

# 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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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Ordinary Time

# 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:**

誰若願意跟隨我，該棄絕自己，  
背着自己的十字架來跟隨我。 瑪  
竇福音16:24

Then Jesus said to his disciples:  
If any man will come after me, let  
him deny himself, and take up his  
cross, and follow me. **Matthew  
16:24**

## 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](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)



# A message from Fr David.

Dear Friends,

A very special thank you to our parish team, and our visiting priests last week, whilst our clergy were on retreat. It was a very graced and fraternal occasion under the direction of Fr Jake Mudge of the Diocese of Sandhurst (Bendigo) in Victoria, focusing on our priestly entry into the Paschal Mystery. Such occasions are very important for nourishing the life of the presbyterate, and so my warm gratitude to everyone's patience allowing us this time.

Once again, I share sad news of the death of long-standing members of our parish family. Last Tuesday, **Maree Kennedy** was called home to God. Maree had been unwell for some time, following the death of husband, Ken last year. We extend to John and his brothers and sisters our deepest sympathy. And then, on Thursday, **Olga Keller**, another long-time parishioner went home to God. Olga had lived in Chatswood all her married life until recently when she had to move into the nursing home. Olga had served in our church as a Eucharistic Minister for many years and ran the food tuck shop at Mercy College for a long time too. Eternal rest grant unto Maree and Olga, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. Maree Kennedy will be farewelled from our church on Wednesday 2 September at 10.30am.

This Sunday at our 10.30am Mass we complete the initiation of eight young people and adults celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will also be invited to

the Eucharist for the first time. This is a source of great joy for our whole community, and we pray God's richest blessings on them all.

The end of the coming week is significant for us. On Thursday evening we welcome an important relic of St Carlo Acutis touring through Australia with Solemn Evening Prayer at 6.30pm. This will be followed by our celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Bishop David Walker's Ordination as a bishop – an important occasion for our whole diocese. The relic of St Carlo will be with us then until Sunday 6 September, and we have an exhibition of his website on Eucharistic Miracles on 5 September. We have a special Young People celebration on the evening of Friday 4 September and a special Holy Hour at 7pm on Saturday 5 September. Also on Saturday 5 September, our parish will be taking part in the annual Chatswood Spring street fair and in the parade which gets underway at 2.00pm.

Lastly, couples in their first 10 years of marriage are asked to contribute their valuable insights to a professional survey into the experience of early married life. The survey is being funded by the Australian Catholic Bishops. All answers are anonymous and confidential, and participants can contact the researchers directly with any questions via the survey link at <https://thepmrc.org/survey>. The information gathered will inform pastoral responses and the development of resources for this vital stage of married life.



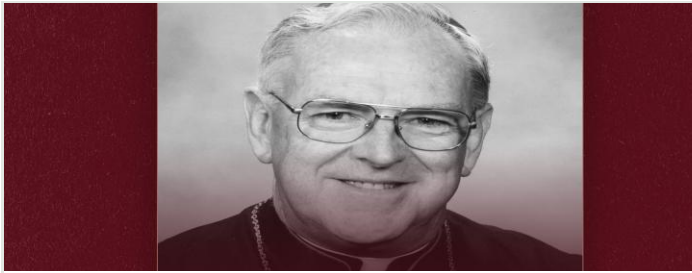
We acknowledge the Cammeraygal People of the Eora Nation, custodians of the land on which our parish stands and we commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of national reconciliation.

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.

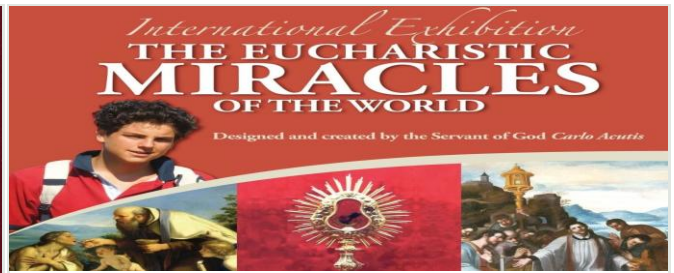
Monday, 24 August 2026 – Sunday, 30 August 2026



## Bishop Walker's 30<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Ordination Anniversary

We honour Bishop David Walker's 30<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Ordination Anniversary with mass followed by hospitality on the forecourt. All Welcome!

**Thursday, 3 September 2026**  
7pm in the church



## Saint Carlo Exhibition

The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition by St Carlo Acutis open to all for viewing!

Contact [chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

**Saturday, 5 September 2026**  
9:30am – 5:30pm in Harrington Hall



## Chatswood Street Fair

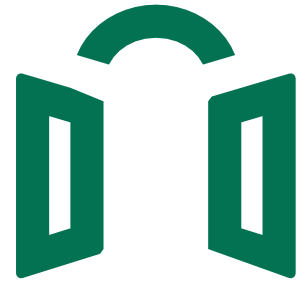
Join us at the annual Chatswood Street Fair! Our PEW Giftshop, RCIA, Legion of Mary, and ALPHA team will be at the stall on Victoria Avenue and a number of St Pius, Mercy students, Men Alive and parishioners will be marching in the parade led by our clergy!

**Saturday, 5 September 2026**  
10am for the stalls, 2pm for the start of the parade on Victoria Avenue Chatswood



## Saint Carlo Acutis Relic Pilgrimage

We welcome the travelling St Carlo pericardium, to our Parish on Thursday 3 September from 6pm. The relic will be present Friday 4<sup>th</sup> for a Young Adult event 6:30pm in our church. Overnight adoration will be available Friday evening to 8:30am Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September. The relic will be present at all masses over the weekend before travelling to Gosford after Filipino midday mass Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September.



**Tuesday, 1 September**

**JRS Packing**

St Peter Room 12-4:30pm

**Tuesday, 1 September**

**Bible Disussion Group**

St Paul 10am-12pm

**Tuesday, 1 September**

**Filipino Choir Practice**

Harrington Hall 7-9pm

**Tuesday, 1 September**

**Indonesian Legion of Mary**

St Paul Room

6:30-8:30pm

**Wednesday, 2 September**

**Practice Language and  
Conversation English**

Magnificat Room 9:30 -11am

**Wednesday, 2 September**

**Confirmation Facilitators Meeting**

St Paul Room 6-7:30pm

**Wednesday, 2 September**

**Exploring The Faith**

St Peter Room 7-9pm

**Wednesday, 2 September**

**Book Club**

Magnificat Room 7:30-9pm

**Thursday, 3 September**

**Playgroup**

Magnificat Room 1-3pm

**Friday, 4 September**

**Meditation Group and  
Morning Tea**

St Paul Room 10-11:15am

**Friday, 4 September**

**Choir Practice**

St Peter Room 5-8pm

**Saturday, 5 September**

**Legion of Mary**

St Peter 10:30 – 12:30pm

**Saturday, 5 September**

**Infant Baptism Preparation  
Class**

Magnificat Room 11:30-1pm

**Saturday, 5 September**

**Joyful Stewardship Meeting**

St Peter 2-4:30pm

**Sunday, 6 September**

**Filipino Choir Practice**

St Paul Room 10:30-12pm

## Seniors Morning Tea



Thursday, 3 September in Magnificat Room 10am

Contact

Mona.saouma@bbcatholic.org.au

## First Saturday Rosary



Saturday, 5 September meeting 3pm with afternoon tea, confessions 3-4pm followed by rosary.

## Couples for Christ



Sunday, 6 September in Magnificat Room 2-5pm

Contact Janice at

jspasoquen@yahoo.com

# Church Schedule

## Mass Schedule This Week

**Monday, 31 August 2026**  
**12:30pm**

Monday of week 22 in Ordinary Time

**Tuesday, 1 September 2026**  
**9:00am & 12:30pm**

Tuesday of week 22 in Ordinary Time

**Wednesday, 2 September 2026**  
**9:00am, 12:30pm & 6:30pm**

Wednesday of week 22 in Ordinary Time

**Thursday, 3 September 2026**  
**9.00am & 12:30pm,**  
**7pm 30<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Anniversary Mass for**  
**Bishop David Walker**

St Gregory The Great

**Friday, 4 September 2026**  
**9:00am, 12:30pm**

Friday of week 22 in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, 5 September 2026,**  
**9:00am, 5.30pm**

Saturday of week 22 in Ordinary Time

**Sunday, 6 September 2026,**  
**7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am, 5.30pm**

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Note:**

- **Upcoming vesper: Thursday, 3 September 6pm**
- **Thursday, 3 September: normal Holy Hour Adoration & confession at 7pm is suspended**
- **Friday 4 September: First Friday Healing Mass 7pm with Divine Retreat Centre Fathers suspended**
- **Upcoming funeral for Maree Kennedy Wednesday 2 September at 10:30am**

| Date             | Time          | Activity                             |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| 31 August 2026   | 11:45 – 12:15 | Cenacle                              |
| Monday           | 12:30 – 13:00 | Afternoon Mass                       |
|                  | 13:00 – 13:30 | Rosary                               |
| 1 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                               |
| 2 September 2026 | 8:45 - 9:00   | Morning Prayer                       |
| Wednesday        | 9:00 – 9:30   | Morning Mass                         |
|                  | 9:30 – 10:00  | Rosary & Chaplet                     |
|                  | 10:30 – 11:30 | Funeral for Maree Kennedy            |
|                  | 12:30 – 13:00 | Afternoon Mass                       |
|                  | 13:00 – 13:30 | Rosary                               |
|                  | 18:30 – 19:30 | Evening Mass of Hope/Serra Vocations |
| 3 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                               |
|                  | 18:30 – 19:00 | Vespers                              |
|                  | 19:00 – 20:00 | Bishop David Walker Mass             |
| 4 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                               |
| 5 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                                |
| 6 September 2026 | 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

## Happy Birthday Abigail!

Last Thursday 20 August at Playgroup, little Abigail celebrated her birthday! It was joyous occasion with lots of food, fun and laughter!



## Indonesian Taize

Last Friday 21 August, our Indonesian Community held a Taizé evening in the church. This style of worship is a quiet, contemplative Christian practice, accepted by Catholics, was created by an ecumenical monastic community in Taizé, France in 1940. It uses short, repeated scriptural chants, candlelight, Bible readings, and long periods of silent prayer to help people focus on God and find inner peace



## Confirmation Parent Info Sessions



Last Wednesday 26 August, our Children's Sacramental Coordinator, Rebecca, began the series of Confirmation information sessions for parents. If you have further enquiries, please contact [Rebecca.molinaro@bbccatholic.org.au](mailto:Rebecca.molinaro@bbccatholic.org.au)

## Seniors Technology Workshop



We had around 20 seniors attend the Computer Technology Information workshop run by Declan and Wayne in Magnificat Room on Thursday 27 August. Thank you to everyone who came along!

## Saint Teresa Seminar

On Wednesday 19 August, our catechist team conducted a seminar on Saint Teresa at Chatswood High School. With permission, we share Roberto's practical tips:



### Leadership and Vision — Saint Teresa

Saint Teresa did not begin with money, power or a big organisation. She began with one person in front of her. Her vision was simple:

**“See Jesus in the poorest and most forgotten person.”**

That vision changed the world because she lived it every day. She teaches us that leadership is not about being famous or being in charge. Real leadership is:

- noticing people others ignore
- helping without needing applause
- doing small things with great love
- staying faithful when the work is hard
- treating every person with dignity

Saint Teresa saw suffering, but she did not look away. She asked: “What can I do, with what I have, today?”

That is the question for us too. What can students do today?

Students do not need to go to Kolkata to copy Mother Teresa. They can begin in their own school, home and community.

### At school

- sit with someone who is alone
- include someone left out of a game or group

- speak kindly instead of joining gossip
- help a younger student
- thank a teacher or staff member
- notice who looks sad and ask, “Are you okay?”

### At home

- help without being asked
- speak respectfully to parents and grandparents
- pray for someone who is sick or lonely
- do one hidden act of kindness
- share instead of complaining

### In the community

- donate food, clothes or blankets
- visit or call someone elderly
- help at church or a charity event
- be kind to people who serve us — cleaners, workers, shopkeepers
- pray for the poor, refugees, the sick and people without family support

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“I may not be able to help everyone, but I can love the person God places in front of me today.”

### Challenge for the week

This week, do one small thing with great love every day.

Examples:

- Monday: encourage someone
- Tuesday: help at home
- Wednesday: pray for someone sick
- Thursday: include someone
- Friday: forgive someone
- Saturday: give something away
- Sunday: thank God and start again

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Closing prayer:

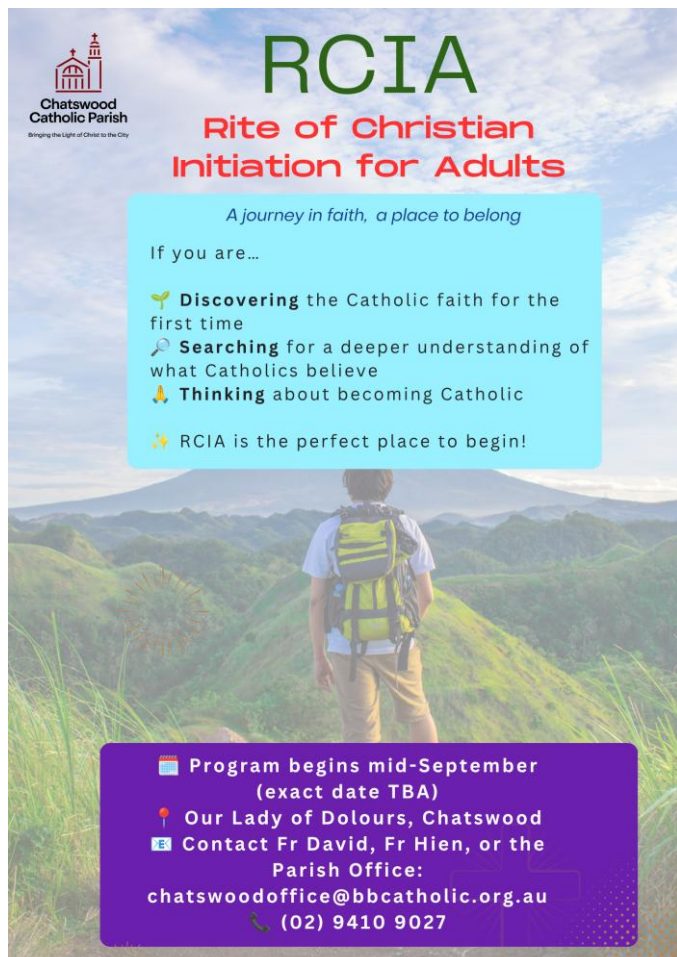
Lord Jesus,  
help us to see You in every person we meet.  
Give us the eyes of Saint Teresa,  
to notice those who are lonely, poor, sick or forgotten.  
Give us generous hearts,  
so we can do small things with great love.  
Help us become leaders of kindness, courage and faith.  
Amen.

“Great love begins with one small act today.”

# 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.



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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!

Program begins mid-September (exact date TBA)

📍 Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

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

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Are you interested to become Catholic?

English RCIA – 02 9410 9000 or  
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

Chinese RCIA – Grace at grace\_tai@hotmail.com

Korean RCIA – Elizabeth on 0422 755 926

This program helps you to learn about our beliefs and practices, and in deepening your personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our main study text will be *Evangelium*. Each week, we will focus on one or two topics from the book, following the order presented in its index. Before each session, participants read the relevant pages and come ready to share thoughts or ask any questions.



誠摯邀請您參加

# RCIA

## 基督徒入門聖事課程

認識天主 · 遇見信仰 · 改變生命

您是否想更認識天主，認識耶穌基督與天主教信仰？  
您是否在尋找信仰的意義與人生的方向？  
無論您是慕道者、想了解天主教，或希望完成入門聖事，我們都誠摯歡迎您加入 RCIA 課程！

**開始日期**  
5 September 2026 (星期六)

**時間**  
9:00am – 10:00am

**地點**  
94 Archer street

**課程內容包括：**

- 聖經與信仰的基礎認識
- 天主教教理與傳統
- 祈禱與靈修生活
- 入門聖事的準備 (洗禮、堅振、聖體)
- 分享與陪伴，在團體中一起成長

我們以真誠、尊重及愛心  
陪伴您踏上信仰之旅，  
在基督內找到平安與喜樂。

**聯絡人**

📞 Grace Tai (粵語) 0403 345 809

📞 Rose Huang (國語) 0490 536 978

「你們尋找我，不是因為看見了神蹟，  
而是因為吃過餅，得了飽。」  
(若望福音 6:26)

## Parish Life & Community Groups

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

### 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](mailto:old.childrens.atrrium@gmail.com)

### Children's Liturgy at 9am Mass

We need parents to support this important ministry by becoming a parent volunteer! Rostered on once per month during school terms.

Please contact  
[rebecca.molinaro@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:rebecca.molinaro@bbcatholic.org.au)

### 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](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Children's Baptism

For children from 6 to 12 years of age

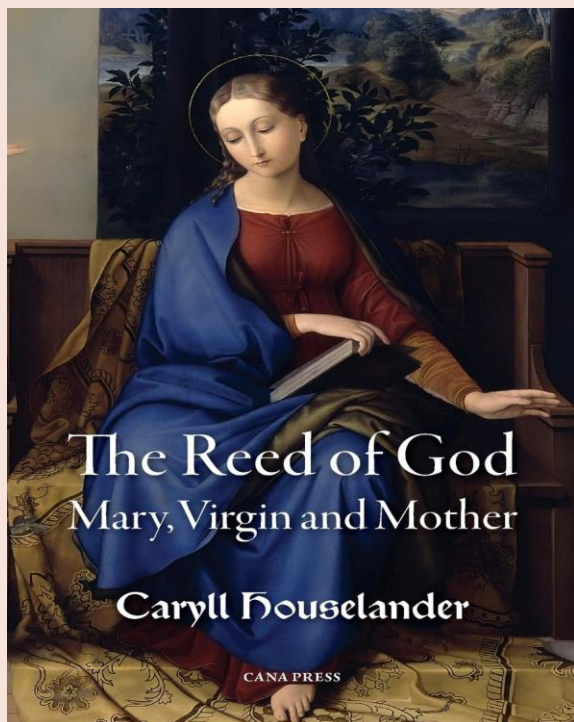
Our next Kids' Baptism Program will begin on  
**Sunday 6th September 2026**  
(Baptism to be celebrated on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2026)

To find out more or to enrol your child contact Rebecca at:  
[rebecca.molinaro@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:rebecca.molinaro@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Saturday 5 September 2026

- All day road closure 12:00Midnight - 9:00pm
- Temporary road closure 1:00pm - 4:00pm

- Please note road closures due to the Chatswood Street Fair on 5 September!.



## Parish Book Club

Come along and journey with us, nourished by readings which deepen our faith and spirituality. In September we begin *The Reed of God* by Caryl Houselander, a spiritual classic that invites readers to encounter Mary as fully human and intimately relatable. Caryl 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!

This book was very highly recommended by Father Robert Rieger from Medjugorje, when he visited our parish in February of this year.

Contact Bernadette at [bjew@innovart.com.au](mailto:bjew@innovart.com.au)

**Wednesday, 2nd September**

**7.30pm in Magnificat Room**



**ZOOM ROSARY DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2026**

PLEASE JOIN US IN HONOURING OUR BLESSED MOTHER BY PRAYING THE ROSARY TOGETHER VIA ZOOM



**NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER AT 8 PM**

ZOOM DETAILS:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84141288709>

Meeting ID: 841 4128 8709  
No Passcode required



**OUR LADY OF SORROWS (PATRONAL FEAST DAY)  
TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER AT 8 PM**

ZOOM DETAILS:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89128242753>

Meeting ID: 891 2824 2753  
NO Passcode required



**MOVIE NIGHT**



**DATE: SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026**

**ARRIVAL & LIGHT SUPPER: 6:30PM**  
**MOVIE SCREENING: 7PM**

**LOCATION: HARRINGTON HALL, 94 ARCHER ST  
CHATSWOOD NSW 2067**

**[HTTPS://TRYBOOKING.COM/DPBHA](https://trybooking.com/dpbha) OR SCAN QR CODE**



Interested to volunteer?

We would love your support with set up/service/pack up!

Contact Dee at [chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)  
or  
Ph: 02 9410 9000

- Volunteers wanted for set up and pack up. Contact Dee at [chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

30 AUGUST 2026

'YOU HAVE SEDUCED ME, LORD!' The prophet Jeremiah was captivated by God. His attachment meant that he suffered greatly at the hands of God's enemies but he also experienced a fire within, lit by God's love, that urged him on. We too can follow Jesus wholeheartedly only if we are captivated by him. Like Peter, we may remonstrate with Jesus as we struggle to understand his ways, but we will follow him faithfully along the way of the cross to the fullness of life.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Ps 85:3, 5

**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.**

## 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 are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: 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. God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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

Jer 20:7-9

**A reading from the prophet Jeremiah**

*The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.*

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;

you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,

imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### RESP PSALM

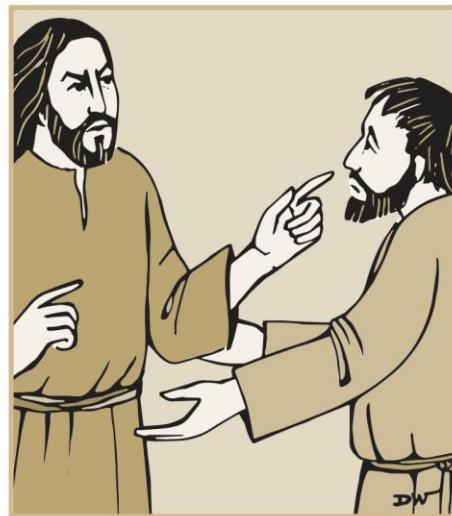
Ps 62:2-6, 8-9. R. v. 2

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; / for you my soul is thirsting. / My body pines for you / like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary / to see your strength and your glory. / For your love is better than life, / my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

3. So I will bless you all my life, / in your name I will lift up my hands. / My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, / my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**



4. For you have been my help; / in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. / My soul clings to you; / your right hand holds me fast. **R.**

### SECOND READING

Rom 12:1-2

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

*May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.*

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Eph 1:17, 18

**Alleluia, alleluia! / May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ / enlighten the eyes of our heart, / that we might see how great is the hope / to which we are called. / Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

Mt 16:21-27

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.**

*Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.*

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day.

Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

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. May this sacred offering, O Lord, confer on us always the blessing of salvation, that what it celebrates in mystery it may accomplish in power. 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: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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 30:20

**How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, we beseech you, Lord, that, being the food of charity, it may confirm our hearts and stir us to serve you in our neighbour. 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

### GENUINE DISCIPLESHIP

Today's Gospel follows on immediately from last Sunday's Gospel and the question posed to Jesus' disciples in Matthew's day, and to us, about his identity. Jesus then outlines what awaits him in Jerusalem—his suffering, death and resurrection. These words seem either incomprehensible to his disciples, represented by Peter, or are rejected.

Whatever the reason for Peter's reaction, following God's anointed one on a path of suffering, death and resurrection is unfathomable. The disciples imagine a triumphant, powerful figure who will overcome Roman opposition. Success and status are their vision for the future of discipleship!

Today's Gospel is a sobering reminder that suffering is not excluded from discipleship. Life's tragedies and concerns are not the opposite of following Jesus; they can be authentic expressions of it. Disciples are not called to seek suffering nor to become victims. Rather, suffering can be integrated into genuine discipleship. These are important insights especially for some who think that they must 'prove' their loyalty to Jesus by seeking out further pain or suffering. We know that suffering is part of life; we need not look for it further. We are surrounded by a world of suffering.

Today we acknowledge the sufferings of those who gather with us in our Assembly, especially those borne silently or through violence, including domestic violence.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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# ST CARLO ACUTIS

MAJOR  
PILGRIM RELIC  
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NATIONWIDE  
MISSION



Thursday 3 September - 6pm Vespers & Welcome. at Our Lady of Dolours church  
7pm Bishop David Walker's 30<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Anniversary

Friday 4 September - Young Adult Event 6:30-7:30pm in Our Lady of Dolours church followed by  
Overnight Adoration

Saturday 5 September - 9am Mass + 9:30am Rosary and Adoration + Public Veneration of the Relic  
9:30am - 5:30pm Harrington Hall Exhibition  
7pm Holy Hour of Sacred Music in Our Lady of Dolours church

Sunday 6 September - Relic departs after 12pm Filipino Mass for Gosford

ADORATION • VENERATION • TALKS • MASS • CONFESSION  
**ST CARLO'S 5 STEPS TO HOLINESS**

"TO BE TRANSFORMED INTO LOVE THROUGH THE EUCHARIST"



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# St Carlo Acutis

**MAJOR RELIC PILGRIMAGE**

**YOUNG ADULTS EVENT AT CHATSWOOD**

**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026 6:30PM-9:00PM**

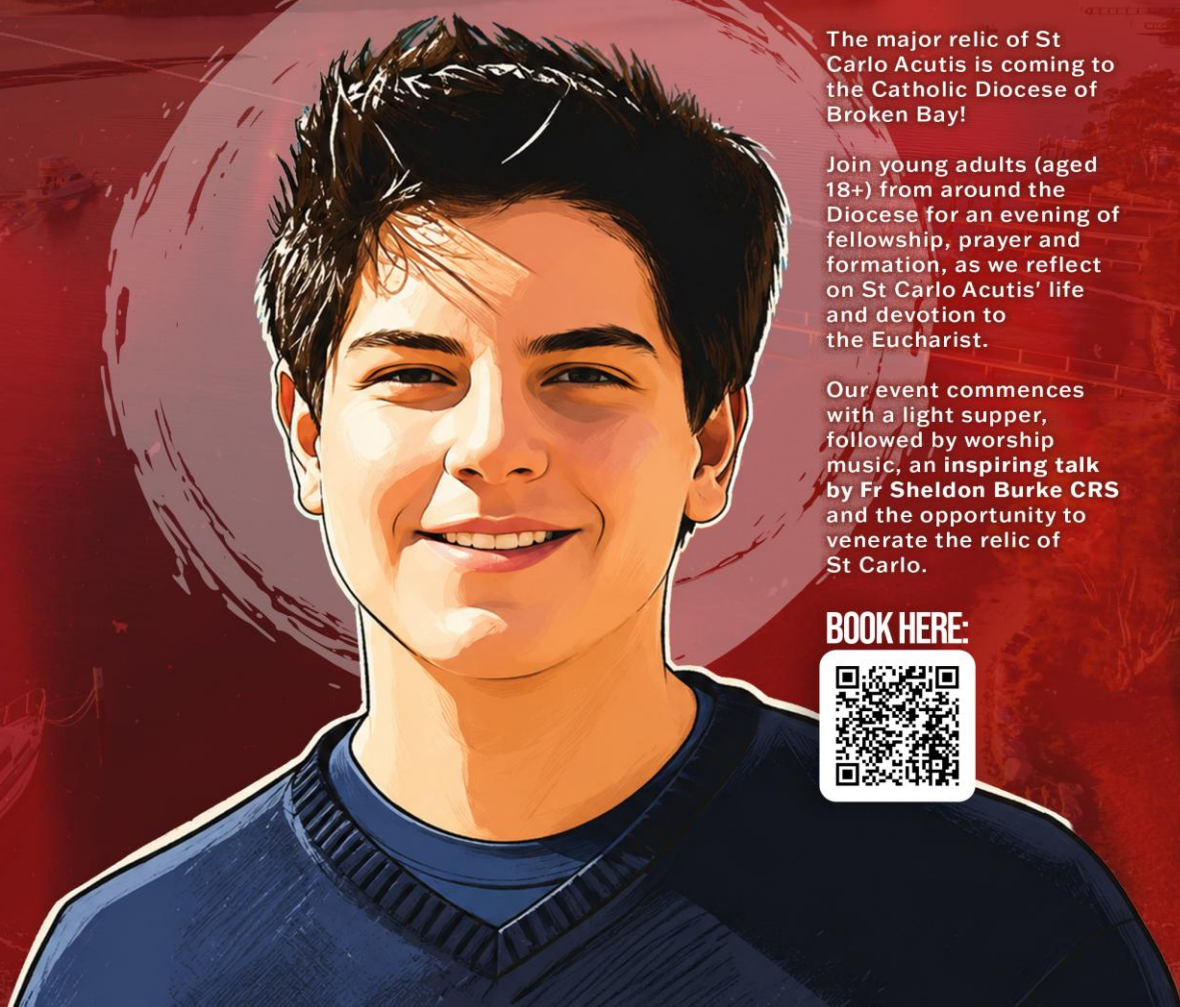
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, CHATSWOOD

The major relic of St Carlo Acutis is coming to the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay!

Join young adults (aged 18+) from around the Diocese for an evening of fellowship, prayer and formation, as we reflect on St Carlo Acutis' life and devotion to the Eucharist.

Our event commences with a light supper, followed by worship music, an inspiring talk by Fr Sheldon Burke CRS and the opportunity to venerate the relic of St Carlo.

**BOOK HERE:**



# 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.

## 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](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Exciting Opportunity to address social isolation in our community

Our Vinnies Conference and our parish are together spearheading a new initiative at our local social housing site in Artarmon.

Each Thursday from 10.30 to 12.00 we will host a get-together with social housing residents to help build a sense of community and belonging. We will provide coffee and cake as well as conversation with whoever turns up.

If you can spare one Thursday morning a month, we'd love to hear from you. This is the work that Jesus asks us to do - to care for our neighbors as we do for our selves and our families. If you'd like to know more or if you can offer one Thursday morning a month, please ring Dee at the parish office on or email [jokaraolis1@bigpond.com](mailto:jokaraolis1@bigpond.com). We start on **Thursday 3rd September** and you can sign up for any Thursday after that. All that is required is a Working With Children Check and a NSW Police Check and we can help you to get these. We would love to hear from you.

## St Vincent de Paul Society

There is an option for regular giving – if interested please email El or John details below.

Thank you for your generosity this Winter. We do need more active members and if you are interested in this Ministry please contact [El.Herlianto@vinnies.org.au](mailto:El.Herlianto@vinnies.org.au) or [John.Russell@vinnies.org.au](mailto:John.Russell@vinnies.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](mailto:aikimtan10@gmail.com)**



## Additional Parish & Diocesan Notices



This Sunday, 30 August is Social Justice Sunday. It is a day to reflect on Jesus's Gospel call to each of us to help build the Kingdom of God through lives of service mirroring His own love for all who are isolated by disability, illness or social rejection. This year, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has chosen the theme: ***Living the Gospel in Times of Social Division***. The Social Justice Statement invites us to reflect on the divisions we see within our society and, as followers of Jesus, to consider how we can respond with truth, compassion, courage and a commitment to the common good.

This day is also a time to celebrate the many ways in which during the last year our parish of Our Lady of Dolours has lived out Jesus's second great commandment, to love our neighbour in a spirit of peace and understanding. Parishioners have joined Fr David in strengthening bonds with our Jewish friends at Temple Emmanuel while we continue to pray for all who are suffering injury and injustice during the war in the Middle East. Our monthly Community Lunches have extended hospitality to all in our community including those experiencing social and economic hardship. The parish's Feast for Freedom financed our Refugee Sponsorship group who devoted the year to helping our Venezuelan family make a new life in Sydney.

Parishioners have supported people in Timor Leste through partnership with ATLAS (Australia Timore-Leste Advancement Society) and Ornella Byak's Bakhita School of Excellence. Our Vinnies team have responded to a record number of calls for help from people doing it tough in our area in this year of rising prices.

Parish representatives on the Sydney Alliance have joined in advocacy for better rental security and for housing that is affordable for key workers and low income earners.

Parishioners have made in-kind donations of food to the Jesuit Refugee Service and Vinnies Christmas Hamper drive. Our Men Alive group has supported many of these initiatives including helping to prepare the house for the sponsored refugee family, being irreplaceable at the Community BBQs and acting as delivery drivers for a variety of needs.

Social Justice Sunday is more than a day to distribute resources or mention a particular issue. It is an opportunity to ask how the Gospel challenges us to look beyond division, listen to one another, stand alongside those who are vulnerable or excluded, and work for a more just and compassionate society. It is a day for each one of us to ask what we ourselves can do to be the face of Jesus to our neighbour who is lonely or in need of some kind.

## Jesuit Refugee Food Bank

Each year about this time of year we conduct our annual food appeal to support the Jesuit Refugee Foodbank (JRS). JRS provides emergency and essential items to refugees, people seeking asylum, and vulnerable migrants in the Sydney region. Food insecurity is a significant challenge for hundreds of families and individuals. Long waits for resolution of asylum applications means that many of these people spend extended periods of time without work rights, access to Government support or other ways of supporting themselves.

This appeal will be conducted over the weekend of 29-30 August.

Please place your items in a recyclable bag and leave in the containers provided at the entrance of the church. With your assistance, we can ensure that these families no longer face the difficult choice between paying rent and putting food on the table.

Volunteers are required to deliver the goods to Parramatta and to transfer items to the St Peter room after each of the Masses. If you can help with either of these requests please email **Trish Wilson** at [patriciaawilson23@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaawilson23@gmail.com) or call **0431 696 504**

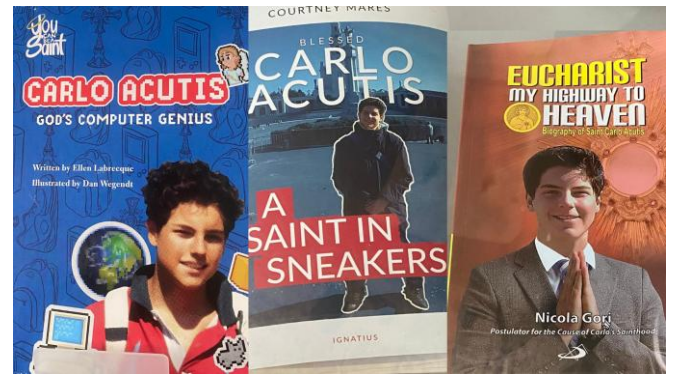


Please choose items from the list below

**FOOD ITEMS:** Cooking oil (750ml/1L) Long life full cream milk (1L) Dried lentils (1kg) Canned plain tuna in oil, (95g/190g/425g) Canned tomatoes (400g) Canned kidney beans Canned condensed milk Canned coconut milk (400ml) Canned veggies or fruit Sweet biscuits & savory snacks Pasta & Pasta Sauce Instant Noodles Salt (500g, 1kg) Sugar (500g, 1kg) Instant coffee & black tea bags Dried chickpeas (1kg) **ESSENTIALS:** Sanitary pads, Laundry detergent liquid Dishwashing liquid Shampoo & Conditioner Soap Deodorant Toothbrushes & Toothpaste Razors & shaving cream Nappies (size 4, 5, 6)

## NEW Arrivals at the PEW GIFT SHOP!

As we prepare to celebrate the **Feast of Our Lady of Dolours** and the major relic pilgrimage of **St Carlo Acutis**, why not visit the **PEW Gift Shop** and discover our latest collection of devotional, inspirational and unique religious items?



**Special items directly sourced from Italy** are now available, offering beautiful and meaningful gifts for yourself, your family or someone special. Discover devotional items that invite us to reflect on Mary's sorrows and her loving accompaniment of Jesus. Explore our collection of items celebrating St Carlo Acutis and his deep love for Jesus and the Eucharist. Some of these include tapestry, rosary beads, icon boxes, pendants, medals, keychains, and many more.



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.

PEW Gift Shop (Pray - Evangelise - Worship)

Weekdays after 12:30pm Mass

Weekends after each Mass

Enquiries: [giftshopinthecity@gmail.com](mailto:giftshopinthecity@gmail.com)

## Our Lady of Dolours: A Four-part Series

### Walking with Mary Through Her Seven Sorrows: The Fourth and Fifth Sorrows

Last week, we walked with Mary through the **Flight into Egypt** and the **Loss of Jesus in the Temple**. She knew what it was to travel an unfamiliar road and to search anxiously for someone she loved.

**And Mary kept walking.**

This week, the journey becomes harder. Mary cannot shield Jesus from what is coming or take away his pain. But she can stay close.

Sometimes, our presence is one of the greatest gifts we can give someone we love.

#### **The Fourth Sorrow: Mary Meets Jesus on the Way to Calvary**

Jesus has been condemned to death. Beaten and exhausted, he carries his Cross through the streets of Jerusalem towards Calvary.

Christian tradition places Mary there, somewhere on the road to Calvary, where Mother and Son meet. Imagine that moment.

Mary sees the face of the Child she once held, now bruised and wounded under the weight of the Cross. She cannot carry this burden for him. But she can walk with him as far as she is able.

**And Mary stays close.**

Many of us know something of this. Someone we love is suffering, and we long to make things better. But some burdens cannot be lifted by another person.

They can, however, be shared.

Holding a hand. Sitting quietly beside someone. Staying when there is nothing to say. Simply letting someone know they do not have to walk this road alone.

#### **The Fifth Sorrow: The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus**

Mary follows Jesus all the way to Calvary.

The Gospel of John tells us simply:

**“Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother...”** John 19:25

**Standing.** That simple description speaks of courage, steadfastness, fidelity and presence.

Mary watches as her Son is nailed to the Cross. She hears his words and watches his life slowly slip away.

**What must it have cost a mother simply to stand there?**

This is the Son she had carried and raised, whose life she had shared from the beginning. She stays near him now, through these final moments of his life.

She does not turn away.

**And Mary remains.**

From the Cross, Jesus sees his Mother:

**“Woman, here is your son.”** John 19:26

Even as he is dying, Jesus gives Mary to the beloved disciple, and the disciple to Mary. Even here, at the foot of the Cross, love reaches outward. The Mother who has accompanied Jesus to Calvary is given also to us.

Then come Jesus' final words:

**“It is finished.”** John 19:30

And he dies.

**Mary is still there.**

Some of us know this place. We have sat beside someone who was very ill, accompanied someone through grief, or watched someone we love struggle through something we could not change.

We wonder what to say. What to do. How to help.

Perhaps we do not always need an answer. Sometimes love asks us simply to stay.

**The Mother whose name we carry** knows what that costs. She also shows us what such presence can mean.

**And when we face our own crosses, Mary stays close to us too.**

Our Lady of Dolours, teach us to stay close to those who suffer. Give us the courage not to turn away, the tenderness to know when words are not needed, and the grace simply to be there. And when we are hurting, remind us that we are not alone.

*Next week, we complete our journey through Mary's Seven Sorrows as she receives Jesus' body and accompanies him to the tomb.*

Yvonne Corpuz



# Please Remember in Our Prayers.

## For Those Recently Deceased

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.

## Deceased Birthday

Mr Rose Nanayakkara

## Ordination Anniversary

Fr Hien Vu (24 August – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Anniversary)

## For Those Who Are Sick

Warrick 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, Sarvojith Prabhu, Mladen Milostic, Windeluna Thrane, Norma Maisog, Grace Eleanor Lumanug, Mark Nicholo Jamiana, Lorena Stephanie Jamiana, Mirjana Mirosevic; Antony D'Silva; 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; Mirjana Marinovic; Mellita Jones; Daniel West; Ying Leong Fong; Rosetta Lo Presti; Celine Robinson; 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; 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

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

Zaine

### 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 30 August. If you are interested to be part of this celebration, please contact

Dee at  
[chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Sacraments Celebrated

### Infant, Children & Adult Baptisms

**Location: Our Lady of Dolours Church 12pm**

**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](mailto: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 this week are gifted to us by Carla Gageler in loving memory of Anna & Amore Di Guglielmo.



## 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](mailto: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.**

| 31 | Fr Teo Medina SOLT                    |
|----|---------------------------------------|
| 1  | Fr Paul Finucane,<br>Fr Paul Durkin   |
| 2  | Fr Bogdan Skupien,<br>Fr Eliseus Shin |
| 3  | Fr Chima Ofor,<br>Fr Marek Woldoan    |
| 4  | Sr Anges Dinh                         |
| 5  | Fr Philip Thottam MSFS                |
| 6  | Fr Pawel (Paul) Szczur SDS            |

## 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 +*

*Saint Lorenzo Ruiz +*

**Filipino Chaplaincy**

**Cultural Showcase**

*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](mailto: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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**DATE:** Friday 4 September  
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**VENUE:** Manly Pacific Hotel  
**ENTERTAINMENT BY:** Evergreen Band  
**PRICE:** \$170 Includes 3 course meal and welcoming drink



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## THE CATHOLIC GP MINI EXPO

**Courageous Catholic Medicine in a Secular World**

So many people ask us: "Where can I find a Catholic GP?" And so many Catholic GPs simply want to work in a practice that supports ethical medicine.

It's time to have a conversation about the highs and lows of the ethical medicine journey.

Please join our panel as we discuss what it means to be a Catholic working as a General Practitioner.



**Bishop Bede Heather Centre**  
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Blacktown NSW 2148



**Saturday, 12 Sept 2026**  
2:00 - 4:30 PM



NEW SOUTH WALES  
**CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**

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## Parish Office

### Office Address:

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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](mailto:giftshopinthecity@gmail.com)

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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