

The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford Diocese of Broken Bay

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YEAR B

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19-09-21
26-09-21

Wisdom 2:12.17-20
Numbers 11:25-29

James 3:16-4:3
James 5:1-6

Mark 9:30-37
Mark 9:38-43.45.47-48

Dear Parishioners,

Presentation of Epping Site Redevelopment: Presentation of Epping Site Redevelopment: As you know, substantial work has been undertaken over the past few years by our parish, led by Fr Peter Dowd, and our diocese, to design new parish facilities and new school buildings which make the most of Epping's zoning changes. This year, Fr Peter, together with our Diocesan Financial Administrator Emma McDonald finalised the design requirements with our architects and development partner Stockland. The architects have now progressed the design where we can share the beautiful plans and renders with the parish. Unfortunately we cannot gather in person, and so this will be an online forum in which Emma McDonald, Stockland development manager Melody Potter, project manager Reece Hollingsworth, regional manager Calum Ross and I will be with you as our architect Farhad Haidari presents the designs to the parish. We will see an overview of the whole site with a particular focus on our new parish centre which will house the hall, meeting spaces and offices, linked by a glazed walkway across to OLHC church. Join us at 7pm on Thursday Sept 30th. Register here and you will receive the Zoom link with a confirmation email <https://www.trybooking.com/BUGJS> – Fr Jim

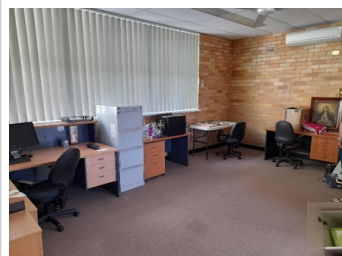
Coming back soon: Last week we heard the Premier announce that when the population is 70% vaccinated, lockdown will end. Churches, like other venues, will again be open at 1 person per 4 square meters capacity for people who are fully vaccinated. Please don't be in the 30% of the population who are unable to come and join us for Mass! See your doctor if you have any concerns about being vaccinated.

Improvements around the parish: There's been quite a bit of work happening around the parish these past few weeks:

OLHC Church doors have been repainted after some graffiti earlier in the year. We did a quick cover up over the graffiti earlier in the year, but it didn't match and looked out of place. A professional painter has now matched the original door colour so well you mightn't even notice the difference.

In November the parish office will move from OLHC to St Gerard's. In preparation we have been cleaning and sorting

at both offices. New cabling has been done at St Gerard's office to allow up to 8 people to work from the office next year, with Wi-Fi also available in the parish meeting room. St Gerard's office is looking quite bare as we make room to move some of the desks from OLHC over. We've also had new cupboards built in the meeting room to provide neater storage, also freeing up space in the office.



Relocation: Although we had previously advertised some surplus pews (presently under the church and in the meeting room) for sale, we've now decided to keep them. We'll be renting a storage facility for other parish furniture which will be able to accommodate the pews also. This gives us time to review whether we might want to have them restored to match the colour of the pews in the church for future use.

Congratulations to Adrian and Dorileen who were married at OLHC on Sept 11th. This had been their intended date since the beginning of the year, and they were delighted when restrictions eased to allow their wedding to go ahead, with just 11 people in total, including them and Fr Jim.



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Improvements around the parish—Air Conditioning at St Gerard's is under construction, with the new gas powered condensers being lifted into place by crane this week. Repairs to the guttering and eaves at the back of St Gerard's will also be undertaken as part of the air conditioning installation



Feeling locked down. Help your spirit break free.

Unlock the Mystery of the Bible

In lockdown, the great escape is to watch hours of fantasy, to live in someone's imagination. As the Everly brothers sang, "dreaming my life away". The great challenge is to live in the real world.

Remember the parable Jesus told about the three servants. One received five talents, one three and the third received one talent, then the Master went away. When he came back, he asked what each had done with what they had been given. The first two invested and made a profit. The Master gave them more. The third buried his one talent, then returned it to the Master. A poor choice! Even that was taken from him.

We have this time in lock down, so invest your talent or some of your five talents in learning. When you *Unlock the mystery of the Bible* you read the history in the Bible. You meet these real people, so you understand their choices. You see the consequences for themselves, their families, and their nation.

The Bible tells the story. It is also our story, and we need to know it, for we will learn the choices we have and the consequences of those choices for ourselves, our family, and our nation.

You can join those ***Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*** on ***Tuesday 5th October in the morning or the evening.*** We *Unlock the Mystery* online as Jeff Cavins opens up the Bible for us. We join our group to discuss the section of the Bible we have read and discover how God's plan is unfolding for us.

We offer ***Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*** to everyone. No need to go out, just join us online. You can invite neighbours from our parish, friends and family from outside our parish!

Holy Spirit guide us to focus on what is real. Help us invest our time and talents to understand the story of your plan for our family. Enlighten us to discover our place in God the Father's plan. We pray in Jesus' name.

Please let Denis McNamara know you are joining us at Unlocking the Mystery. Email him on: denis.mcnamara@eppcarl.org.au

Denis McNamara – *Supporting Missionary Disciples*



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Parish Pastoral Council

If you have any questions, comments or feedback for the Parish Pastoral Council then please send an email to ppsecretary@eppcarl.org.au

Position Vacant—Clergy Administration Officer

Permanent, Full-time based at Pennant Hills

This role is accountable to the Executive Officer, Secretariat for Clergy and provides administrative support to the Executive Officer and the Vicar General.

The successful applicant must meet the following criteria.

1. Tertiary qualifications in office administration, project management or minimum 3 years relevant experience.
2. The right to work in Australia with no limitations, and
3. Will be required to undertake a National Police History Check and Working With Children Check.

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required for this role to

recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

Applications close on Friday 1 October 2021.

Supporting the Parish while we are in Lockdown

The Catholic Church has a strong tradition of giving, following in the footsteps of St Paul who spoke about caring for one another; it has established and supported many worthwhile charities throughout its long history.

This culture of charity continues on, but a parish can only sustain itself and these charitable works with the help of its parishioners whose generosity makes great things possible.

We ask you to consider making a donation to the Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford. To do so please use the following bank account: Please note that the two accounts previously shown have been changed by the bank; you are asked to use the account shown below.

**Internet Banking
Commonwealth Bank of Australia
BSB: 062 784
Account No: 100 012 613**

Use your name or envelope number as the reference and either 1st Collection or 2nd Collection.

1st Collection supports the needs of priests of the parish.

- The priests' monthly salary.
- Upkeep of the presbytery, e.g. food, utilities, cleaner, etc.
- A small percentage to cover the expenses of the Bishop especially in caring for elderly priests.

2nd Collection

- Parish running costs e.g. administration, insurance, utilities, general maintenance and upkeep of the church, presbytery and parish property.
- Parish staff salaries.
- Priests Car Expenses.

Any other questions please contact Dennis Porteous on 9876 2853 or dennis@eppcarl.org.au

Please
DONATE
to our church

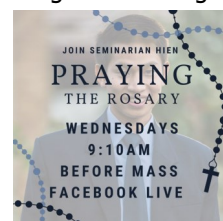


Praying the Rosary Our Seminarian Hien will be leading the Rosary every Wednesday morning on our parish Facebook page. This will be live-streamed so you can join us in real-time to pray. We will also be live-streaming our morning Mass after the Rosary. If you click on this link - <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicParishOfEppingAndCarlingford> to "Like" or "Follow" the parish page, you will receive a notification when we are Live on Facebook. Hope to see you online!

Also, you are all invited to join in the Scriptural Rosary - Praying with Our Blessed Mother every Saturday at 9am on Zoom, starting from 7 Aug 2021.

Please follow this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83775576857> Meeting ID: 837 7557 6857

Hope to see you all there!





Dear all, how are you doing? My family and I send you our love; we miss seeing you in person very much! Please remember Children's Liturgy – Kidz Word is online **at 10am every Sunday** whilst we are all staying home. We call this the "Couch Edition" of our regular church gathering! Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who have been enriching this ministry these few months, each with their unique talents and ideas to bring God's Word to the children every Sunday morning.

How this works: Children and their parents come together online to do activities such as sing, pray, listen to or watch a video clip on the Sunday's Gospel. Role-play and a quick game is sometimes involved where time permits. Sometimes we get up and dance as well, especially when Fr Jim and Hien bring out their guitars and break into song! A good dose of wholesome God-loving time together on Zoom.

All you need to do is click on this link to join our private Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/255948268913440>. Answer a few safeguarding questions to keep our community safe for children and you're in! All information to join the online session are posted within the group, including activity sheets for you to print if you wish to, as well as the link to the Zoom session.

We would love to welcome you and see you online, if you haven't already joined.

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Sacramental Programmes & Children's Ministries
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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.

Hope Out of Horror— Seeking Refuge in Australia

For the past twenty years refugees and those seeking asylum in our country have been subjected to cruel and inhumane treatment by successive Federal Governments.

Despite COVID-19, in this year designated as *The Year of St. Joseph the Refugee* who was forced with his small family to flee the cruelty of Herod *The Sisters of St Joseph* launched **150 Days of Action** for people seeking refuge in our land.

The period of activism will culminate on *Migrant and Refugee Sunday (26 Sept.)* and as a penultimate event of this campaign, **SJAB** (Social Justice Around the Bay).

St Vincent de Paul, Northern Sydney/Central Coast Regional Social Justice Committee and Jesuit Refugee Service Australia (JRS) is holding a Webinar titled:

**Hope Out of Horror—Seeking Refuge in Australia
Thursday, 23 September 7:00pm—8:00pm**

This event assumes a new and greater urgency in the face of the horror currently being faced by those in Afghanistan and by those Afghans marooned here on temporary visas. While our Government's initial response to the resurgence of the Taliban gives some hope it is long term compassion and change of policy that must follow.

This webinar will offer stories of courage and resilience from those who have suffered under a succession of repressive Government policies. It will present facts and statistics on what this country has lost through dehumanisation of fellow beings and it will draw back the curtains to expose how and where families and individuals are trapped in hotel detention and sub-standard living conditions.

As Christian Australians we believe enough is enough and we invite yourself and members of your organisation and networks to join our cry to Canberra to:

1. Offer Permanent Protection to all Refugees
2. Enable access to Family Reunions for Refugees.
3. Offer a Safety Net, including Medical and Financial Assistance to those in need of refuge.

REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL

Please register your attendance and pass on the following link to your members

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/stories-of-hope-and-courage-seeking-refugee-in-australia-tickets-166888717647>

Organisers: Phil Jones, Bill Aitken, Leo Ward, Carmel Aitken, Zoe Grant, Adrian Gomez, Colin McKenna.



Youth And Young Adults - For more information on any of our three youth groups please contact the Youth Minister, Joanna Mak on 0404 710 588 or joanna@eppcarl.org.au.



ANTIOCH (YEAR 10/16 YEARS OLD - 23 YEARS OLD)

Antioch meets every Sunday nights for games, a talk, share groups and prayer.

(19th and 26th September on zoom from 7-8:30pm),

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88930953704>
Meeting ID: 889 3095 3704

We are also introducing mid week games nights every Wednesday, 8-9pm to catch up with each other and play games.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83921965024?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83921965024?pwd=c0swZERaOGc4UULwSkpzczT0Mi91dz09)
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Password: 249211 or Meeting ID: 839 2196 5024

Contact parent support if you have any questions:
Joanne 0416 030 927 or Karen 0421 506 577



CANA
YOUTH GROUP



John 2:11 'The first of these miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana.'

CANA (Years 6-9)

Join us on Friday nights
7:30—9:00pm on zoom!

(17th September
For an end of term special)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84038682054>

Meeting ID: 840 3868 2054

For further information call
Joanna Mak on 0404 710 588
or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au

Introducing Antioch mid week

WHOLE SOME
WEDNESDAYS

Games night
8-9pm on zoom

CATCH UP WITH FRIENDS, SOCIALISE AND PLAY DIFFERENT GAMES

ZOOM LINK

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Contact Joanna the Youth Minister for enquiries
via mobile 0404 710 588 or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au



Join our
Emmaus Young Adults group
21st September for
SHOW N TELL AND GAMES
@ 7-8:30pm via zoom

Contact Joanna the Youth Minister for enquiries
via mobile 0404 710 588 or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au

ROAD TO
emmaus
YOUNG ADULTS

We also have Facebook groups for Antioch and Emmaus, so if you would like to join, please contact the Youth Minister.

Celebrations this Week— 25/26th Sundays in Ordinary Time

20/9 Mon: Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng, Ha-sang
21/9 Tuesday: St Matthew, apostle
23/9 Wednesday: St Pius of Pietrelcina
27/9 Thursday: St Vincent de Paul
29/9 Wednesday: Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael
30/9 Thursday: St Jerome
1/10 Friday: St Therese of the Child Jesus
2/10 Saturday: The Holy Guardian Angels

ROAD TO
emmaus
YOUNG ADULTS

Emmaus Young Adults (23-30years old)

Our young adults group meets once a fortnight on Tuesdays 7-8:30pm. We are on zoom and our next meeting is on 21st September for a show n tell special. We are also having weekly Sunday Funday games nights at 7pm online.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86955115016>
Meeting ID: 869 5511 5016

For more information contact the Youth Minister, Joanne Mak on 0404 710 588 or joanna@eppcarl.org.au

Pastoral Works Broken Bay

Rebrand of CWF to **Pastoral Works Broken Bay**.

We are delighted to announce the Charitable Works Fund (CWF) has rebranded to **Pastoral Works Broken Bay** in July 2021.

The purpose of the new name is to better reflect the authentic, life-giving pastoral work you are helping to support, and provide a name that uniquely connects it to our Diocese of Broken Bay.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay will play a vital role in building on the **six Pastoral priorities** for the Diocese, including giving vital support to life-changing ministries, nurturing families, and parish communities.

Each year, about 20,000 families and friends—those in hospitals, schools, parishes, and the wider community—will be assisted through the generous support of parish communities to Pastoral Works Broken Bay.

Thank you for your support of this important and historic initiative for the Diocese of Broken Bay.

My prayer is the change from CWF to Pastoral Works Broken Bay enables us to reach further and wider in helping our local community, and more deeply connects us to the mission of Jesus.

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL,
Bishop of Broken Bay

September Appeal

At this time, we appreciate support that can be given no matter how big or small. Our ministries continue to operate and provide vital services. **We encourage donations which can be made at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks**

All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Donations can be made by using a normal envelope clearly marked **Donations for Pastoral Works Broken Bay can also be placed in the post box in the green doors at Epping and in the parish meeting room post box, which can be found in the parish meeting room door.**

Thank you for helping to renew and rebuild lives. Every gift makes a difference to someone in hospital, school, a parish or the wider community.

After Hours Sick Calls— 9876 2853

Outside office hours our office phones divert to Fr Jim and Fr Bogdan 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, if possible please restrict routine enquiries to office hours.

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

Safeguarding Month

This week we remember in our prayers the safety and wellbeing of Children and Young People especially those who are particularly vulnerable due to COVID-19.

Thank you to Bishop Anthony for celebrating Safeguarding Sunday Mass on 12 September. The Mass was streamed from the Cathedral at Waitara. To view go to the following:
<https://youtu.be/Ts6Kg4ASEx4>.

Learning Hub

Participation of Children and Young People in Catholic Communities. A Guide to Supporting and Engaging, Listening and Communicating with Children and Young people— available from <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/about/safeguarding/safeguarding-month-2021>

Wednesday 22 September 2021 @ 11:00am to 12:30pm, via zoom—"Ministering to a Church in Trauma" presentation by Rev Dr David Ranson, Vicar General. To register for this free online event and receive a zoom link go to:
<https://bbcatholic.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJltce2qpjovHtWs7Vymz9XkWWVhVtIq22Px>

Save the Date—Plenary Council

The First Plenary Council Assembly starts Sunday, 3 October and we are inviting the community of the church of Broken Bay to an online prayer vigil on Saturday, 2 October from 7:00-7:30pm.

"Listen to what the spirit is saying" has been the theme of this Plenary Council acknowledging the importance of prayer and God's relationship with His Church. This prayer vigil will call the community to come together as one Church to offer our prayer of support to the Bishop.

Members, Delegates, and the whole Assembly gathering. More details to come soon.



Help with housework: A parishioner with a chronic illness is looking for somebody to assist her with housework in short 1 to 2 hour blocks twice a week. Because she is highly immune compromised she requires someone who is fully vaccinated and has limited contact with young children or others who are unvaccinated. This requirement has meant that many of her previous carers and cleaners are now unavailable, and she is reaching out through the parish. This would be paid through the NDIS at around \$40/hour. Please contact Amanda on 9876 5976

Foundations of Missionary Leadership Course—Sponsorships Available

The Areté Centre for Missionary Leadership offers a *Foundations for Missionary Leadership* course designed to empower and equip participation through a unique blend of theological knowledge, human development, spiritual formation, and practical skills to be effective missionary leaders in our Australian parishes and communities and communities today.

Evangelisation Broken Bay is offering **subsidies** for parishioners from the Diocese who would like to undertake this Course. For further information about the application process, please contact Pina Bernard on 0432 682 239 or pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au

Applications for sponsorship close 8th October.

A Virtual Open Night, with Areté Director Fr Chris Ryan MGL, along with Archbishop Peter Comensoli and Daniel Ang, will be held on 23 September at 7:30pm. Further information about the Course and Open Night can be found at www.aretecentre.org

International Day of Peace

To celebrate this day you are invited to join an online International Day of Peace Interfaith Prayer Service. All are warmly invited to celebrate the UN International Day of Peace with an online Interfaith Prayer Service.

When: Tuesday 21 September 2021 at 2:00pm

Where: Zoom—<https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/96010303812>

Occasional address: Rev. Simon Hansford, The Moderator of the Uniting Church in Australia NSW & ACT Synod.

Religious leaders from Aboriginal, Bahai, Brahmakumaris, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Islamic, Jain, Jewish, Mandaean, Sikh, Sufi and Zoroastrian communities will offer prayers for peace. There will be an opportunity to light a candle for Peace during the service, so please keep a candle and matchbox ready.

World Day for Migrants and Refugees 26 September

Sunday, 26 September is World Day for Migrants and Refugees, where Pope Francis invites us to "journey together towards an ever wider 'we'."

As we reflect on our experience of the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis encourages us to build on a shared understanding of our common humanity, "on the truth of 'we' that the pandemic has placed before us" which "stands in sharp contrast with the emphasis on the individual that has until now pervaded our times".

This year, for World Day of Migrants and Refugees let us remember the vast number of people who are at any one time traversing our world as migrants and refugees and open our hearts towards an ever wider 'we' in our disposition to all people. Go to <https://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/> for more information and resources, including a Migrant and Refugee Kit.

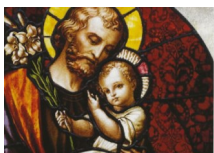
The Parenting Children Course—Don't forget to Register! There's still time

As part of the Bay Connect series of online events, the Life, Marriage and Family team will be running. The Parenting Children Course (0-10 yr. old's). The Parenting Children Course is a series of 10 weekly sessions for parents of young children seeking connection and support during lockdowns while learning new skills. It's fun, hopeful and designed to inspire confidence in your abilities as a parent.

Starts: 21 September at 7:30pm via zoom. Click on the following for more information and registration.

[Bay Connect - Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay \(bbcatholic.org.au\)](http://bbcatholic.org.au)

WELCOME TO THE MEN OF ST JOSEPH



THE MEN OF
ST. JOSEPH

"PUT THE FAMILY
IN THE HANDS
OF THE FATHER."

The group is dedicated to Catholic men, who together spend time, to pray and to discuss how Catholic men live in today's world, discuss and support Catholic family issues and choices we make. You are most welcome to join us on Thursday, 23rd & 30th Sep. we will come together via Zoom at 6:30pm.

Foster Care Week: We need foster carers

A struggle that rarely makes news headlines is that of children and young people in our community who are suffering. Many have been through experiences few of us could begin to fathom and who, without our help, will go through childhood without the love and support of a family. CatholicCare provides essential support, care and stability for these children and young people often affected by abuse and neglect, to enable them to recover and thrive. The reality is though, we just don't have enough carers. If you have a spare bedroom and the time to help, you'll be showing them they haven't been forgotten. We need carers for babies, right through to kids aged 18 years.

Please visit www.fostering.org.au for more information.

Responsorial Psalm Response

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ps 53:3-6.8 R. V. 6

The Lord upholds my life.

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Gospel Acclamation

245th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel.

to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

WEEKEND MASSES

Epping 5:00pm 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	6:00pm	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 (no Healing Mass in Jan.)

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
Also, **Epping** Monday 6pm and **Carlingford** Friday at 7:30pm **OR BY APPOINTMENT.**

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: BY APPOINTMENT

PARISH OFFICE: 29 Oxford Street, Epping NSW 2121 **PH:** 9876 2853 **Email:** parish@eppcarl.org.au

ST GERARD MAJELLA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: PH: 9871 1633 **Email:** sgc@dbb.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS' PRIMARY SCHOOL: PH: 9868 3322 **Email:** olhc@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Recently deceased: Maria Lombardo, Carmel Binns, Enid Snedden (Kathy Batten's mother), Betty Randall.

Please pray for Rev Fr James Duck who died on 9 Sept. 21.

The funeral Mass will be live-streamed from Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral at Waitara on Monday 27th September.

Anniversaries: Ray Book,

Also for: Christopher Luke Dwyer, Lionel (Frost) Bowen, Claire Bowen, The Dellow family, The Whiteoak family.

Please pray for those who are sick: Sean Huhse, Joel Steinberg, Patricia Rumble, Dean Pan, John Davies, Nicole Greenfield, Michael Furlong, Saulius Dovydas Balsys, Mark Di Palma, Anthony Conlon, Andrew Hannam, The Craig Family, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard, Stieger, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Brian Walsh, Patricia O'Connor, Kathy Noonan, Dorothy Bonaccorso, Margaret Floyd, Barbara Madafiglio, Radhi Riley, Patrick Thornton, Jan Doherty, Ana Matijasic, Benjamin Verco, Peter Kelly. John Goodwin, George Bell, Michael & Susan Tuite, Benjamin Verco, Noelene Viset, Eileen Brownlow, Leonie Hale, Elaine & Graham Yeates, Anne Kilby, Cohen Hadden, Yuqin Li, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Stella Nathan, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Elaine Hunt, Maureen Carlon, Augustine Hong, Luba Charlton, George Khouri, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Patricia Muschalik, Delma Soria, Sr Abanasia Lee, Maria Belisario, Stella Edwards, Fara Vargas, Theo Stevens, Monica Weeden, Thomas Woodward, Wai Chun Wong, Heather Stoodley, Agnes Wong, Alex Benjamin Zaragoza, Janice Lemon, Mary Lou Petony, Donald Wong, Joyce Heidke, Betty Brennan, Dennis Porteous.

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

Responsorial Psalm Response

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ps 18:8.10.12-14 R. V. 9

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Ecumenical Relationships

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Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth;
make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!