

Bulletin.

**Bringing the Light of Christ to the City:
We Love; We Grow; We Serve**

Diocese of Broken Bay
Chatswood Parish Newsletter
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Fourth Sunday of Easter



Welcome to Chatswood Catholic Parish

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, visiting for the first time, or returning after some time away, we are glad you are here. Our parish is a community of faith, prayer, and service, seeking to bring the Light of Christ into everyday life.

This bulletin is here to help you stay connected with what is happening in our parish, and to discover opportunities to grow in faith, serve others, and journey together as one community.



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若望福音 10:10

A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly. **John 10:10**

New to our parish?

If you are visiting or new to our community, we are glad you are here.

Please feel welcome to speak with one of our priests after Mass or contact the parish office for more information about parish life on 02 9410 9000 or chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au



A message from Fr David.

Dear Friends,

It is with very mixed emotions that I share that our much-loved Angela Hague has shared with me her desire to retire from her role with us in Children's Ministry. Angela will retire from her ministry with us on 2 July 2026.

Angela began with our parish in October 2006, nearly 20 years ago. For three years she worked as the Children's Ministry Coordinator during which time she established the Atrium of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at which she has been the person responsible ever since. Though Angela resigned from her parish position in 2009, she returned to our parish as the Children's Sacramental Coordinator in January 2015. The role evolved to include all those children's ministries with which she is currently involved whilst continuing her lead in the Atrium.

Angela has demonstrated exceptional commitment to our parish over these many years, animated by a great passion for the importance of Children's Ministry. At all times, her ministry has been marked by generosity and depth of care. Countless children and families have benefited from her presence her teaching, her leadership. We salute Angela with a profound word of gratitude for the many ways she has enriched our community of faith.

Though Angela will relinquish her parish roles, she will continue in a voluntary capacity in the Atrium so we are not losing her entirely, thankfully. She will continue to be a welcome presence in the wider life of our parish community.

We look forward to a parish occasion in the coming months at which we can show our appreciation to Angela

more fully. Please join me in thanking Angela and in wishing her every blessing in this new chapter.

This Wednesday, Archbishop Anthony ordains three new priests for our diocese, including Deacon Tan Nguyen who has been with us as a Deacon since last September. All are welcome to attend the Ordinations at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral at Waitara at 7.00pm. And then on the following morning, Thursday 30 April, Fr Tan will return to us at Chatswood to celebrate his Mass of Thanksgiving at 10.00am. Again, all are welcome to join us on this joyous occasion. We give God thanks for the great gift to the Church.

Please note that there will no 6.30pm Mass this coming Wednesday evening, and only the one Mass on the morning of Thursday 30 April at 10.00am.

Fr David Ranson PP



We acknowledge the Cammeraygal People of the Eora Nation, custodians of the land on which our parish stands and we commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of national reconciliation.

As a Parish of Catholic Faith we are committed to ensuring always a community of safety and care for all, especially for children, and those who are vulnerable.

Very Rev Dr David Ranson PP VG
Parish Priest, Our Lady of Dolours Church

What's happening this week at the parish.

Monday, 27 April 2026 – Sunday, 3 May 2026



Alpha In English

No matter where you are in your faith journey, we invite you to come and explore! Alpha continues this week.

Contact Gillian 0412 373 324 or gillian-hawkins@bigpond.com

Tuesday, 28 April 2026
7pm-9pm in Magnificat Room



Alpha In Chinese

An inviting space for Chinese speakers to gather for a meal and conversation in faith. Please register for catering purposes. All welcome! Alpha in Chinese continues this week.

Contact Hannah 0449 839 188

Wednesday 29 April 2026
12:15-2:30pm in Magnificat Room



Fr Tan Nguyen's Thanksgiving Mass

We thank Fr Tan Nguyen for his service at our parish for the past 6 months. All are welcome to attend his Thanksgiving Mass which will begin 10am followed by refreshments on the church forecourt.

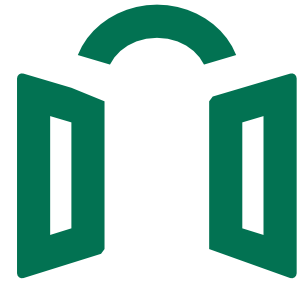
Thursday, 30 April 2026
10am in the church



First Friday Mass and Devotion

Join us for Rosary, Holy mass and Adoration at our monthly Friday evening Healing Prayer Service.

Friday, 1 May 2026
6:30 – 8:30pm in the church



April 2026

Monday, 27 April

Alpha in English

Magnificat Room 7pm

Tuesday, 28 April

Bible Discussion Group

St Paul Room 10am

Tuesday, 28 April

First Communion Parent Meeting

Magnificat Room 1:30-2:30pm & 6:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, 28 April

Indonesian Legion of Mary Meeting

St Peter Room 7pm

Tuesday, 28 April

Filipino Choir Practice

Harrington Hall 7pm

Wednesday, 29 April

Practice Language and Conversational English Classes

Magnificat Room 9:30am

April 2026

Wednesday, 29 April

Alpha in Chinese

Magnificat Room
12:15pm – 2:30pm

Wednesday, 29 April

Exploring the Faith

St Peter Room 7pm

Thursday, 30 April

Playgroup

Magnificat Room 1pm

Friday 1 May

Choir Practice

St Paul Room 5pm

Saturday 2 May

Infant Baptism Preparation Class

Magnificat Room
11:30am



First Communion Enrolments Closing!

To enrol your child:
www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood

Click on 'First Communion Enrolments' where you will find the dates and program info. Click on 'Enrol Here' tab to complete form.

Closing Monday 27 April 2026

chatswood.sacraments@bbcatholic.org.au

First Saturday Forecourt Rosary

Date: Saturday, 2 May 2026

Reconciliation & afternoon tea 3-4pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:45pm

Forecourt Rosary 4pm

For more info, contact Elaine at gotomothermary@gmail.com

Church Schedule

Mass Schedule This Week

Monday, 27 April 2026

12:30pm

Monday of the Fourth week of Easter

Tuesday, 28 April 2026

9:00am & 12:30pm

Tuesday of the Fourth week of Easter

Wednesday, 29 April 2026

9:00 & 12:30pm (no 6.30pm Mass)

Wednesday of the Fourth week of Easter

Thursday, 30 April 2026

10.00am only

Thursday of the Fourth week of Easter

Friday, 1 May 2026

9:00am & 12:30pm

Friday of the Fourth week of Easter

Saturday, 2 May 2026,

9:00am, 5.30pm

Saturday of the Fourth week of Easter.

Sunday, 3 May 2026,

7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Fifth Sunday of Easter.

Note:

Anzac Day Mass: Saturday, 25 April at 10am (normal 9am Mass & Devotions suspended)

Public Holiday Monday 27 April Mass will be 12:30pm (usual time).

Fr Tan Nguyen's Mass of

Thanksgiving: Thursday, 30 April at 10am (usual 9am Mass, Devotions and 12:30pm Mass suspended).

Funeral for Margaret Enright on Friday 1 May at 10:30am

Date	Time	Activity
27 April 2026	11:30 – 12:00	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Monday	11:45 – 12:15	Rosary (Cenacle MMP)
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	19:00 – 21:00	Praise & Worship Rehearsals
28 April 2026	8:45 – 9:30	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:30	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
29 April 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:30	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	18:00 – 18:30	Mass set up
30 April 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Thursday	10:00- 11:30	Fr Tan's Thanksgiving Mass
	11:30 – 13:30	Refreshments on church forecourt
	19:00 – 20:00	Holy Hour Adoration
1 May 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Friday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:30	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	18:30 - 20:30	First Friday of month Healing Mass, Rosary, Adoration
2 May 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Saturday	10:00 – 11:00	Morning Mass
	11:00- 12:30	TG's Choir Practice
	16:30 – 17:30	Vigil Singer Bookings
	17:30- 18:30	Vigil Mass
3 May	7:30 – 8:30	Mass
Sunday	9:00 – 10:00	Family Mass
	10:30 – 11:30	Mass
	12:00- 13:00	Filipino Mass
	17:30 – 18:30	Mass

Last Week in Review

Alpha



Alpha in English and Alpha in Chinese has now commenced. If you are interested to join please contact Gilian and Hannah respectively as per page 4 of bulletin.

Parish In Council Planning

Our facilitators held a dinner meeting to plan the upcoming Parish In Council to be held 16 May in Harrington Hall.



Archbishop Ryan Jimenez Visit

Our parish was graced with Archbishop Ryan Jimenez visit on Wednesday 22 April. A memorable evening enjoyed by all!

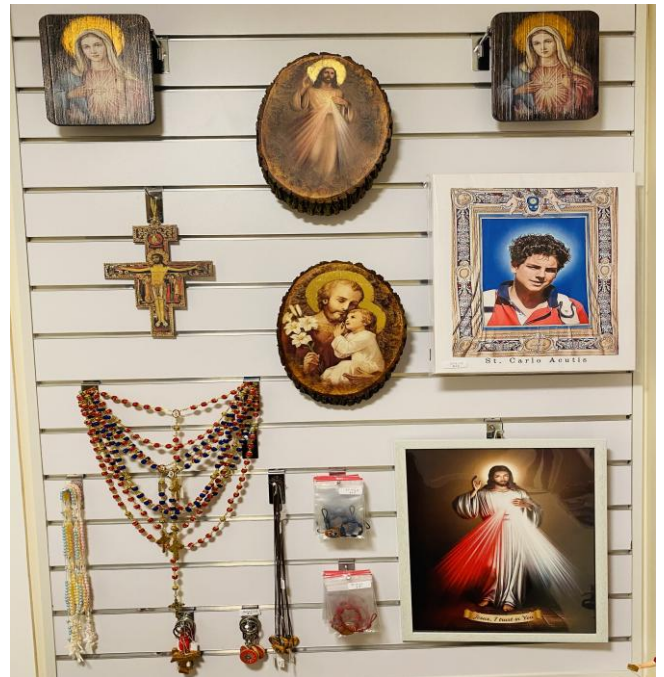


Celebrate Mother's Day with Meaningful Gifts!

As Mother's Day draws near, we invite you to visit the PEW Gift Shop and discover a thoughtfully curated selection of beautiful, meaningful gifts. Whether you're celebrating your mum, a grandmother, a mentor, or someone who has lovingly filled a motherly role in your life, you'll find something special to honour them.

Our newly arrived collection features a range of faith-inspired items, heartfelt keepsakes, and elegant pieces that express gratitude, love, and appreciation. From devotional gifts and inspirational books to delicate jewellery and home décor, each item has been chosen with care to help you celebrate the women who nurture, guide, and uplift us.

This Mother's Day, give a gift that carries both beauty and meaning. Visit the PEW Gift Shop and find the perfect way to say "thank you" to the remarkable women in your life.



PEW Gift Store Opening Hours

Weekdays after 12:30pm Mass

Weekends after each Mass

Enquiries: giftshopinthecity@gmail.com



Growing Together in Faith.

Our parish offers many opportunities to deepen faith, prayer, and understanding of God's presence in our lives. Whether through pilgrimage, learning, shared reflection, or quiet prayer, these gatherings invite us to continue growing as disciples of Christ together.

Exploring The Faith

Exploring the Faith offers a welcoming space for those who wish to deepen their understanding of Catholic belief and practice. Through guided discussion and shared reflection, participants are invited to ask questions and grow in confidence in their faith journey.

**St Peter's Room
Wednesdays 7pm.**

**Contact
Anthony@churchinthecity.com.au**

Spiritual Growth Book Club (with Fr David)

This book club offers an opportunity to reflect more deeply on faith and life through shared reading and discussion. Guided by Fr David, participants are invited to listen, reflect, and grow together in spiritual understanding.

**Wednesday 6 May 7.30pm
Location: Magnificat Room
Contact: Bernadette Jew**

bjew@innovart.com.au

Meditation Group

The Christian Meditation Group, part of WCCM, provides a quiet and prayerful space to pause, reflect, and listen to God. Through guided meditation, participants are encouraged to deepen their interior life and grow in attentiveness to God's presence.

**Fridays, 10:00am
Location: St Paul's Room
Fridays, 5.30pm online zoom.**

**Jon Nurman
jnnurman@yahoo.com**

The World Community for Christian Meditation (NSW) presents:

'MEDITATE IN MAY' Free 4-week Course via Zoom

An introduction to silent meditation in the Christian Tradition. This course is delivered in 4-sessions; each session has a different topic and there is time for practice and questions. Each session is around 1hr and 20 minutes.

Sessions are **Mondays 7:30pm** Sydney time on the following dates: 4-May; 11-May; 18-May and 25-May.

Enquiries/Booking: email to maximoc@gmail.com or SMS 0431 996 108

Parish Life & Community Groups

Alongside our faith formation, our parish is home to groups that foster friendship, cultural connection, and community. Please contact Dee, Parish Engagement Officer for further enquiries.

Call for Infant Baptism Ministry Volunteers!!!



Roles to Support (with Fr Hien)

- **Preparation Team** – facilitate the Baptism Preparation Talk (1–2 people per session)
- **Welcome Team** – greets families at the Presentation Mass (9:00am, 1st & 3rd Sundays)
- **Connect Team** – follows up with families after Baptism (email, cards, simple catch-ups)
- **Parent Faith Formation Team** – supports ongoing formation through family-related parish events

Contact Dee for further information at chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au



Free Community BBQ this Sunday 26 April after 10:30am mass on the church forecourt. All Welcome!

Thank you to Men Alive for cooking, St Vincent de Paul members and the Community BBQ Team for serving!

Each Sunday end of month, our various ministry teams collaborate to put on a community gathering after 10:30am mass, living out our parish mission, We Love, We Grow, We Serve.



Online Rosary

Please join us every Saturday at 7:30pm to pray the rosary for Vocations.

Zoom Details:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8034195601>
or Meeting ID: 8034195601
Enquiries: 0466 961 240

Please note: You do not need to have a computer to participate. Simply use a landline or mobile phone to ring (02) 8015 2088 and when prompted to provide ID code, enter 8034195601# and you will be connected to the Zoom Rosary.



Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians Patroness of Australia

All welcome!

Date: Monday, 25 May 2026

Time: 8:00pm

Meeting ID: 825 6843 4708

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82568434708>

Mass Explained: Discover the Meaning of the Mass

Understand the Mass. Live the Mass.

Following Pentecost, we invite you to a 4-week **Mass Explained** program, held on four consecutive Tuesday evenings.

📅 Dates (Tuesdays): 2, 9, 16, 23 June

🕒 Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

📍 Venue: Magnificat Room

Who is this for?

- Open to all parishioners
- Anyone seeking to deepen their understanding of the Mass

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Purpose

- Deepen your understanding of the Mass
- Encounter Christ more intentionally
- Discover the meaning behind gestures, prayers, and symbols

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Registration

All are welcome. Registration is encouraged to help us estimate attendance.



<https://www.trybooking.com/DLRJH>



SRE Catechists

Teaching Special Religious Education (SRE) at Mowbray Public School, Roseville PS, Castle Cove PS, Artarmon PS, Chatswood PS and Chatswood High School.

For more information, contact Karen on

02 9410 9029 or

karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au

FCCP Winter Wardrobe Rescue

Following Filipino 12pm Mass on Sunday 3 May, grab some food then grab a bargain in Harrington Hall!

Time: 1:30 - 4:30pm

Enquiries giselle.goloy@gmail.com

Visitation Of Mother Mary To Your Home

Would you like to take home Mary's statue in the month of May? You may have your own statue of Mary, and that is wonderful, but consider this as a blessed visit with spiritual blessing for your family. A statue is available to be picked up from O.L.D. Church to stay in your home for one or two days.

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

If interested, please sign up on the list at the statue's table or email: chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au or approach a priest or contact

Cecilia at 0466 961240



OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / A

26 APRIL 2026

THEY KNOW HIS VOICE. At times it can be hard to recognise the voice of Jesus as there are many who claim to speak in his name. A useful guide is to look at people's actions. We can listen to those whose lives reveal the qualities of Jesus: love, compassion, justice, self-sacrifice. They are the good shepherds in our midst.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 32:5-6

*The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were
made, alleluia.*

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us
acknowledge our sins, and so prepare
ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as
the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You have poured out on your people the
Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to
eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on
us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

*Glory to God in the highest, / and on
earth peace to people of good will. / We
praise you, / we bless you, / we adore
you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks
for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly
King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord
Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, /
you take away the sins of the world, /
have mercy on us; / you take away the
sins of the world, / receive our prayer; /
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, / have mercy on us. / For you
alone are the Holy One, / you alone are
the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, /
Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in
the glory of God the Father. / Amen.*

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,
so that the humble flock may reach

where the brave Shepherd has gone before.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14, 36-41

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with
the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a
loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be
certain that God has made this Jesus whom
you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and
said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must
we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter
answered 'and every one of you must be
baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the
forgiveness of sins, and you will receive the
gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was
made is for you and your children, and for all
those who are far away, for all those whom the
Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to
them for a long time using many arguments,
and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this
perverse generation.' They were convinced by
his arguments, and they accepted what he
said and were baptised. That very day about
three thousand were added to their number.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22:1-6. R. v. 1

**R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want. (or Alleluia!)**

1. The Lord is my shepherd; / there is
nothing I shall want. / Fresh and green are
the pastures / where he gives me repose. /
Near restful waters he leads me, / to revive
my drooping spirit. **R.**
2. He guides me along the right path; / he
is true to his name. / If I should walk in the
valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. /
You are there with your crook and your
staff; / with these you give me comfort. **R.**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me /
in the sight of my foes. / My head you have
anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. **R.**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow
me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own
house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Pet 2:20-25

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

*You had gone astray but now you have come
back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing
punishment patiently when you are punished
after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you are called to do,
because Christ suffered for you and left an
example for you to follow the way he took.
He had not done anything wrong, and there
had been no perjury in his mouth. He was
insulted and did not retaliate with insults;
when he was tortured he made no threats
but he put his trust in the righteous judge.
He was bearing our faults in his own body on
the cross, so that we might die to our faults
and live for holiness; through his wounds you
have been healed. You had gone astray like
sheep but now you have come back to the
shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10:14

*Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good
shepherd, says the Lord; I know my
sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Jn 10:1-10

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according
to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone
who does not enter the sheepfold through the
gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a
brigand. The one who enters through the gate
is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper
lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by
one he calls his own sheep and leads them out.
When he has brought out his flock, he goes

ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come

are thieves and brigands;

but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe:

he will go freely in and out

and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come

so that they may have life

and have it to the full.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Grant, we pray, O Lord,

that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,

so that the renewal constantly at work within us

may be the cause of our unending joy.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-V OF EASTER

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he

who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your Death, O Lord,

until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures the sheep you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

THE BEAUTIFUL SHEPHERD

The Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally from John 10, about the 'Good (or, literally, 'beautiful') shepherd'. Today's selection focuses on the image of the *gate* of the sheepfold. In our culture, gates and doors are important. They provide us with security and access to what is inside—a house, a building, a room. And through entering the door or gate, we come to be with others, with whom we (usually) identify or know, perhaps family members and friends. In the Gospel, the one who enters this gate is the shepherd of the flock—an image familiar to John's Mediterranean audience and in a world where shepherds were male and female. The shepherd is a protecting and loving figure who is familiar with each sheep—calling each one by name. The shepherd leads the sheep who follow because 'they know his voice'. This image of the sheep 'knowing' the voice of the shepherd accentuates the deep and abiding intimate relationship between the sheep and shepherd.

In the final part of the Gospel, Jesus reaffirms his mission of protection and his intent to bring freedom to those who listen to his voice. Perhaps, by the time of the Gospel's writing, the community was already experiencing division, difficulty and others presuming to speak in ways that claimed authority but were in fact 'thieves and brigands'. The Gospel concludes: Jesus has come 'so that they may have life and have it to the full.' This desire for the fullness of life echoes in each of our hearts as we allow the voice of the 'Beautiful Shepherd' to guide, protect and nurture us.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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车士活慈悲圣母天主堂
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, CHATSWOOD

普通话开幕弥撒
INAUGURAL CHINESE MASS

星期日

2026年5月10日

2:00下午

SUNDAY- 10 MAY 2026

2:00 PM

主礼 - 大伟朗臣神父

CELEBRANT - FATHER DAVID RANSON

欢迎参加

*All Are
Welcome*

94, Archer Street, Chatswood 2067

Phone: 0449-839-188, 02 9410 9000

www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood



This May, young people are invited to come together for a night of faith, friendship and music.

Praise & Worship 2026 is more than an event — it's a chance to experience the joy of being part of a vibrant Catholic community. Through live music, meaningful talks and moments of reflection, young people will gather around the bonfire, share a BBQ, and celebrate faith together.

If you have a teenager or young adult at home, invite them to be part of this uplifting evening!

Date: 22 May, from 6PM · Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood

🔗 Registrations: <https://www.trybooking.com/DKQMW>

Serving Our Community.

Our faith is lived not only in prayer, but in service. These opportunities invite us to support those in need, contribute to parish life, and put our faith into action through generosity, compassion, and care.

St Vincent de Paul March Report

We received 12 calls for help in March, two of these were new. One was from a homeless, country youngster moving from a hostel to a public housing unit. We fixed her up with the necessities she needed including a fridge and told her about local sources of food etc. The other was from a an NDIS pensioner recently arrived from interstate who needed food and clothing to help her settle in to accommodation arranged through a supportive organisation.

Three calls were from our long term "special group" which we are supporting till hopefully things improve for them. Included was our Short Term Visa couple, the husband of which is receiving treatment for serious illness and cannot work to help support them. We have been filling that gap. Thankfully his health is improving. Two callers we could not make contact with and the remainder needed some help with difficulties they were unable to handle mainly food.

Interested in joining Vinnies? Email john.russell@vinnies.org.au or el.herlianto@vinnies.org.au

Make a donation using the Vinnies poor boxes around the church.

Community BBQ

The next Community BBQ will be held May 31 following 10:30am mass with FCCP (Filipino Chaplaincy Chatswood Parish) and Community BBQ volunteers helping to serve lunch. All welcome!

Community Transport Drivers

Drivers who have a great commitment to help other parishioners get to mass! We need you!

Contact Dee
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

DIGNITY Pro-Life Alliance

The DIGNITY Pro-Life Alliance invites parishioners to reflect on and uphold the dignity of every human life, from conception to natural death. Through prayer, learning, and respectful advocacy, the Alliance encourages Catholics to engage thoughtfully with issues affecting the most vulnerable in our society. Resources are available for those who wish to learn more and become involved.

Learn more and get involved via the DIGNITY Pro-Life Alliance website or Contact Michael or Cecilia at aikimtan10@gmail.com



Additional Parish & Diocesan Notices



On Sunday 19 April, Deacon Tan celebrated his last mass at our parish. Thank you Doris for this picture with our altar servers and Deacon Tan.

Fr Tan Nguyen will be appointed as Assistant Priest at Corpus Christi Parish, St Ives.

We warmly invite all parishioners to attend Deacon Tan's special upcoming events:

Deacon Tan Nguyen's Ordination on Wednesday 29 April 7:00pm

Location: Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, 23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara NSW 2077

Fr Tan Nguyen Mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday 30 April 10:00am

Location: Our Lady of Dolours Church, 94 Archer St, Chatswood NSW 2067



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Engaging Your Faith online presentations

From \$25 per session.
Starting 4 May 2026.

For more information:
ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/

Aid to the Church In Need (ACN)

Aid to the Church in Need is calling for urgent prayer and support for Christian communities affected by war in the Middle East. Your help will provide emergency food packages, support parishes sheltering displaced families, keep schools running, and supply vital medical and pastoral care.

To learn more or give today, please scan the QR code or visit www.rebrand.ly/EmergencyAppeal



Call For Mass Welcomers!!!

Welcoming people to weekend masses. To join our friendly team, contact Dee at chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Spotlight on: Yuliana, Sunday 9:00am Mass Welcomer!



1. Tell us a bit about yourself.

Mum to two teenage boys. We don't have furry pets, but our house is like a mini aquarium with heaps of fish swimming about!

I am definitely more of an indoor person, but I love getting out and about to travel whenever I can.

Food adventures are always a highlight - I'm keen on tasting new dishes, though I'll admit I'd much rather eat than cook.

2. How long have you been a Welcomer?

Around 6 years.

3. Why did you join this ministry?

Inspired by my good friend Bernadette, I decided to join the Welcoming Ministry and am truly grateful for her encouragement. The role of a Welcomer really resonated with me because it is all about making every person who comes through the church doors feel at ease.

I believe it is so important that each person feels comfortable, included, valued, and seen. It's about helping everyone know that they belong and feel like home as they arrive to encounter Jesus.

4. What do you love about the Welcoming Ministry?

One of the most rewarding aspects of being involved in the Welcoming Ministry is seeing the smiles on the faces of our parishioners, whether they are regular or newcomers.

It is truly heartening to witness people feeling happy and genuinely welcomed, and it is even more special when they choose to return week after week.

Building meaningful connections with members of the parish is a highlight for me.

Remembering people's names, having them remember my name, and sharing stories with one another helps to foster a sense of community and belonging that is at the heart of our church.

5. Why should other people join?

Joining the Welcoming Ministry strengthens our parish community by helping everyone feel comfortable and connected.

It is also a way to share the message of Jesus, who welcomed all. Personally, I find joy in welcoming others each Sunday, and it's easy to be part of the Ministry —just be friendly and smile.



Parish-in-Council IX

Saturday 16 May 2026

Our parish holds three Parish-in-Council (PiC) gatherings a year. PiC's are for our whole parish community - embracing all who share in the life of our parish through worship, ministry, friendship or family.

At PiC we meet new people, get to know one another better, listen to each other and together, guided by the Holy Spirit, help to discern and shape the future of our parish - what God might be calling us to do, to live out our parish mission of Bringing the Light of Christ to the City – We Love, We Grow, We Serve.

Why does PiC matter?

PiC isn't a 'church' meeting, it's a vital part of our parish's journey of synodality - walking together, listening to one another and discerning where the Holy Spirit is leading us. PiC is also for everyone, all ages and all backgrounds, whether you're new to Chatswood Parish or been here since birth, whether you live nearby or travel from afar.

Chatswood PiC IX - Saturday 16 May

Everyone is warmly invited to join us in Harrington Hall on **Saturday 16 May starting at 12.05 pm** for our ninth PiC. The afternoon will feature lunch, thought-provoking presentations, conversations and the opportunity for each and every one of our diverse voices to be heard.

Kids Welcome!

We want PiC to be accessible for all families with children of any age. That's why we created Kids-in-Council, for toddlers through to teens, running in parallel to PiC, with catered lunch and tailored fun activities and games.

Register Today

Visit form.jotform.com/chatswoodparish/picix, scan the QR code, or speak with our parish office. Registration is essential to help us plan for catering and table seating.



Please Remember in Our Prayers.

For Those Recently Deceased

Hector Fernando Jr., Margaret Enright, Terry Roberts, Hennie Jill Gomez, Peter Wang, Eileen Mayo-Jaffray, Edward Carlos Aouad, Paul Tri, Eileen Mayo-Jaffray, Michael Purpura Glemao, Margaret Lee-Mathai, Scholastica Lakra, Barbara Woodall, Robert Cantwell; Pui Yee Yeung; Francis Moey.

For Those Who Are Sick

Olga Keller, Mr Gurung, Ian Charlton, Julie McCourt, Tamara Manoukian, Marilyn Legeay, Frieda Madaida, Rosa Solomon, Alexander Papandrea; Leo Papa: Evelyn Azar; Bruce Meppem; Ely Herft; Augustine D'silva; Catherine M Chan, Mirjana Marinovic; Mellita Jones; Daniel West; Ying Leong Fong; Rosetta Lo Presti; Celine Robinson; Rafael Senedrin; Gina Marotta; Deysi Villanueva; Ervita Wiroatmodjo; Almira Christina Chen; Mary Oakley; Eugenia San Gabriel; Jim Dennis; Jeremy Moon; Ley Peng Tan; Lody Herlianto; Chet Catapang; Mila Fidel; Onni Wong; Victor Chun Kau Ng; Carmel Villanueva; Delfin Mendoza; Irene Margaret; Laila Haddad; Thomas West; Lucy Rodriguez; Gillian Hawkins; Sr Marie Dayton; Judith Ryan; Maria Taylor; Ban le Llamas; Sally Hawkins; Donna Fernandez; Allison Roberts; Zac Vlastic; Helen Coutts-Trotter (sister of Terry Meagher); Teddy Malapira; Kristen O'Loan; Mitch East; Victor Villanueva Herriquez; Johnson Siu; Joseph Bonnici; Bill Piper; Gerard de Leon; Carlos de Leon; Bonnie Leung; John Triog and family; Esther Grant and family.

For Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Judge William Dignam, Pope Francis (1st Death Anniversary), Carlo Suplina, Nora Chan, Santana D'souza, Deceased members of Dayton family, Ivan Byak, Vica Byak, Karmelo Milostic, Katarina Roncevic, Fred Stephens Jn.

Birthday

Angela Hague

Sacraments Celebrated

Infant, Children & Adult Baptisms

Location: Our Lady of Dolours Church 12pm on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Our Altar Flowers This Week

Our Altar Flowers this week are in loving memory of Bernardita Paredes, who passed last year and celebrates her birthday in April.

Flower Donations

Honour a special occasion or remember a loved one with Altar Flower arrangements.

Suggested donations: \$130 for a standard arrangement with your choice of flower colours. \$200+ for fuller or specific flowers like roses.

Email Chloe at chloe.aylward@bbcatholic.org.au, at least 1 month prior with your preferred date/colours.

Our Volunteers, Irene and Cynthia, will beautifully arrange your flowers and place them by the tabernacle for the weekend.



Prayer for Vocations

During this month, the Serra Association invites parishioners to remember in prayer the bishops, priests, and deacons of our Diocese, asking God to strengthen and sustain them in their ministry and to inspire future vocations.

Around and About.

Our Serra Association invite us to remember one of the bishops, priests, deacons and sisters in our Diocese in our prayer each day during the month of April 2026.

Prayer For Vocations

Heavenly Father, we praise you for your goodness and thank you for your gifts.


Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church.


Assist all your people to know their vocations in life and help them to prepare for it.

Call many to be Priests, Deacons, and Consecrated Men and Women for your greater glory and for the service of your people.

Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.





St. Junipero Serra
Feast Day in USA: July 1

Month	Date	Name
April	1	Bishop Anthony Randazzo
	2	Bishop Emeritus David Walker
	3	Bishop Emeritus Robert McGuckin
	4	Fr Colin Blayney
	5	Fr Stephen Hill
	6	Fr Timothy Raj MSFS Fr Alex Peter Selvaraj MSFS
	7	Fr Gaspar Mushi Cssp Fr Jules-Davy Malonga Cssp
	8	Fr Vincent Lourduswamy MSFS
	9	Fr Michael Belonio OSA
	10	Fr Michael Sullivan OSA
	11	Fr Jumbin Torres OSA
	12	Fr John Zhang OSA
	13	Fr John Hill
	14	Fr Robert Borg
	15	Fr Jim McKeon
	16	Fr Aldrin Valdehueza
	17	Fr Vince Casey
	18	Fr Greg Chee OCD
	19	Fr Gerard Moran OCD
	20	Fr Sunny Peackal OCD
	21	Fr Restituto Ogismer cs
	22	Fr Jose Aliro Gutierrez cs
	23	Fr Savino Bernardi cs
	24	Deacon Roberto Corpuz
	25	Deacon Richard Houwig
	26	Deacon Adrian Gomez
	27	Deacon Paul Simmons
	28	Deacon Kevin Hale Deacon Kevin McGregor
	29	Fr Ireneuz Czech SDS
	30	Fr Brendan Lee Fr Anoop Devasia



VAD IN AUSTRALIA

Our Speakers:

PROFESSOR MEGAN BEST

VAD Legislation: Future Trends



Dr Megan Best is a professor of bioethics at the Institute for Ethics and Society at the University of Notre Dame Australia. She has a clinical background in Palliative medicine and has researched extensively in psychoncology, bioethics and spiritual care in healthcare.

DR JOANNE WRIGHT

Future Trends in Reference to the



Canadian Experience
Dr Wright is an Aged Care Psychiatrist working in both public and private practice in Northern Sydney. She has experience in the palliative care area.

DR FRANK BRENNAN

The Impact of VAD on Palliative Care Practice



Frank Brennan is a Palliative Care Physician based at St George and Calvary Hospitals, Sydney. He is also a lawyer and has an interest in the human rights dimensions of Palliative Care and pain management.

**Saturday 9th
May 2026
10.00am -
12.00pm**

**University of
Notre Dame Broadway**

140 Broadway, Chippendale
Pioneer House
Room: NDS5/209

Walking distance from

Central
Station. Parking available
Broadway Shopping Centre.

**Rsvp by: Thursday 7th
May 2026**
admin@catholicmedicine.org



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When: May 23 - 24, 2026
Time: 8:45am-10pm (Sat), 8:45-4pm (Sun)
**Location: Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre,
Baulkham Hills NSW**

Ph: 0408 162 038
Email: engaged.encounter.nsw@gmail.com

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MOUNT SCHOENSTATT

Centenary Jubilee of the Schoenstatt

Sisters of Mary



Join us for a peaceful day of prayer, reflection, and community as we visit the Marian Shrine of Mount Schoenstatt during the month of May.

Program

8:00 AM - Departure from Chatswood

Morning Tea - Welcome & Talk by Sr Olivia

Reflection, Reconciliation & Holy Mass

12:00 PM - BYO Picnic Lunch

Personal Prayer & Shrine Visit

2:00 PM - Adoration & Benediction

3:00 PM - Return to Chatswood

What to Expect

A guided introduction to the spirituality of Schoenstatt

Time for silence, prayer, and encounter with the Lord

Opportunity to receive a plenary indulgence

Fellowship with fellow parishioners

What to Bring

Picnic lunch (or light refreshments)

Water bottle

Comfortable walking shoes

Rosary or prayer book



**MOUNT
SCHOENSTATT**
230 Fairlight Road
Mulgoa, NSW 2745
Australia
**SATURDAY, 30 MAY
2026 | 8:AM - 4PM**



Cost: \$35 per person - return transport included

F&B: BYO snacks & Drinks

RSVP by: Saturday 16 May. Please scan the QR code (attached) contact the parish office or Fr Hien by 16 May.



**St Anthony in the Fields
Terrey Hills
God in Creation Camp**
**Saturday 6th - Sunday 7th June
2026**



Have you ever been interested in spending time in reflection outdoors? Or wanting to learn how to give back to the world around us? Join us for 2 days of outdoor activities and games, amazing opportunities to care for God's creation, and connecting with one another and Earth.

God in creation camp is for students between the **ages of 14 - 18.**

Saturday 6th June 2026 9:00am - 7:00pm:

Explore concepts of Laudato Si' experientially

Deep listening activities outside

Cosmic walk universe story reflection

Evening star-gazing

Sunday 7th June 2026 9:00am - 4:00pm:

Mass (9am with the parish)

Landcaring and stream watch

Film screening

Closing reflection



Location: St Anthony in the Fields Church Terrey Hills
Cost: \$132 per student

To express interest in your young person's attendance [click here](#). Full registration information will be emailed to parents in the following weeks. Registration close and payment due **May 1st 2026.**

Meet the facilitators!

Alice Carwardine - Alice has 8 years of experience running formation programs on the topic on Integral Ecology. She is a trained teacher and has previously worked on a number of youth initiatives in Parishes. Alice is passionate about supporting young people in developing their ecological ministry and eco-spirituality.



Adrian Brannan - Adrian is an experienced retreat facilitator who has worked for the Christian Brothers Oceania Province for a number of years. He is now director of the Chevalier institute at the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart. Adrian has a deep connection with First Nations peoples and has prior experience working in youth engagement in the Church.

Our Parish Information

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood

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Parish Office

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Parking at Our Parish

Parking is available around the church precinct. Parishioners are asked to observe local parking regulations and be considerate of our neighbours.



PEW Gift Store Opening Hours

Weekdays after 12:30pm Mass
Weekends after each Mass

Enquiries:

giftshopinthecity@gmail.com

Supporting Our Parish

Clergy Giving (First Collection)

BSB: 062-784 | Account No:
100001606

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BSB: 062-784 | Account No:
100001609

Mass Times & Devotions

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am - Mass
9.00am – Family Mass
10.30am - Mass
5.30pm –Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday: 12.30pm
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9.00am & 12.30pm
Wednesday: 9.00am, 12.30pm & 6.30pm
Saturday: 9.00am

St Peter's Green Aged Care Facility

Sunday: 11.00am
(for residents only)

Cultural Masses

Filipino Mass: 12.00pm,
first Sunday of the month
Indonesian Mass: 7.00pm,
second Saturday of the month

Devotions & Sacraments Morning Prayer:

Tuesday–Saturday: 8.45am
Rosary:
Monday: 11.45am
Tuesday - Saturday: 9.30am;
Monday - Friday: 1.00pm

Adoration:

Thursday: after 9.00am Mass
(Benediction at midday)

Holy Hour & Reconciliation:

Thursday: 7.00pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday: from 9.30am

Anointing of the Sick:

Wednesday:
After evening Mass
3rd Wednesday:
12.30pm Mass