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# PARISH OF CHATSWOOD

2 JULY 2023  
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)



## GLAD YOU'RE HERE

*Welcome*

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

This week we have our Chatswood Vinnies Winter Appeal! Your donations help Vinnies take care of those in our community who need various types of support. Donations will be taken until the end of August but look out for the envelopes in the pews this weekend.

This week was one of many farewells as we said goodbye to Cailin, Kathy, and Carol - please keep them in your prayers as they begin exciting new chapters in their lives.

Thank you so much for all your incredible generosity towards the Pastoral Works Appeal! Read Fr David's update to see what an incredible effort our community made!

For any inclusions to next week's bulletin, please e-mail your content to Olivia at [Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au) by close of business on Wednesday.

Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.  
This Sunday's Gospel - Matthew 10:37-42





**Fr Joey Frez**  
*Acting Parish Priest*

I have been a part of Our Lady of Dolours Parish for almost three years now, and I'm often asked what it is that I like most about our parish. Of course, since we are the 'Church in the City' of Chatswood, there is so much to like. For a start, it's dynamic and all of you take part in its wonderful dynamism. But one aspect that is closest to my heart is our Thursday night Adoration.

Before going to the Seminary, I entered the Capuchins in Denver for two and a half years. There, as a novice, I was trained to offer thirty minutes of silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the morning, and again in the evening. And ever since leaving the Capuchins, and especially after becoming a priest, there is always that longing in my heart for this type of silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Oftentimes as Catholics, we are asked if we have a personal relationship with our Lord.

Our relationship with Him is much more than personal; we have intimacy with Him, especially in the Eucharist. When we receive Holy Communion, there is a merging that happens between us and God. There is a mystical or divine union! And because we have tasted the sweetness of our Lord in the Eucharist, we have that longing to be intimate with Him. And this is where our devotion to the Blessed Sacrament comes in. A week is too long to not be in the bosom of our Lord. Our Thursday night Adoration satisfies that longing for intimacy and reinforces our affection towards our Lord as we look forward to receiving him on the weekend in Holy Communion.

On the practical side, our world is so fast paced nowadays that we need some time to just slow down, recollect ourselves, and do nothing. Having an hour before the Lord in silence, and resting on Him, will surely lower our stress levels. Oftentimes in the middle of the week, we become easily irritated because of the many demands upon us. Just coming before the Lord before the Blessed Sacrament and offering all our concerns and worries to Him, will make our "yoke easy and our burden light" (Matthew 11:30).

The ambience of our Adoration night is so appropriate for meditation since we dim the church and place candles on the sanctuary. There is a time during Adoration that we offer candles at the foot of the altar as a symbol of our prayers, and especially our petitions, to God. We use incense, and the priest also gives the Benediction at the end. And as far as unburdening is concerned, there are also two priests who listen to Confession for the whole duration of the Adoration.

If you feel exhausted in the middle of the week, or if you feel you are drifting in life, I invite you to come and attend our Thursday night Adoration, even once, and see if it works for you. The Lord says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28). Our Lord is waiting for you in the Blessed Sacrament and He wants you to rest in Him.



# IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER:

## Our loved ones who have recently passed away:

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

## Our loved ones who are sick:

Iris Wickert (sister of Chrystal De Croos); Mary Kin-Soon Ng; Bonnie Leung; Margaret Marchetto; Elena Guerrero; Baldo Polizzi.

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

Kevin Bruce; Abraham and Anunciacion Gadiane; Members of the Oakes Family; Bacic Ivan and Slava; Bacic Posinak Grlica Franko & Ivan Jaka Franko; Franko (Rano) & Gavranic Jaka - Antun; Bill Freeman; Eugenie Tai and Bernard Le; Bertha, Maurice and Philip Dayton; Guillermo Bolingot; Trevor Chard; Lourdes Eulalia Martinez; Marina Paino; Rita Cooper; John Byrne.

- For Carol as she begins a new and exciting journey of exploration of her faith and her heritage,, may she find comfort, peace, and joy.
- For Cailin - we thank her for all the incredible work she has done with the young people in our community and we pray for an exciting new start to her next stage in life.

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



## Our Lady of Dolours, Pray for Us

Jesus, in my sorrow, I seek comfort in You. You are my refuge and strength, always near and understanding. Embrace me with your love, bringing solace to my troubled heart. Wipe away my tears and replace them with hope. Grant me the strength to endure, and may my sorrow deepen my trust in you. May my sorrow become a witness of your faithfulness. Amen.

*Picture: Our Lady of Dolours by Olivia Lee*

## The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

For a Eucharistic life:

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

This week's flowers are donated by

**Mary Rowan**  
in loving memory of  
**Yvonne Brownley Frewen**

## Requests for Mass Intentions:

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

## THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN COVER PICTURE: THE MARTYRS OF CHINA

This Sunday's Gospel highlights to us the importance of taking up our cross to be worthy of Jesus:

*Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.*

When I prepare the bulletin, I try to have an image on the front that captures the essence of the message of the week's Gospel, but it can get difficult - there's only so many images of Jesus preaching to people that I can put in before the message itself gets lost in the repetitiveness of the images.

So in the weeks where the images are scarce, I look to the lives of the saints, because with over 10 000 saints recognised formally, there will always be someone who has proclaimed the message of the Gospel through their life.

For this week's image I've chosen an icon of the 120 Martyrs of China. These women and men were killed because they refused to renounce their faith during the Boxer Rebellion. Their lives stand as a profound testament to the Gospel's call to take up our cross and follow Jesus.

Their sacrifice challenges us to reflect on our own commitment to Christ. Are we willing to bear the hardships and challenges that may arise as a result of our faith? Are we prepared to set aside our personal comfort and convenience for the sake of the Gospel? The example of these martyrs compels us to examine our own hearts and to recommit ourselves to live wholeheartedly for Jesus.

May their lives continue to shine as a beacon of hope and inspiration, urging us to live out the Gospel in every aspect of our lives, and reminding us that to be worthy of Jesus means to take up our cross and follow Him, regardless of the cost.

- Olivia L



SAVE THE DATE  
**AUGUST 26TH**  
**PARISH IN COUNCIL**

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

We think of a cost-benefit analysis as being such a feature of modern business practice, yet here in Matthew we find a basic form of the same thing. You do not need to spend years at university studying business administration or marketing to know that if the benefits outweigh costs then an enterprise is worth undertaking.

What does it cost being a disciple of Jesus? It costs us everything. It costs us our time and effort. Well, anything worth having does! It costs us our freedom and our families. Well, that happens to some in business and we are warned that is too high a cost to pay for anything! It costs us our lives. Well, hang on a minute! The last level was already too high a price; how can we be expected to give even more commitment? Can anything be worth giving up our very lives?

To be worth it, the benefits have to outweigh the costs, right? If we have already paid everything, what benefit can there be that makes having surrendered everything worthwhile? The cost is too high, the benefits seem to have evaporated. Where is the return on our investments? If we are put to the sword, if we take up our cross and follow him, what do we get in return? Here we must factor in the kingdom of heaven, for without it the cost-benefit analysis Jesus provides makes no sense at all. Being a Christian is not about profit-taking and short-term returns. Being a Christian is about believing that a stock market crash is about the best thing that can happen to us. This is simply crazy! If we operated like that in the business world we would soon be out of business. No wonder so many people back out of being Christian when they discover what it will cost them, and if we are not paying that price then we are not being Christian. What makes it even more crazy is that when we pay that price we do not earn anything. What we get from God is a gift, and we get that gift before we pay.

Now, just as our heads stop spinning from all this craziness, we can add in the paradoxes from Matthew's Gospel. In order to live in peace Jesus does not tell us to take up the sword but to suffer the sword. Jesus does not tell us to hate father and mother and children (at least not in Matthew's version); we are to love our family, but to love God even more. Augustine of Hippo says, in one of his homilies: 'Love your father, but not above your Lord; love the one who begot you, but not above the one who created you ... Love your mother, but not above the Church, who bore you to eternal life' (Sermo 344). If we read the last part of the passage carefully, the reward that Jesus speaks of is not the reward given to us but the reward given to those who are good to us.

What is the reward God offers us? What is the gift God has given to us already even before we have paid the price? The Spirit is the gift of God. The Spirit incorporates us into life, an eternal and divine life lived in love. True love is not about what we get from others but about what we give to others. The cross is true love. If you want to love your children, give your life on the cross. If you want to love your parents, give your life on the cross. If you want to love your brothers and sisters, give your life on the cross. If you want to love your neighbours or love strangers, give your life on the cross. If you want to love your enemies, give your life on the cross.

We are thankful today for the cross of Christ, for the cross is the way to resurrection, it is the way to life, it is our way to respond to the gift of love God has given us. It is the strength to sustain us. In that same homily Augustine says, 'But let us have confidence, because the one who instituted this contest does not watch his own champion without helping them, nor does he encourage us to rely on our own strength' (Sermo 344). The help of God is given to us through the Spirit, the help of God is given to us in bread that is broken and in wine that is poured out. The help of God is given to us through the body of the Lord that was broken and the blood of the Lord that was spilled. We thank God for the gift of eternal life found only through the cost of discipleship. This is our mission, sisters and brothers: to lose everything to gain it all.

# MASS & LITURGIES THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday

## **Feast of Saint Thomas**

**3 July:**

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

Tuesday

**4 July:**

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

Wednesday

**5 July:**

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

Thursday

**6 July:**

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

Friday

**7 July:**

- 8:45am Morning Prayer
- **9:00am Mass**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- **12:30pm Mass**
- **7:00pm First Friday Healing Mass**

Saturday

**8 July:**

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

Sunday Mass

**9 July:**

- **7:30am Mass**
- **9:00am Family Mass**
- **10:30am Mass**
- 12:00pm Baptism
- **5:30pm Mass**



# GATHERINGS THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- Monday
- 3 July:**
- 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)
  - 7:00pm Altaration (Magnificat, St Paul)
- Tuesday
- 4 July:**
- 10:00am Bible Discussion Group (St Paul)
  - 2:00pm Sacristy Use Meeting (Magnificat)
  - 4:00pm Atrium 3-6 years old (Atrium)
  - 4:00pm Atrium 6-9 and 9-12 year olds (Atrium)
  - 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)
  - 7:00pm Indonesian Legion of Mary (St Peter)
  - 7:00pm Filipino Choir (St Paul)
- Wednesday
- 5 July:**
- 9:30am Lifestyle English Conversation Programme (Magnificat)
  - 11:00am Parish Staff Meeting (Magnificat)
  - 2:00pm Organ Lesson (Church)
  - 7:00pm MenAlive Fellowship, Reflection & Discussion (Magnificat)
  - 7:00pm World Youth Day Formation
- Thursday
- 6 July:**
- 10:00am Seniors Morning Tea (Magnificat)
  - 10:00am Atrium 3-6 years old (Atrium)
  - 1:00pm Indonesian Community Team Meeting (St Paul)
  - 5:00pm Music Reading Lessons (St Paul)
  - 5:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)
  - 6:00pm Legion of Mary (Magnificat)
- Friday
- 7 July:**
- 10:00am Meditation (St Paul)
  - 4:30pm Organ Practice (Church)
  - 7:00pm Online Zoom Meditation
  - 7:30pm Indonesian Choir Practice (St Paul)
- Saturday
- 8 July:**
- 10:30am Marian Catholic Action Group Meeting (St Peter)
  - 11:00am Choir Rehearsal for 9:00am Mass (St Paul)
  - 3:00pm Organ Practice (Church)
  - 3:30pm **The Book of Revelation Series with Bishop David Walker (Magnificat)**
  - 7:00pm Korean Bible Reading and Discussion (St Paul)
- Sunday Mass
- 9 July:**
- 10:00am Kids Choir Music Practice (St Paul)
  - 11:30am Choir Practice with Sunny (St Paul)
  - 2:30pm Bible Study with Ada (St Paul)
  - 6:30pm Cornerstone and Keystone (Magnificat, St Paul)



# VINNIES CHATSWOOD WINTER APPEAL JULY 1-2



The St Vincent de Paul 2023 Chatswood Winter Appeal is being held this weekend. This local Appeal is part of the Statewide Appeal which began in May and will last until the end of August.

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Donations above \$2 are tax deductible. Please indicate if you want a receipt.**

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

-Teresa N



**SCAN HERE TO DONATE**

*every little bit helps*



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

**- ST VINCENT DE PAUL -**





# OUR WEEK IN PICS



The 4th Sunday 9:00am Mass Choir is back to their pre-pandemic roster - early starts means breakfast!



This week we say goodbye to Kathy as she prepares to go back home to America. Love and prayers for a safe trip, Kathy!



A week of farewells as we say goodbye to Cailin who has been so generous in her coordination and leadership of Foundation Youth Ministry. We will miss you and all your skill, joy, and kindness, Cailin!



First training of our livestream system went underway this week - we're almost ready!



Next week Carol will leave us to pursue the role of a lifetime - an opportunity to explore her faith and identity, and whilst we are sad to lose her and will miss her laugh and wit, we could not be happier for her next stage in life.



# CHOIR CORNER



**Titus Grenyer**  
*Director of Music*

## **New Sung Mass:**

The Parish Choir is singing every Sunday at the 10:30am mass. We have recently introduced a new mass setting, which is intended to be accessible and easy to sing for the congregation. It is called "Mass of Our Lady", and it will be introduced to more masses in the coming weeks. I hope that as you listen to it each week, it will grow on you and become more familiar.

We are looking for more singers to join the choir, as well as anyone who might play a musical instrument. Please contact me at [titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au) if you're interested in helping us out – the more the merrier!



## **New Organ:**

I am delighted to announce that we have acquired a new organ for the church. It is a reed organ, built by Danish company Joh. P. Andresen & Co. Not much is known about the company, but it seems that the organ was probably built in the early to mid-20th century.

A reed organ differs from a pipe organ in that its sound is produced using small metal reeds. It has no pedalboard, but instead has two pedals for pumping air. Reed organs require constant pedalling to maintain a steady airflow while playing, similar to bagpipes. Much like a pipe organ, it uses stop knobs to create different sounds, and it also has knee levers for more expressive capabilities. This allows a reed organ to go from very soft to very loud instantly, giving the performer great versatility.

I am excited to find possible uses for this instrument in the liturgy, particularly for Holy Hour, as its warm tone lends itself well to devotional services.

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

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

If you have any questions, please contact [titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:titus.grenyer@bbcatholic.org.au)

Music Reading Lessons with Eileen - Thursdays at 5:00pm - all welcome!

# PARISH NOTICES

## CONFIRMATION 2023 ENROLMENTS OPEN

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

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

### To enrol your child

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

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

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

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

Enrolments close on Monday 17 July.

For queries, contact Angela or Mona in the parish office at [chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au)



## MORNING TEA AFTER 7:30AM MASS

Please join us in the PEW for morning tea this Sunday after 7.30am Mass.



Jan H

## BECOME A CATECHIST

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

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

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

Please contact Karen Forbes on 02 9410 9029 or email: [karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au)

## SENIORS MORNING TEA

Please join us in the Magnificat Room from 10am for morning tea, this Thursday - everyone is welcome!



Jan H



Help Needed: Ministers of the Word (Readers) are needed for the the 7:30am Sunday Mass on the 4th week of the month. If you are interested please contact Ditas at [bhnaguit@gmail.com](mailto:bhnaguit@gmail.com)



You may have noticed Fr David and Fr Joey looking cooler than usual and that's because they've been wearing our new black Mission Hoodies! They arrive will arrive in 3 weeks and are available for purchase in sizes Small to 2XL for \$45.

We also have a waiting list for kids hoodies which will be \$25 so if you are interested in purchasing your own hoodie or being on the waiting list for the kids hoodies, get in touch with Olivia at [Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au)

*Our hoodies are just one way that we are trying to visibly cultivate community and spread our mission - they are not sold to make profit, so if you would like one and are in a tough space financially, let us know.*

## Thank You

Friends, thank you for all your wonderful support of the Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) 2023 appeal! Just over a month ago the parish was facing an outstanding amount of \$43 000 to raise, and today we are looking at approximately \$ 7000 left to raise of our \$70 000 quota. Just incredible!

All of this is because of your great kindness and generosity which I cannot thank you enough for.

As you know the Pastoral Works appeal helps to fund work of many great initiatives, including the work of our wonderful catechists.

This work is so important in the faith formation of young people in public schools, and is also an important bridge of connection for their families to know that our parish is there to support them.

Thank you for supporting the important work of our catechists and supporting our parish community.

- Fr David

design by Peter Sakazaki

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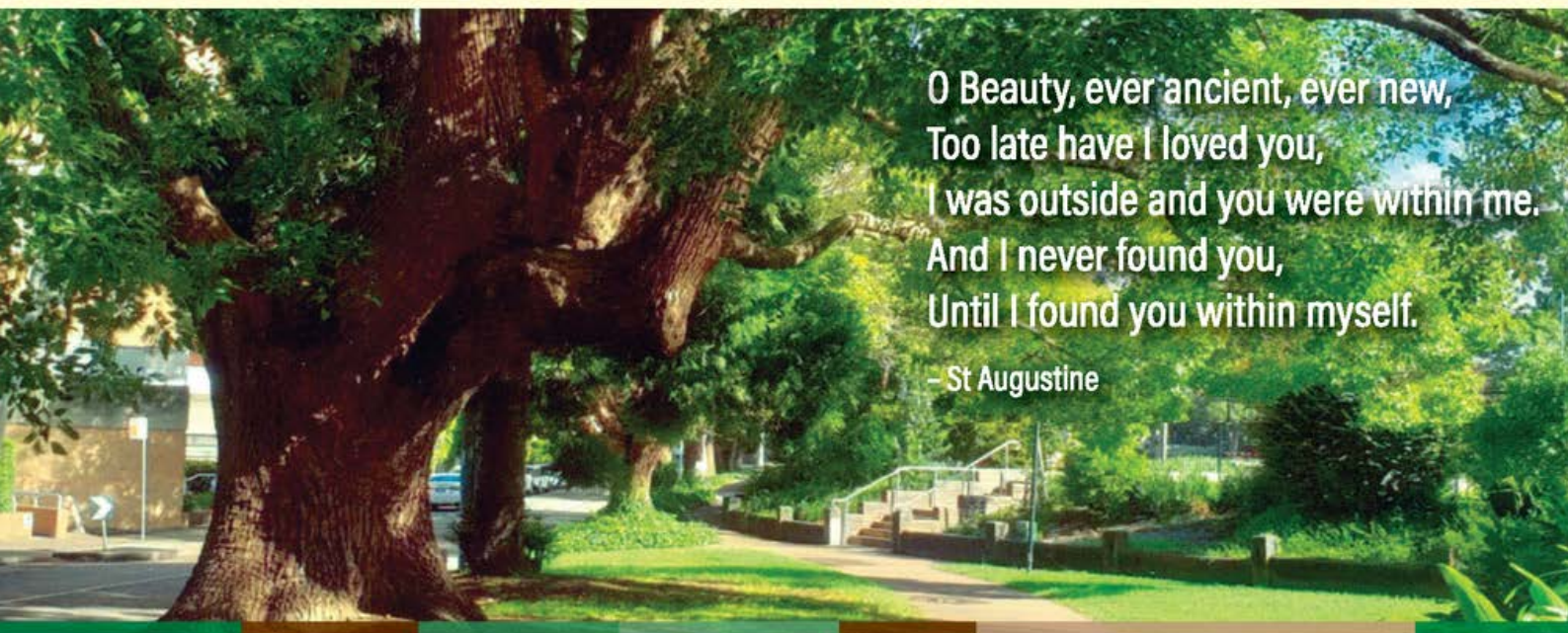
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**12**  
7 PM

Venue: Magnificat Room  
Time: 7PM till late  
Snacks and Drinks Provided  
All men are welcome

Contact: Peter 0433 030 016 | John (02) 9417 5474

## *The World Community for Christian Meditation*

International Website: [www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org) | Australian Website: [www.wccmaustralia.org.au](http://www.wccmaustralia.org.au)



O Beauty, ever ancient, ever new,  
Too late have I loved you,  
I was outside and you were within me.  
And I never found you,  
Until I found you within myself.

- St Augustine

**ALL WELCOME** Begin your Christian Meditation Journey with us!

**Face to face meditation:** Fridays at 10am (St Paul)  
Meditation Group OLOD Chatswood

**Online Zoom meditation:** Fridays at 7pm

**Enquiry:** Jon N. - email to [jnnurman@yahoo.com](mailto:jnnurman@yahoo.com) or sms 0439 449 554

**Cultural Community Mass:**

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

# PIETY STALL AND PEW GIFT SHOP

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



Handmade cards from \$6 (Piety and PEW)

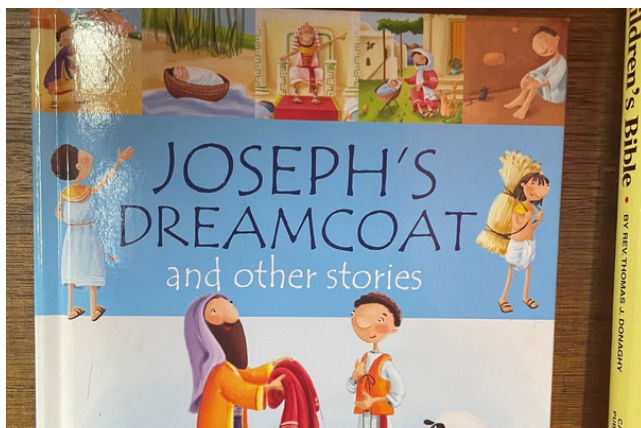
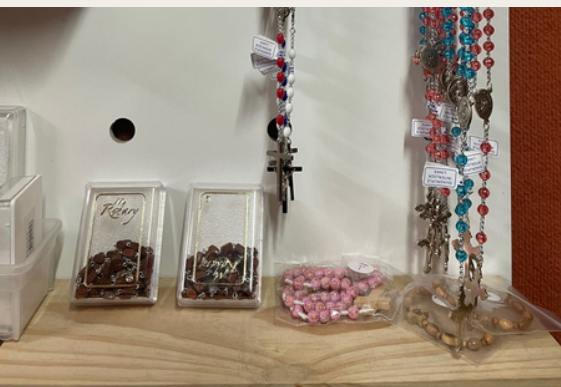


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Rosaries from \$7 (Piety)



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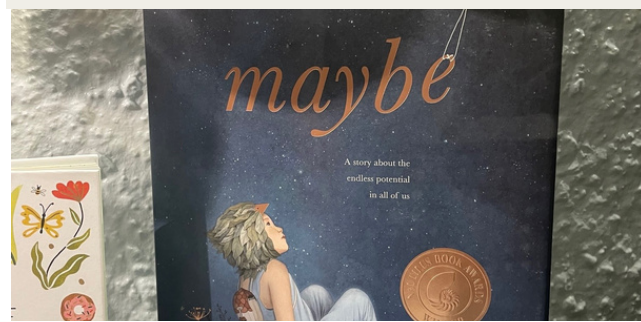
Bibles \$20 (Piety)



Baptism of Jesus cast \$12 (Piety)



Saint statues from \$40 (PEW)





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

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

All are welcome!



WORLD YOUTH DAY

# PILGRIM COMMISSIONING MASS

19 JULY  
6:30PM

BROKEN BAY  LISBON



IGNITE CONFERENCE 23

# Wonder

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



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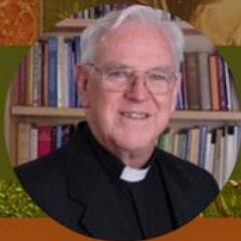
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## DIACONATE INFORMATION EVENING

COULD THE DIACONATE BE THE WAY GOD IS CALLING YOU TO SERVE HIS CHURCH?

Join us at Holy Name Parish Wahroonga and find out more about the Permanent Diaconate.

WED, JULY 5 @ 7:30PM

Holy Name Parish  
35 Billyard Ave  
Wahroonga NSW 2076

RSVP to 0418 522 449 or  
vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au

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

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

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



## FLORAL ARRANGEMENT DONATIONS

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

Please submit your donation at least one month prior to the date you would like to dedicate the flowers.

To reserve a date on the calendar, contact the parish on 02 9410 9000 or [chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)



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*We thank Dale and Winnie deeply for the generosity and care with which they have supported our parish!*



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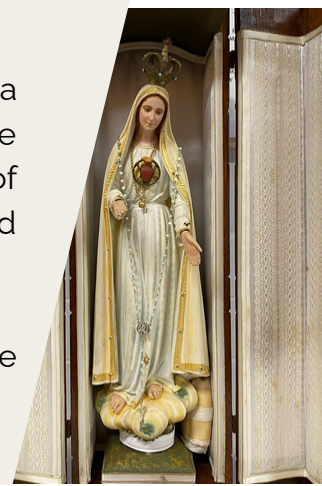
**FR DAVID'S BLOG**



### Statue Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

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



# AROUND AND ABOUT

## LiveWorkCancer

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

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

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

Women's network meets:

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

Men's network meets:

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

A network for Carer's will be available in August

To join: register at <https://www.liveworkcancer.com/working> or email: [enquiries@liveworkcancer.com](mailto:enquiries@liveworkcancer.com)



## Meditation Days at St Benedict's Monastery, Arcadia

Invitation to St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia for 2023 :  
Sundays - 19th February, 21st May, 20th August and 19th November.  
For our Introduction and Renewal Days for Christian Meditation.

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

Book display and morning tea provided, BYO picnic lunch.

Enquires : Ann Bergman, [anniebergman@hotmail.com](mailto:anniebergman@hotmail.com) or Ann Lomas ,  
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# OUR CIRCLES OF MINISTRY

## Love God

Mark 12:30



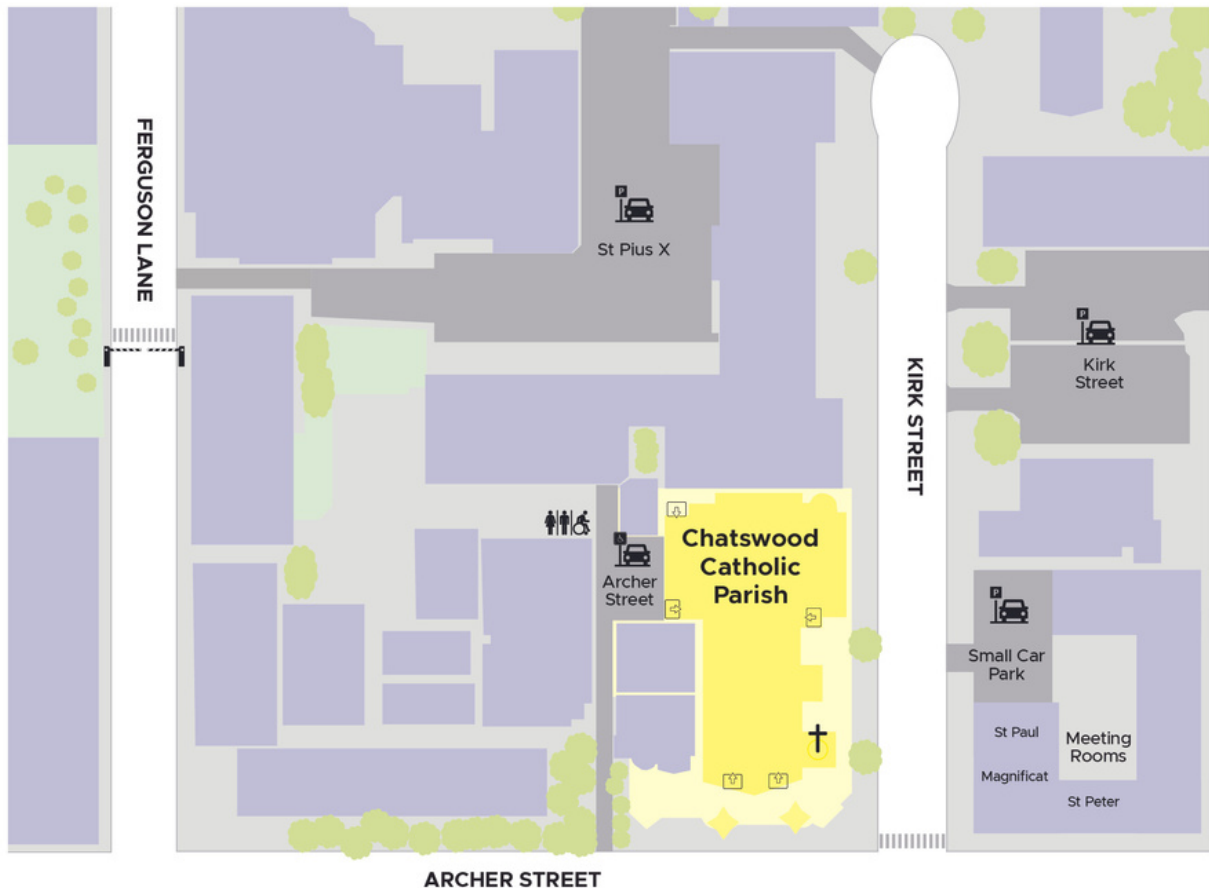
## Love One Another

John 13:34

## Go Make Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20

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## Mass This Week:

Monday Mass 12:30pm.

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

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

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

Reconciliation: 7:00pm.

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

Saturday Mass: 9:00am

Reconciliation: 9:30am.

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm

Sunday Mass

- 7:30am

- 9:00am

- 10:30am

- 5:30pm - Youth Mass

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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 2nd, 2023



*In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if you give one of these to a little one because they are His disciple you will be rewarded. What is it? Connect the dots to find out!*

# SAINT GREGORIO GRASSI

## JULY 8

GREGORIO GRASSI WAS BORN IN ITALY IN 1833. WHEN HE WAS FIFTEEN HE JOINED THE FRANCISCANS. HE STUDIED IN THE SEMINARY AND BECAME A PRIEST.



AFTER HE WAS ORDAINED HE WAS SENT TO ROME FOR TRAINING.



FATHER GREGORIO WAS THEN SENT TO CHINA AS A MISSIONARY.

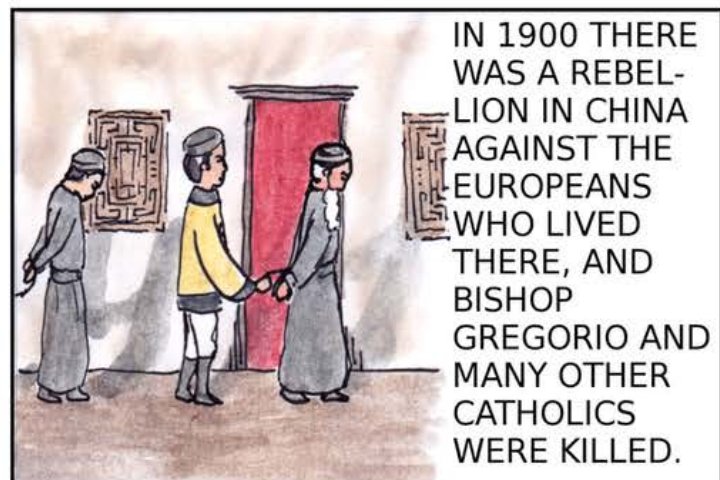


IN TAIYUAN HE WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF THE ORPHANAGE AND THE CHOIR.

LATER HE WAS MADE BISHOP OF NORTH SHANXI.



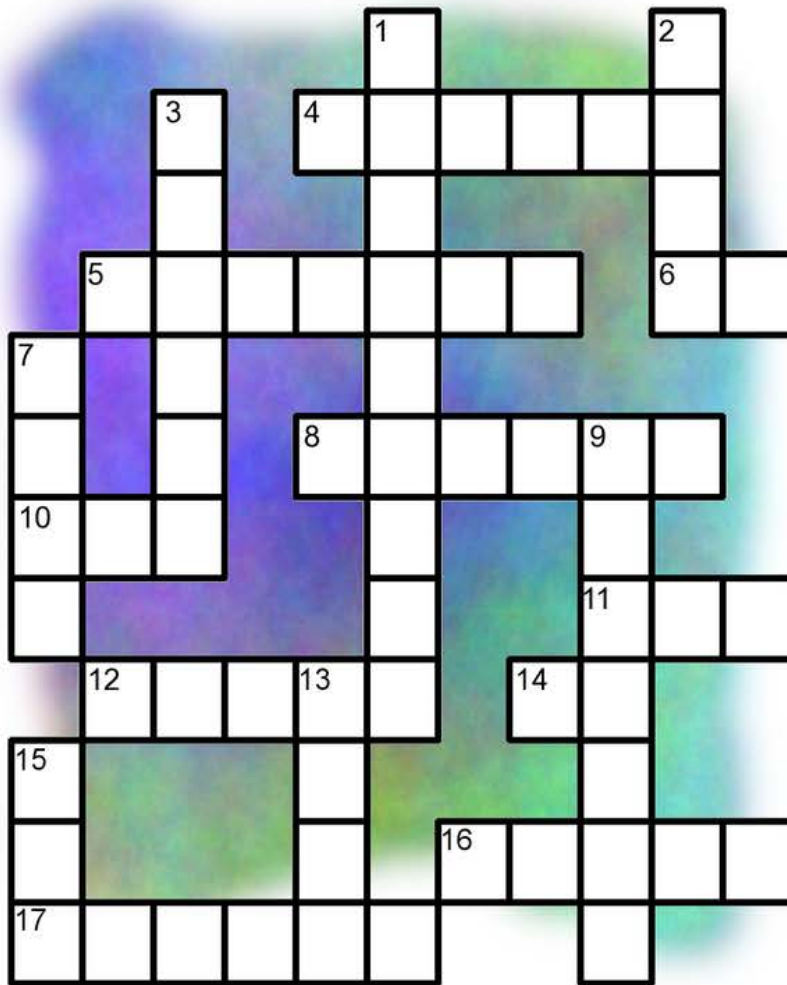
HERE HE CARED FOR THOSE SICK FROM PLAGUE AND FAMINE, AND HE STARTED A FRANCISCAN HOUSE.



IN 1900 THERE WAS A REBELLION IN CHINA AGAINST THE EUROPEANS WHO LIVED THERE, AND BISHOP GREGORIO AND MANY OTHER CATHOLICS WERE KILLED.

WHEN THE REBELLION STARTED BISHOP GREGORIO WAS WARNED TO LEAVE CHINA, BUT HE HAD LONG DESIRED TO DIE AS A MARTYR FOR CHRIST. HE CHOSE TO KEEP HELPING THE POOR AND SICK AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE FOR JESUS AND HIS CHURCH. WOULD YOU BE BRAVE ENOUGH TO DO THAT?

# A Gospel Crossword



*Fill in the missing words in today's Gospel reading to find the answers to this crossword!*

**A=Across**  
**D=Down**

He who loves father or \_\_\_\_\_ (17A) more than me is not worthy of me; and he who \_\_\_\_\_ (16A) son or daughter

more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his \_\_\_\_\_ (12A) and follow me is not \_\_\_\_\_ (3D) of me. He who finds his life will \_\_\_\_\_ (7D) it, and he who loses his life for my \_\_\_\_\_ (13D) will find it. "He who receives you receives \_\_\_\_\_ (14A), and he who receives me receives \_\_\_\_\_ (15D) who \_\_\_\_\_ (2D) me. He who receives a prophet because he is a \_\_\_\_\_ (5A) shall \_\_\_\_\_ (9D) a prophet's reward, and he who receives a \_\_\_\_\_ (1D) man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's \_\_\_\_\_ (8A). And whoever gives \_\_\_\_\_ (6A) one of these \_\_\_\_\_ (4A) ones even a \_\_\_\_\_ (11A) of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I \_\_\_\_\_ (10A) to you, he shall not lose his reward."

# Priorities

In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if we love  
**GOOD MORNING,** anyone more that we love Him we  
**JESUS!** are not worthy of Him. What He



means is that we need to keep God first in our lives. The two great commandments He gave us are 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and mind and strength' and 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

How can we keep God first in our lives? We can start by talking to Him as soon as we start our day. We can tell Him we love Him and offer our day to Him! We also keep God first by following His laws- making sure we go to Mass at least every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, and going to Confession when we have a serious sin.

**AFTER MASS  
 WE CAN VISIT  
 GRANDMA.**



**I'D LIKE TO PLAY  
 BUT I HAVE TO  
 LOOK AFTER MY  
 BABY BROTHER.**

The next most important thing is loving others. God wants us to love and care for the people He has put into our lives. First we must care for our family that He has given us and then our friends and neighbours.



What is the most important thing for you to do today? How can you put God first every day this week?

Answers to Crossword: ACROSS: 4 little, 5 prophet, 6 to, 8 reward, 10 say, 11 cup, 12 cross, 14 me, 16 loves, 17 mother. DOWN: 1 righteous, 2 sent, 3 worthy, 7 lose, 9 receive, 13 sake 15 him