



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS Chatswood Catholic Parish



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5 December 2021 – Year B/1

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Dr Ley Mary Chea, Gordon Thomas

Deceased Anniversary:

Irene Ward, Constantine Menezes, Mate Bacic

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Chatswood
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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOuWB-xkzimV6TdjNbTbSnw>

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VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, 4/5 December, is our collection and O.L.D. parishioners' support is appreciated. Your donations are used in a variety of ways including, for individuals and families experiencing financial difficulties, supermarket food vouchers, rent assistance, assistance with the purchase of white goods and removal fees. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.



BRINGING BACK THE FUN AFTER THE
LOCKDOWN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

EAT, PRAY & CHILL

December 9, 16, 23

6:30 – 9:30 : Food Truck Opens

7:00 – 8:00 : Exposition & Prayer

8:00 – 9:30 : Music/Entertainment

Our Lady of Dolours Church
94 Archer St, Chatswood
(02) 9410 9000



This weekends' flowers have been donated for
Irene Ward's Anniversary.

Within our Parish



PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS!

How to do this? Let the Piety Stall help you!

- ❖ Send a nativity-themed Christmas card. Packs of 8 cards available at \$4.00 each. Loose cards from \$2.00 each.
- ❖ Give your child a nativity ornament to hang on your Christmas tree. From \$4 each.
- ❖ Display a nativity scene in your home. Place an all-in-one very cute nativity set in your child's room. From \$7.
- ❖ Give a gift that lasts all year long. Columban religious art calendars, available at \$10.00 each; God's Word daily readings and reflections at \$15 each.

ADVENT SCRIPTURE TALKS

Over four weeks, five Australian biblical scholars from Yarra Theological Union will reflect on the richness and beauty of the Advent readings. These free of charge virtual talks are facilitated by Garratt Publishing.

Speaking from their own area of expertise:

- Dr Mark O'Brien OP
- Dr Janina Hiebel
- Dr Mary Reaburn NDS
- Dr Chis Monaghan CP
- Prof Mary Coloe pbvm

DATES and TIME

- Tuesday 23 November
- Tuesday 30 November
- Tuesday 7 December
- Tuesday 14 December
- 7.00pm to 8.00pm

Registration is essential. A zoom link will be sent after you register. Recordings of the talks will be available to everyone who registers, even if you are not available at the date of the live presentations.

REGISTRATION

<https://garratt1.wufoo.com/forms/mgitmpjk9dofi/>

不轻易发怒的，大有聪明。性情暴躁的，大显愚妄
A patient man has great understanding,
but a quick-tempered man displays folly.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
The Parish Office remains closed on a
Friday until further notice.



SATURDAY 5 MARCH 2022
2.30 - 5.00pm Magnificat Room

MARY MAGDALENE THE MYTHS, THE CONTROVERSY AND THE GOSPEL TEXTS

Dr Debra Snoddy, lectures in Biblical Studies at Catholic Institute Sydney. Debra is an engaging presenter with a wealth of experience in both academic teaching and adult faith formation. She will present this seminar to mark International Women's Day which occurs on 8 March. If there are COVID restrictions, the seminar will move to zoom.
Contact: gall.gill@bbcatholic.org.au

FILIPINO CHAPLAINCY
DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

love, peace, joy

Christmas

NOVENA MASSES 2021

The Launch Mass → CHATSWOOD
11 DEC | 7 PM
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD

Christmas Novena Evening Masses → DEE WHY
15-23 DEC | 7:30 PM
ST KEVIN'S CHURCH
50 OAKS AVE, DEE WHY

Christmas Novena Dawn Masses → CHATSWOOD
16-24 DEC | 5:30 AM
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD

The Triduum → WYONG
21, 22, 23 DEC | 7 PM
ST CECILIA'S CHURCH
23 BYRON ST, WYONG

FURTHER ENQUIRIES:
DEACON ROBERTO CORPUZ
PASTORAL COORDINATOR
MOBILE 0414 525 448
ROBERTO.CORPUZ@BBCATHOLIC.ORG.AU

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, THERE WILL BE NO FELLOWSHIP AFTER MASS

FB: FILIPINO CHAPLAINCY BROKEN BAY

To book in for the Filipino Simbang Gabi Launch Mass

on Saturday 11 December @ 7pm,
please click here

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/news-events/events>

or go to our parish website and open 'Events'.

SENIORS' MORNING TEA



Come and join us in the Magnificat Room **this Thursday 9th December at 10am** for morning tea to celebrate the end of the year and Christmas. **At this time, only those who are fully vaccinated will be able to attend.**

Gina from Ethica will be joining us with some Christmas goodies. For more information contact Jan Hunter at gfiadino@bigpond.net.au

Christmas Mass times are now on our website.

From Fr David

Dear friends,

Our warmest congratulations to 150 of our children celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. We pray the gift of the Spirit upon them as they complete their Baptism and prepare to be received at Eucharist. Thank you to all their families and to Angela Hague, our Children's Ministry Coordinator, and to Mona Saouma, her Assistant, for all their attention preparing the children. May the lives of our children become truly enSpirited.

Our very special thanks to all who were able to help with our working bee last Saturday in the most dreadful of weather conditions. Our Men Alive Fellowship were defeated for just a day before being able to construct our outside Christmas Crib and we were able to begin our Season of Advent with the most spectacular Advent wreath in our church. A particular word of thanks to Fr Joey and a most fantastic team who have begun to prepare our church for Christmas. So much is going on in the background to ensure we have a magnificent celebration. Do be sure to take from the church the brochures we have promoting all the activity over the next several weeks.

Also, our gratitude to those who enabled us to celebrate Red Wednesday in our church on 24 November. This is the occasion on which we remember all those who suffer for their faith. The Mass is now available on our parish YouTube channel: https://youtu.be/zSSoG_TxSrk

This Sunday, after our 10.30am Mass, Peter Lazaro will be selling a great Christmas gift. He has recently been involved in a Sydney City Council project called "Sounds of Christmas from Asia Pacific" which is a compilation CD of Christmas songs sung in many different Asia Pacific languages. He was personally involved in providing music for 3 songs, and sang in 1 song representing the language of his birth country, Indonesia. All proceeds from the sale of the CDs will go toward seed funding for a subsequent project as well as supporting [Mudgin-gal Women's Place](#), an Aboriginal women-led organisation supporting vulnerable women and [The House of Welcome](#) that shelters, welcomes and empowers people seeking asylum and refugees regardless of their age, gender, sexuality, nationality or religion. Here is the link for the project <https://whatson.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/events/launch-of-sounds-of-christmas-from-asia-pacific-album>. If you are not at the Mass and wish a copy of the CD, ring Peter on 0426 505 838.

Fr Joey presented a great seminar on Our Lady of Guadalupe last Sunday evening. This too is available on our parish channel: <https://youtu.be/IB1R1-6IJA>

Our deep sympathy to Fr Robert Borg, a previous Parish Priest of Chatswood, whose mother, Betty has passed away. Betty was farewelled from St Thomas More, Brighton-le-Sands last Thursday. Eternal rest grant unto Betty O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. *Fr David Ranson*

PARISH PASTORAL & MISSIONARY COUNCIL - meeting summary.

The PPMC met for its final meeting of 2021 at 7.30pm on Tuesday 30th November in the parish's Magnificat meeting room. We welcomed Fr Marek Woldan, our new Assistant Priest to the parish. And we also said a warm thank you to Gail Gill who is stepping down from the PPMC after five years of service. Thankfully Gail is not going far and will still be serving in the parish team.

Following a prayer on the coming of our Lord, we continued to reflect on Fratelli tutti, this time on an extract of Chapter 8 - Religions at the Service of Fraternity in our World. In this, pope Francis confirms the wellspring of human dignity and fraternity is in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This led to discussions on ecumenism, as well as our reflection on our vocation on Christian thought, action of the Church, the primacy given to relationship and universal communion with the entire human family.

Drawing on discussions from preceding meetings throughout the year, we explored the opportunity to deepen our journeying together in Christ as a parish. Brendan presented a proposal for our journey being a Church in the city (a reference from Fr David's pastoral letter, Pentecost 2021). What do we dream/desire our parish to be? This is a question for all of us, and as we emerge from this pandemic crisis, and step into the parish's second century, the parish has the opportunity to prepare for this journey with the aim of launching an agreed plan at Pentecost 2023. There is much work to be done, including understanding our parish today, conversing and agreeing on our mission as a parish and deciding a direction and our approach. Plans are underway on how to facilitate this discussion and involvement with the whole parish. This plan includes the forming of a project team that will help coordinate key activities and key communications over the coming 18 months.

Christmas preparations are underway, and wonderful events have been planned leading up to Christmas. Parish volunteers have been busy organising several events this Christmas such as the Christmas video; Annual Christmas Bake Sale Fundraiser (12 Dec); Eat, Pray and Chill (9,16,23 Dec); and Candlelight Carols (18 Dec). Please find details of mass times and events in the printed Advent Flyer and Celebrating Christmas Flyer in the church foyer.

From all of us in the PPMC, Merry Christmas.

Children's Christmas Eve Nativity Mass



All children who would like to be involved in the Nativity play at the 5.30pm Christmas Eve Mass, please come to the **Blue Room** (*Where we hold Children's Liturgy*) after the 9.00am Family Mass on **Sunday 12th December**.

We will allocate roles and have a quick first practice at this meeting.

There will be two further practices as follows;
Sunday 19 December: in the Blue Room at 10.15am after the 9am mass.

Thursday 23 December: Rehearsal in the Church at 3.00pm

Any enquiries about the Children's Christmas Mass please contact Mona in the parish office on 9410 9024 or Mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au



Last chance to send your recording of a short Christmas greeting, Christmas carol or photo of a Christmas art piece to us. All abilities welcome!

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

A media permission form will then be emailed to you.

For help or enquiries please contact:

Katya: kpolimenileung@gmail.com

Josef: josef.widjaja@gmail.com

**DON'T FORGET OUR CHRISTMAS
 BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER.
 SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER
 ON THE CHURCH FORECOURT
 8.30AM – 12.30PM.**

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)

Large gift donations notification:
 Please send notification to amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au of your large gifts donations preferably before 15/12/2021 giving the gifts' name, description, estimated value and attaching its picture.

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 or call 94109032 for any enquiry, and/or if you would like to volunteer to help with this event.

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車士活悲傷聖母天主堂

籌集禮物呼呀

華人天主教教友團
 為耶穌會难民服務农历新年募款

所需物品: 抽獎大禮包
 幸運抽獎的小禮物

抽獎日期: 6/2/2022 周日 10:30am 彌撒及舞獅之後
 (虎年正月初六) 地點: 車士活愛卡街94號教堂前院
 94 Archer Street Chatswood Church Forecourt

大禮包抽獎券由大衛郎臣神父抽取
 小禮物幸運抽獎 (自助-人人有獎)

大額禮物捐贈通知:
 請最好在 15/12/2021 之前發送通知至 amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au
 提供禮物的名稱、描述、估計價值和圖片

禮物收集: 請在星期一至星期四辦公時間內 (9am to 4 pm)
 送禮物到教區辦公室-車士活愛卡街94號:
 從即日起至 2021 年 12 月 23 日星期四, 以及
 從 2022 年 1 月 4 日星期二到 2022 年 1 月 27 日星期四。

如有任何查詢或願意參加義工行列, 請發送電子郵件至 amelia.lee@bbcatholic.org.au 或致電 94109032 Amelia.