



## *The Baptism of the Lord—Sunday 9 January 2022*

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 Our Lady  
of Dolours

### *Prayer in a Time of Pandemic*

In this challenging time Lord Jesus Christ, our true physician and healer, be merciful to us and bring us your aid in these troubled times.

Heal all our sickness and every affliction of your people. Drive out our infirmities of soul and body; free us from all disease and especially from this pestilence.

We place in your gentle Heart the elderly, the frail, people with disability, children, young people and families, our indigenous peoples, those who are poor, lonely and isolated.

As you walk with us, free them from fear, and give them patience and hope together with our loving care.

In your mercy deal also with the causes of our pitiful condition, that in curing our lack of faith and spiritual weakness, you may also remedy our bodily ills.

We place our trust in you, the risen Lord, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

To our brothers and sisters who have contracted and are suffering due to the Coronavirus Disease, we pray that God's healing hand may rest upon you.

To medical doctors, nurses and the supporting staff who are in the frontline of the fight against COVID-19, may the Good Lord sustain you and inspire you to render your life-saving services with due care, love and compassion.

To all those who have lost their loved ones due to the Coronavirus outbreak, we convey our deepest sympathies.

We pray that their souls, through God's mercy, may rest in eternal peace.

We pray that God may grant all bereaved families his consolation and strengthen their faith and hope in Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord. Amen.

*Prayer adapted from the 2020 Easter Message of the Catholic Bishops of Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe*

*Flowers donated this weekend for the Anniversary of Agnes Alice Press.*

## Parish Masses This Week

**The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord  
brings to a conclusion the Season of Christmas.  
This week we commence Ordinary Time as we journey towards the Season of Lent  
which commences with Ash Wednesday 2 March 2022**

Monday	10 January	12.30pm Mass	Weekday of Week 1, Ordinary Time
Tuesday	11 January	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Weekday of Week 1, Ordinary Time
Wednesday	12 January	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Weekday of Week 1, Ordinary Time
Thursday	13 January	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Weekday of Week 1, Ordinary Time
Friday	14 January	9.00am and 12.30pm Mass	Weekday of Week 1, Ordinary Time
		10.30am	Mass of Christian Burial for Kevin Burrows
Saturday	15 January	9.00am Mass	Saturday Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday	16 January		<b>2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>

## Please Remember in your Prayers

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Anne Peck-Koon Chung, members of Curtin, Rolfe, Hughes and Egan families; Kevin Burrows

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Marija Vlatko Rulo, Christopher Dignam, Mollie Curtin, Ljuba Bacic, Francis Ward

### FOR THE SICK:

Dr Ley Mary Chea, Gordon Thomas



## Congratulations and Welcome

Reese Lynn Dcosta,  
Rehan Joshi,  
Christina Hyun Jin Kim,  
Brian Chan Woong Hwang,  
Harry Min Sung Hwang

**baptised on Sunday 9 January 2022**

## Upcoming Events

Monday 17 January—Saturday 22 January	Annual Leave for Fr Marek Woldan
Wednesday 26 January	Australia Day: Masses at 9.00am and 12.30pm
Sunday 30 January	Launch of <i>Being Church in the City</i> —a journey of community reflection and discernment
Monday 31 January	Commencement of School Term 1
Friday 4 February	Divine Retreat Centre Healing Mass and Prayer at Chatswood 6.30-8.30pm
Saturday 5 February	Lunar New Year
	National Christian Life Survey undertaken in our parish this weekend
Sunday 6 February	Celebration of Lunar New Year at 10.30am Mass and afterwards

## ENTERING INTO THE LITURGICAL SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME AFTER THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

### A Reflection by Fr David

As the Sundays of Ordinary Time now follow the Christmas Season we are immersed into the story of Jesus. The Spirit reminds us of his story and makes the story present now. We cannot tire of hearing this story and of discovering its depths in new ways according to the changing circumstances of our lives.

Each Sunday we hear part of that story, we reflect on it, we wonder with it and discover ourselves in it. We are delighted, disturbed, challenged and consoled. We become moulded by the story, by the memory. Jesus' story becomes our story. Every occasion we gather for the Liturgy of the Word we enter into the power of story and memory. We are a people of memory, a people who savour and cultivate the memory of the story of Jesus of Nazareth, who remember his journey from death into life, and in that memory, out of that memory, called also to be the people who seek new possibilities for ourselves and our societies. It is one of the principal roles of the Holy Spirit to so 'remind' us. "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you." (Jn 14:26)

In our faithfulness to the story of Jesus, in the Spirit, we become both the storyteller and the story itself: the ones who keep the memory alive and at the same time the very story of God's continuing action in our time and in our place. We are both the guardians of a sacred memory and those who create new memories, new accounts of the Spirit's work in Jesus. So significant is human memory that we have dared to affirm that it is one of the means in and through which God's revelation takes place. Not only is the mystery of God revealed in the word of Scripture but in the people's memory of that word. Tradition too is a source of God's revelation. This vital pillar of the Catholic imagination derives from the Judaic understanding of memory's power of divine revelation. For the God of the Hebrews was not a divinity attained through the horizon of speculation but the God who had acted in history. Israel knows its God through its memory. As Louis Dupre has remarked, "to the faithful Jew no act has deeper significance than the remembrance of the origins. The memory of history is a religious duty . . . Yet more than being a sacred obligation, the remembrance of Israel's past provides the Jew with a pattern for understanding and accepting the present. . ."

When the Vikings of old raided the Saxon villages the very first people that they would seek out to assassinate would be the village storytellers. They knew only too well that to take out the story tellers was to remove the story of the people. Rupturing the people's link with the stories which animated their common and personal life was to deliver a mortal blow to the memory of the village. To sever memory was to create disorientation, to render the village into a profound sense of hopelessness. When there was no memory, neither could there be a future.

In many ways, we have forgotten the need of people to gather together and listen to a story. George Miller, the famous film producer, suggests that this need is now largely met by the cinema. Certainly, the continuing popularity of the cinema and films illustrates our need for stories, the need we have to pitch our own personal story against a larger drama, to have the threads of resolution played out for us in our own personal quests for power, for love, for redemption. This resolution is definitively given us every time we listen to the story of Jesus and his own quest for truth and for love, for a life stronger than death.

Tolkein, a great storyteller, has Sam say at one stage, ". . . the brave things in the old tales and song, Mr. Frodo: adventures as I used to call them. I used to think that they were things the wonderful folk of the stories went out and looked for, because they wanted them, because they were exciting and life was a bit dull, a kind of sport, as you might say. But that's not their way of it with the tales that really mattered, or the ones that stay in the mind. Folk seem to have been just landed in them usually<sup>at</sup> their paths were laid that way, as you put it. But I expect they had lost of chances, like us, of turning back, only they didn't. And if they had, we shouldn't know, because they'd been forgotten. We hear about those as just went on . . . I wonder what sort of tale we've fallen into?"

**多托谁，就向谁多要。**

**From the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked**

# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CHATSWOOD CHURCH



**CHINESE CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION**

**Lunar New Year Fund Raising for Jesuit Refugee Services**



**SALE OF RAFFLE TICKETS @ \$5 EACH**

Sales BEFORE Sunday Masses

From 1 Jan 2022

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am,  
10:30am and 5:30pm

To 6 Feb 2022 10: 30am

Sales at Church Office

94 Archer Street Chatswood

Monday to Thursday during office  
hours (9am to 4 pm)

DRAW DATE: 6/2/2022 Sunday after 10:30am Mass & Lion Dance  
(The sixth day of the Lunar New year of the Tiger)

PLACE: Church Forecourt 94 Archer Street Chatswood

RAFFLE TICKETS DRAWN BY REV FR. DAVID RANSON

## Prizes include:

23cm standing crochet tiger, Crochet big cat & dolls, Sushi set for two, premium ceramic bowl set, classic travel cot, Fantasy Britney Spears & Sukin Hydrating Body Lotion, Chinese silk pyjamas, Chinese embroidery cloth bag, evening handbags, various styles ladies handbags and more...

Please contact Amelia at [amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au) or call 94109032 for any enquiry, and/or if you would like to volunteer to help with this event.



# *Our Lady of Dolours Church Chatswood*

## **Appeal for gifts donations**

**Chinese Catholic Association  
Lunar New Year Fund Raising for Jesuit Refugee Services**

**Items required:** Large gifts for raffle tickets draw  
Small gifts for Lucky Dip draws

**Draw date:** 6/2/2022 Sunday after 10:30am Mass & Lion Dance  
(The sixth day of the Lunar New year of the Tiger)

**Place:** Church Forecourt 94 Archer Street Chatswood

**Raffle tickets drawn by Rev Fr. David Ranson  
Lucky Dip by yourselves (Instant sure wins)**

**Gifts drop offs to the Parish office- 94 Archer Street Chatswood  
from Monday to Thursday during office hours (9am to 4 pm):  
From now to 23 December 2021 Thursday, and  
From 4 Jan 2022 Tuesday till 27.1.2022 Thursday.**

**Please contact Amelia at [amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au)  
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**Contact:**

## Around and About

EastFest presents a chance for young adults to come together and kick start their 2022. We have Fr Rob Galea presenting a reflection and music to inspire us and a chance for Adoration and Reconciliation. The event will be at the Footbridge Theatre at Sydney University and tickets must be booked online and are just \$20 (\$15 for groups) For further info please contact [easterndeanerysydney@gmail.com](mailto:easterndeanerysydney@gmail.com) or to book go to <https://www.trybooking.com/BWEZS>

Feel free to call Hamish Lavery if you need any other details (0408702418)

EASTFEST 2022

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AN EVENING WITH

FR ROB GALEA

*agape*

FRIDAY, 28TH JANUARY

FELLOWSHIP FROM 6:00PM | 7:00PM START

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# im22 A Three Day Ignatian Murmuration

On May 12-14<sup>th</sup> 2022, JISA is offering a very special conference to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the conversion of St Ignatius Loyola. This three day conference will be an Ignatian 'murmuration'.

A 'murmuration' is a flock of birds that take flight together and, as one, change direction in swirling patterns and shifting shapes. When a murmuration turns in unison, scientists believe it's like a phase transition. One bird knows to turn when its neighbour turns since they're close together and can see each other. With each bird responding to its neighbour in three dimensions, the whole flock turns with the principles of attraction, safety and leadership.

Our Ignatian murmuration will be similar to this. We will soar and turn within the pattern of St Ignatius' conversion, creating beautiful forms where our life stories mirror his, and we will likely morph in unexpected directions together.

Deeper yet, when we share our need for healing on the front lines of our lives and community, we swoop with the Spirit into new life. Our Ignatian murmuration aims for a spiritual phase transition in our christian living and service – in other words, for conversion.

Join us in this dynamic flight of reflective patterns and spiritual consciousness over three joyful and transforming days.

[How does a murmuration move?](#)



# 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**

**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: 11.30am (preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet at 11.15am); 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