy today was purchased by the courage and sacrifice of those who came before us. ...Their witness strengthens our faith, their sacrifice calls forth our love."

*Bishop Anthony Randazzo will celebrate Mass to pray for persecuted Christians on Wednesday, 19 November at Our Lady of Dolours Church, Chatswood at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join.*

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

16 NOVEMBER 2025

THE END IS NOT SO SOON. Members of the early Church expected the Lord to return in glory very soon. Some people even stopped working in the belief that the end was nigh. St Paul, however, urged the members of the community to go on working, quietly earning their food. And in today's Gospel, Jesus stresses that the end is not so soon. We, his followers, will first have to persevere faithfully through many trials.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Jer 29:11, 12, 14

**The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.**

## 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 have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: 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. Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Mal 3:19-20

**A reading from the prophet Malachi**

*The sun of righteousness will shine on you.*

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 97:5-9. R. cf. v. 9

**R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.**

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp / with the sound of music. / With trumpets and the sound of the horn / acclaim the King, the Lord. **R.**

2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; / the world, and all its peoples. / Let the rivers clap their hands / and the hills ring out their joy / at the presence of the Lord. **R.**

3. For the Lord comes, / he comes to rule the earth. / He will rule the world with justice / and the peoples with fairness. **R.**

### SECOND READING

2 Thess 3:7-12

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians**

*Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.*

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.



We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 21:28

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

Lk 21:5-19

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.**

*Your endurance will win you your life.*

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master', they said 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'



'Take care not to be deceived', he said 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he", and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.'

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

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. Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and

gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. 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: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, 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 and my soul shall be healed.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 72:28

**To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. 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

### GOD'S PROTECTIVE PROMISE

Last Sunday we commemorated the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*. The Gospel then was from John with Jesus cleansing the Temple and its precincts, restoring it as the rightful abode of God's presence and holiness. Today's Gospel, continuing our liturgical journey with Luke, touches again on the theme of the Temple. But this time, Jesus anticipates its destruction and then springboards Gospel listeners into a sermon on the end-time. The Gospel theme prepares us for the final Sundays of the year before the new liturgical year, Year A and Matthew's Gospel, commences in two weeks' time with the beginning of Advent.

Today's Gospel is complex and often misunderstood. It requires careful explanation. Our selection comes from Luke's 'apocalyptic' chapter. Here the evangelist draws on Mk 13 but reshapes it in the light of the audience's experience and memory of Jerusalem's destruction by Rome in 70 CE. This experience is retrojected on to Jesus' teaching seeming to prophesy its destruction. In Jesus' day the Temple was still standing; by the time Luke writes, Jerusalem and its Temple are already destroyed.

Luke's apocalyptic teaching acknowledges the struggle of Jesus' faithful followers living generations after Jesus public ministry, assuring them of God's comforting presence, warning them not to be carried away by messianic pretenders, and encouraging their patient endurance in all that unfolds. The last words of the Gospel contain the essence of God's protective promise: '...not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.' We, too, lean into these words amid our struggles today.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR LADY OF DOLOURS



# END OF YEAR MASS & DINNER

**WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER**

Mass: 7:00 PM

**HARRINGTON HALL**

94 Archer Street, Chatswood

Parking available at Kirk Street (Former St. Pius X College Tennis Court)  
(Opposite St. Pius X College)

Dinner: 8:00 PM till late

**PEW GARDEN CAFE**

94A Archer Street, Chatswood (Behind the church office)  
(next to the Our Lady of Dolours Church)

*Dinner and drinks will be provided*

**COST: \$25PP (CASH ONLY)**    RSVP by 03/12/25

Peter: 0433 030 016 | Andy: 0400 355 251

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## JUBILEE OF CHOIRS

A CHORAL FESTIVAL OF SONG

All are invited to this Jubilee event at  
**Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral**  
on Saturday 22 November: the Feast of Saint Cecilia

- 5pm: Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King, celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo DD JCL (light supper to follow)
- 6:30pm: Jubilee Concert in the Cathedral, featuring Choirs from across Broken Bay Diocese (free admission)



*Carols*  
at the  
*Concourse*

**7:00PM Sunday  
14 December, 2025**

**Chatswood Concourse**  
409 Victoria Ave, Chatswood NSW

*Gather your loved ones, grab a chair or rug, and warm up your singing voices to join us in singing Carols at the steps of the Concourse!*

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church along with the Christian Churches of Willoughby City ❤️

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**Simbang Gabi**

Contacts:  
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Vilma Tolosa - 0411 250 593  
f Filipino Chaplaincy Broken Bay

**Chatswood**  
**OUR LADY OF DOLOURS**  
94 Archer St, Chatswood  
16 - 24 Dec | 5:30 AM  
Contacts:  
Giselle Goloy  
Dei Pagunuran

**Hornsby**  
**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL**  
23 Yardley Ave, Waitara  
15 - 23 Dec | 7:00 PM  
Contacts:  
Vilma Tolosa  
Cynthia Alipalo

**Dee Why**  
**ST. KEVIN'S CHURCH**  
50 Oaks Ave, Dee Why  
15 - 23 Dec | 7:30 PM  
Contact:  
Marlon Cabilao

**Wyong**  
**ST. CECILIA'S CHURCH**  
Triduum Mass  
23 Byron St, Wyong  
21, 22 & 23 Dec | 7:00 pm  
Contact:  
Mona Santos



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# ATLAS CHRISTMAS

## CAKES *Fundraiser*

Our ATLAS Christmas cakes have arrived and can be collected after each mass (Sat/Sun) at the church forecourt this weekend!!

Any remaining cakes may be purchased.

For enquiries, please contact Carla 0402 373 728  
or [carlagageler@outlook.com](mailto:carlagageler@outlook.com)



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**ZOOM ROSARY**

*Solemnity of the  
Immaculate  
Conception of the  
Blessed Virgin  
Mary*

**Monday 8th  
DECEMBER  
2025  
AT 8 PM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89128242753>





#### **Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Succour**

The Devotion and Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Succour is held every Saturday at 10:00 am, and all are warmly invited to join.

A new petitions and thanksgiving box has been placed near the image of Our Mother of Perpetual Succour. All intentions and notes of gratitude will be included in the weekly Novena prayers.

#### **Are you a FOSS?**

The Friends of the Suffering Souls (FOSS) is a worldwide Catholic lay organisation whose members arrange one Mass annually for the holy souls in purgatory. By becoming a member of FOSS, and offering a Mass or Masses you assist the holy souls in purgatory and at the same time ensure that you will be a beneficiary of the Masses organised by FOSS after your own departure from this life. There is no formal process in becoming a member of FOSS if you accept the responsibility of membership.

In November we remember in a special way the holy souls in purgatory and by becoming a member of FOSS, you will add to your remembrance of the holy souls.

For more information about this apostolate, please go to <https://fossnovena.org>



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# BBQ FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOV  
AFTER 5:30 PM MASS,  
CHURCH FORECOURT



RAISING MONEY FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE  
TRAVELLING TO THE AUSTRALIAN  
CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL





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FOUNDATION YOUTH MINISTRY

# RAFFLE

**DRAWING SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>,**

**AFTER 10:30 AM MASS**

**\$3**

**ticket**

Raising money for our parish's youth ministry and their journey to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival

Prizes include:

- \$150 Amazon Voucher
- The Butcher's Friend Twin Bottle Chess and Backgammon Set (18+)
- Telescope
- Premium Matcha Whisk Set
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**16th NOV  
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Church, Chatswood

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For more information:  
[foundationyouth@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:foundationyouth@bbcatholic.org.au)



## how to date with passion & purpose

**SUNDAY · 7<sup>TH</sup> DEC 2025 · 5:30 PM**

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church  
94 Archer St, Chatswood NSW 2067

**PROGRAM**

- 5:30** Holy Mass
- 6:30** Dinner
- 7:30** Talk
- 9:00** Compline



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What if your gap year actually shaped your future?

# GAP YEAR WITH PURPOSE

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February 2026



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- Education Support (Timor-Leste)


**DURATION:** 12 months


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- ✓ Accommodation & living allowance
- ✓ Travel insurance
- ✓ Ongoing in-country support
- ✓ Skills that universities and employers genuinely value

## ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

 Thursday 4 December 2025

 6pm or 9pm AEDT

 Students & Parents welcome

Join us online to learn about placements, ask questions, and meet the team.

SCAN ME

## CONTACT:

 [emily@palms.org.au](mailto:emily@palms.org.au)

 02 9560 5333





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# **VOLUNTEERS!**

## **YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!**

We are currently looking for drivers who have a great commitment to help other parishioners to get to mass.

This is a great way to connect with your neighbours in need and community!

**Contact Dee 02 9410 9035 or [duyen.au@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:duyen.au@bbcatholic.org.au)**



### **Our St Vincent de Paul October Report**

OLOD Vinnies received 18 requests for help during October. Four were from families (one new) whose heads we are trying to keep above water whilst seeking more permanent solutions. Four others suffer from mental problems which affect coping abilities. Medical expenses, some associated with children with disorders, accounted for two others (in one of these we are assisting Catholic Care). One other sought furniture help to accommodate an unexpected return home of an adult child. The others were of a more usual nature for food, furnishing, clothing, and help with bills. Some \$2,700 was expended. We sometimes get asked by those we assist why we do this work—our responses give us the opportunity to practise some evangelising.

As you can see, there is a constant drain on available resources. Our Summer Appeal will be on 6/7 December. We hope that again you will be generous to the needs of our neighbours seeking help.

If you are interested in joining in this Ministry, please contact El at [El.Herlianto@vinnies.org.au](mailto:El.Herlianto@vinnies.org.au) or John on 0439 783 956.



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
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### **Thank You from Catholic Mission**

Thank you for holding this year's Catholic Mission Parish Appeal. On behalf of the Church in Zambia I would like to thank your parishioners for their generosity which is helping empower women, provide essential healthcare, and bring hope to vulnerable communities.

Thank you also for warmly welcoming Lawrence Gigliotti to speak at the parish over the weekend.

**Total amount raised: \$3245**

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*Reach out. Give life.*

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### **Dignity Pro-Life Alliance**

#### **Did you know?**

Did you know that if you wish to cut down a tree on your property you would need to seek approval from your local council and pay a fee? Even then your request would likely be refused under tree preservation provisions.

However, if a woman chooses to have an abortion, there are currently no restrictions on doing so. This is a deeply troubling reality that overlooks the sacred, God-given dignity of every human person—both before and after birth.

In NSW we have laws against cruelty to animals which attract a maximum penalty of \$22,000 or a maximum of 5 years jail in prison. But a doctor who dismembers an unborn baby in the process of abortion faces no legal penalty but is in fact financially rewarded for his/her action. The Animal Justice Party attracts sufficient support to have an elected representative in Parliament. But there is no one elected to speak for the innocent babies who are brutally killed in the process of abortion.

Please support the parish pro-life group Dignity Pro-Life Alliance and help restore protection and respect for the unborn remembering that we all began life in the womb.

We invite you to join our Pro-life Rosary held each Thursday at 8 pm via Zoom – ID 8034195601.

To join our pro-life group, email [gotomothermary@gmail.com](mailto:gotomothermary@gmail.com).

For resources and updates visit <https://prolife.gotomary.com>

Enquiries: ring Cecilia/Michael 0466 961 240 or Peter 0413 270 261



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# Fundraising Dinner

for Cebu earthquake survivors



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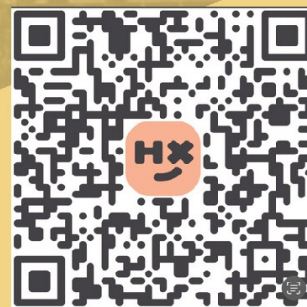


**Saturday 15 November, 2025**

6:30pm  
Harrington Hall, Ferguson Lane,  
Chatswood  
(parking adjacent to St Pius X College)

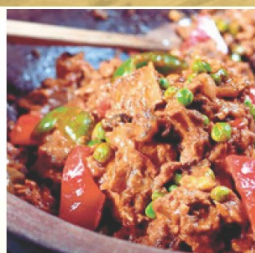


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With  
Gail Gill  
Justice Francois Kunc  
Geraldine Doogue



Join us at The Crypt  
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7 PM, December 4<sup>th</sup>  
\$20pp at the door






## Around and About

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

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 Belonio 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 Fr John Puliparambil	16 Fr Aldrin Valdehueza	17 Fr Vince Casey Fr John Hill	18 Fr Greg Chee OCD	19 Fr Gerard Moran OCD
20 Fr Sunny Peackal OCD	21 Fr Restituto Ogsimer cs	22 Fr Jose Aliro Gutierrez cs	23 Fr Savino Bernardi 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 Ireneusz Czech SDS	31 Fr Brendan Lee		




**THURSDAY 11 - SUNDAY 14  
DECEMBER 2025  
COBBITTY, NSW**

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MY WITNESSES**

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"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."  
*Matthew 11:28*



**November 2025**

**7th Nov (1st Friday)**  
**Healing Prayer Service, 6:30pm-8:30pm**  
at Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, **CHATSWOOD**

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**INNER HEALING RETREAT, 14th-16th Nov**  
Guided by Fr Sam Samuel VC & Fr Juby Varghese VC  
Starts on Friday 5.30pm & ends on Sunday 4.00pm  
For bookings: 02 43721598 or email: [drcretreatrego@gmail.com](mailto:drcretreatrego@gmail.com)

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**17th Nov (3rd Monday)**  
**Healing Prayer Service, 7:00pm-9:00pm**  
at St Patrick's Church, 11 Macquarie street, **WALLSEND**

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**21st Nov (3rd Friday)**  
**Holy Mass & Adoration, 6:00pm-9:00pm**  
at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 31 Oxford St, **EPPIING**

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**30th Nov, 9:00am - 4:00pm**  
**ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE (Last Sunday)**  
• Praise and Worship • Preaching the Word  
• Eucharistic Adoration • Divine Mercy Chaplet • Holy Mass  
**ALL ARE WELCOME, NO BOOKING REQUIRED, BYO LUNCH**



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## Please Remember in our Prayer

### For those recently deceased

Gerard Say; Albert Wong; Fulvio Cogrossi; Victoria Balcanao; Braulio Dela Fuente; Almira Aurora Sabulao; Tom Rowan; Aljoša Žuvela; Ada Otero; Amir Siburian; Minnie Walshe.

### For those who are sick:

George Lo; Catherine M Chan, Mirjana Marinovic; Mellita Jones; Daniel West; Ying Leong Fong; Rosetta Lo Presti; Celine Robinson; Rafael Senedrin; Gina Marotta; Deysi Villanueva; Ervita Wiroatmodjo; Almira Christina Chen; Mary Oakley; Eugenia San Gabriel; Jim Dennis; Jeremy Moon; Ley Peng Tan; Lody Herlianto; Chet Catapang; Mila Fidel; Onni Wong; Victor Chun Kau Ng; Carmel Villanueva; Mr Gurung; Delfin Mendoza; Irene Margaret; Laila Haddad; Thomas West; Lucy Rodriguez; Gillian Hawkins; Sr Marie Dayton; Judith Ryan; Maria Taylor; Ban le Llamas; Sally Hawkins; Donna Fernandez; Allison Roberts; Zac Vlastic; 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:

Philip Ryan; Dayton family members; Vinko Cetinic; John Cetinic; Anthony Raffaele; Teresa Wang; James Biddell; Ellen Sunjaya; Valentine Erny Tjie; Warren Farr; Aida Freeman; Paul Truc Le; Margarita Tu Edgar Rodriguez; Silvio Ventura; Poi Suen Cheng Hui; Slava Julia Suplina; Maria Raffaele; Salud Rodriguez; Luz Rodriguez; Alipio Celedonio; Maria Cristina (Tina) Robinson; Chun Ying Cheng; Phoebe Montana; Kevin Bruce; Anunciacion Gadiane; Abraham Gadiane; Francisca Elnas; Marcos Elnas.

**Birthdays:** Sr Marie Dayton, Fr Hien Vu; **Priestly Ordination Anniversary:** Fr David Ranson

**Wedding:** Phillip Khorn & Claudia Lee – Saturday, 15 November 2025 at 2:00 pm; Nikolas Gavranic & Savannah Hakim – Saturday, 22 November 2025 at 2:00 pm

**Funeral:** Gerard Say on Tuesday, 18 November 2025 at 10:30 am

### Our Altar Flowers this Week

This week's Altar Flowers are donated by a parishioner to honour the Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday 21st November.



## FLOWER DONATIONS

*Would you like to donate flowers to adorn our church?*

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](mailto:Chloe.Aylward@bbcatholic.org.au).

To order a **candle for our deceased loved ones** whom we especially wish to remember in the month of November, please go to <https://www.trybooking.com/DGPGU> or use the QR code below.

However, orders can also be received in cash at the Parish Office. Candles are \$5.

They will be battery operated and turned on and off remotely before each Mass.

Orders will be accepted until

**Friday, 21 November**, as the candles will be removed towards the end of the final week of November.

