

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood 94 Archer Street Chatswood NSW 2067

Sunday 17August 2025 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Welcome!



我來是為把火投在地上,我是多麼切望它已經燃燒起來! **路加福音 12:49** I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! **Luke 12:49**

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.

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.



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

Masses This Week

| Monday | 11 August | 12.30pm | Weekday, Ordinary Time 20 |
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| Tuesday | 12 August | 9.00am and 12.30pm | Weekday, Ordinary Time 20 |
| Wednesday | 13 August | 9.00am and 12.30pm and 6.30pm | St Bernard, Abbott |
| Thursday | 14 August | 9.00am and 12.30pm | St Pius X, Pope |
| Friday | 15 August | 9.00am and 12.30pm | Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| Saturday | 16 August | 9.00am and 5.30pm | Weekday, Ordinary Time 20 |
| Sunday | 17 August | Usual Times | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time |

Please Remember in our Prayer

For those recently died:

Marijan Mihaljevic; Joyce Sequiera; Ofelia Co (Anne Blayney's mother); Justine Straiton Elbourn; 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:

Almira Aurora Sabulao; Ditas Naguit; Christina Chen; Mary Oakley; Maureen Potter; 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:

Peter Sardelic; Maria Sardelic; Marin Sardelic; Roland Patrick Riel; Hilary Coutinho; Yim Ling Wong; Shing Kam Yip; Vlaho Vlatko; Suk Hing Ip Olivia; Bartolo Paino; Atanasius Teno Tjung; Zele Cetinic Pensa; 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.

Deceased Birthday

Alipio Celedonio

Upcoming Events in our Parish

| Saturday | 23 August | Commencement of Parish Film Festival (conducted over 4 weeks to 13 September) |
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| Monday | 25 August | Our Lady of Dolours Primary School Parish Retreat Day |
| Sunday | 31 August | Community Lunch after 10.30am Mass 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 |
| Sunday | 14 September | Parish Feast Day |
| Friday | 19 September— 21 September | Inaugural Parish Festivial of Beauty |
| Friday | 26 September | Youth in Council |
| Sunday | 28 September | Community Lunch after 10.30am Mass |
| Wednesday | 15 October | Annual Footprints Mass at 7.00pm |
| Saturday | 25 October | Parish-in-Council |

From Fr David

Dear friends,

We have received the following update in respect to the redevelopment of Chatswood Chase. The removal of Havilah Street tower crane is scheduled for the weekend of 10pm Friday 22 August to 10pm Sunday 24 August. The Havilah Street tower crane installation will require a full road closure of Havilah Street with access for residents only with the site controlled by certified traffic controllers from Transport for NSW to guide all vehicles and pedestrians safely via detours. The footpath along the Chatswood Chase frontage (western) will be closed during the install, however footpaths in front of neighbouring properties will remain open for pedestrian access. For the duration of the weekend, the Havilah Street centre entrance will be closed to pedestrians, except those requiring ramp access, with the other two entrances remaining open with signage and additional centre courtesy crew in place to redirect customers into the centre. The Victoria Avenue car park will remain open. The Archer Street tower crane is scheduled for the weekend of 10pm Friday 29 August to 10pm Sunday 31 August. For the duration, the Archer Street centre entrance will be closed to pedestrians, while_the other two entrances will remain open. Signage and additional centre courtesy crew in place to redirect customers into the centre. The Victoria Avenue car park will remain open. Both Tower Crane removals will require partial road and footpath closures, with the site controlled by certified traffic controllers from Transport for NSW to guide all vehicles and pedestrians safely via detours.

A call for some particular volunteers! At long last, we now have an achievable strategy to progress the recreation of our parish website, though the new site wont be launched until February 2026. However, we need to determine a new logo and 'branding' for our parish community from which the design of the new website can flow. Might we have any graphic designers in our midst you may have an interest and time to assist in this project? Do let me know!

Also with our participation in the Chatswood Fair (Saturday 6 September) now only a few weeks ago, we are looking for volunteers to staff our stall during the course of the day (10am—4pm). Might there some who have an hour that they could provide us? It would be greatly appreciated! And also might there be a few who could assist us with set up from 9am and then with pack up at 4.00pm, Might we let Duyen Au, our Parish Engagement Officer know at duyen.au@bbcatholic.org.au?

Finally, for those interested, a reminder that our Sculptor, Linda Klarfeld will join us in our meeting rooms at 4pm this Sunday 17 August to share the work she has done for other Catholic organisations and to listen to our hopes for what our own external grotto may look like. Everyone is welcome to come along.

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 for this week are donated by a parishioner to honour Our Lady on the feast of the Assumption

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

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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 3.00pm Parish group from Warringah Parish (Dee Why)

Tuesday 30 September 11.30am Diocesan Parent Engagement Coordinators

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

Bishop Randazzo will join us to install the relic of Pier Giorgio and bless our chapel.

Celebrating the Jubilee and Recent Visitors to our Shrine of Hope



Last Tuesday, Fr Hien welcomed a group of student leaders from St Mary's Primary School Manly to our Shrine of Hope, along with their Principal, and some teachers and parents.









It was a great joy to have many students from our Primary School and Colleges at our celebration of the Solemnity of Assumption on Friday.



GANGNISATION CELEBRATIONS

23RD AUGUST - FILM FESTIVAL BEGINS CABRINI FILM - MOVIE AT HARRINGTON HALL 7PM

30TH-THE KING OF KINGS FILM-HARRINGTON HALL 7PM

31ST - 6TH SEPTEMBER - BONFIRE NOVENA
7PM CHURCH FORECOURT

6TH - CARLO ACUTIS: ROADMAP TO REALITY FILM - HARRINGTON HALL 7PM

7TH - 5:30PM MASS, CANONISATION VIEWING AND SUPPER

13TH - PIER GIORGIO FRASSATTI: TO THE TOP FILM - HARRINGTON HALL 7PM

Towards the Canonisations of 7 September

Floral Contributions

With the upcoming Canonisation of Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati on *Sunday 7 September*, we will have a large Mass for this at 5.30pm on Sunday 7 September followed by telecast to St Peter's Rome. The Flowers Ministry would appreciate contributions to adorn our Church with fresh flowers towards this meaningful event our Church is having and this maybe a good opportunity to showcase Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Parish, Chatswood to the world decorated with beautiful freshly cut flowers. We are grateful for any contributions of whatever you can afford to give. Please contact the Parish Office on 9410-9000 or email chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au, thank you.



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.

Nurturing our Relationships Ministry Circle





Last Tuesday morning we hosted a very informative session on Wills led by Mrs Cecilia Castle through Clergy and Parishes Broken Bay. Nearly 80 people joined us from all over our diocese.

Nurturing our Relationships Ministry Circle







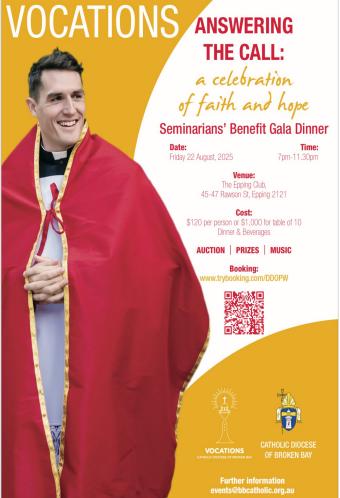






Photos from our recent Morning Tea following our 10.30am Mass.

We are able to share Morning Tea together each Sunday after our 9am Mass, and then after our 7.30am Mass on the first Sunday of the month, and after our 10.30am Mass on the second week of the months.



EANGELUS



SEPTEMBER

HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF DOLOURS.

AT HARRINGTON HALL, 94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD



CABRINI

AUGUST 7PM

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. **AUGUST** Through the journey of Jesus, Walter and his father's relationship deepens, culminating in a bond of love forged through storytelling



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

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Our Sharing our Faith Ministry Circle

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 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.

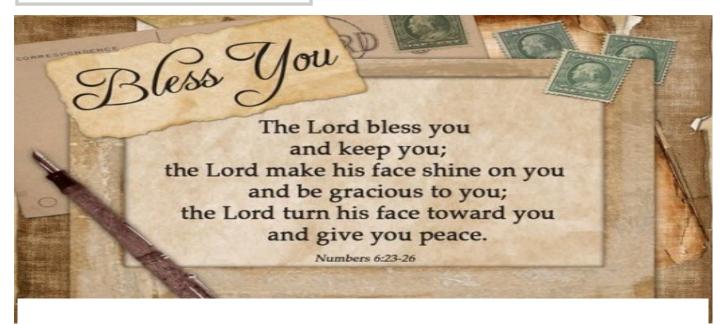
We are opening up the invitation to all parishioners to wear their traditional clothes to show our diverse multicultural Catholic community eg. Croatian, Italian, Spanish, Indian etc. Please encourage everyone you know to register if they wish via chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Our Leading Reflective Lives Ministry Circle



On the first Saturday of the month, we pray the Rosary on our forecourt at 3.45pm. On 2 August the wet weather brought us inside, however. Our next Rosary is on 6 September.





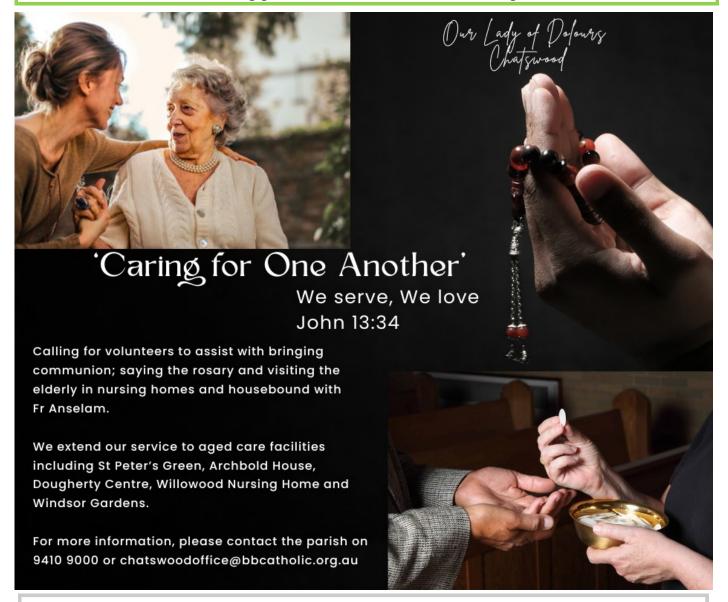


JOIN US EVERY
SATURDAY AT 7.30 PM
TO PRAY THE ROSARY
FOR VOCATIONS.

Https://Zoom.US/J/8034195601 Meeting ID: 8034195601 No passcode required

Enquiries: 0466 961 240

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 Sunday Celebration

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

17 August 2025

THE FIGHT AGAINST SIN. Some of the first converts to Christianity were shocked to find that their lives as Christians still contained many difficulties. In some cases, becoming a Christian added to their troubles as they met opposition from non-Christian family members. We too face difficulties of one kind or another. Participating in the Eucharist does not eliminate our problems, but gives us the strength and courage we need not to give up in the face of them.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 83:10-11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: 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. O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. 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

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king, 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 39:2-4, 18. R. v. 14

R. Lord, come to my aid!

- 2. He drew me from the deadly pit, / from the miry clay. / He set my feet upon a rock / and made my footsteps firm. R.
- 3. He put a new song into my mouth, / praise of our God. / Many shall see and fear / and shall trust in the Lord. R.



4. As for me, wretched and poor, / the Lord thinks of me. / You are my rescuer, my help, / O God, do not delay. R.

SECOND READING

Heb 12:1-4

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us. With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 12:49-53

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.

I have come not to give peace, but discord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, motherin-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

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. Receive our oblation, O Lord, by which is brought about a glorious exchange, that, by offering what you have given, we may merit to receive your very self. 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 and my soul shall be healed.

Ps 129:7

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Made partakers of Christ through these Sacraments,

we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, that, conformed to his image on earth, we may merit also to be his coheirs in heaven. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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 in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

BAPTISMAL COMMITMENT

Over these Sundays we continue to steep ourselves in Luke's journey teaching. Over Chapters 9 to 19, Luke offers readers teaching about discipleship and fidelity amid the struggles that they experience in their Greco-Roman world. One of them is the struggle to live out authentic discipleship as Jesus' followers when the temptation is otherwise.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers this late first century audience a sobering reminder. Faithful discipleship is not easy. It will come at a cost and struggle. It will touch the very heart of life. Jesus looks towards his passion. This is the 'baptism' that he will undergo. But the very mention of 'baptism' in the Gospel's opening words reminds listeners that their baptism connects them to Jesus. They, too, will suffer - not because this is God's intent or 'will' (which some even today think) but because of the very nature of the life of discipleship lived within the particular social and cultural context of their world. Baptismal commitment does not, then, equal tranquillity and a life of ease. These matters have already been reflected upon over the last few Sundays. For some, the struggle to remain true to one's baptismal commitment will affect even core relationships. This is seen in the divisions experienced in Luke's day within households. The shocking nature of Jesus' words would be felt by Gospel listeners. The family household and its internal relationship were the building blocks for a secure society with the Greek (and Jewish) world. Baptismal fidelity to Jesus will at times be a struggle and may even cause family division and conflict.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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The Power of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

With Annabella Stephens

In this presentation Annabella will explore how, through spending time in Adoration, she learnt to invite Jesus into her journey as a musician and child of God. This talk will leave you encouraged and inspired to spend grace-filled prayer time at His feet.

6.30pm - 8.30pm w/optional compline after



Harrington Hall

Sunday 17th August

Confirmation Enrolments Open



Enrolment for preparation and reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open via Our Lady of Dolours parish website. 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

Scan the barcode or go the parish website:

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood

Click on the **Confirmation Enrolments** Tile.

Information you will need to enrol including all the dates for the program are on this page.

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

Enrolments Close 28 August

For queries, contact Angela or Mona in the parish office <u>chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au</u>

Our Igniting Young Hearts Ministry Circle







This Sunday, we welcome guest speaker, Aaron Espiritu, conference president of Vinnies Vision Youth, who will share with us his work and more on servant leadership

After 5.30pm youth 6.30pm-8.30pm

Meet at the Church forecourt

Cornerstone:

Grades 5-8

Keystone:

Grades 9-12

Contact Sienna for more info: foundationyouth@bbcatholic.org.au



Father Hien's visit to the Our Lady of Dolours classroom, where he spoke with the students about the Assumption of Mary and led them in song.



DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY PILGRIMAGE

SAT 29 NOV- WED 3 DEC

FLIGHTS + 4 NIGHTS ACCOMODATION + REGO

\$1,645 PER PERSON, INCL GST

Limited opportunity for \$500 subsidy Reducing cost to \$1,145

Sat 29 Nov Day 1 Departure (Travel Day)

Sun 30 Nov ACYF Day 2

Day 3 Mon 1 Dec ACYF **ACYF**

Day 4 Tue 2 Dec Day 5 Wed 3 Dec Return (Travel Day)

TO REGISTER INTEREST TO ATTEND ACYF - PLEASE SCAN



BROKEN BAY PILGRIMAGE DNLINE INFORMATION **EVENING**



7PM MON 11 AUGUST 2025 TO REGISTER VIA EMAIL -**PLEASE SCAN**



INCLUSIONS

- Economy class return airfare from Sydney
 4 nights' Accommodation Holiday Inn Express
- Breakfast daily
- Broken Bay Group dinner 29 November
- Return airport coach transfersACYF Melbourne Registration fee
- Broken Bay Pilgrim T-Shirt

Not included:

- Travel insurance
- Lunches and dinners on festival days

Pilgrimage is open to young people in Year 9 at school, through to the age of 25, and their leaders and clergy.



Our Igniting Young Hearts Ministry Circle

In the footsteps of Mary MacKillop

On the 8 August we celebrated the feast of St Mary MacKillop (1842-1909), a remarkable woman who accomplished great feats in the establishment of Catholic education in Australia and beyond.

Catholic education owes an enormous debt to the Sisters of St Joseph established by Mary MacKillop, the Christian Brothers and the Marist Brothers who for many years staffed Catholic schools throughout Australia. Today we no longer have the services of those religious orders and the vast majority of Catholic students are educated in the State Education system. As a result their education in the faith now relies greatly on lay Catholics. These lay catechists are not required to make the same sacrifices which the nuns and religious Brothers of yesteryears had to make. Yet we struggle to find sufficient volunteers to fulfill this most important role in the formation of our children.

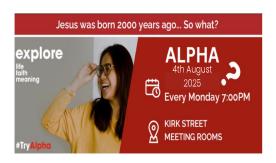
St Mary MacKillop is noted for her statement "never see a need without doing something about it". Today the need is evident but there are too few ready to respond to this need by taking on the role of catechist. If you are willing to help remedy this situation, please contact Karen Forbes, our parish catechists co-ordinator, Karen Forbes (phone 9410 9000) to discuss how you could join the ranks of our catechists servicing the five Primary Schools and the High School within our parish boundaries.





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)

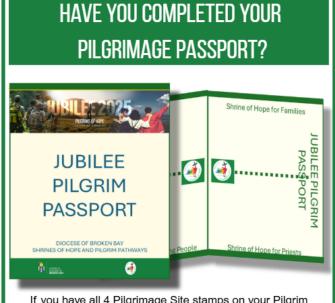
We'd love you to come! Please feel free to bring a friend who would also like to know more about Jesus!

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



If you have all 4 Pilgrimage Site stamps on your Pilgrim Passport, don't forget to show your completed passport to your Parish Secretary. Your name will be recorded and a certificate of completion that will be signed by the Bishop will be arranged for you.

Check out how your parish is doing at: https://www.bbjubilee.com.au/pilgrimage-to-shrine/jubileepilgrimage-completion-leaderboard/



Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle

Our Refugee family has arrived!

Thanks to the generosity of our parish community and hard work of many volunteers we have prepared a lovely home for our refugee family. On Sunday Fr David blessed the home and joined many of the volunteers in a little celebration. Our family from Venezuela arrived this week and whilst we are excited we know that there are many challenges ahead for them as they face their new life in Australia. We know they carry the prayers and good wishes of our community. Our photos shows many of the workers who prepared the house and another of our hard working Frank Ritano in the "new' kitchen!







Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle

Join the Campaign to Defend Human Life and Dignity

As a human person you have a stake in the protection of human life and dignity. Regrettably in today's world, respect for the human person is too often subjugated to self interests and secular ideologies. In our own society there is a threat to human life which arises from laws and actions that are intentional and deliberate attacks on human life. Under current legislation the unborn baby can be aborted at any stage and even left to die if they survive an attempted abortion. The elderly can be threatened by the legalisation of voluntary assisted dying

The attack on human life by way of abortion and voluntary assisted dying can be eliminated if only sufficient people are willing to stand up for life/ As Catholics our attitudes and actions are governed by an understanding of the dignity that God has bestowed on each and every human person regardless of his/her personal qualities and capacities. This obliges us to come to the defence of all those whose life and dignity are under threat.

You are invited to join the campaign to protect and defend the most basic of human rights, the right to life, by joining the parish Pro-Life Movement and engaging in one or more of the actions listed below:

Prayer:

Praying for the unborn. You are invited to pray the following prayer daily:

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood. Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image - as well as theirs - made for eternal life. Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother can give. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen (EWTN)

The Rosary. Apart from the specific prayer mentioned above, the rosary has long been recognized by Catholics as a most powerful means of obtaining the intercession of our Blessed Lady for the needs of all people in whatever situation. It is a prayer that is highly commended when praying for the conversion of souls, the sick and those confronted with difficulties in life. It is also a powerful prayer for the unborn, their parents and the conversion of those involved in promoting abortion and euthanasia. We have a pro-life rosary via Zoom every Thursday at 8 pm, https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8034195601, or meeting ID 8034195601, no passcode required. This enables individuals to join with others in praying for the unborn without having to leave their own home. Of course your own personal rosary is highly encouraged.

Exercise your political rights and responsibilities. The attack on human life in our society is sanctioned by legislation that allows for the abortion of an unborn baby at any stage in a woman's pregnancy and even provides for the baby that survives an attempted abortion to be left to die and disposed of as medical waste. In a democratic society this situation can only persists if a sufficient number of voters support parties that endorse this legislation or who remain indifferent. A basic but fundamental action that we can all take is to write to the Premier (Hon Chris Minns), Leader of the Opposition (Mark Speakman) and our local Member of Parliament, expressing strong opposition to laws that allow for abortion and voluntary assisted dying and demanding that such laws be overturned. Write to these parliamentarians via their electoral office or care of Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney 2000.

Support those organisations that assist pregnant women in difficulties. Many women feel compelled to resort to abortion under pressure from the father of the unborn child or from other family members or "friends" or as a result of the financial or other difficulties involved in raising a child. Your financial support for organisations that assist such women is a very practical means of upholding pro- life principles. A list of such organisations can be found on HOME | voice4life

Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle

Support other pro-life activities. Pro-life rallies and processions are conducted on various occasions by pro-life organisations that seek to demonstrate publicly concern for the unborn and others whose lives are under threat. See details on separate notice re upcoming event – Walk for Life on 20 September from 2-4 pm at Hyde Park, Sydney.

Pray for the innocent victims of war, social depravation and injustice. In today's world we have developed enormous capacity to wage war, a capacity when exercised often claims the lives of many innocent civilians including children. A prayer for peace:

Almighty and eternal God. May your grace enkindle in all of us a love for the many unfortunate people whom poverty and misery reduce to a condition of life unworthy of human beings. Arouse in the hearts of those who call you Father a hunger and thirst for social justice and for fraternal charity in deeds and in truth.

Grant, O Lord, peace in our days, peace to souls, peace to families, peace to our country, and peace among nations. Amen. (by Pope Pius XII)

LOVE SYDNEY - WALK FOR LIFE

Walk for Life to help bring an end to abortion with help, hope and healing.

LOVE THE NEXT GENERATION

Saturday 20th of September 2025

2pm - 4pm **Hyde Park**

Opposite St Mary's Cathedral

PLEASE WEAR A WHITE SHIRT

Join us for a peaceful family friendly event with speakers, prayer and a 1km walk around the park.

Free Entry Tickets

<u>trybooking.com/DBZSU</u> lovesydney.org.au



Please follow the event guidelines.

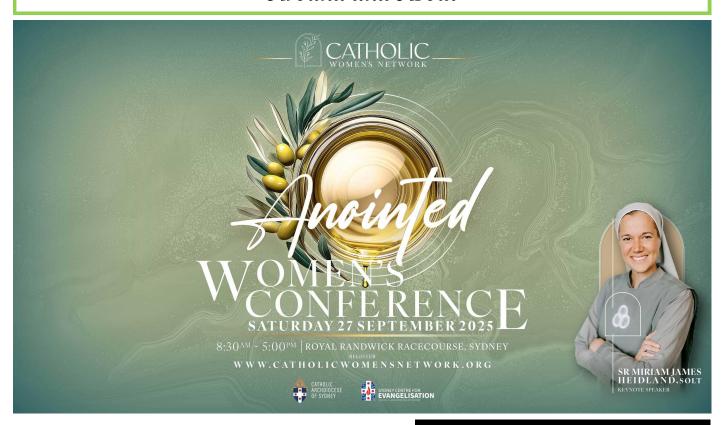
NO megaphones or personal signs, Love Sydney will provide official signs. Please follow the direction of the marshals & police and walk peacefully with love.







Around and About





COLLEGE OPEN MORNING TUESDAY 26™ AUGUST 9AM-11AM



Discover Catholic Education for girls, Years 7 to 12 www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au



Around and About

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL, LANE COVE

NOW HIRING!

- Are you well organised and talented with
- Are you positive, proactive, and good with



PARISH SECRETARY



Rewarding & Challenging The role of Parish Secretary is challenging, extremely varied, and very rewarding.



Organised & Friendly The right candidate will be organised, talented with computers, good with people, and have an eye for detail.



Service

The right candidate will see this role as an opportunity to use the gifts that God has given them to serve God and the





APPLY NOW!

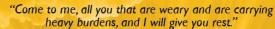
- For a detailed *Position Description*, please visit our website advertisment at **stmichael.org.au** Please email your Resume and Cover Letter to:
- admin@stmichael.org.au
 Applications close Tuesday 16th of September 2025



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Matthew 11:28



August 2025

DELIVERANCE RETREAT
Guided by Fr Sam Samuel VC, Fr John Prince VC & Fr Juby Varghese VC 8th-10th August

Starts on Friday 5.30pm & ends on Sunday 4.00pm For bookings: 02 4372 | 598 or email: drcretreatrego@gmail.com

3rd Monday, 18th August Healing Prayer Service, 7:00pm-9:00pm at St Patrick's Church, I I Macquarie street, Wallsend

31st August, 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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ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE. WAHROONGA

The St Leo's Community Tutoring Program assists our Year 7-8 students who need that 'bit of extra help' to achieve their full potential through literacy or numeracy support.

We are looking for adults of any age or background with as little as one or two hours per week on Thursdays to help as volunteer tutors in basic literacy or numeracy.

No experience is necessary - training is provided and a teacher is always available to assist during tutoring sessions.

Interested? Please contact us for a chat!



LEO'S MUNITY TORING PROGRAM





Scan the QR code or contact Sarah Szacsvay on **sbuttfield@hotmail.com** or **0421 082 909**

Around and About



IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING THURSDAY 28 AUGUST 2025

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND GUEST SPEAKER AFTER DINNER WILL BE FATHER MICHAEL SULLIVAN OSA. HIS TOPIC WILL BE "SAINT AUGUSTINE'S CONFESSIONS".

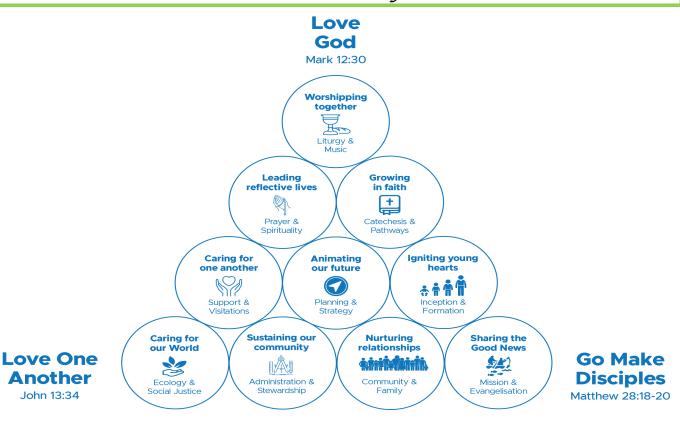
EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

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

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| | | | | 1 Fr Roger Del- monte | 2 Fr Vitalis Oguh | 3 Fr Hien Vu |
| 4 Fr Lucious Choi | 5 Fr Peter DeSou- za | 6 Fr Peter Dowd | 7 Fr Biju Matthew Koikkatil | 8 Fr Jose Philip OSH | 9 Fr Vincent Ngu- yen | 10 Fr Shansana Samarasinghe OSB |
| 11 Fr Sam French | 12 Fr David Ranson VG | 13 Fr Anselam Lak- ra HGN | 14 Fr Joey Frez | 15 Fr Kelvin Lovegrove | 16 Fr Biju Jose OSH | 17 Fr Joy Thomas OSH |
| 18 Fr Satheesh Anthony OSH | 19 Fr Biju Mathew | 20 Fr Joseph Methanath OSH | 21 Fr Raphael Kimaro AJ | 22 Fr Vincent Musin- dalo AJ | 23 Fr Stephen Wayoyi AJ | 24 Deacon Rosan Mathew |
| 25 Brother John Verhoeven | 26 Fr Tony Kuruvelil Ouseph CFIC | 27 Fr Baby Thomas CFIC | 28 Fr Raul Balute SOLT | 29 Fr Teody Medi- na SOLT | 30 Fr Brian Moloney | 31 Fr Stephen Hume |

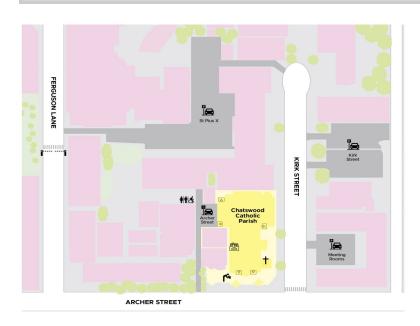
Our Parish Ministry Circles



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 Instagram: ourladyofdolourschatswood

Parish Priest: Very Rev Dr David Ranson VG

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Personal blog: davidranson.com.au

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Tuesday to Sunday

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Monday to Friday

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Monday to Friday

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Director of Music: Titus Grenyer

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Thursday to Monday

Children's Ministry Coordinator: Angela Hague

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Monday to Thursday

Pastoral Support Worker: Mona Saouma

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Tuesday to Thursday

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

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

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9410 9026

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday

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

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

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

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

Saturday Morning: Reconciliation from 9.30am.