

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 8 May 2022

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 Our Lady
of Dolours



Send your Holy Spirit upon us, O Lord, that we may be holy. In your mercy, guard and strengthen us to be disciples who witness to the Good News of Jesus. Call forth from our community of the Church generous and loving shepherds after your own heart. May they be zealous preachers of the Word; faithful teachers of the Truth; and devoted servants at the Altar.

Fill their hearts with love for you and your creation; open their minds to a lifetime of learning; and make them humble servants of your holy people. For you, O God, are kind and merciful, and to you we offer glory, in your holy Church, now and forever.

AMEN.

This Weekend
we commence our annual Mass Attendance Count. This exercise is undertaken in every Catholic church in Australia.

Our welcomers will undertake the count during the First Collection at each Mass over the coming four weeks.

We also commence a renewed Parish Census. This is a vital project as part of our journey together: **Being Church in the City** to ensure that we can keep in contact with everyone in our parish community.

Before the First Collection at each Mass we will invite everyone to complete a census card. Not only will this enable us to update our records but it will also provide an opportunity for everyone to indicate how they might like to become more involved in the life of our parish. Thank you for your contribution and with our appreciation for your assistance with this important project.

PARISH
CENSUS



Flowers donated this weekend
on behalf of David Hills

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	9 May	12.30pm Mass	Monday of the 4th week of Easter
Tuesday	10 May	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Tuesday of the 4th week of Easter
Wednesday	11 May	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Wednesday of the 4th week of Easter
Thursday	12 May	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Thursday of the 4th week of Easter
Friday	13 May	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Friday of the 4th week of Easter
Saturday	14 May	9am Mass	St Matthias
Sunday	15 May		Fifth Sunday of Easter

Please Remember in your Prayers

SICK: Janet Coombs, Maria La Greca, Maria Paino

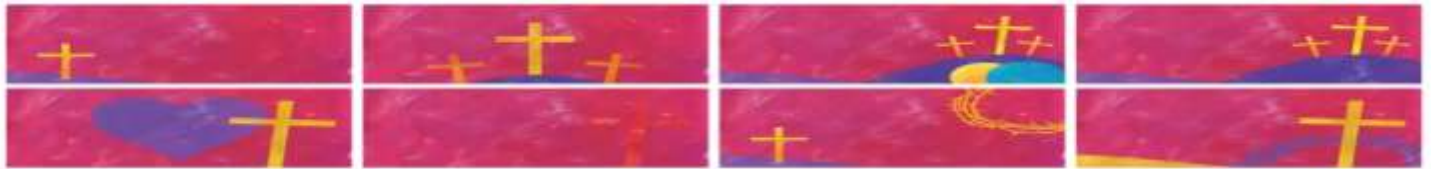
RECENTLY DECEASED: Flo Haren.

ANNIVERSARY OF DECEASED: Jack Biviano, Wai Fong Ip, David Hills, Marguarita Tu, Jean Marie Ta, Herbert Tomsett, Mervyn Walshe Jnr.



Congratulations and Welcome

Daniel Alfred Kane, Miles Douglas Paton,
Fletcher Douglas Paton, Sion Tan, Kiana Dino Villegas



Reflection on the Gospel this Sunday

On this Sunday, we as Church reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, as told in chapter 10 of the Gospel of John. Historically, shepherds have been considered honorable individuals, even noble. Ezekiel refers to the kings of Israel as shepherds. In Psalm 23, pious Jews view their God as a shepherd who provides good things for his flock: "The Lord is my shepherd" (verse 1). The psalm continues to articulate what it means to be in a committed relationship with the Good Shepherd.

When Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd" (John 10:14), those who hear him automatically draw a parallel to those attributes because of their familiarity with the Psalms. The new insight Jesus adds is this: "I give them eternal life, and they will never perish" (10:28). Jesus is saying that not only in this life, but also in life eternal, all those who hear his voice and follow him will have all these good things. The Good Shepherd desires only good things for his flock. Jesus and his Father look after those who hear their voices and follow them.

人吃饱了，厌恶蜂房的蜜。人饥饿了，一切苦物都觉甘甜

He who is full loathes honey, but to the hungry even what is bitter tastes sweet

From Fr David

Dear friends,

A very happy Mother's Day to all our mothers! May this day be a blessed one, and may it be a day of gentle memory and gratitude if our mothers have gone before us. May we continue to draw from their example and love.

Today the Church throughout the world also prays for vocations. Might we all make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life? Please do pray for us priests. Keep us in your prayers throughout the week. And do encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest, deacon, or religious brother or sister. Through your encouragement that the seeds of vocation can be nourished and brought to life!

Through this week we learnt of the impending retirement of Mr John Couani, Principal of St Pius X College to take effect at the end of 2022. John has been Principal of the college for the last

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Upcoming Events

Sunday 15 May	JRS Food Collection begins in Parish 10.30am Mass : Celebration of the 110th Anniversary of the Chatswood St Vincent de Paul Conference
Sunday 22 May	2.30pm—5.00pm Mass Readers Reflection afternoon
Sunday 29 May	Ascension Sunday 4pm Peter Kearney Concert - "Signs of Hope—People of Faith"
Sunday 5 June	Pentecost Sunday
Sunday 12 June	Bach Akadamie Concert
Sunday 19 June	Vinnies Winter Appeal

This Week in the Parish

Monday	9 May	9.00am-12noon	Term 2 Catechists Meeting (Magnificat Room)
		9.45am-11.15am	Atrium for 3-6 years
		11.30am-12noon	Divine Mercy Chaplet and then 11.45 am Rosary (MMP Cenacle)
		11.30am-1.00pm	Atrium for 6-9 and 9-12 years
		4.00pm-5.30pm	Atrium for all 3 age groups
		7.00pm-9.00pm	Alpha (Magnificat Room)
Tuesday	10 May	9.45am-12.15pm	Bible Discussion Group (St Paul Room)
		9.30am-11.30am	Playgroup (Magnificat Room)
		4.00pm-5.30pm	Atrium for all 3 age groups
		7.00pm-8.30pm	Indonesian Legion of Mary (St Paul)
		7.00pm-9.00pm	Joint North Shore Parish Pastoral Councils meeting (Magnificat Room)
		7.00pm-9.00pm	Filipino Choir practice (Church)
Wednesday	11 May	6.30pm-8.00pm	Indonesian music practice (Church)
		7.00pm-9.00pm	Exploring the Faith course (St Paul Room)
Thursday	12 May	9.30am-12noon	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
		9.45am-11.15am	Atrium for 3-6 years
		10.00-11.00am	Conversation Circle with Fr David (Magnificat Room)
		5.30pm-7.30pm	Legion of Mary (English) (Magnificat Room)
		7pm-8pm	Holy Hour with Reconciliation available
Friday	13 May	10.00am-11.30am	Meditation (St Paul Room)
Saturday	14 May	9.30am	Rosary and Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help with Benediction/ Reconciliation available
		10.45-12noon	Marian Catholic Action Group meeting (St Peter Room)
		7.00pm-9.00pm	Korean Reading & Discussing Bible Class (St Paul Room)

From Fr David cont'd

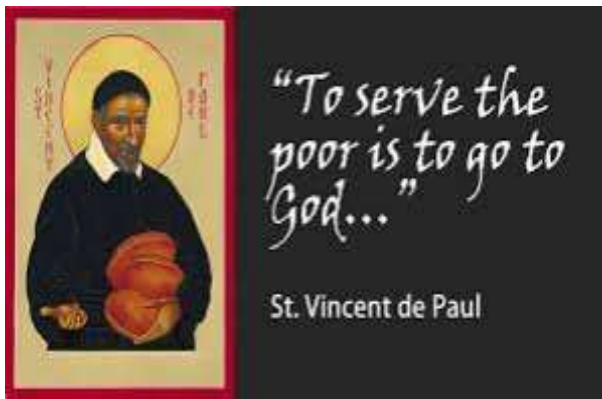
twelve years and has made an extraordinary contribution to the life of the school. We wish John every blessing at this very significant moment. There will be opportunity towards the end of the year for us to express our gratitude to John as a parish community.

Thank you for your assistance over the coming weeks as we seek to renew our parish database through the conduct of our parish census. This is a very important way by which we can ensure we are able to keep in contact with you, and it is a significant moment in our Journey Together: Being Church in the City. Communication is the key to a strong and vibrant community, and we wish to keep you in contact with all the developments of our journey and with all the many wonderful opportunities that are available in our parish. The Census will also help us learn how you would like to become more involved in the life of our community. We want everyone to experience a sense of inclusion and participation, and the Census will be a very helpful means for us to realize this.

On this Tuesday evening our Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council will join with those of the Parishes of Lindfield-Killara and Lower North Shore to come to know one another more and to consider if there may be some common areas in which we might collaborate, given the proximity of the communities. It may be possible to undertake a range of activities together or to promote one another's events more fully. This possible pastoral co-operation has been underscored by the recent establishment of three Deaneries in our Diocese: North Shore, Northern Beaches, and Central Coast. These allow various parishes to come together for matters of common interest and endeavour.

The 110th Anniversary of the Establishment of our Chatswood Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference

Sunday 15 May at 10.30am Mass



For 110 years men and women in our parish have been inspired by the spirit of St Vincent de Paul and the vision of Fredric Ozanam to be ready to assist those in need.

Today our small but dedicated members respond with constancy and compassion to those struggling in our parish community. Their ministry is silent but powerful.

Next Sunday we commemorate their endeavour as we recommit to the spirit of St Vincent de Paul.

Conversation Circles with Fr David

Fr David invites members of our parish community to join him for a series of conversation circles at which we can engage him with the questions we might have about

**Our Parish, as Parish Priest,
Our Diocese, as Vicar General**

The Fifth Plenary Council of the Church in Australia, as Secretary of the Council.

Circles will be limited to about 12 people at a time and conducted over a range of dates to enable as many to participate.

The opportunities are on Tuesday 17 May, Wednesday 18 May, Tuesday 24 May at 7.30pm or on Thursday 12 May at 10am or Monday 16 May at 10am.

Of course, choose only one date!

Please register through the parish office by leaving your name, preferred date and contact number.

Happening in our Parish



FOOD DRIVE for JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICES



15, 22 & 29 May

JRS continues to provide support for increasing numbers of refugees and people who are seeking asylum. People on temporary protection visas are not permitted to work. They depend on agencies such as JRS to assist them with practical support. JRS does not receive government funding.

The following items can be dropped in to St Peter Room on Sundays 15, 22 & 29 May between 9am and midday, preferably in cloth supermarket bags.

BASMATI RICE
COOKING OIL
DRIED LENTILS
DRIED CHICKPEAS
SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER
LAUNDRY POWDER
DISHWASHING LIQUID

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- To receive donations in St Peter Room from 9am to midday on 15, 22 & 29 May.
- To sort and pack items on Monday 30 May.
- Drivers to take donations to JRS in Parramatta in the week beginning 30 May. (*JRS are not open on weekends*)

Contact Gail at
gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au



A plea for your musical help!

Given a number of changes in peoples' circumstances this year, we find ourselves now short of musicians for our weekend Masses. We are looking especially for singers and musicians for our Sunday 9am Mass and Sunday 10.30am Masses

For the 10.30am Mass, both Sunny and Peter will provide all hymn lists and contents earlier in the week and the actual practice starts at 9:00 am on the day before the Mass Peter is also kind enough in teaching singing techniques during each rehearsal session. So, if any singers are interested, they can join them in the coming sessions.

Please do let us know if you can assist us!

PASTORAL WORKS
Broken Bay

Help renew and rebuild families and parish communities in Broken Bay.

Give now before 30 June

Visit:
bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks
Or use: Parish Envelope

Pastoral Works Broken Bay is the new name for CWF

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine
CCD - Catechists

Pastoral Care and Hospital Chaplaincy

St Lucy's School
K-6 students with disabilities

St Edmund's College
7-12 students with disabilities

Ephpheta Centre
Catholic Deaf Community

Megawati Cokro, Ping & Lydia Manlangit

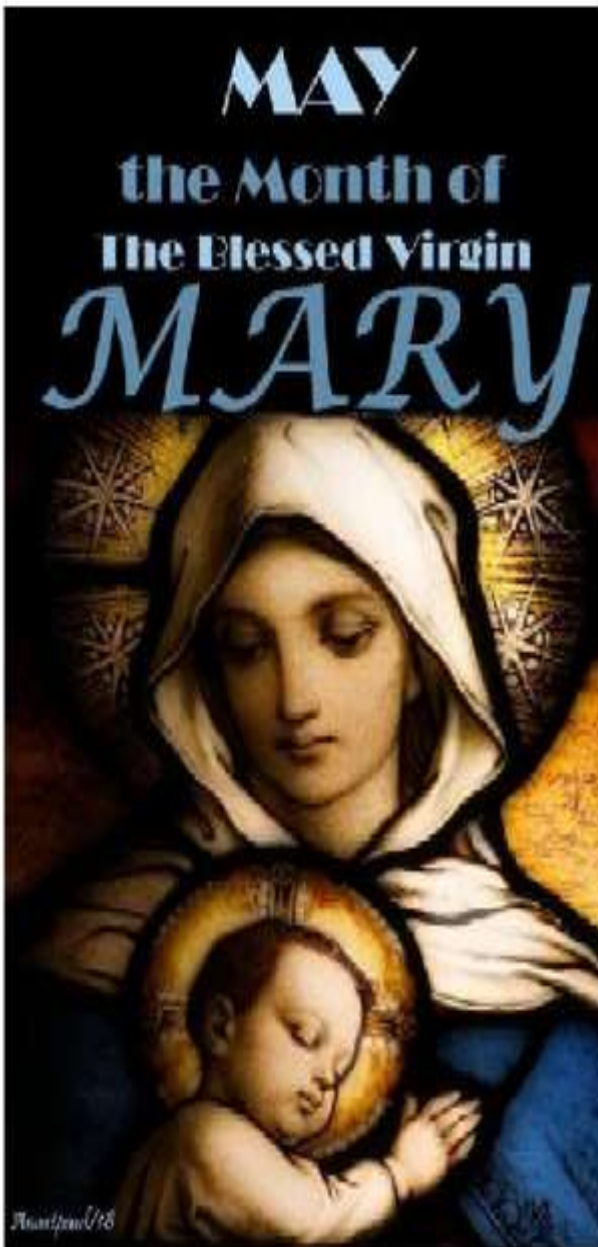
Thank you

for the Easter Flowers

In Memory of
Roy Woodall AO, Clare O'Rourke,
Phil Ryan & Donald Gomes

Thank you to all who contributed to our Pastoral Works Appeal last weekend. Envelopes remain available if you have not yet had the opportunity to contribute

When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved, He said to His Mother: “Woman, behold your Son! Then He said to His disciple, “Behold your Mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his home. - John 19:26-27



VISITATION OF MARY TO YOUR HOME

Do you want to take home Mary's statue in the month of May?

You may have your own statue of Mary. That is wonderful but consider this a blessed “visit” with spiritual blessing.

A statue is available to be picked up from O.L.D. Church to stay in your home for at least one day (your choice but no more than a week).

A booklet of prayers will be provided to help you venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary during her visit.

If interested, please email

chalswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

or approach a priest

or contact via text or call

Cecilia at 0466 967 240; or,

Ditas at 0405999510

Mary—the Month of Mary

ROSARY PRAYER

on the feast of

Our Lady of Fatima

May 13 @ 8 PM



Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood
Zoom Meeting ID: 813 7155 8252
Passcode: 107362

Fatima and the Rosary

At every one of her six apparitions at Fatima between May and October 1917, Our Lady specifically asked for the rosary to be said everyday. The rosary is prayed almost daily in our church - Mondays - 11.45 am, Tuesdays to Saturdays - following the 9 am Mass. Everyone is most welcome to join in. According to tradition, the Rosary was given to **Saint Dominic** (1170-1221) in 1208 in a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary to spread this devotion. It was later promoted by **Blessed Allan de la Roche** (1428-1475) a Dominican Friar who received from the Blessed Virgin herself through a private revelation 15 promises to those who pray the Rosary devoutly.

15 Promises of the Virgin Mary to Christians Who Recite the Rosary:

1. To all those who shall recite my Rosary devoutly, I promise my special protection and very great graces.
2. Those who shall persevere in the recitation of my Rosary will receive some signal grace.
3. The Rosary will be a very powerful armour against Hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin, and dispel heresy.
4. The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish, and will obtain for souls the most abundant divine mercies; it will substitute in hearts love of God for love of the world, and elevate them to desire heavenly and eternal good. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means!
5. Those who trust themselves to me through the Rosary will not perish.
6. Those who shall recite my Rosary piously, considering its mysteries, will not be overwhelmed by misfortune, nor die a bad death. The sinner will be converted; the just will grow in grace and become worthy of eternal life.
7. Those truly devoted to my Rosary will not die without the consolations of the Church, or without grace.
8. Those who shall recite my Rosary will find during their life and at their death the light of God, the fullness of His grace, and will share in the merits of the blessed.
9. I will deliver very promptly from Purgatory the souls devoted to my Rosary.
10. The true children of my Rosary will enjoy great glory in Heaven.
11. What you shall ask through my Rosary you shall obtain.
12. Those who propagate my Rosary will obtain through me aid in all their necessities.
13. I have obtained from my Son that all confreres of the Rosary shall have for their brethren in life and death the saints of Heaven.
14. Those who recite my Rosary faithfully are all my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.
15. Devotion to my Rosary is a great sign of predestination



Being Church in the City: Our Journey Together

Sharing our Dreams

We are very grateful to the number of people who have already shared their dreams for our church, our community, our precinct.

**Just four weeks remaining in the first phase of our Journey
The Call to Dream**

We continue to invite everyone to share their thoughts and hopes through until the end of May 2022.

From the Vademecum of the Synod of Bishops 2023 to assist us on our own parish journey

[This is a] time to dream and “spend time with the future”: We are encouraged to create a local process that inspires people, with no one excluded to create a vision of the future filled with the joy of the Gospel.

The following dispositions will help participants (cf. *Christus Vivit*):

- An innovative outlook: To develop new approaches, with creativity and a certain audacity.
- Being inclusive: A participatory and co-responsible Church, capable of appreciating its own rich variety, embraces all those we often forget or ignore.
- An open mind: Let us avoid ideological labels and make use of all methodologies that have borne fruit.
- Listening to each and every one: By learning from one another, we can better reflect the wonderful multi-faceted reality that Christ’s Church is meant to be.
- An understanding of “journeying together”: To walk the path that God calls the Church to undertake for the third millennium.
- Understanding the concept of a co-responsible Church: To value and involve the unique role and vocation of each member of the Body of Christ, for the renewal and building up of the whole Church.
- Reaching out through ecumenical and interreligious dialogue: To dream together and journey with one another throughout the entire human family

Willoughby City Council has recently released its own vision for the future.

Council undertook seven months of community engagement which was synthesised and incorporated into the development of the *Our Future Willoughby 2028*. The *Our Future Willoughby 2028* identifies the vision for the future of Willoughby City as: ‘*Willoughby’s diversity underpins our livable and prosperous City*’.

This vision is supported by five strategic outcomes as outlined below and supported by a number of priorities:

- A City that is green
- A City that is connected and inclusive
- A City that is livable
- A City that is prosperous and vibrant
- A City that is effective and accountable

These plans will have a direct implication for many of our parishioners, and especially for our parish precinct. We are therefore studying the document with great care.

<https://www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au/Community/Planning-for-our-Future/Our-Future-Willoughby-2028>

Submissions open until 8 June 2022

OUR HOPES & DREAMS

A SAMPLE OF WHAT HAS BEEN RECEIVED SO FAR

My hopes & dreams for our Chatswood church are...

"To build a strong community. Where children get to know each other and have enough activities to build friendships and are comfortable to open up to others if they have issues."

Parishioner

"Having a cafe - the idea of a cafe is to get people together, not only because of food, but also a place to share about faith and a conversation with others."

Peter

"The Church can attract a lot of people by her look, her welcoming team, various programmes and ways of making people feeling at home such as welcoming people from other places."

Parishioner

My hopes & dreams for our parish community are...

"Our church is somewhat apart from the vibrant hub that is Chatswood.

So I would like us to have a greater engagement with Chatswood and its citizens. For example: a strong presence at the annual spring fair; a stall at the craft market, selling religious items and

promoting the activities of our parish (social justice, etc); maybe even a shop on the mall or in Victoria Avenue, selling items of religious devotion (like the one in Katoomba)."

Richard

"To have more interactive activities for the youth/adults/families. (Nature walks, treks, a time to reflect, etc)."

Parishioner

The first things I think we should focus on are...

"More communications with elderly parishioners. Check to see if they are lonely, need transport or shopping. Invest in a small bus. Use for picking up parishioners for mass or meetings. Once a quarter, have a mass to celebrate seniors and their contribution."

Seniors Group

"More discussion, social/ getting to know each other events. Catechesis and faith formation seminars/lectures."

Anthony

"(Plan for) buildings for Community Centre and Charity Centre ... (to) hold meetings, seminars, functions, retreats, and gatherings ... such as Community Dinner, Christmas free meals and other charitable food feasts."

Parishioner

How to share your hopes & dreams

We would love for you to share your dreams and help to shape the future of our church, parish, and precinct. Feeding these back to our community and building on them with further initiatives will begin to give shape to the possibilities being given us by the Spirit of God.

You can share your dreams by...



visiting www.churchinthecity.com.au/dreams and filling in the questions; or



emailing dreams@churchinthecity.com.au and sharing your dreams; or



filling out the **dreams booklet** found in the church foyer and pews

or scan here!



Spiritual and Pastoral Resources



TIME WELL SPENT

(Marian Catholic Action Group)

Many of us have busy lives with much time devoted to achieving personal goals and demands made of us by life. In this situation prayer can often be omitted as it may seem that our inactivity equates with lack of achievement yet we know that Jesus calls us to prayer and himself found time and a place for prayer.

In heaven we will join the angels and saints in continuous adoration of God and here on earth we have a foreshadowing of that experience when we come before the Blessed Sacrament in prayer and adoration.

Here in Chatswood we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday mornings following 9 am Mass through to 12 noon and again in the evenings 7 pm to 8 pm. Many holy men and women have attached great importance to the making of a daily holy hour and parishioners are invited to take up the opportunity we have on Thursdays to do the same. For those whose commitments prevent them from making the full hour, even 15 minutes dedicated to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament would be time well spent.

We ask you to register your willingness to participate in parish adoration by signing on to the schedule in the main foyer of the church indicating the time you will be available during the morning exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. You are also invited to nominate an intention or intentions that you would like included in the prayers before the Blessed Sacrament. Those who are unable to attend during the existing times of adoration are invited to nominate a day and time during which they would be able to engage in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.



Confession Times:

Thursday : 7 PM
Saturday : 9:30 AM

Our Lady Of Dolours Chatswood
94 Archet St. Chatswood

THE TIME IS NOW: A CALL TO UNCOMMON COURAGE

A FORUM WITH SR JOAN CHITTISTER OSB

TUESDAY 31 MAY

7pm - 9pm

MC Geraldine Doogue

Monte Sant Angelo College, McQuoin Hall
128 Miller St North Sydney (*no onsite parking*)

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If covid-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE weekend will be held via Zoom



A Message from Bishop Anthony on Vocations Sunday

This Sunday, 8 May is World Day of Prayer for Vocations – marking its 59th anniversary. It is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The motivation for this day is found in both the Gospels of Matthew (9:38) and Luke (10:2) when Jesus says “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborer's into his harvest.” There are four vocations our Church uses to help discern God’s plan: marriage, single life, priesthood and religious life and God calls us to respond freely and generously to His call.


However, World Day of Prayer for vocations is an opportunity to celebrate and pray for vocations to ordained ministry and religious life in all its forms. In the Diocese of Broken Bay we have 7 seminarians and 3 Diaconate Aspirants. As a community we need to wrap ourselves around their formation. Everyone in the Church has ownership of their process which is multi-dimensional – the human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral – and they interrelate, and interconnect with each other. In my years as a priest and bishop I have served as a vocations director, seminary rector and episcopal vicar for formation with a particular focus on the formation of seminarians, young clergy, and the ongoing formation of priests. I know those discerning a vocation today have seen the challenges the Church has faced and the shift in culture but still they come forward. I have also heard those considering a vocation say that prayers, their own as well as others, are critical to their discernment. Even once a decision has been made to pursue the priesthood, diaconate, missionary or religious life, the continual prayers of the faithful for the grace to persevere in holiness are appreciated and welcomed. Please pray, on this Vocations Sunday, for our seminarians and deacons as they continue on their journey, and pray that the Lord will bless the Diocese of Broken Bay with more vocations.

Sunday is also special for all the mothers in the Diocese. I pray you and your families have a very special Mother’s Day, and even if your mother cannot be with you I will pray in gratitude for all those who have given new life.



Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood

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OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Our Lady of the Angels
Mass in Chinese 中文弥撒

日期：每月第三主日 (5月15日)
Date : Third Sunday of Every Month (15 May)

时间：下午3:00
Time : 3:00 pm

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或
Facebook: Our Lady of the Angels Catholic

查询电话：8883-4063
Enquiries :

Retirement of Mr John Couani, Principal of Pius X College



**EDMUND RICE EDUCATION
AUSTRALIA**

... educating for liberation and possibility

5 May 2022

The Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo
Bishop of Broken Bay

By Email: bishop@bbcatholic.org.au

Dear Bishop Anthony,

It is with mixed feelings that I announce that after twelve years of outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the St Pius X College community, Mr John Couani will conclude his time as Principal of the College at the end of the current school year.

John's contribution to the St Pius X community has been immense. He has not only overseen the transition from the leadership of the Christian Brothers to lay leadership but has also been instrumental in building upon the College's excellent reputation in the local and broader Catholic community. Under his stewardship, College enrolments have never been stronger and John has been passionate in his desire to see all young people experience success in their lives. He is a man of deep faith and has been a wonderful advocate for the charism of Blessed Edmund Rice.

John started his teaching career in 1977 at Marist Sisters' College in Woolwich and also worked at Marist College, Pagewood and Brigidine College in Randwick. In 1987 he became the Assistant Principal at St Brendan's College in Yeppoon in Queensland (a Christian Brothers' school) and later he returned to Sydney to take up the role of Deputy Principal at St Patrick's College Sutherland, another Christian Brothers' school. John then moved into more senior roles in Catholic education; firstly as Principal at De La Salle College in Kingsgrove and later at Holy Spirit College in Lakemba. In 2002, John became a senior Regional Consultant with the Catholic Education Office in Sydney and was the Regional Director in the Eastern Region from 2006-2010. John commenced as Principal of St Pius X in 2011.

As John transitions to retirement in 2023, we wish him and his wife Maree every blessing. He will be sorely missed by members of the St Pius X College community and by his colleagues in Catholic education.

On behalf of all members of Edmund Rice Education Australia, I warmly congratulate John on his twelve years of outstanding service as Principal of St Pius X College and pray that the next stage of his life will be full of much joy and happiness.

With my best wishes,

Craig Wattam
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Signs of Hope - People of Faith



CONCERT-REFLECTION

with Peter Kearney

Songs linked by stories and reflections about people whose faithful lives have brought hope and compassion into the world. This program could include songs and stories about:

- Mary Mother of Jesus
- St. Joseph
- St. Francis of Assisi
- Mary MacKillop (St. Mary of the Cross)
- Sr. Irene McCormack - the Australian Josephite nun who was killed in Peru in 1991.
- L'Arche Communities giving welcome to people with disabilities.
- Fr. Mark Croker – the shearer who became a shepherd. A 'late vocation.
- Fr. Ted Kennedy – priest of Redfern for 30 years. A friend and advocate of aboriginal people.
- Fr. George Zabelka—peacemaker
- Pope John Paul II in Australia
- Faithful parents

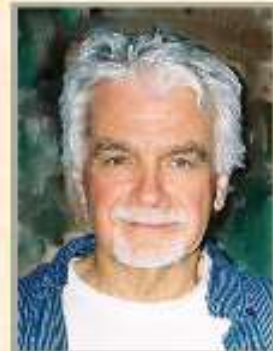
Duration to be decided with Parish. Either

1. A single bracket of 60 minutes or
2. Two 35-minute brackets with interval.

PETER KEARNEY

Peter has travelled through Australia and overseas since 1982 to share his songs and stories. His best known compositions include 'The Beatitudes', 'Fill My House', 'Where is your Song, my Lord' and 'This Is Our School'. Peter writes and sings for adults and for children. Fifteen CDs of his songs and hymns have been published and several of his titles are included in the 'As One Voice' hymnal.

"Songs of celebration, songs of faith, songs with a strong social-justice emphasis, simple fun songs. Bible stories and passages put to music, but without sacrificing quality or theological depth." (Heather Hubert)



Towards the Federal Election—21 May 2022



Australia's Catholic bishops have called for a shakeup that focuses the country's politics on the common good of all, including - and especially - those who struggle to participate in the community.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge said no one political party fully embodies Catholic Social Teaching. The bishops are, however, offering an election statement to encourage Catholics and people of good will to reflect on the good they can do for their community by using their vote for the good of all. Archbishop Mark said "we all long for what Pope Francis calls 'a better kind of politics, one that is truly at service of the common good.'"

The Statement takes the theme "*Towards a Better Kind of Politics*" from Pope Francis' encyclical letter *Fratelli Tutti*. While not endorsing political parties, the document identifies some key issues that the bishops believe voters should consider before deciding which candidates or parties to support. The statement was prepared with reference to the key principles of Catholic Social Teaching, which are outlined in the statement.

Access the election statement online at: <https://bit.ly/BishopsElection2022>

NORTH SYDNEY ELECTORATE "MEET THE CANDIDATES VOICE YOUR VALUES" 2022 FEDERAL ELECTION

The Catholic Parish of North Sydney invites you to meet the candidates, hear them and question them on the issues which matter most to you. This will be a special occasion for members of faith communities in the Federal Electorate of North Sydney to come together to assist in personal discernment on the many important issues in Australian society today that confront and concern us. Each candidate has been invited to initially respond to the following questions:

Why are you standing?

What are your 3 most important values?

What are your 3 priority policies?

What do you see as the greatest challenge facing Australia in the next 5 years?

Why and how do you think you can have an impact?

A Q & A session will follow.

This is your chance to ask questions on the matters that concern you.

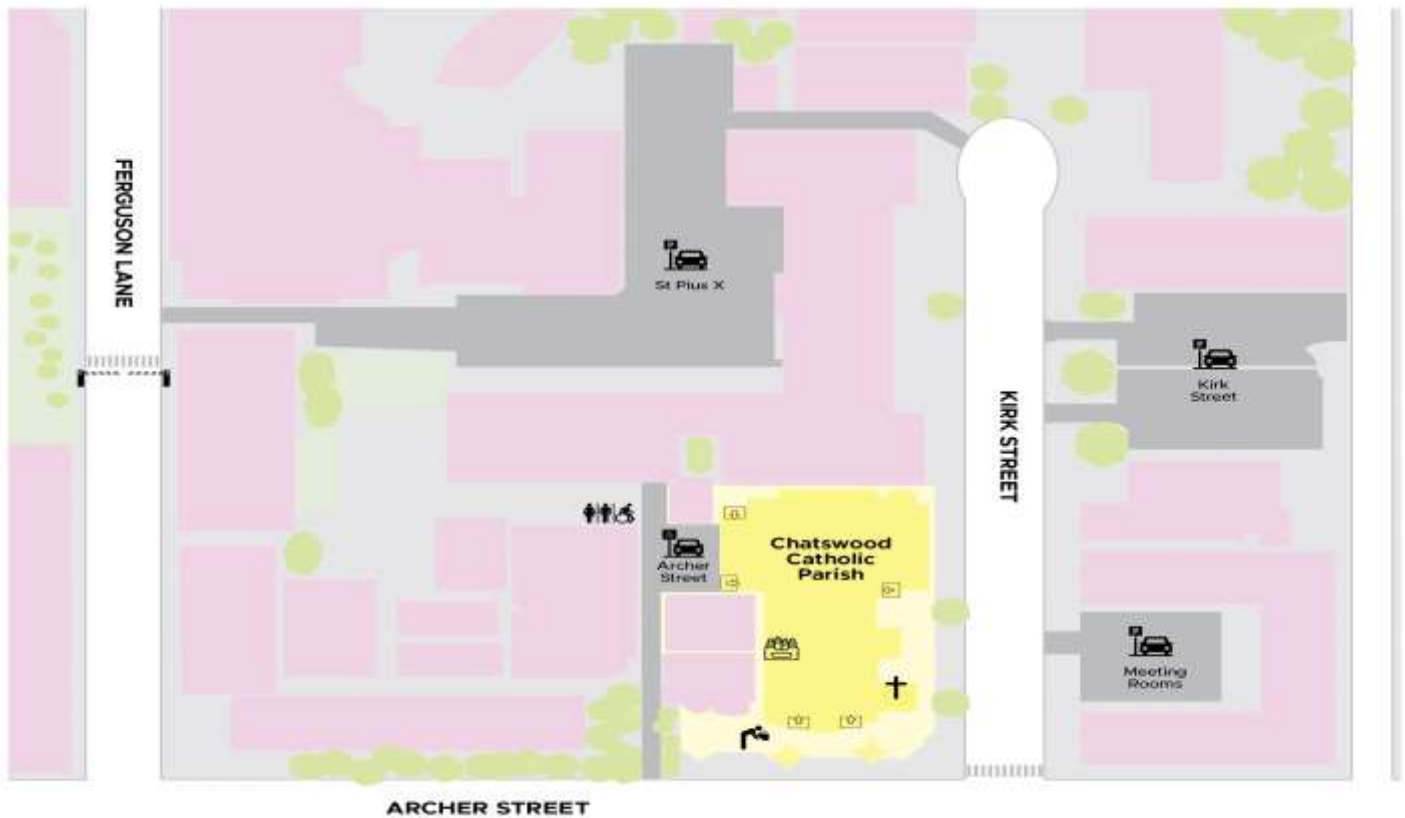
Tuesday May 10th at 7.30pm (finishing at 9pm) Bookings essential (no charge).

TRYBOOKING REGISTRATION CLICK ON THIS LINK: <https://www.trybooking.com/BZASF>

The Ron Dyer Centre, 40 Ridge St North Sydney (behind St Mary's Catholic Church).

Parking on site

Parking at Our Lady of Dolours



Requests for Mass Intentions

It is a privilege for one of our priests to be able to offer Mass for a special intention, especially at the time someone has died or on the occasion of their anniversary. 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 at a particular 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.

Altar Flower Signup 2022

If you would like to reserve a date for Altar flowers, please contact Nicole in the Parish Office on 9410 9020 or nicole.gorman@bbcatholic.org.au. Altar flower arrangements can be in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion; birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, marriages, etc.. The suggested donation for flower memorials is \$100. Volunteers will then beautifully and simply arrange the flowers for Sunday.

Please submit your donation at least one week prior to the date you would like to dedicate the flowers. This will give the parish office time to ensure your dedication is in the weekly bulletin.

Supporting our Parish Financially

Donation for	Description	BSB	Account Number
First collection (support for Clergy)	Chatswood Parish Pastoral Revenue A/C	062-784	100001606
Second collection, Planned Giving by EFT & general donation to Parish (support for Parish operation)	Chatswood Parish Working A/C	062-784	100001609

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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 visit our parish website at <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood>

Do be sure to take a copy home of "Our Sunday Celebration" available at the entrances to our church.

Inside there is much wonderful reading for our spiritual nourishment.

Would you like to receive our Parish Bulletin by email?

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Sunday Masses

5.30pm Saturday evening Vigil Mass

7.30am (followed by Morning Tea on 1st Sunday of the month)

9.00am (Includes Children's Liturgy of the Word on 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays, except on long weekends).

10.30am

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

Spanish Culture Mass

12noon, 3rd Sunday of the month

Indonesian Culture Mass

7.00pm, 3rd Sunday of the month

Weekday Masses and Devotions

Monday: 12.30pm

Tuesday: 9.00am and 12.30pm

Wednesday: 9.00am and 12.30pm

(Sacrament of Anointing is celebrated after Mass 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

Thursday Adoration After 9am Mass. Ends with Divine Mercy Chaplet at midday followed by Benediction.

Thursday Holy Hour with Exposition and Reconciliation 7.00pm

First Friday of the month: 6.30pm Divine Retreat Centre Healing Mass and Prayer