

Responsorial Psalm Response The Lord gave them bread from heaven.		Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!				
WEEKEND MASSES						
Epping	5pm Vigil, 8:30am, 10:15am, 6:00pm					
Carlingford	6:00pm Vigil, 7:45am, 9:30am					
WEEKDAY MASSES	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur	Fri	Sat.
EPPING	No Mass	12:15pm	9:15am	12:15pm	12:15pm	9:15am
CARLINGFORD	9:30am	No Mass	9:30am	9:30am	9:30am	No Mass
HEALING MASS	Carlingford —1st Thursday, Epping — 3rd Wednesday					
EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST: Epping Saturday 9:45-10:15am, Carlingford , 4th Thursday 10:00am						
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Epping Saturday 9:45-10:15am Carlingford Saturday 5:00—5:30pm OR BY APPOINTMENT						
BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS BY APPOINTMENT						
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Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:
Recently deceased: Gerald Viset, Clara Suh, Mary Margaret Smith, Brendan Flanagan, Betty Pearson, Vincent Kertapati, Veronica Ann Gracie, Gilbert Connor, Barbara McCardle (UK), Patricia Amy (sister of Margaret Coonan), Fr Paul Ryan, Marion Barton, Mary McKinnon, Stan Connelly, Tsang Chan Yuk,

*Please pray for Marcella Power who died last week.
The funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday at 10:00am in St Gerard's Church.*

Anniversaries: Elizabeth Pedemont, Lourdes Sangalang, Barry O'Brien, Bernadette O'Brien, Teresa & Patrick Fraser, René & Iris Nina, Angela Zavaglia, John Hatcher (husband of Phyllis Hatcher).

Also for: Hubert Pedemont, John Noakes, Norma Barlow, Barry O'Brien (Snr), Grace Ryan, Richard Barry, Mark Hillier, John & Elizabeth McEneaney, John & Noon Barry, Patricia Barr.

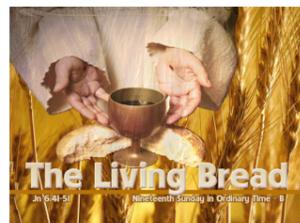
Please pray for those who are sick: Sean Huhse, Joel Steinberg, Patricia Rumble, Dean Pan, John Davies, Nicole Greenfield, Michael Furlong, Saulius Dovydas Balsya, Residents of Wesley Rayward Nursing Home, Rose Prior, Mark Di Palma, Anthony Conlon, Amy, Andrew Hannam, The Craig Family, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Cooper Rundell, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard Stieger, Fred Saad, Ron Jenkins, Mike Van Werdt, Tammy Birch, Dorothea Ellis, Veronica Hartwich, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Stella Nathan, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Pam Taig, Elaine Hunt, Arnold Day, Marcie Power, Maureen Carlon, Fr Adrian Borst, Ausustine Hong, Luba Charlton, Tony ?, George Khouri, Martin Sill, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Rob Neil, Josie Scully, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Kath McCarthy, Patricia Amy, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Frank Holmes, Joyce Fewtrell, Patricia Muschalik, Ernest Lau,

Due to privacy laws, names of the sick and deceased can only be put in the bulletin with the permission of the immediate family.

Celebrations this Week—19th Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday—Memoria, St Maximilian Mary Kolbe.
Wednesday— Solemnity, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
18/08/18	5:00pm	TBC	6:00pm	Fr John Frauenfelder
19/08/18	8:30am	Fr Joey Frez	7:45am	Fr James Duck
19/08/18	10:15am	Fr Joey Frez	9:30am	Fr James Duck
19/08/18	6:00pm	Fr Joey Frez		



The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford Diocese of Broken Bay

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Welcome to our Parish of Epping and Carlingford consisting of our two worshipping communities of St Gerard Majella's at Carlingford and Our Lady Help of Christians at Epping. If you are new to the area or visiting today we are glad that you are with us, and we hope that our celebrations of the Eucharist together will provide both nourishment and challenge on your Christian journey.

YEAR B

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12-8-18

Kings 19:4-8

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

John 6:41-51

Fr David Ranson Appointed Diocesan Administrator

The College of Consultors of the Diocese of Broken Bay, the group of priests who have a canonical and civil role in the governance of the Diocese, met last Friday afternoon (3 August) to fulfil its duty of electing a priest to serve as Diocesan Administrator, in the absence of a bishop following the appointment of Most Rev Peter A Comensoli as ninth Archbishop of Melbourne.



It is with great pleasure that I make the announcement on behalf of the Consultors that Rev Dr David Ranson has been duly elected as Diocesan Administrator, effective immediately.

"I thank the Consultors for the confidence that they have placed in me by their election; and I assume this service to our local Church of Broken Bay with every sense of the responsibility that it entails. We are blessed in the Diocese with strong leadership, including the College of Consultors, who I know will give great support and guidance during this time of transition."

As Diocesan Administrator, Fr David will lead the Diocese of Broken Bay until the Holy Father, Pope Francis, appoints a new bishop. During this period between bishops, Canon Law states that there can be no innovation, but the many initiatives of Bishop Comensoli's can be progressed through to their conclusion, with many functions and ministries of the Church continuing as normal.

"We go forward progressing the many initiatives of Bishop Comensoli's exemplary leadership of the last three and half years, and, together, we await with prayerful and expectant hearts the appointment of a new Shepherd to lead us into the future,"

In a very practical sense, Fr David now undertakes a particular role and office, quite separate to that of his ministry as Parish Priest of Holy Name.

May we join in prayerful support for Fr David and his ministry, and for our community of Broken Bay as we now move into a new stage in our journey.

Thank you always for your wonderful support and energy for all that is done for the people of God in Broken Bay.

Annie Carrett, Senior Advisor and Director of Communications



Archbishop Peter's Installation at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, 1 August 2018

National Vocations Awareness Week (NVAW) began on the 5 August:

National Vocations Awareness Week (NVAW) 5-12 August 2018 provides an opportunity for all Australian dioceses, parishes and schools to focus at the same time on the 'call to holiness' that arises from our Baptism, and thus to further foster a Vocations Culture across Australia.

National Vocations Awareness Week – the Church in Broken Bay needs more Priests, Deacons and Religious. Each one of us can do something about this. Firstly – pray each day. A simple prayer may be the cause of one person saying 'yes'. Secondly – talk about the possibility of a vocation to others. Lend your voice to the call of the Lord.
M: 0418 522 449 E: vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au



Alpha



Alpha is offered to all in the Spring

What happens at Alpha? Last week, people said:
*I did not feel excited with bells and whistles to go to Alpha but found myself week after week being drawn to Alpha. It has been so wonderful for me and for us.
I come to Mass here but never knew anyone. Now I have friends who I see at Mass.
I did not know I needed Alpha till I did it.*

Interested in Alpha? Then join us over a meal to hear what others have found.
Be our guest on **Thursday 30th August** starting at **7 pm** at Epping / Carlingford.
You can then decide about Alpha.

For more information or to let us know you are coming, please send an email to Maree at the parish office or just turn up!

Denis & Maureen McNamara

Euthanasia debate in the Senate

The Senate has decided to debate the Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015 on 14, 15 and 16 August, to allow territories the right to make laws on euthanasia. If the bill passes, it will effectively mean euthanasia will be legalised in the ACT and perhaps also in the Northern Territory.

Write to senators to oppose euthanasia.

The Senate will soon vote on a Bill which would allow territories to legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide. Please contact your senators TODAY and ask them to protect vulnerable people by voting against the Bill. Visit the HOPE website to send your message <http://www.no euthanasia.org.au/sign>

Growing in Faith - Sharing with Others

Many Catholics want to share their faith with others but don't feel confident to do so.

Martin Teulan, the former National Director of Catholic Mission, has carefully designed this very practical and enjoyable program for Epping and Carlingford Parish parishioners on faith sharing. Parishioners will find it interesting personally to learn more about themselves and the basics of our faith, and also what attracts people to the church and faith today.

From this, we will learn the skills of how to share our faith in a low-key, appropriate and attractive way with others.

If you would like to join a team in organising and presenting this course, please email Maree in the parish office at maree@eppcarl.org.au or call Martin Teulan on 0408 867 046.

When: Thursdays - 6, 13, 20 & 27th September
Time: 7:15pm
Venue: Parish Meeting Room Epping



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

Thank you for supporting the August Charitable Works Fund Appeal highlighting the CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program (one of the charities supported by the CWF).

The Charitable Works Fund is 100% tax deductible and 98.25cents of every dollar goes to CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program – where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospital staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

- Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – creating and updating the curriculum and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.
- St Lucy's School – for primary school students with disabilities.
- S Edmund's School – for secondary school students with disabilities.
- Ephpheta Centre – serving the Catholic deaf community.

SHORTFALL AFTER FIRST WEEK \$11,969

Envelopes can be found in the pews. Please give generously as any shortfall from this appeal will have to be made up from normal parish funds – please support the appeal so that we can avoid this happening. Our Parish quota for this Appeal is \$17,064.

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.

AFTER HOURS SICK CALLS—9876 2853

Outside office hours our office phones divert to Fr Peter, Fr Anselam & Fr Joey at home. In the event that they are unavailable, their answering machines will record your message or ring the number given in the message. However, please restrict office and routine enquiries to office hours.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

Our parish is strongly committed to ecumenism and a formal Covenant has been signed with the Anglican Parish of Epping, Epping Uniting Church, West Epping Uniting Church and Epping, Baptist Church.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God, you call us, your disciples in Broken Bay to be the face of Jesus to the world, to care and evangelise in his name.

Through your Spirit, you call us all, to serve you in many forms of Christian discipleship.

We ask you particularly at this time to call forth individual believers to serve your disciples in Broken Bay in our lay ecclesial ministries, in religious life, in diaconate and in priesthood.

May we be a Church where generosity, dedication and passion are called forth and nurtured.

May we be a Church where we can listen for your voice in a noisy world, and respond with faith and hope.

We ask you this through the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for his sheep, Christ, our Lord. Amen

Pray For Cheltenham Girls' and Epping Boys' High Schools

A group of people from local churches meets together for one hour, once a term, to pray for Cheltenham Girls' and Epping Boys' High Schools to support the students, staff, chaplains and Scripture program. Please join us on Thursday 23 August from 8-9pm at 9 Gloucester Road Epping. We will finish promptly.
Enquiries: Katrina Collins 0400 488 459 / ckjsge@gmail.com

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL

A reminder that if you are admitted to hospital to please ensure that you write down your religion as Catholic on the admission form, so that you can receive Catholic services during

HAVE YOU TOLD US? If you have recently changed your address, phone number or email.
For parishioners who give by credit card, does your credit card expire in the near future? Please give the parish office a call on 9876 2853 if you have received a new credit card and/or a new expiry date.

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Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel: Bread & Wine

Bread and wine are ambiguous, both in life and in the Eucharist.

On the one hand, bread is perhaps our primary symbol for food, health, nourishment, and community: Give us this day our daily bread! Let us break bread together! Bread is a symbol for life and coming together.

Few things speak as wonderfully about life as does the smell of fresh bread. The fragrance of fresh bread is the smell of life itself! Yet there is another story to bread. Out of what is bread made? Kernels of wheat that had to be crushed in their individuality to become something communal, flour, which then had to endure fire to be baked into the substance that gives off the smell of life. As St. Augustine once said in a homily:

For surely this loaf was not made from one grain of wheat? The grains were separate before they came together to become one loaf. They were joined together by water, after first having been ground (contritionem—the Latin verb he uses here). For if the many kernels are not ground and are not moistened by water, they could not come to this form, that we call a loaf. ... And then without fire, there is still not a loaf of bread.

Bread must be baked too in a fierce heat. Bread then speaks of both joy and pain.

The goodness and joy of life and the pains and shortcomings of that same life, is the same tension that we need to hold up each day within our ordinary lives. Wine too speaks in this double way: on the one hand, it is a festive drink, perhaps our foremost symbol for celebration. Wine has nothing to do with basic nourishment or necessity. It is not a protein needed for health, but an extra that speaks of what lies beyond the hard business of making and sustaining a living. Wine speaks of friendship, community, celebration, joy, recreation, victory. We celebrate everything, not least of all love, with wine. But, like bread, wine has another side: Of what is wine made? Crushed grapes. Individual grapes are crushed and their very blood becomes the substance out of which ferments this warm, festive drink. No wonder Jesus chose it to represent his blood.

It is helpful to keep this ambiguity in mind whenever we participate in the Eucharist. Bread and wine are held up to be blessed by God and to become the flesh and blood of Christ, and they are held up precisely in their ambiguity.

On the one hand they represent everything in life and in the world that is healthy, young, beautiful, bursting with energy, and full of colour. They represent the goodness of this earth, the joy of human achievements, celebration, festivity, and all that is contained in that original blessing when, after the first creation, God looked at the earth and pronounced it good. The Eucharist too gives off the smell of fresh bread.

But that's half of it. The Eucharist also holds up, in sacrifice, all that is being crushed, broken, and baked by violence. The wine, fittingly, is also blood. At the Eucharist, we hold up both, the world's health and its achievements along with its depressions and failures, and ask God to be with us in both. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin once put it this way: In a sense the true substance to be consecrated each day is the world's development during that day – the bread symbolizing appropriately what creation succeeds in producing, the wine (blood) what creation causes to be lost in exhaustion and suffering in the course of that effort.

What we see in the Eucharist, the goodness and joy of life and the pains and shortcomings of that same life, is the same tension that we need to hold up each day within our ordinary lives. How do we do that?

By enjoying life and all its legitimate pleasures without guilt and without ever denigrating them in the name of God, truth, and the poor, even as we go and stand where the Cross of Christ is forever being erected, namely, where the excluded, the poor, the sick, the unattractive, the lonely, the hungry, the crushed, and the bleeding find their place.

We properly live the tension of the Eucharist, the ambiguity of bread and wine, whenever we honor both the smell of fresh bread and the process by which it came to be. What that means is that we must fully honour the beauty of nature, the grace of an athlete, the energy inside music, the power and sacramentality inside sex, the humor inside a good comedian, the vibrant feel of health, and the color and zest that lie everywhere inside of life itself, even as we are conscious of and in solidarity with all that is being excluded from or victimized by these wonderful energies which ultimately take their origin in God.

In John's Gospel, water becomes wine and wine becomes blood and blood and water both eventually flow out of the pierced side of Jesus. That happens too in the Eucharist and it happens in our lives. The task is to hold them both in our hands, as happens at Eucharist, and then offer them up to God.

Ron Rolheiser

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Position Vacant—Human Resources Officer—Pennant Hills—Full Time

We are seeking an experienced Human Resources Officer to manage our human resources processes, workers compensation claims and RTW. You will also provide generalist HR advice and support to the Chancery and parishes across the Diocese.

If you are interested in applying for this position apply online via recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au and include a cover letter, statement as to the selection criteria (obtainable from the parish office) and a current CV. Applications close 4pm on Monday, 20th August 2018.

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	12/08/18	9:30am	Kidz Word at St Gerard's Church
		10:15am	Kidz Word at Our Lady Help of Christians Church
		2:30pm	PH Epping Confirmation Session 2
		6:00pm	PMR Carlingford Antioch Group
Mon	13/08/18	9:00am	PH Epping—Little Engines Playgroup
		9:30am	PH Carlingford Gerry's Playgroup
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		7:30pm	CH Carlingford—Rosary Group
		7:30am	PMR Carlingford SVdP Meeting
Tue.	14/08/18	10:00am	St Gerard's Funeral for Marcella Power
		12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		3:00pm	PMR Carlingford Confirmation Session 2
		7:00pm	CH Carlingford Adult Choir Practice
		7:00pm	St Gerard's Vigil Mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed.	15/08/18	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
		7:30pm	Mass at OLHC for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Thur.	16/08/18	12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		7:30pm	PH Epping Parent Formation Evening—Confirmation
		9:00am	Mass at Carlingford High School
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Fri.	17/08/18	10:00am	PMR Carlingford—Scripture Reflection
		12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		7:00pm	PH Carlingford—CANA Youth Group
		9:15am	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		10:15am	Benediction
		2:30pm	PH Carlingford Confirmation Session 3
Sat.	18/08/18	3:30pm	PMR Carlingford Happy Family Chinese Group
		5:00pm	Vigil Mass at Epping Church
		5:00pm	CH Carlingford Reconciliation
		6:00pm	Vigil Mass at St Gerard's

PH-Parish Hall, CH-Church, PMR—Parish Meeting Room,

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Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Wednesday 15th August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – a **holy day of obligation**
Mass times are as follows:

14th August
7:00pm Vigil Mass at St Gerard's

15th August
9:30am Mass at St Gerard's Schools attending.

12:15pm Mass Our Lady Help of Christians Schools attending.

7:30pm Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians.

August Safeguarding Message

"A child—focused complaints process is an important strategy for helping children and others in institutions to make complaints." (Royal Commission, Final Report 2017).
This means;

- The process is not slow in addressing the concern/complaint,
- children know who to speak to if they have a concern/complaint,
- children are listened to, they are believed, they are supported and
- children feel comfortable and empowered by the complaints process.





Children's Sacramental Journey Confirmation 2018

This week, we move into Session 2 – Called by Name. The groups discuss God's Love for us and what that has to do with our names. The children learn God loves them, they are unique and precious in the eyes of God. We look at some well-known biblical names that had been called to do God's work, and so teach the children that God also calls us all by name, in the hope that we too will fulfil important works of service for God. In the Gospel of Luke, we read The Call of Mary – The Annunciation, the perfect example for us all to ponder: What is God calling me to do?

The group sessions are family-centred and encourage parent-child interaction with activities to help children explore the key concepts of the sacrament in an age-appropriate and fun way. Upon completion of the four sessions, Candidates will celebrate Confirmation in our parish on Saturday, 8th September.

We always like to hear from you! If you have any queries or would like more information regarding your child's sacramental journey within our parish, please feel free to drop us a line.

Lynn Siau
Children's Sacramental Co-ordinator
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SCHOOL MASSES There will be a whole school Masses on **Wednesday 15th August** at 9:30am at St Gerard's Church and at **12:15pm** at **Our Lady Help of Christians' Church**. The Masses celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A holy day of obligation. All Parents most welcome!

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION –

The next Meditation Renewal Day will be this Sunday 19th August, at the St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia (9653 1159). Arrival at 10:00am for a 10:30am start. BYO picnic lunch, tea and coffee provided. Books and other material will be for sale on the day. Self-catering accommodation may be available in the Monastery Guest House. Please contact the Guest Master, Br Terry, on 0438 282 318 for bookings. For transport enquiries contact Ann Lomas 9456 4775 or email atlomas@bigpond.com

Putting Rungs on the Ladder -

Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Twilight Reflection Evening

Join Catholics from the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Dioceses of Parramatta and Broken Bay for a dinner event to celebrate our social justice work and reflect on the themes of this year's Social Justice Statement "Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy."

Date: Wednesday 22 August 2018

Time: 6.30pm – 9.00pm

Venue: Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (vehicular entry via City View Road)

RSVP: By 10 August 2018 faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au Cristina Gomez 8379 1628

Our Healing Mass will **not** take place this Wednesday, 15th August. The Mass will now take place on **Wednesday, 22nd August**.

VISITING CELEBRANTS We welcome Rev Fr John Frauenfelder, Very Rev Peter Jones OSA, and Rev Fr Peter Carroll MSC, who will be celebrating Masses this weekend. Please make them welcome.

MONTHLY CHILDREN'S MASS AT EPPING



A reminder, that our monthly Children's Mass at Epping, will take place next **Sunday, 19th August** at the 10:15am Mass. If you would like your child/ren to be involved in one of the active roles at this Children's Mass please email Therese at olhcchildrensmass@gmail.com



ST GERARD MAJELLA

The monthly Mass in honour of St Gerard will be celebrated in the St Gerard's Chapel within St Gerard's Church **Wednesday 16th August at 9:30am**.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

Celebrating Disciples of All Nations – 18 August 2018

To mark the 104th World Day of Refugees and Migrants, a Diocesan event "Celebrating Disciples of All Nations" will be held at the Cathedral / The Light of Christ Centre, 23 Yardley Ave Waitara, on Saturday 18 August 2018. We welcome Most Rev Vincent Long, Bishop of Parramatta, who will be joining us for the afternoon as we celebrate our multicultural Christian community. The afternoon includes:

- 1:00pm – 3:00pm A showcase of international food and live entertainment at the Light of Christ Centre (*gold coin donation on arrival to be donated to charity*)
- 3:00pm – 4.30pm An expert Panel Discussion on the theme "Welcoming, Protecting, Promoting, and Integrating Migrants and Refugees". Includes a personal address by Most Rev Vincent Long.
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm Mass at the Cathedral, celebrating the richness of gifts that each in our faith community brings. Be part of this inaugural diocesan multicultural event. To register, or for more information please email faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au or contact Cristina Gomez on 8379 1628.

Year of Youth 2018

CANA YOUTH GROUP

If you're in **Years 7-9** come along for a night Jam-packed with **FUN & FAITH!** **EVERY FRIDAY** night of the **School Term, 7:30pm - 9pm. In the Parish Hall @ Carlingford**

It's a great place to catch up with old friends, and meet some new ones! Please remember that a small donation when you come to the meeting would really help out with the costs of the night. Thanks.

Ring Ashleigh for any further information
0430 120 015



BEYOND OUR PARISH

World Youth Day 2019

We now have limited spaces left on our WYD pilgrimage to Panama 2019. For pilgrims to secure their position they must pre-register their details and pay the initial \$500 deposit without delay, as we have no scope to extend our pilgrimage numbers. Very soon we will be moving out of the pre-registration phases into full registration with Cosmos who are our official travel provider.

More details about the pilgrimage and a link to pre-registration can be found at www.bbcatholic.org.au/youth

Please note that the first WYD Pilgrim and Parent Information session is this coming Monday. If you have any potential pilgrims, invite them to come along to find out more information.

WYD Panama - Pilgrim and Parent Information Evening

Date: Monday 13 August 2018

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Venue: Our Lady of The Rosary Catholic Primary School Waitara, Library

Address: 23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara.

Benedict's Tools for Peace

A day of retreat hosted by the Mount St Benedict Centre in partnership with the Office for Evangelisation, Diocese of Broken Bay.

In the busyness of today's fast paced, noisy, ever changing world we long for peace – in our hearts, in our homes, in our workplaces. This day of reflection will immerse you in the ancient wisdom of the Rule of St Benedict, who in this "little rule for beginners" provides practical tools for living a life of peace with oneself and the world.

Facilitator: Margaret Malone sgs

Date: Saturday 8 September 2018

Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm

Venue: Mount St Benedict Centre, 449D Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (entry via Hull Rd)

Cost: Gold coin donation; morning tea provided, bring your own lunch.

RSVP: By Monday 3 September mtstbene-dict@goodsams.org.au 8752 5390

OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY:

This Sunday 5th August

Antioch is also celebrating the Year of Youth!

Come & see.....

Saturday 25th August

8:30am–7:30pm @ OLHC Epping

Invite your friends for FREE food, faith-filled talks & fund games!

(Year 10 to 22 year olds)

For more info or to register contact:

Donna—0498 935 580

Joanne—0416 030 927



"It was at Antioch that the believers were first called Christians." ~Acts 11:26

Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention – 21-23 September 2018

The ACYMC invites all those who are engaged in ministry with young people in a Catholic setting. It brings together those from schools, parishes, diocese, movements, religious orders, communities, universities, vocations, social services and organisations from across Australia. Run by the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conferences Office for Youth and hosted in 2018 by the Diocese of Parramatta, this is Australia's leading professional development opportunity for youth ministry leaders. Registrations for the 3 day convention which include some meals, including a conference dinner on Saturday night is \$385. To register head to www.acymc.org.au



CYBB has a limited number of subsidised registrations available for youth leaders who meet our selection criteria – for more information regarding the subsidy selection criteria and to apply please follow this link <https://goo.gl/forms/vmghjarndtXbS7oc2>

National Vocations Awareness Week (NVAW) began on the 5 August:

In this Year of Youth and Vocational Discernment, we pray for the young people of our parish and family – that our prayers and support will assist them to discern God's plan and call for their life.

Have you ever prayed and thought about what your vocation/calling may be? Are you looking for help in discernment? Are you interested in vocational resources? Contact the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Broken Bay

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E: vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au