

Sunday 13 April 2025 - Easter Sunday

Welcome!



先來到墳墓的那個門徒，也進去了，一看見就相信了。 若望福音20:8

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed.

John 20:8



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

Masses This Week

Monday	21 April	12.30pm	Monday of the Octave of Easter
Tuesday	22 April	9.00am and 12.30pm	Tuesday of the Octave of Easter
Wednesday	23 April	9.00am and 12.30pm and 6.30pm	Wednesday of the Octave of Easter
Thursday	25 April	9.00am and 12.30pm	Thursday of the Octave of Easter
Friday	25 April	10.00am Mass for ANZAC Day	Friday of the Octave of Easter
Saturday	26 April	9.00am and 5.30pm	Saturday of the Octave of Easter
Sunday	27 April	Usual Times	2nd Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy Sunday

Please Remember in our Prayer

For those recently died:

Matthew Lunn; Carl Raymond Loder; Hannah Meppem, (wife of William Meppem, daughter-in-law of Bruce); Malcolm Burgess; Anastasia Shevlin; Max Cowell (Linda & Jeanette Cowell's 90 yo uncle in London); Ivan Bacic; John Kong; Eddie Gacho; Carolina Jonsson (niece of Christer Jonsson and Chrystal De Croos); Gliceria Mangahas; Romeo Robles; Shirley Cahill; John William Arblaster; Janina Maciejak; Maria Cristina Sevilla; Joni Myles Sevilla; Donnell Loong.

For those who are sick:

Jonathan Kenny; Lody Herlianto; Ken Kennedy; Dorothy Chan; Coral Coughlin (wife of Tom); Virginia Purpura; Chet Catapang; Isabelle Patron; Anne Avery; Mila Fidel; Onni Wong; Victor Chun Kau Ng; Eileen Swinsburg; Xu He Ooi; Carmel Villanueva; Marianne (Binnie) Tan; Mr Gurung; Colleen Baker (sister of Margaret Day), 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; Frank Hallissy; John O'Brien; 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:

Pietro & Nunzia Culicetta; Luigi & Nunzia Di Mauro; Pietro & Carmela Patane; Antonietta Aloisio; Napoleon Nicdao; Nora Chan; Carlo Suplina; Anthony Dayton Karmelo Milostic; Mark Warnakula; Rodolfo Dy; Charles Kwok Hing Yuen (Sharon Yuen's father); Bernard Le; Mark Warnakula; Eugenie Tai; Adriana Cornelio; Issac Cornelio; Trinidad Reyes; Dominicano Reyes; Patricia Campos.

Upcoming Events in our Parish

Friday	25 April	ANZAC Day Mass, 10.00am (only Mass that day)/Day of Adoration and Reconciliation Spiritual Growth Book Club meeting 6.45pm in Magnificat Room
Saturday	26 April	Visit from Young Pilgrims walking to Chatswood from Manly. Solemn Vespers sung in our church at 4.30pm
Sunday	27 April	Community Lunch following our 10.30am Mass Divine Mercy Sunday 5.30pm Mass celebrating the canonisation of Carlo Acutis with Cardinal Mafi, Bishop of Tonga and Bishop Anthony Randazzo
Tuesday	29 April	Mass with Bishop Rimerz and the Filipino community
Friday	2 May	Praisefest in honour of Carlo Acutis

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.

From Fr David

Dear friends,

The joy and the peace of the Risen Christ be with you all!

Our celebration of Easter this year has been rather extraordinary with so many contributing to make our parish celebrations as rich and as meaningful. We have been blessed by very great numbers of people at every stage. Our deepest gratitude to those who have worked as hard decorating our sanctuary, organizing our ministries, and leading us in music. A particular word of thanks to Sienna Klarica, our Youth Ministry Officer, who brought together a truly wonderful enactment of the Stations of the Cross with the young people of our Parish on the Chatswood Concourse on Good Friday morning. Special thanks, too, to Hamish Lavery for ensuring our quality of sound and to Ashleigh Wan for leading the music for the occasion. This was a very significant way of bringing the light of Christ to our city.

In this bulletin I share with you to the outcomes of our recent session of Parish-in-Council on Saturday 5 April 2025. This is the fruit of the rich conversation that took place. Through this we have now been able to identify the key principles upon which we can go forward in our planning for the refreshment of our church. We look forward to the next step now which will occur in May: an evening conversation with our architects John O'Brien and Miguel Parades at which they will be able to share further the principles of sound liturgical architecture.

An apology to those who are used to receiving our bulletin by email. For the past two weeks the program by which the email has been distributed has been offline. We are not sure that the problem can be fixed, and we may need to wait until we have a new means for online circulation that will come about with our new parish database to which we are migrating in the coming month. Thank you for your patience.

Next Sunday, 27 April 2025, Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonized in Rome! Do join us at our Sunday 5.30pm Mass when this great event will be celebrated. We will be joined by Cardinal Mafi, Bishop of Tonga and Bishop Randazzo or our own Diocese with many guests and a 20 piece orchestra drawn from our students from Mercy College and Pius X College. Following Mass, we will join online direct to Rome for the actual ceremony of canonization. It will be a week of great celebration. Do see the bulletin further for all the detail.

More Copies of the Diocesan Shrines of Hope Passports have arrived!

The following is the step-by-step guideline for the *Broken Bay Pilgrim Passports*

1. Jubilee Passports can be stamped at each Shrine and the Cathedral to acknowledge visit and time of prayer within. A special downloadable [Broken Bay Jubilee Passport for Kids](#) for children to use when visiting the Shrines with their families/caregivers.
2. Once all three Shrines and Cathedral, with respective stamps, have been visited a Pilgrim's passport is "complete".
3. Pilgrims then have their passports verified at their own Parish office.
4. Each Parish will notify Mission Broken Bay with the names of those pilgrims who have completed their passports so that they may receive a special commemorative certificate signed by Bishop Anthony. This is a wonderful opportunity to highlight the Jubilee by presenting these certificates at the end of a Sunday Mass.

A live Tally on the www.bbjubilee.com.au website will add a further joyful essence, noting how many pilgrims have completed the Jubilee Shrines of Hope Pilgrimage and which parishes they are from.



Our Holy Week in Pictures



Morning Tea after our 10.30am Palm Sunday Mass
The Mass of the Oils with Bishop Randazzo and all
the priests of the Diocese on Tuesday 15 April.



Our Holy Week in Pictures



Our Candlelit Parish Stations of the Cross
around the parish precinct on Wednesday 16
April



Our magnificent enactment of the Stations of the Cross on the
Chatswood Concourse on the morning of Good Friday.
A truly wonderful service of our young people!

Our Worshipping Together Ministry Circle

 Our Lady
OF DOLOURS



JOIN US IN CELEBRATING

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



2:30pm – 4pm
April 27



Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church
94Archer Street Chatswood

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE CANONISATION OF

CARLO ACUTIS



27 APRIL – 2 MAY 9PM

BONFIRE FOR YOUNG
PEOPLE TO GATHER
AND PRAY



29 APRIL 7PM

MASS WITH THE FILIPINO
COMMUNITY CELEBRATED
BY BISHOP RAMIREZ,
AUXILIARY BISHOP OF
MELBOURNE



27 APRIL 5:30PM

MASS WITH CARDINAL
MAFI – BISHOP OF
TONGA, AND BISHOP
RANDAZZO.

WE HAVE A STUDENT
ORCHESTRA FROM ST
PIUS X COLLEGE AND
MERCY CATHOLIC
COLLEGE FOR THIS
OCCASION.



1 MAY

PUBLIC SCREENING OF
CARLOS ACUTIS
ROADMAP TO REALITY
(PG) (2025) IN
HARRINGTON HALL,
WITH THIS, WE WILL
ALSO HAVE A DISPLAY
OF THE OLOD PRIMARY
SCHOOL STUDENTS'
ARTWORK ON CARLO
FROM 2024.



2 MAY 7PM

PRAISEFEST FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE WITH
RECONCILIATION FROM
6PM



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Our Lady
OF DOLOURS

Renewing our church building for future generations

Dear Friends,

On the afternoon of Saturday 5 April, 146 of us came together for our sixth Parish-in-Council, beginning a journey to think through how we might best renew our church building, not only for ourselves but for the generations to follow us.

The afternoon began with an icebreaker to get to know one another better, followed by lunch and the opening liturgy. During our first table conversation, we then each reflected on the question...

Q. What does our beautiful church building mean to me?



Recalling our parish Mission Statement: "Bringing the Light of Christ to the city: We love, we grow, we serve", our second table conversation invited us to reflect on the questions...

Q. Which aspect of our church building's interior most helps us to live out our parish mission?



Animating our Future

Arising directly from the discernments of the 13 tables at Parish-in-Council VI, the following six principles have been adopted to guide all our decision making as we renew our church building for generations to come...



Enhance Beauty

We will enhance the beauty of our church building through respectful design and a unified style.

By preserving its sacred character and honouring Our Lady, we seek to lift the soul to God, inspire awe and hope, and help all who enter to grow in faith.



Act Sustainably

We will make thoughtful, long-lasting choices that care for our environment.

By utilising sustainable technologies, and choosing energy-efficient, low-maintenance solutions, we will reduce impact and ensure our parish remains a place of faith and welcome for generations to come.



Wise Stewardship

We will practise wise and responsible stewardship by choosing durable, cost-effective solutions that make the best use of parish resources.

Through careful planning and ongoing, transparent communication, we will ensure that every decision is intentional, avoids waste, and supports the long-term wellbeing of our parish.



Honour our History

We will honour the rich history and heritage of our church building by preserving its architectural style.

With deep respect for the faith and generosity of our past stewards, we will maintain and highlight the beauty they entrusted to us, ensuring our sacred spiritual home continues to inspire for years to come.



Welcoming for All

We will ensure that our parish is a place where everyone feels welcome, included, and at home.

By improving accessibility, rethinking the flow of spaces, and providing thoughtful fixtures and signage, we will foster a sense of comfort and belonging for all.



Improve Functionality

We will improve the functionality of our church building to better support worship, prayer, and community life.

By upgrading our lighting, climate, and audio visual technology, and reorganising spaces with clear purpose, we will create a space where everyone can engage more deeply with the sacraments and feel connected in faith and community.

A Year of Jubilee

**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
Sunday	24 May—afternoon	Young Adults from around our Diocese, walking from Lindfield
Thursday	19 June, 11.30am—1.00pm	45 x Stage 3 Students from St Thomas and St Philip Neri, Willoughby
Sunday	10 August—2pm	Ryde Network of Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney

AT THIS JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE
Take the challenge and
join us for the



**WALKING
PILGRIMAGE
FOR YOUNG
ADULTS
FROM MANLY TO CHATSWOOD**
26.04.2025 FROM 8 AM TO 4 PM



A Jubilee Year Artist!

For Boonah Artist Benedict Day, he felt very much at home exploring the themes of Jubilee as he has actively been involved in Jubilee initiatives at his parish. "To me, Jubilee means forgiveness, hope, love and penance," Benedict says. "Hope is love. Hope is faith. Hope helps you to be humble and appreciative. Hope helps you to be with Jesus." Benedict's artwork is a depiction of heaven with flowing waterfalls coming down from the mountains and nourishing the life below. "Water is like God's mercy coming down from the heavens to the world," Benedict says.

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

EASTER SUNDAY / C

20 APRIL 2025

CHRIST IS RISEN. ALLELUIA! The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial cloths, were signs that led the Beloved Disciple to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us. Observing them, our faith cries out: 'Alleluia!'

DAY MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 138:18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.

You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of unseen God: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the firstborn of all creation: Christ have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

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

R. Lord, have mercy.

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

R. Amen.

GLORIA

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

COLLECT

P. O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. 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

10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea: about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself; and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. R. v. 24

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. or R. Alleluia.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, / for his love has no end. / Let the sons of Israel say: / 'His love has no end.' **R.**

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; / his right hand raised me up. / I shall not die, / I shall live / and recount his deeds. **R.**



3. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the corner stone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING

Col 3:1-4

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. / The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; / and Christ, the undefiled, / hath sinners to his Father reconciled. / Death with life contended; combat strangely ended! / Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. / Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. / The tomb the Living did enclose; / I saw Christ's glory as he rose! / The angels there attesting, / shroud with grave-clothes resting. / Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. / That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. / Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 20:1-9

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Replaces the Profession of Faith.

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

P. Do you renounce Satan?

All: I do.

P. And all his works?

All: I do.

P. And all his empty show?

All: I do.

P. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do.

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

P. Do you 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?

All: I do.

P. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep

us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

All: 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. Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. 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 OF EASTER

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

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

 1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia!

R. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

THE EASTER VIGIL

I. THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL

Preparation and Lighting of the Candle
Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*)

II. LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 1:1-2:2

RESPONSORIAL PSALM from Ps 103

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, / and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING Genesis 22:1-18

RESPONSORIAL PSALM from Ps 15

R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

THIRD READING Exodus 14:15-15:1

CANTICLE From Ex 15

R. Let us sing to the Lord; / he has covered himself in glory.

FOURTH READING Isaiah 54:5-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 29

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

FIFTH READING Isaiah 55:1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Isa 12

R. You will draw water joyfully / from the springs of salvation.

SIXTH READING Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 18

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SEVENTH READING Ezekiel 36:16-28

RESPONSORIAL PSALM From Ps 41

R. Like a deer that longs for running streams, / my soul longs for you, my God.

EPISTLE Romans 6:3-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117

R. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mark 16:1-7

III. BAPTISMAL LITURGY

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

(see far left column)

IV. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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Our Igniting Young Hearts Ministry Circle



PLAYGROUP

Our Lady OF DOULIM

Chatswood Catholic Parish
84 Archer St Chatswood 2067

All babies, toddlers, infants, parents & carers are welcome to join our Playgroup in the Magnificat Meeting Room every Thursday from 1pm - 2:30pm.

An opportunity for the children to socialise and play, while the parents can come together in fellowship. To register, please email mona.sacuma@bbcatholic.org.au or call Mona on 9410 9000.

WELCOME

PARENT & INFANT MASS

Child friendly weekday Mass every Thursday 12:30pm

Attending Mass can often be stressful for a parent, particularly while juggling the needs of your child. This Mass is an opportunity to gather with other parents, without judgement, with the support of the Priest and parishioners.



Children's Liturgy

At 9am Mass

...supports parents in helping their child nurture their relationship with God and with their Catholic friends.

We need parents to support this important ministry by becoming a parent volunteer.

Please consider joining our team of parents who support each other in this role and grow you own faith friendships at the same time.

Volunteers are rostered on once per month during the school terms.

If you can help or would like to know more about what's involved, please contact Angela at the parish office on 9410 9033 or angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au

First Communion 2025

Enrolments for preparation and reception of First Holy Communion are now open via our parish website.

In our parish, children are eligible to enrol for First Communion once they have been Baptised, Confirmed and prepared for First Reconciliation.

To enrol your child

Go the parish website:

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

From the home page, click on the "First Communion Enrolments" tile.

From this page, you will find all the dates and other details of the program. Scroll to the bottom of this page and click "Enrol Here" and fill out the enrolment details as required.

Enrolments close Monday 28 April

The children will receive their First Holy Communion at the Vigil, 9:00am and 10:30am Masses on the weekends of 14-15 and 21-22 June.

Please keep the children and their families in your prayers during this time of preparation.

If you have any queries about the children's sacraments program, please contact Angela or Mona at:

chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au

Our Lady
OF DOLOURS

**PRAISE
AND
WORSHIP**

FRIDAY, 2ND MAY, 2025
94A ARCHER ST, CHATSWOOD NSW 2067

THE EUCHARIST IS
MY HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN!

REGISTER

HEAVEN
ONLY

JOHN 6:51-58
ONLY

Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle



OUR LADY OF SORROWS



ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE on now!

DONATIONS FOR LENT

Our annual JRS food drive is on now. Please make a donation this Lent of essential items on which refugee families in Sydney depend. The Jesuit Refugee Service provides food and essentials to refugees whose visas don't allow them to work. The Food Bank depends on Catholic churches and schools to provide this food. This fortnight it is our turn.

WHAT THEY NEED

They are asking us for the following that are in short supply:

- Dishwashing liquid
- Laundry detergent
- Canned tuna in oil (not flavoured), (190g and 425g)
- Canned coconut milk, 400ml
- Canned tomatoes, 400g
- Canned condensed milk, 400ml
- Men's disposable razors



PLEASE LEAVE YOUR DONATION ON THE TABLE
AT THE LEFT OF THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH

First Delivery of Food to JRS Food Bank

On Tuesday Our Lady of Dolours delivered 52 bags of donated food and essentials to the Jesuit Refugee Service's Food Bank at Parramatta and received a great welcome. Lent is when the Food Bank gets the bulk of its donations and we were thrilled to see how well-stocked the shelves there have already become. Last year we conducted our Food Bank Drive later in the year and by then the Food Bank shelves were virtually empty. It was quite distressing to see. But this year was thankfully very different as you can see in the photo. Huge thanks to all the parishioners for the amazingly generous contributions you made to the Food Drive. You are exceptionally warm and giving people. Thank you! Thanks also to Caroline Lim and Meredith Collum for sorting and packing everything on Monday, making up bags ready to be put straight onto the shelves and to Caio Schieffer, Gillian Hawkins, Fr Anselm and Caroline for giving up Tuesday afternoon to loading it all up into their cars and delivering to Parramatta. We will make a second trip after Easter



Our Caring for our World Ministry Circle



Australia Timor-Leste Advancement Society invites you to a fun afternoon of Trivia

Join us to catch up and enjoy the trivia
Prizes and raffles

Funds used to support ATLAS's Timor-Leste projects

Harrington Hall, Catholic Church,
94 Archer St, Chatswood

Parking: Chatswood Chase Shopping Centre OR
St Pius High School Grounds behind Church.

Sunday 4th May 2025

12:30pm arrival for a 1pm start

Tickets \$20 **10 people per table**
Limited numbers

RSVP 17th April 2025

Phone or text Carla on 0402 373 728
or email carlagageler@outlook.com



Our Parish
Community Action
Group facilitating
an Easter Egg Hunt
at Barrton Road,
Artarmon last
Tuesday !



**Caring for
our World**



**Ecology &
Social Justice**

From our Parish Pro-Life Group

Our greatest natural resource

Australia is blessed with many great natural resources like minerals, land, flora and fauna, great beaches and much more. But our greatest resource is our people whose skills, work and social involvement provide a standard of living and basis for enjoyment of life which we all value. No other resource can duplicate the role of people. No farmer or orchardist would willingly destroy a substantial portion of his crop and thereby forfeit much of his produce but anyone who destroyed any part of our national parks or native animals would feel the full weight of the law. Yet as a country, we eliminate a sizeable proportion of our population in the form of the unborn babies who are killed by abortion. Their potential is unrealized, the contribution they would make to our society is lost and yet we maintain a double standard of lauding the achievements of those in our society who contribute greatly in business, arts, sports, culture and other ways.

Women

Women contribute greatly to our society putting their professional abilities and services to greatly benefit our community. But today our society is directed to promoting women in areas that place them on par with men and make no distinction between male and female. Society pays little regard to the greatest contribution that women can make, namely those things which are particular to their own gender, that is motherhood and that of nurturing of children. Their bodies are designed by God in a most marvelous way to nourish a baby in its most fragile and formative months and to nourish and care for it after birth.

Equal before the Law

Our laws insist on equal opportunity and equal treatment under the Law regardless of race, creed, gender etc. The one great exception is the unborn who are denied recognition that the rest of the population receives. Although we have an extensive body of laws that protect children, this does not extend to the unborn as if the unborn and the born were two separate individuals, which of course they are not.

Helping the disadvantaged and marginalised

We give much attention to those in poverty, burdened by chronic illness, unemployment, homelessness, poverty and other disadvantages. Yet the unborn, who lack everything and are totally dependent for everything, do not receive the same consideration. And the consequences for them are far worse than other disadvantaged groups as their very existence is in jeopardy.



At Easter we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus who won for us the possibility of eternal life in heaven. Our Lord died not for some, but for all, including the unborn. In the eyes of God the souls of all persons, born or unborn, were the reasons for His death and resurrection. And he made no distinction between the unborn and the born.

What can you do to help the unborn babies?

You can join our Pro-life Rosary – every Thursday at 8 pm via Zoom. <https://zoom.us/j/8034195601>, or ID 8034195601 (no passcode required). Enquiries: 0466 961 240

Join the rally against the Greens Bill to force hospital and medical staff to carry out abortions – Wednesday, 7 May from 5.30-6.30 pm outside Parliament House at Macquarie Street





UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE



Presented by
Charbel Raish

TUESDAY 20 May to 1 July 2025
(7 weeks)
7pm - 9pm

in the Magnificat Room,
Our Lady of Dolours Parish, Chatswood
94a Archer Street Chatswood
(02) 9410 9000

Register:



parousiamedia.com



ACCESSING AGED CARE SERVICES INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday 1 May 2025

Seniors & Grandparents Morning Tea
10.00am

Magnificat Meeting Room

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Parish
(access via Kirk Street, Chatswood)

Australia enjoys one of the highest standards of living in the world, and we're living longer. Getting older should be fun – you have more time to do things you have always wanted to, to socialise with friends and learn new things. However we know that navigating the aged care system can be daunting. The systems and supports available to older Australians seem to change constantly. There are so many questions to ask. From knowing where to start and what type of care and support you need – to availability and eligibility of Government support packages to help pay for your supports ... we'll talk you through the process.

TOPICS:

- An overview of the aged care sector
- Types of aged care services available
- How to access services
- Common questions
- CatholicCare's support and services

MORE INFO

P: 1800 324 924

E: info@catholiccaredbb.org.au

W: www.catholiccaredbb.org.au

Senior's & Grandparents Morning Coffee Time



**All are Welcome to join us on
the 1st Thursday of Every Month
10am Magnificat Room**

Join us for a delightful morning tea filled
with good company, warm conversation,
and plenty of laughter.

Connect with old friends and meet
wonderful new ones too!

With thanks for our friends at Gregory & Carr Gordon
for providing Morning Tea.

If you have any queries, please contact
mona.souma@bbcatholic.org.au



Parish Employment Opportunity

Job Opportunity: Administration and Facilities Officer
Parish of Chatswood
Full-Time Position
Applications Close: Friday, 25 April 2025

The Parish of Chatswood is seeking a dedicated and experienced **Administration and Facilities Officer (AFO)** to provide essential operational support. This full-time role plays a key part in ensuring the efficient administration, facility management, and ICT services of the parish, enabling the continued growth and mission of our community.

About the Role

Reporting to the **Parish Priest**, the AFO is responsible for:

- **Office Administration:** Managing office procedures, supplies, security, and parish records.
- **Facility Management:** Overseeing maintenance, repairs, and compliance across parish buildings and grounds, including church facilities, meeting rooms, and car parks.
- **ICT Coordination:** Ensuring the parish's ICT infrastructure is up to date, compliant, and within budget.
- **Maintenance & WHS Compliance:** Managing contractors, risk assessments, and the upkeep of parish facilities.
- **Event & Parish Support:** Assisting in major parish events and providing support across parish ministries and activities.

About You

To be successful in this role, you will have:

- Strong **administration and organisational skills** with the ability to manage multiple responsibilities efficiently.
- Experience in **facilities or property management**.
- Sound knowledge of **Microsoft Office and ICT systems**.
- A working understanding of **risk management and WHS compliance**.
- The ability to **work collaboratively** and foster positive relationships with staff, volunteers, and contractors.

A commitment to the **mission and values of the Catholic Church**.

Qualifications & Experience

- Tertiary qualifications in **Business Administration** or relevant experience in a similar role.
- Experience working within a **parish, church agency, or not-for-profit environment**.
- Knowledge of **project management** and **contractor supervision**.

A current National Police History Check (NPHC) and a Working with Children Check (WWCC) (or willingness to obtain).

Why Join Us?

This is a rewarding opportunity to contribute to a vibrant and mission-driven parish community. We offer a supportive work environment where your skills in administration, facilities management, and ICT coordination will make a tangible impact.

How to Apply

To apply, please submit your **resume** and a **cover letter** addressing your suitability for the role to **david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au** by **Friday, 25 April 2025**.

For further information, please contact **david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au**.

The Parish of Chatswood is committed to creating a safe environment for all, with zero tolerance for abuse. Successful applicants will need to complete a National Police Check and Working with Children Check.

Note: Only candidates with the right to work in Australia can apply. No agency contacts, please.



Around and About



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

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

THURSDAY 24TH APRIL 2025

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE

COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND AFTER DINNER SPEAKER WILL BE

FATHER ROBERT BORG, PARISH PRIEST AT THE LAKES PARISH

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray every day 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.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annaytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.

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

In this month, we remember the following:

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

The Catholic Weekly is a weekly newspaper published by the Sydney Archdiocese and has many interesting Catholic articles. Our parish subscribes to 25 copies each week but an average of 7 copies has not been sold each week in the last few months. Please help support the *Catholic Weekly* if you can by purchasing a copy which costs only \$2, otherwise we may have to cease our subscription to this newspaper. Thank you.

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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

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, 3rd Sunday 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 is celebrated after Mass each Wednesday evening Mass and on 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.