

Bulletin.

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

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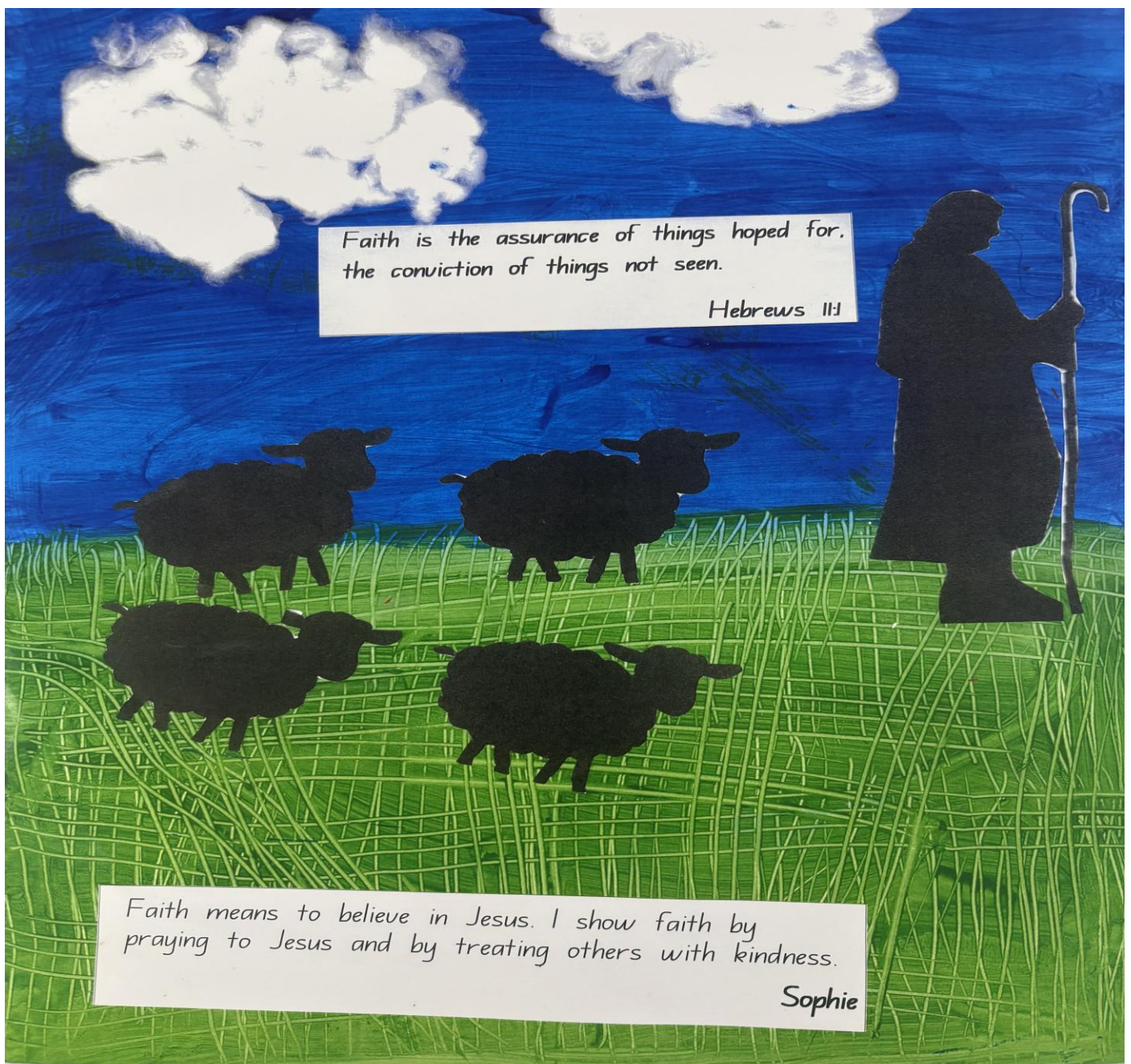


Image by: Sophie, Our Lady of Dolours Primary School student, as part of the Religious Creative Art Prize competition

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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Bible Quote for the week:

最後的，將成為最先的，最先的將會成為最後的。 瑪竇福音 20:16

The last will be first, and the first will be last. **Matthew 20:16**

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 mixed emotion that I share that our much-loved Fr Anselam will shortly take up a new appointment as Assistant Priest at the Parish of The Lakes (Narrabeen – Collaroy). Fr Anselam joined us nearly three years ago at the commencement of 2024 and he has exercised a ministry of great pastoral presence, gentleness, and generosity. We will greatly miss him. Such changes are never easy for a parish community who come to love their priests. However, change is often needed at the service of the greater mission of our Diocese. We are confident that Fr Anselam will bring great blessing to The Lakes Parish where he will be of particular assistance to Fr Robert Borg, the Parish Priest.

With Fr Anselam's departure, we welcome Fr Sam French as Assistant Priest. Fr Sam, ordained in 2020, will join us from the Parish of Manly-Freshwater where he has been on appointment for the last two years.

These changes of clergy will take effect on the weekend of 24/25 October. However, Fr Anselam will continue to take his planned annual leave from 9-17 October. Subsequently, his remaining time with us is even more limited. We will, however, arrange a fitting farewell once he has returned from his holidays.

It is sadness that we learnt last Wednesday evening, 16 September, of the death of Fr Harry Kennedy, a senior priest of our Diocese. Fr Harry was in his 63rd year of priestly ministry, having most recently been Parish Priest of Pennant Hills. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Thank you to those who could be present at the rally last Tuesday evening outside the NSW Parliament in defence of the unborn. Together we can show respect that is due

to the unborn as human persons. We invite you to enlist with our parish Dignity Pro-life Alliance at <https://prolife.gotomary.com> or email aikimtan10@gmail.com.

This Sunday we mark our Parish Feast Day with our 10.30am Mass, followed by morning tea and then a special Holy Hour in our church at 4pm. However, at 1.30pm on Sunday afternoon we will also have the opportunity to come together in Harrington Hall to learn more about the project of our church's restoration. We will be joined by Stuart Cunningham of Project Strategies Australia who will explain how the project will unfold. To this end, we also have available from this weekend a special booklet on the project. This can also be accessed through the QR code here



Just a reminder that for the first stage of the project (the removal of hazardous material from the site) **we must close both our church and our office from Monday 28 September to Thursday 8 October**. This period has been chosen given it coincides with school holidays. There will be no access to the church or to the office during this time. Our meeting rooms, however, will still be available, and we will set up a temporary parish office in St Peter's Meeting room during this period. **On the weekend of 3/4 October (the long weekend), we will celebrate Sunday Masses in Harrington Hall.** However, there will be no weekday Mass or devotions during this fortnight. Next weekend we will have some clear directions about the arrangements we have put in place for this period.



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, 21 September 2026 – Sunday, 27 September 2026



Men Alive

Chatswood Men Alive is part of the National Catholic Mens Movement represented in 26 Dioceses across Australia and New Zealand. Newcomers welcome!

Contact Peter at pwoo2010@gmail.com

Wednesday, 23 September 2026
7-9pm meet in Magnificat Room



Prepaid Funeral Info Session & Morning Tea

Funeral Planning by Gregory & Carr. Protect yourself against rising costs, relieve your family of difficult decisions.

Contact mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au

Thursday, 24 September 2026
10am in Magnificat Room



Community BBQ!

Calling bakers! If you would like to bake some home-made delights – sweet or savoury - we would love to hear from you! Our monthly Community BBQ is for everyone - parishioners, visitors and those who can do with a meal and company.

Contact Dee at chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Sunday, 27 September 2026
11:30am on church forecourt

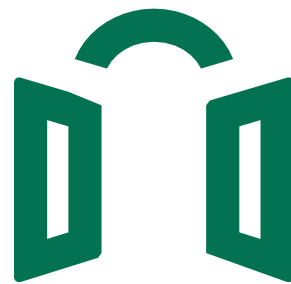


Youth Group

Faith based fellowship and fun activities for Years 5-8 (Cornerstone) and Years 9-12 (Keystone). Newcomers welcome!

Contact sienna.klarica@bbcatholic.org.au

Sunday, 27 September 2026
6:30pm in Magnificat Room



Tuesday, 22 September

Bible Discussion Group

St Paul 10am-12pm

Tuesday, 22 September

Filipino Choir Practice

Harrington Hall 7-9pm

Tuesday, 22 September

Indonesian Legion of Mary

St Paul Room

6:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, 23 September

**Practice Language and
Conversation English**

Magnificat Room 9:30 -11am

Wednesday, 23 September

Exploring The Faith

Magnificat Room 7-9pm

Thursday, 24 September

Playgroup

Magnificat Room 1-3pm

Friday, 25 September

Meditation Group and Morning Tea

St Paul Room 10-11:15am

Friday, 25 September

**Indonesian Religious Night
Gathering**

Magnificat Room 6:30-9pm

Friday, 25 September

Choir Practice

St Peter Room 5-8pm

Saturday, 26 September

Legion of Mary

St Peter Room 10:30-12:30pm

Saturday, 26 September

**Bible Study – CCA and
General**

St Paul Room 1:30 – 3:30pm

Saturday, 26 September

**Chinese Mass & Choir
Practice**

St Paul Room 3:30-5:30

Sunday, 27 September

Filipino Choir

St Paul 8-9am

Sunday, 27 September

Parish Choir Practice

St Paul 9-10:30am

Sunday, 27 September

Christian Meditation Group

St Peter 1:30-3pm

Confirmation Classes



Wednesday, 23 September

4- 5:30pm

Saturday, 26 September

4-5:30pm

Sunday, 27 September

10-11am

Meetings in Kirk St rooms.

Contact

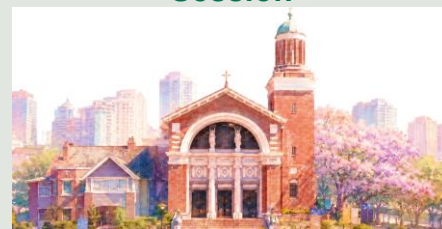
Rebecca.Molinaro@bbcatholic.org.au

The Children's Atrium

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a particular way of journeying with children toward God for children aged between 3 and 12 years. It is grounded in scripture and the liturgy of the church, then framed by Montessori principles of education. Classes held throughout the week.

Contact Angela or Rose at
old.childrens.atrrium@gmail.com

Church Renovations Q&A Session



Sunday 20 September

1:30pm in Magnificat Room

chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Church Schedule

Mass Schedule

This Week

Monday, 21 September 2026
12:30pm

St Matthew

Tuesday, 22 September 2026
9:00am & 12:30pm

Tuesday of week 25 in Ordinary Time

Wednesday, 23 September 2026
9:00am, 12:30pm & 6:30pm

St Pius of Pietrelcina

Thursday, 24 September 2026
9.00am & 12:30pm,

Thursday of week 25 in Ordinary Time

Friday, 25 September 2026
9:00am, 12:30pm

Friday of week 25 in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 26 September 2026,
9:00am, 5.30pm,

Saturday of week 25 in Ordinary Time

Sunday, 27 September 2026,
7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am,

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

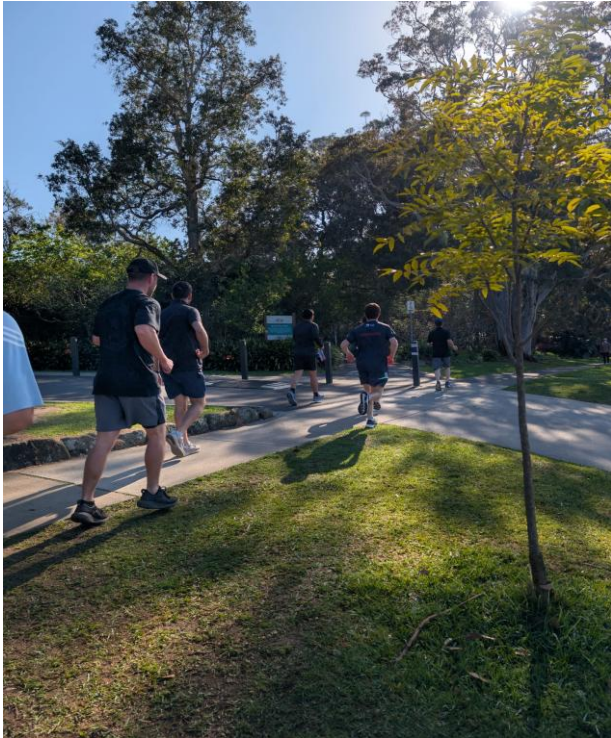
Note:

- **Upcoming Children Baptism Sunday 20 September 2026 during 9am mass Ethan Berutti & Elly Truong**
- **Upcoming wedding for James Wiradinata & Christine on Saturday 19 September 2026 at 1:30pm**

Date	Time	Activity
21 September 2026	9:30 - 11:00	Mercy Assembly
Monday	11:45 – 12:15	Cenacle
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	13:00 – 13:30	Rosary
	13:30 - 15:00	St Pius Year 12 Grad Mass Rehearsal
22 September 2026	8:45 - 9:00	Morning prayer
Tuesday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30- 10:00	Rosary
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	13:00 13:30	Rosary
	17:00 - 18:30	St Pius Graduation Mass
23 September 2026	8:45 - 9:00	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:00	Rosary & Chaplet
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	13:00 – 13:30	Rosary
	16:30 – 18:00	Mercy Year 12 Graduation Mass
	18:30 – 19:30	Evening Mass of Hope/Serra Vocations
24 September 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Thursday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:30	Adoration and Exposition
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	13:00 – 13:30	Rosary
	19:00 – 20:00	Holy Hour Adoration
25 September 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Friday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:15	Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	12:30 – 13:00	Afternoon Mass
	13:00 – 13:30	Rosary
26 September 2026	8:45 – 9:00	Morning Prayer
Saturday	9:00 – 9:30	Morning Mass
	9:30 – 10:00	Devotion to Our Lady Perpetual Help
	16:30 – 17:30	Vigil Singer Bookings
	17:30- 18:30	Vigil
27 September 2026	7:30 – 8:30	Mass
Sunday	9:00 – 10:00	Family Mass
	10:30 – 11:30	Mass
	17:30 – 18:30	Mass

Last Week in Review

OLD Park Run



On Saturday morning 12 September, our parish young adults gathered for a run at a nearby park!

It was a **marvellous morning together!** We prayed, celebrated the Eucharist, ran together, and enjoyed fellowship afterwards.



Mandarin Mass



We are grateful that Fr. Hien celebrated the Chinese Mass with us. His homily is always relevant and meaningful in today's context. We are encouraged by the strong turnout, five months after our new Mass began. We thank the Lord for these continued blessings.

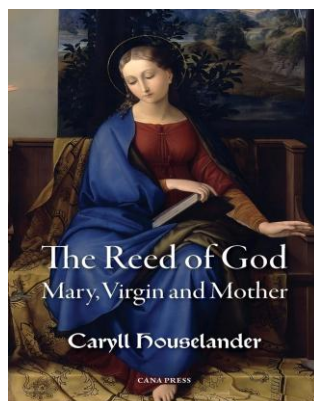


Centenary Jubilee Celebration Schoenstatt Sisters





Noah from our parish Playgroup celebrated his infant baptism with family and friends on Sunday 13 September!



Parish Book Club

Come along and journey with us, nourished by readings which deepen our faith and spirituality. Our Book Club is currently studying *The Reed of God* by Caryll Houselander, a spiritual classic that invites readers to encounter Mary as fully human and intimately relatable. Caryll Houselander portrays her not as a distant figure but as a reed—a musical instrument hollow and open, through which God's song could be played. With this powerful image, Houselander reveals how Mary gave her whole being to God's plan and shows how we, too, can become instruments of divine love. This book was HALLOW'S PRAY25 ADVENT BOOK CHALLENGE PICK!

Next meeting: Wednesday 7 October 2026 7:30pm in Magnificat Room.

Contact Bernadette at bjew@innovart.com.au

The Secular Institute of the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary celebrated the Centenary Jubilee Celebration of the international community at Mount Schoenstatt, Mulgoa on Sunday 13 September. Our Chatswood Indonesian Catholic Community attended the day with Solemn Holy Mass followed by light refreshments and an official program, which included an exhibition on the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary.

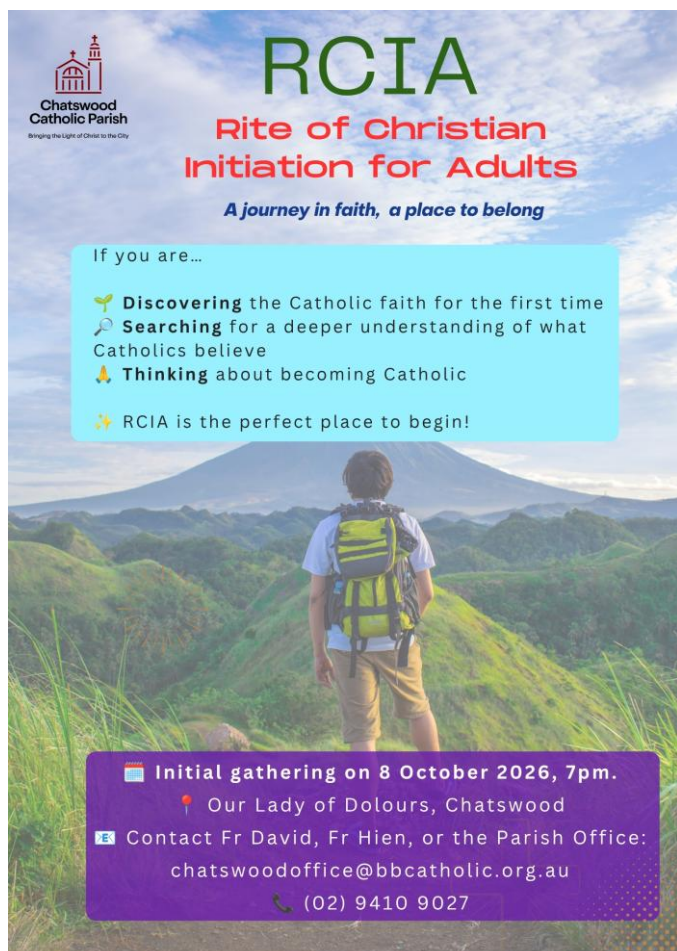
Baby Noah's Baptism!



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.



The poster features a background image of a person with a backpack walking on a grassy hill towards a mountain. The text is overlaid on this image. At the top left is the Chatswood Catholic Parish logo. The main title 'RCIA' is in large green letters, followed by 'Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults' in red. Below that is the tagline 'A journey in faith, a place to belong'. A light blue box contains a list of reasons to join RCIA. At the bottom, a purple box provides details about the initial gathering and contact information.

Chatswood Catholic Parish
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RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

A journey in faith, a place to belong

If you are...

- 🌱 **Discovering** the Catholic faith for the first time
- 🔍 **Searching** for a deeper understanding of what Catholics believe
- 💡 **Thinking** about becoming Catholic

✨ RCIA is the perfect place to begin!

📅 **Initial gathering on 8 October 2026, 7pm.**
📍 Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

✉ **Contact Fr David, Fr Hien, or the Parish Office:**
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au
☎ (02) 9410 9027

Rosary & Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Due to the closure of the church from 28 September to 9 October, we will hold our Cenacle (Rosary) and devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help in the parish meeting rooms as follows:

Mondays, 28 September and 5 October - Cenacle (Rosary) will be held in St Paul's Room at the usual time of 11.30 am

Saturday, 3 October – The rosary and devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help will be held in the Magnificat Room at the 10.00 am.

Contact Cecilia at aikimtan10@gmail.com

First Saturday Public Rosary

The next gathering will be **on Saturday 3rd October 3pm in Magnificat Room due to church renovations.**

Contact Elaine at gotomothermary@gmail.com

Meditation Group

For all Fridays, except 1st Friday of every month :
Meditation Group & Sharing
St Paul Room 10 - 11: 15am

For 1st Friday of every month :
Meditation Group & Sharing and Morning Tea
St Paul Room 10 - 12 : 00pm

Contact Jon at jnnurman@yahoo.com

Parish Life & Community Groups

Alongside our faith formation, our parish is home to groups that foster friendship, cultural connection, and community.

SAVE the DATE!

Pray & Play

One Million Children
Praying the Rosary for
Peace



Date: 7 October 2026 **Time:** 2pm
Location: Magnificat Room
94 Archer St Chatswood NSW 2067





Join in our Zoom

Rosary

Wednesday 7 October 2026 at 8 pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84611952964>
Meeting ID: 846 1195 2964
to celebrate Feast of
Our Lady of the Rosary
by praying the rosary together online.


PRAISE AND WORSHIP



SCAN ME

FREE EVENT, REGISTRATION REQUIRED
6PM, FRIDAY, 13TH NOV, 2026
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH
94 ARCHER ST, CHATSWOOD NSW 2067

Join us for a

PUBLIC ROSARY

in honour of

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

 **SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER 11:00AM**

 **OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, CHATSWOOD**

As we approach the anniversary of her final apparition on 13 October 1917, let us gather in prayer and answer her loving call to pray the Rosary.



Our Lady entrusted this message to the three shepherd children, **Saints Francisco and Jacinta Marto and Sister Lucia**, whose lives witnessed their deep love for Christ and Our Lady.

All are warmly invited to unite in prayer and seek *Our Lady's intercession* for our families, parish and world.



OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

20 SEPTEMBER 2026

MY WAYS ARE ABOVE YOUR WAYS. Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage. Like the story of the prodigal son, this parable reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is not characterised by our limited concepts of justice but by a compassion that knows no limits. May we not be envious at the good fortune of others but rejoice that we too are loved deeply by God.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.

**Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord
for ever.**

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. O God, who founded all the commands
of your sacred Law upon love of you and of
our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your
precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
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

Isa 55:6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take
pity on him,

to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who
speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18. R. v. 18

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day / and praise
your name for ever. / The Lord is great,
highly to be praised, / his greatness cannot
be measured. **R.**

2. The Lord is kind and full of
compassion, / slow to anger, abounding
in love. / How good is the Lord to all, /
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

3. The Lord is just in all his ways / and
loving in all his deeds. / He is close to all
who call him, / who call on him from their
hearts. **R.**

SECOND READING

Phil 1:20-24, 27

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Philippians**

For me to live is Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether
by my life or by my death. Life to me, of
course, is Christ, but then death would bring



me something more; but then again, if living
in this body means doing work which is
having good results – I do not know what I
should choose. I am caught in this dilemma:
I want to be gone and be with Christ, which
would be very much the better, but for me to
stay alive in this body is a more urgent need
for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that
would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Acts 16:14

**Alleluia, alleluia! / Open our hearts,
O Lord, / to listen to the words of your
Son. / Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

Mt 20:1-16

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom
of heaven is like a landowner going out at
daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He
made an agreement with the workers for one
denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard.
Going out at about the third hour he saw
others standing idle in the market place and
said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and
I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At
about the sixth hour and again at about the
ninth hour, he went out and did the same.
Then at about the eleventh hour he went out
and found more men standing round, and he
said to them, "Why have you been standing
here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired
us" they answered. He said to them, "You

go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

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. Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. 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-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

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 Ps 118:4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.

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

BE GENEROUS

Greed often dominates our world, interactions between global leaders and, sometimes, our own relationships. Today's Gospel offers a different value system. Generosity is the Gospel standard that should dominate relationships.

This teaching comes in the form of another parable from Jesus. The context would be familiar to Matthew's audience, in a society dominated by injustice, hierarchy and poverty. In this world, unemployment was rife, as it is today. Workers in Jesus' day would go to the village or town square to seek employment. In this setting, the landowner comes to the square to hire labourers for his vineyard with a promised day's wage. The owner repeats the hiring practice at different hours of the day, even into the late afternoon. When it comes time to pay the wages of the labourers, the landowner begins with the last hired and pays them the full day's wage though they have worked less hours. Those hired first complain that they should have been paid more. The landowner's response summarises the main teaching point of the parable: 'Why be envious because I am generous?'

Generosity rather than greed characterises this landowner. It is also a mirror of Jesus' essential teaching. God is generous, not restrictive or calculating. This challenges a world governed by exactness and tit-for-tat thinking. God and God's kingdom are characterised by generosity. God is generous toward us – and invites us to be generous toward others.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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Season of Creation

The Season of Creation is an ecumenical observance which was endorsed for the Catholic Church in 2019 by Pope Francis after he published his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, the Cry of the Earth, the Cry of the Poor. It is a time for us to reflect on the interconnectedness of God's Creation, how all forms of life on Earth are dependent on each other and the threats now facing us due to the environmental damage uncontrolled development is causing and the impact of this on the poorest nations and the most vulnerable in our society. As a registered Earthcare Parish, we at Our Lady of Dolours are recognising the Season of Creation by: decorating our church with palms and plants; celebrating a Bush Walk Liturgy on Saturday 19th September; holding a workshop on 27th September to develop skills in being the light of Christ for the homeless.

Consumerism vs. Creation

Restoring Our Role as Caretakers of God's Earth

When God created the heavens and the earth, He looked at the oceans, the forests, and the creatures, and declared them "very good." He then handed humanity a sacred responsibility, appointing us as caretakers—stewards tasked with protecting and cultivating His masterpiece.

Somewhere along the way, we replaced stewardship with consumerism.

Today, our modern lifestyle relies on a relentless cycle of buying, using, and discarding. This appetite for "more" is exacted at a devastating cost to Creation. We are rapidly depleting the earth's finite resources, leaving behind mountains of plastic waste, polluted waters, and toxic air. Our changing climate, rising global temperatures, and the rapid loss of countless species are quiet alarms signaling that we have treated God's sacred gift as a disposable commodity.

"We cannot claim to love the Creator while simultaneously destroying His creation."

Consumerism insists that the earth belongs to us, existing solely for our immediate comfort and profit. But Scripture reminds us that "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it" (Psalm 24:1). When we degrade the planet, we deface the divine canvas that reflects God's glory.

Environmental degradation is not just a political or scientific issue; it is a profound spiritual crisis. Our habits of excess directly harm our global neighbors, particularly the vulnerable communities who suffer the worst consequences of pollution and climate instability.

THE CRISIS OF EXCESS

- Finite resources depleted
- Mountains of landfill waste
- Species loss & climate flux

THE CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

- Practice radical contentment
- Reduce, reuse, and restore
- Protect the vulnerable

Honouring Creation requires a deliberate shift in how we live. It calls us to practice a lifestyle of restraint, gratitude, and radical contentment. We start the moment we refuse the lie that to consume is to be happy.

This Season of Creation, let us look at our daily choices through the lens of faith. We can choose reusable over disposable, reduce our waste, and conserve energy. Let us step away from the digital checkout screens and storefronts that drain the earth, and step back into the garden as the faithful caretakers we were created to be.

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS

SEASON OF CREATION

Hearing the Cry of the Earth,
the Cry of the Poor

Bushwalk & Liturgy
Saturday 19 September
11.00 am-1.00pm
Leaves from church forecourt

What Caring Looks Like
A parish workshop
on reaching out
to the homeless
with Samantha Bing
Sunday 27 September
3.00-4.30
Magnificat Room



REPAIR. REUSE. RECYCLE

Reduce Waste

This article is about ways each of us in our parish can reduce the waste that fills our waterways and countryside and creates our mountains of landfill and even more important, avoid putting dangerous items into the garbage bin. We all want to do the right thing but life is so busy, we can't afford the time. Here are my top tips:

1. **Buy things that last.** Look for quality brands using natural materials. If it costs \$50 and you wear it 5 times, it cost you \$10 per use. If it costs \$150 and you wear it 15 times it also cost you \$10 per use. But that favourite jumper you bought for \$99 3 years ago and wear at least once a week during winter, that cost you just \$2 per use. Also buy appliances that can be repaired, that have replaceable or rechargeable batteries and that have a solid warranty.
2. **Repair what is broken.** If you don't know how, take your item - sewing repair, appliance fix, jewellery repair. - to the Repair Cafe at 180 Longueville Rd, Lane Cove on the First and Second Sunday of each month between 2.00-4.00. <https://repaircafesydneynorth.net/>
3. **Buy and Recycle through Op Shops** Vinnies, 287 Victoria ave, Chatswood or Salvos Chatswood Family Store 29 Bertram Street Chatswood. I found my new Sportscraft puffer jacket last winter at Vinnies for \$20 in mint condition. Vinnies also has books in new condition for a few dollars and great homewares.
4. **Don't Buy: Borrow.** Join the Library of Things free and borrow items that you need only temporarily, like

a tent for your once-in-a-lifetime camping trip or a high pressure washer or a chocolate fondue fountain for a

party.

<https://thesydneylibraryofthings.myturn.com/library/inventory/browse>.

For your young children or grandchildren, take a 2 week loan of toys from the Lane Cove Toy Library <https://thelane Cove Toy Library.org.au/>

5. **Recycle Safely:** Willoughby Council has a very cool list of how and where to recycle hundreds of items safely.

Go to

<https://www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au/Residents/Waste-and-recycling/FAQs-and-other-resources/A-Z-of-recycling>.

Batteries are a hazard because they cause fires at waste disposal places. Sticky tape the ends before taking them to a battery disposal bin. Woolworths is collecting soft plastics again at certain stores including Chatswood Rail - Shop 55 Chatswood Rail Interchange, Chatswood.

Find other locations here <https://www.woolworths.com.au/shop/about/sustainability/recycling/soft-plastic>.

Printer cartridges and inks can be taken to any Post Office. One of the best places to become familiar with is the North Sydney Community Recycling Centre conveniently located at 8 Waltham Street, Artarmon 2064

6. **Research and Reward:** Search for products that are being made to last, to be repairable and that don't damage the environment when they can no longer be used. Buy those products to reward designers and manufacturers who care for our planet. The extra they may cost is a small tithe payable to God for His creation.

OLD TIMOR-LESTE TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS UPDATE

We believe that the most effective pathway out of poverty is through education. Our mission is to create opportunities for young people in Timor Leste to pursue tertiary education.

At the Community lunch on **Sunday 27th September** there will be a table set up with information about the Timor-Leste Scholarship Project and the 11 students that we at Our Lady of Dolours are currently sponsoring. Palmira, who is one of these students was featured recently in the ATLAS quarterly newsletter and you can read her story as below. It is a wonderful example of how we can provide life changing opportunities for young people and their families. Please visit the Timor-Leste table **after the 10.30am Mass** and learn more about the ways in which our parish is contributing to building a stronger Timor-Leste. You are invited to make a donation towards students' fees or consider becoming a regular donor. It is through your generosity that these young Timorese are given the opportunity to turn their dreams into reality.



Australia Timor-Leste Advancement Society



Palmira's Journey of Learning and Opportunity



Palmira Soare's journey is a wonderful example of how education, determination and opportunity can change a young person's future.

At just six years of age, Palmira and her older sister, Matilde, came to live at the Maubara Orphanage under the care of the Carmelite Sisters. The orphanage became her home for the next ten years while she completed her primary and junior secondary education. After returning to live with family members, she completed her secondary studies at a Technical Vocational School before, at times, returning to assist the Sisters using the computer skills she had developed.

Recognising her dedication and potential, the Carmelite sisters encouraged Palmira to apply for a Tertiary scholarship through Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood Scholarship Project. The Parish believes that education is the pathway out of poverty and Palmira is one of the fortunate recipients. The late Sally Bracken, much-loved parishioner of Our Lady of Dolours, catechist and founding member of the Social Justice Ministry was a generous supporter of the people of Timor-Leste.

Sally's nephew, Chris Bracken, and his wife, Louise, who have known Palmira since her childhood at Maubara Orphanage proudly continue Sally's legacy of supporting educational opportunities for the young people of Timor-Leste. Palmira commenced her Bachelor of Informatics

Engineering at the Institute of Business in Dili in 2024 and has now successfully completed two years of study with pleasing progress.

As part of her third-year studies, Palmira recently completed an

internship with a Government Public Service agency in the Tourism and Environment sector. It was her first experience in a professional workplace and gave her the opportunity to develop practical skills in handling official correspondence, organising records, managing data, and using Microsoft Excel to accurately record information relating to foreign visitors entering and leaving the country.

Palmira's internship was recognised as an important step in her personal and professional development. Throughout the placement, she gained confidence, strengthened her computer and data management skills, and developed valuable workplace experience that will support her future career.

Palmira's achievements reflect not only her hard work and commitment to learning, but also the positive impact that educational support can have in creating lasting opportunities. We congratulate Palmira on everything she has accomplished so far and wish her every success as she continues her studies and prepares for the next stage of her career.

Chris and Louise Bracken with Palmira

2011



2025



Chris and Louise Bracken have known Palmira since her early years at Maubara Orphanage. Their continued support is carrying on Sally Bracken's legacy.

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 Society

We need more active members and if you are interested in this Ministry please contact
El.Herlianto@vinnies.org.au or
John.Russell@vinnies.org.au

10:30am Mass Morning Tea Teams

Our morning tea teams provide the opportunity for parishioners to mingle and get to know each other after mass. If you would like to join, contact Dee at
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



You're invited to The Cathedral Precinct Charity Classic at the Newgreens Chatswood Golf Club on Friday, 16 October 2026.

Whether you're a seasoned golfer or just looking for a fantastic day out with friends, colleagues, or your parish community, we want you there! Enjoy a relaxed, social day on the green while supporting the Cathedral Precinct Project and its vision for future generations.

What's included in your day:

- The Game: 12 holes of golf in a fun, team-friendly 4-person Ambrose format.

- The Food: A delicious BBQ lunch and post-game social.

- The Extras: Great prizes, a silent auction, and a special guest appearance!

Don't play golf? You can still join the fun! Grab a ticket just for the social BBQ lunch.

Pricing: \$130 per golfer (includes golf & BBQ) | \$70 BBQ lunch only
Places are limited, so don't miss out.
Book

here: <https://bit.ly/4i2HiXh>



Additional Parish & Diocesan Notices

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI): Senior Research & Writing Consultant: Minor Basilica Application Project

Catholic Parish of Chatswood: Diocese of Broken Bay

The Opportunity

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood invites Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified independent contractors, consultants or specialist writers to lead the research, writing and coordination of the Minor Basilica application. This is a project-based engagement requiring an experienced professional who can combine historical research, exceptional writing ability and strong project management skills to produce a submission of the highest quality. The successful contractor will work collaboratively with the Parish Priest and a parish project team while maintaining responsibility for the day-to-day planning and delivery of the project.

Selection Process

Expressions of Interest will be assessed on demonstrated capability, relevant experience, writing quality, project methodology, value for money and overall suitability for this unique project.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to participate in an interview and as part of the selection process submit a proposed methodology and fee structure that demonstrates how they would deliver project outcomes.

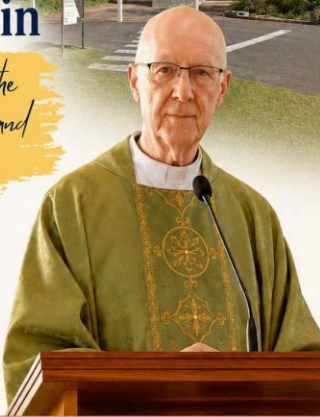
EOI Closing Date: 9 October 2026

Enquiries and Submission: David.ranson@bbccatholic.org.au

**Serra International
Vocations Ministry**
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pymble

Guest Speaker
Fr Paul Durkin
*My role as Vice Rector of the
Good Shepherd Seminary and
return to parish ministry*

Following a career in Catholic education, Fr Durkin was ordained to the priesthood in 2011. His ministry includes service across various Broken Bay parishes, leadership as Director of Vocations, and appointment as Vice Rector and Director of Pastoral Formation at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd. He currently serves at the Corpus Christi Parish in St Ives.



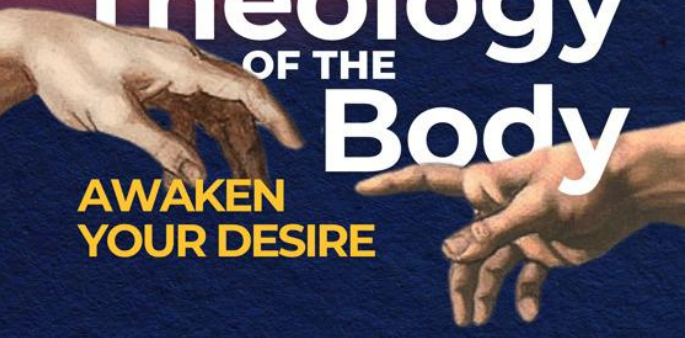
“ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit. ”
John 15:16

EVENT DETAILS
Venue: Sacred Heart Catholic Church
2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble
Date: Thursday, 24 September 2026
Mass & dinner meeting: 6:30pm

RSVP:
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M: 0438 887 295
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All Welcome
Join us for an evening of faith, vocation, and fellowship

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Theology OF THE Body

**AWAKEN
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EVERY TUESDAY
From 20 October - 24 November
The Light of Christ Centre
end of Yardley Ave, Waitara

PROGRAM
6:30 Rosary
7:00 Talk
9:00 Conclude

 Presented by
Simon Carrington

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF *Dolours*

TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2026

Let us come together as a parish family to honour Our Lady of Dolours, stand with her at the foot of the Cross, and place our prayers and intentions into her loving care.



JOIN US FOR THESE SPECIAL EVENTS

1



NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Starting Sunday, 6 September at 8pm via Zoom
and continuing every evening at 8pm
until Monday 14 September

Everyone is invited to join us in praying the Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows. Let us prepare our hearts together in faith and trust.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/jvg8rGJ4R7ePdvx2OLN68g>
Meeting ID 881 8203 5400 Passcode 667359

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO JOIN VIA ZOOM



2



MORNING TEA

Sunday, 20 September
after the 10:30am Mass

Stay for a cup of tea, a bite to eat and fellowship with our parish family.



*All are
welcome!*

3



HOLY HOUR

Sunday, 20 September
4:00pm – 5:00pm

A time of Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, reflection and intercession before the Lord. Come and spend an hour with Him.

*Be still before
the Lord and
place your
intentions
at His feet.*

Let us honour Our Lady of Dolours, the Mother who understands our sorrows and leads us closer to Jesus.



Last Week Before the PEW Gift Shop Temporarily Closes!

The church will be temporarily closed for renovations from **28 September to 8 October**, so the PEW Gift Shop will not reopen until **mid-October**.

A heartfelt thank you to the many parishioners who visited the PEW this past week. **Every purchase supports our parish**, while your conversations and stories have brought inspiration, encouragement and joy to our volunteers.



If you have been meaning to visit the PEW, **this is the week to do it!** Come and browse our range of religious and devotional items, gifts and more before we temporarily close.

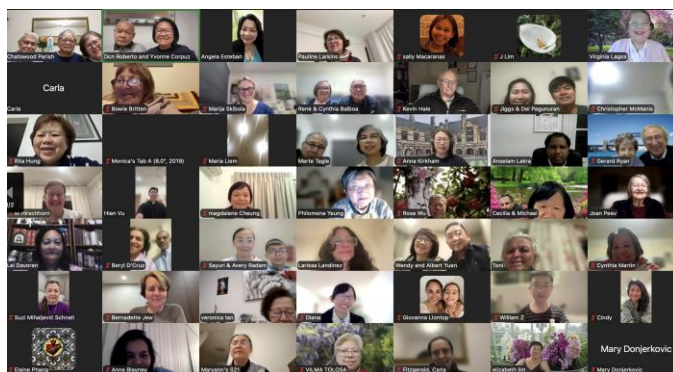


Visit us after the 12:30pm weekday Masses or after all weekend Masses.

Shop with purpose.

Every purchase from the PEW Gift Shop is more than a purchase - it is a contribution to the life of our parish. Your support helps sustain the ministry of the Gift Shop while contributing to the ongoing mission and works of Our Lady of Dolours Parish. Thank you for supporting your Parish through the PEW.

Novena To Our Lady Of Sorrows & Feast Day Rosary via Zoom



Congratulations to all who participated in praying the **Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows** that was held from 4th September to 14th September, and the **Feast Day Rosary** on 15th September. It was a wonderful and prayerful way of celebrating the Feast of our patroness, Our Lady of Dolours, as a Parish community.

Thank you to our prayer leaders, clergy and those who worked so well behind the scenes to make the Novena and Feast Day Rosary a great success.

Last Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Dolours



Saturday, 26 September 2026 | 9:30am- 10am

All parishioners are warmly invited to join us for the **Last Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Dolours**.

Let us come together in prayer and reflection to honour **Our Lady of Sorrows**, meditating on her sorrows and entrusting our families, our parish community, and all those in need of prayer to her loving maternal intercession.

Saturday, 26 September at 9:30am
Following the 9:00am Mass

Everyone is welcome.

Please Remember in Our Prayers.

For Those Recently Deceased

Fr Harry Kennedy, Gertrude Wu, Anthony Tyler, Siriporn Upatham, Veljko Basic, Olga Keller, Maree Kennedy, Sandy Ross, David Paul Murphy, Jim Dennis, Liem Zoe Liang, Maria Luisa Byrne, Warren D'Souza, Irene G Hills, Mary Colette Chow, Vera Lim, Manolito Macedonio, Timothy Wedlock, Marie Milne, Amaladas Sundaran, Linda Norquay.

Special Intentions

Hon Shan Tang & family

Wedding Anniversary

Ditas and Henry (54th Anniversary)

For Those Who Are Sick

Ruth Connelly, Melissa Movafaghi, Michael O'Connell, Rosetta Lo Presti, Warwick Hanna, Jim Avery, Victor Yiapp, John Paino, Joe Fernandes, Melissa-Jane Valenzisi, Tai Chuan Chan, Clifford Gentle, Margaret and Desolie Lawler, Benji Price, Vincent Wee (Ah Hia), Martina Theng, Annie Thomas, Sarvojit Prabhu, Mladen Milostic, Windeluna Thrane, Norma Maisog, Grace Eleanor Lumanug, Mark Nicholo Jamiana, Lorena Stephanie Jamiana, Mirjana Keller; Mr Gurung; Ian Charlton; Julie McCourt; Tamara Manoukian; Marylin Legeay; Frieda Madaida; Rosa Solomon; Alexander Papandrea; Leo Papa; Evelyn Azar; Bruce Meppem; Ely Herft; Augustine D'silva; Mirjana Marinovic; Mellita Jones; Daniel West; Ying Leong Fong; Celine Robinson; Gina Marotta; Deysi Villanueva; Ervita Wiroatmodjo; Almira Christina Chen; Mary Oakley; Eugenia San Gabriel; Jim Dennis; Jeremy Moon; Lody Herlianto; Chet Catapang; Mila Fidel; Onni Wong; Victor Chun Kau Ng; Carmel Villanueva; Delfin Mendoza; Irene Margaret; Laila Haddad; Thomas West; Lucy Rodriguez; Sr Marie Dayton; Judith Ryan; Maria Taylor; Ban le Llamas; Sally Hawkins; Donna Fernandez; Allison Roberts; Zac Vlasic; 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

Theresia Tjung, Marica Cetinic, Francis Ta, Terry Meagher, Kevin Bruce, Anunciacion & Abraham Gadiane, Lydia & Eduardo Gadiane, Rosalinda & Leoncio Rendon, Mark Esteban, Maria Agnes Nguyen, Warren Farr, Robert Playdon, John Stanley Hedley, Irene Ward, Mary Elaine Manlangit, Terri O'Loan, Bartolo Paino, Mr Hilary Coutinho, Isabel Coutinho, Wah Chew Chan, Norma Vicoy, Yolanda Yu, Jose Ben Abarca, Frances Hung, Peter, Maria & Marin Sardelic, Bernardo Le, Vlaho Vlattko Rulo, Zele Cetinic Pensa, Orlando Dalumpines, Jarkov Skibola, Michael Dayton, Justine Straiton Elbourn, Francis Jiew (Anniversary on 24 July),

Birthday

Jenny Moran, Lincoln Aylward, Caden Tang

Monthly Birthday Blessings:

At Chatswood Catholic Parish, we offer Birthday Blessings at last Sunday 10:30am mass followed by Community Lunch on the church forecourt. Our next Community Lunch falls on Sunday 27 September. If you are interested to be part of this celebration, please contact

Dee at
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Sacraments Celebrated

Children Baptisms

Elly Truong

Ethan Berrutti

Date: 20 September 2026

Location: Our Lady of Dolours Church 9am

NOTE: If you would like a Mass Intention and notice to be mentioned in the bulletin for a wedding anniversary, birthday, special intention, or death anniversary, please contact our chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Parish Registrations

Are you new to the parish?

Are you interested in joining a ministry?

Are you interested in volunteering?

Would you like to receive the bulletin via email?

Do you need to update your details?

Register via QR Code:

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM



Our Altar Flowers This Week

Our Altar flowers last week and this week are gifted to us by Mrs Diosa Farr in memory of Warren Farr.



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 chatswoodoffice@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.

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 September 2026.

21	Fr Shane D'Cunha & Seminarian Alfred Solimon
22	Fr Tan Nguyen & Seminarian Matthew French
23	Fr Huy Tran & Seminarian Victor Atuhura
24	Fr Michael De Stoop
25	Fr Carmelo Sciberas & Fr Daniele Russo
26	Fr Jim Tierney & Fr Dominic Nguyen
27	Fr Clem Hill & Sr Susanna Edmunds

Daily 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 vocation 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.

Around and About.

Saint Pedro Calungsod +

Filipino Chaplaincy

Cultural Showcase

Saint Lorenzo Ruiz +

40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Broken Bay
Celebrating 7 Years of Filipino Chaplaincy

Date: Saturday, 26 September 2026
Time: 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM

+ Holy Mass
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

+ Lunch & Cultural Presentations
12:15 PM – 3:30 PM
Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave, Waitara

+ Cultural Performance
+ Live Music
+ Raffle Draw
+ Grand Finale Dance

Entry: Free • Lunch: Free

Contact: Deacon Roberto Corpuz
roberto.corpuz@bbcatholic.org.au

Fundraising Purposes: Support local and overseas charitable groups.

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Filipino Chaplaincy Cultural Showcase 2026

Celebrate faith, culture and community with us!

You are warmly invited to join the Filipino Chaplaincy of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay as we celebrate the **40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Broken Bay**, the **7th Anniversary of the Filipino Chaplaincy**, and the Feast of **St Lorenzo Ruiz** and **St Pedro Calungsod**.

The celebration begins with the **11:00 am Anniversary Mass** at **Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara**, followed by a **free Filipino lunch** and the **Filipino Cultural Showcase** at the **Light of Christ Centre**. Enjoy vibrant performances by our five Filipino communities, live music, fellowship, and a grand raffle draw with fantastic prizes.

Everyone is welcome—parishioners, families, friends and members of the wider community.

Admission is free; however, all attendees are required to register through Humanitix to receive a free entry ticket. Your ticket helps us manage venue capacity and prepare enough food for everyone. Register early to secure your free ticket.

We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you. Come dressed in your **Filipiniana or Barong** and bring your family and friends!

Support Our Chaplaincy Raffle

Help support the charitable works of the Filipino Chaplaincy by purchasing raffle tickets. **Tickets are \$2 each or \$20 per booklet of 10**, with fantastic prizes to be won, including a **return airfare to Manila**.

Raffle tickets are available through your local Filipino Chaplaincy community or parish representatives.



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SATURDAY 9 OCTOBER 2PM
SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 7PM
SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER 2PM

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Available before
September 12th

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WYD27

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027

Every pilgrimage begins with a single step. This year, the Diocese of Broken Bay invites its community to step into an experience of faith, hope, and connection, as pilgrims from across the diocese—including Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) students—journey together.

"Take courage!
I have overcome the world."
1 Jn 16:33

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FR DANIELE RUSSO

LOU DANIELS

30TH OCTOBER 7PM

Holy Family church
214 Maroubra Rd
Maroubra

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MORE SURPRISES TO COME - STAY TUNED

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**TẾT TRUNG THU
CELEBRATION**
Mid Autumn Festival

Friday, September 25, 2026

**LANTERN WALK, LION DANCE
& PERFORMANCES**
FREE LANTERNS FOR CHILDREN ONLY

FREE DINNER

**REFRESHMENTS & MORE
ITEMS FOR SALE!**

Schedule

5:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration
6 PM Mass (Bilingual)
7-9 PM Show

***Wear Áo Dài**

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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:

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Supporting Our Parish

Clergy Giving (First Collection)

BSB: 062-784 | Account No:
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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

Mandarin Mass: 2pm, second

Sunday 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