



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
Chatswood Catholic Parish



33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

14 November 2021 – Year B/1

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE
PRAY FOR:

Sick: Gordon Thomas,

Recently Deceased:

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Chatswood
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Chatswood, 2067
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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOuWB-xkzimV6TdjNbTbSnv>

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Farewell to Fr Aldrin and Thankyou!
**May the Lord bless you abundantly in your
first appointment in your priestly ministry.**



Dear family and friends,

Thank you all for accompanying me not just on the day of my Ordination and my first Mass of Thanksgiving, but since the day you warmly welcomed me in our wonderful parish family of Our Lady of Dolours. I continue asking for the support of your prayer as I labour in the vineyard of our Lord, especially in my new assignment at Lakes Parish. This is not goodbye but just see you around.

Please pray for me that I will remain grateful, that I will always be reminded that who I am and whatever I have is a gift from God, a gift that is meant to be shared to others.

“How can I repay the Lord for all the good he has done for me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of his people” (Ps 116:12-14).

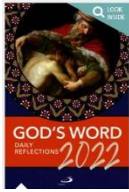
Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam!

Fraternally yours,
Fr Aldrin.

We continue to pray for our HSC Students during their period of exams
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Mondays 8.00am – 11.00am
Fridays 1.00pm – 3.00pm

*This weekend's flowers have been donated for
Caden Joseph Almeida.*

Within our Parish



GOD'S WORD 2022

We have God's Word 2022 books for sale in the Piety Stall at \$15 a copy. Please visit the Piety Stall after Sunday masses.

The **Catholic Weekly** newspaper is back for sale at \$2 per copy in the church foyer.

A reminder that the **Parish Meeting Rooms** remain closed until further notice.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on a Friday until further notice.

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

November 2021 Appeal

St Edmund's College is one of the five beneficiaries of Pastoral Works Broken Bay.



The College supports 120 students with disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism, providing skills and experience for them to fully engage in life.

Your generous donations help with vital fee assistance to families in our Catholic community so that their children can access the services offered by St Edmund's.

All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible and allocated to your Parish contribution for Pastoral Works Broken Bay. Please give generously by either using the QR code above, completing one of the PWBB envelopes on the pews or online by clicking the link below.

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/giving/pastoral-works-broken-bay>

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

ST JOSEPH – A POWERFUL INTERCESSOR

a reflection by

Fr Paul Nulley

https://catholic.org.au/images/Year_of_St_Joseph_Reflection_November_2021.pdf

Sharing the joy
of christmas with
our community.

This Christmas let's follow Mary's example of saying 'Yes' to God. The following is one way you might respond with your Yes.

We would like all parishioners; families, school classes, parish groups, group of friends and individuals, to participate in sharing the Christmas Spirit by recording a short Christmas greeting, Christmas carol or photographing a Christmas art piece and sending it to us. All abilities welcome!

We will collate and share the compilation of our collective efforts via our Parish YouTube channel. This is a new way of reaching out to family and friends who may be in a nursing home or at home and unable to join us, for our regular Christmas Celebrations.

Please send your video to Katya or Josef via: chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au before Sunday 5 December 2021.

For help or enquiries please contact:
Katya : kpolimenileung@gmail.com
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From Fr David

Dear friends

This weekend we farewell our much-loved Fr Aldrin from our community. Fr Aldrin has been with us just 18 months as a student, a Deacon, and a newly ordained priest. However, he has very much endeared himself to us all by his warmth of personality, his sincerity and by his pastoral companionship. We thank him for the way in which we have been enriched by his presence and giftedness and we wish him the very best as he assumes his first pastoral appointment in his priestly life. We are grateful that he is not too far away for he knows that he will always have a place in our hearts.

The NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill (2021) has begun to be debated in the NSW Parliament. This proposed legislation is of grave concern to us who value life and who affirm the importance of care in palliation as the true indication of our rights and dignity. The termination of life as a form of palliation is abhorrent to us. I urge you to make your voice known to your local Members of Parliament and to join in the “Compassion Never Kills” rally taking place on the grassed area behind the NSW State Library on Thursday 18 November from 4pm. Registrations for the rally are essential and can be made through this QR code



Last Monday evening, a number of our parish community attended our Community Action forum on affordable housing – or remarkable lack thereof - in the Ku-ring-gai Council region. Mercidatis from our parish spoke eloquently of her experience. Our Community Action group will continue to keep this issue before us in the coming months leading to Council elections.



The renovations to our parish presbytery are now in full swing. There is much current disruption to our residence, but it is all at the service of a most worthwhile outcome. All asbestos has now been removed; a new verandah ceiling has been installed, central air conditioning has been installed, the bathrooms have been gutted ahead of refitting, major repairs in the kitchen have been achieved, and the interior repainting has commenced!



Just an alert that from Monday 15 November, access to Kirk Street will be severely restricted. Council is upgrading the pedestrian crossing on the intersection with Archer Street. The work is expected to take about 2 weeks.



Confirmation 2021

The children in our parish who prepared earlier in the year will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation on

Saturday 4 December AND Sunday 5 December
at 11.00am
12.30pm
and 2.00pm
at 2.00pm

In the lead up to this very special occasion we will be recapping what we covered in the preparation sessions

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they make their final preparations for Confirmation.



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Our Lady of Dolours has launched a new Online Enrolment Enquiry form that makes it easier for you to register your interest in having your child attend the school. You can find the new online enrolment form [here](#). We'd love to welcome you to our school. Further information about enrolling your child at Our Lady of Dolours can be found on the [enrolments page](#) or you can call the School on [\(02\) 9419 2645](tel:(02)94192645).

Baptism This Sunday:
Hugo Ryan Hidayat





Our Gospel this Sunday

Mark 13:24-32

No matter what happens, we need to remain faithful to the Word of God, for even though heaven and earth pass away, the Word of God is eternal and will not pass away. God's Word is the only sure thing. Mark tells his community that in times ahead, they will experience suffering and pain and that events will make the world a dark place. But Mark cautions Christians to never lose hope, the hope grounded in their faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for those who remain faithful, in spite of world events, will be with Christ in eternity.

Mark warns us that as Christians, we will have to profess our faith by the way we live, and in times of persecution we may even have to die for our faith. But at the Second Coming of Jesus, the faithful will be gathered by Jesus as a community to eternally live in the holy presence of God the Father. Mark also tells us that no one knows when the Second Coming of Jesus will happen. In fact, Mark gives us great advice: "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (13:32). So why worry about it? Not even Jesus the Son knows. We should live our lives each day as faithful followers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. That is something we can control.

#RedWednesday

Red Wednesday is an annual event to remember and pray for all who are persecuted and oppressed for their Christian faith. Churches and public buildings around the world will light up in red to show solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Red Wednesday is an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need.

The Diocese of Broken Bay will mark this occasion with a Red Wednesday Mass.

Details are as follows:

Date: **Wednesday 24 November 2021**

Time: 7:30pm Mass

Venue: Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church,
94 Archer St Chatswood

Celebrant: Fr David Ranson VG

Registration for the Mass is essential. Please register at

www.bbcatholic.org.au/redwednesday

The Mass will also be live-streamed and can be accessed from this webpage.

Our Presbytery's 'Make Over' now in full swing!



义人虽七次跌倒，仍必兴起。

**A righteous man falls seven times,
he rises again.**