

Responsorial Psalm Response O God, let all the nations praise you!		Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. 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: Lynette Herbert, John McKelvey, Walter Souhrada, Peter O'Malley, Kiew's Mother, Kathy Walsh.

Anniversaries: Roger & Jean-Claude Nina, Ted Sawyer,

Also for: Mary Anne, Anthony & Hugh Mulligan, Young Kwan Ho, Yong Min Ho, Young Seok Seo, Maria Hur, Soo Woog Jin,

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, Andrew Hannam, The Craig Family, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard Stieger, Ron Jenkins, Dorothea Ellis, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Jan Doherty, Brian Walsh, Patricia O'Connor, Stephen Last, Kathy Noonan, Alice Eng Peck Quah, Dorothy Bonaccorso, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Stella Nathan, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Elaine Hunt, Arnold Day, Maureen Carlon, Fr Adrian Borst, Ausustine Hong, Luba Charlton, George Khouri, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Kath McCarthy, Nicholas, Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Patricia Muschalik, Ernest Lau, Delma Soria, Sr Abanasia Lee, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave, Fara Vargas, Theo Stevens, Monica Weeden.

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

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.

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.

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
01/06/19	5:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd	6:00pm	Fr Joey Frez
02/06/19	8:30am	Fr Peter Dowd	7:45am	Fr Joey Frez
02/06/19	10:15am	Fr Peter Dowd	9:30am	Fr Joey Frez
02/06/19	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd		



Mary Flook celebrating her 104th Birthday.

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 C	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	26-05-19
Acts 15:1-2.22-29	Apocalypse 21:10-14.22-23	John 14:23-29

Reflection on the Sunday's Gospel— Closer Than Ever

In Sunday's liturgy, Jesus says, "If you loved me you would rejoice."

Imagine this: your best friend is leaving town, the one you had counted on for any trouble you just needed to share. There is no way to change his/her going, it is virtually certain.

What do you do with your sorrow?

In the reading, Jesus was leaving.

He told Mary Magdalene he must go to the Father. He had plunged into death and he swam to shore, but nevertheless could not stay on in this world.

We sorrow, big time.

We are to be closer to Jesus and to the Father even than the apostles were!

Sunday, this is the story of the Gospel. The crucifixion had taken him away from us, and now his ascension will make his absence completely final. We, along with the apostles, do not want to lose him one more time! We are aghast that our friend is going away.

Think of the experience of a funeral. You may be truly glad that your beloved no longer has the pains and shortages of this life. But you do not get your own burden lifted, you get more added to it. He or she is gone.

Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, I am going away and I will come back to you." *Going away but coming back? What kind of sense does this make?*

(1) Start with the pre-Jesus world. God the Father had been with the people for all ages. The First Testament tells this over and over.

But God the Father stayed unknowable in very important ways. He told Moses that he, God, would pass by the mouth of a cave where Moses was, and ...

... when my glory passes I will set you in the cleft of the rock and will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand, so that you may see my back; but my face may not be seen. (Exodus 33: 22)
To see God directly would destroy a human being.

(2) To close this gap, God decided to tell us everything about himself in a way we could understand. He speaks out his very self using a Word that left nothing unsaid. Jesus was that Word, spoken in the large language called humanity. Now God can be known because we can know Jesus.

(3) Jesus dies, resurrects and ascends to the Father from whom he came. Are we abandoned?

No.

Just as the Father had done, Jesus actually spoke out his very self in a further Word that left nothing of himself unsaid. That Word is the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is the full reality of a human being called Jesus, who is already the very interior reality of God. We are to be closer to Jesus and to the Father even than the apostles were!

If you and I say yes to this Spirit, we will know that Jesus is with us, just as sheep know the voice of their shepherd. In knowing Jesus, we will know the presence of the Father. We will find him in the Mass, in the Great Sacrament of Baptism, in prayer, in the people around us. We will be side by side with the closest possible presence of the God of love. So we needn't sorrow. Nice as it might have seemed to experience Jesus in his physical company, we now have a much closer relation to him in the here and now.

John Foley, SJ

*Also see Romans 8:11
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Parish Mission Statement

We are a diverse Catholic community centred in the Eucharist. We gather for worship to serve and reach out to others as we grow in relationship with God and each other.

Safeguarding Message May 2019

A culture of Safeguarding values DIGNITY....."As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love."
- John 15:9



**PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS
MAY 2019**

Dear Parishioners!

Our fourth Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meeting for the year was held earlier this month.

At each meeting, apart from keeping the 2019 Parish Plan front and center, the PPC also spend some time in formation of its members in various topics of relevance. This month the topic was **"Growing Missionary Disciples through Small Groups"**.

So...what does small groups have to do with growing as missionary disciples?

Thanks to Martin Teulan we found out that we grow in missionary discipleship and develop attributes such as a daily prayer life, knowledge and love of scriptures, sharing one's faith with others particularly in the context of a community primarily through **small groups**.

Small groups offer more personal contact with others, increasing participation in faith through learning, discussion, leadership, reflection and listening.

Denis McNamara (Parish Missionary Discipleship Co-Ordinator) was invited to the PPC meeting to share the current initiatives underway. He shared examples of these small groups:

Lenten groups have surpassed expectation with well over 170 people participating and committing to a 6week program. 21day challenge to read St Johns gospel and now the 28day challenge to read St Luke's Acts of the Apostles.

Next installment of Alpha started on May 14 at Carlingford. It is hoped that previous Alpha sessions have created enough momentum, enough gifts of leadership and hospitality for small groups ("Connect" groups) to form as an offshoot of Alpha.

There is much to be excited about as we progress through our Parish Plan for 2019. The steady formation of small groups building connections and friendships that enable the growth of missionary disciples is encouraging and hopeful!

**GETTING TO KNOW
OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS**

PPC Chair **Joan Sally**



Joan joined as a PPC member in 2016. Since joining she has served as secretary until recently where she was appointed Chair. She also serves as a Eucharistic minister and Lector at St Gerard's Carlingford.

Joan is married to Declan (an Irishman who left Nth Ireland to travel the world but only got so far as Australia). They have been married for 21 years and have a son Matthew.

As Pre-marriage educators, Joan and Declan are committed to supporting engaged couples starting out their vocation of marriage. The cause of Marriage and Family is an important mission which they find very rewarding and purposeful. Joan says her Catholic faith is her anchor. She is deeply rooted in her faith in God and tries to live and love life in gratefulness.

Outside of Parish Life, Joan works in the Pharmaceutical industry, having been an employee of various multi-national companies. As Head of Quality, she is responsible for ensuring that medicines are safe, effective and meet International standards.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends; dabbles in oil painting and sketching and has been known to sell a few of her artworks in the past.

**28 CHAPTERS OF
ACTS IN 28 DAYS**

CHALLENGE YOURSELF BY READING A CHAPTER A DAY FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS.

LISTEN OR READ FOR A FEW MINUTES EACH DAY USING YOUR SMARTPHONE OR BIBLE.



REFLECT ON THE READING



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CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION Email Denis McNamara at denis.mcnamara@eppcar.org.au

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28Acts

continues ~ may the Holy Spirit enthuse those following the lives of Peter and now Paul to be inspired by all that happened in the early church to live with great trust in the Spirit guiding our Church, our community and our world today.

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, **At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.**

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.

AFTER HOURS SICK CALLS— 9876 2853

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

ST GERARD'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, CARLINGFORD

ALL SESSIONS: 9AM - 10.30AM

Term 2: Monday 27th May and Tuesday 18th June

MEET IN THE SCHOOL HALL:
543 North Rocks Rd, Carlingford 2118
Morning tea provided

Term 3: Wednesday 31st July, Friday 23rd August

And **Night Playgroup** on Thursday 15th August from 6.00-7.00 pm

Like more information?
Phone: 9871 1633, or email: sac@dbb.catholic.edu.au

ALL PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND CARERS

A simple way to be a "missionary disciple"

Christians are called to share their gifts and talents with one another to build up the Body of Christ.

People often enquire about the Catholic faith, and as a parish we are called to respond. The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) process guide these people along a journey of self-discovery where they come to experience the life and faith of the Christian Community. One simple and profound way that we endeavour to achieve this end is through the gift of hospitality.

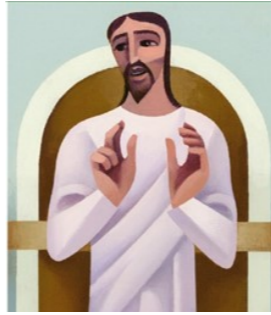
This can take several forms, but one in particular way is by parishioners opening their homes to host the meeting with the enquirers.

Many parishioners in past years have opened up their homes for this purpose, and one of greatest memories our enquirers express is this act of hospitality and welcome.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and welcome people interested in joining our parish community. If you are able to assist by offering your home for a meeting, or would like more information, please complete the information on the sheets at the back of the church or contact the parish office (9876 2853). A member of the RCIA Team will be in contact with further details.

Q How can the parish community help the catechumens?

A In many ways! Through their friendly, welcoming demeanour toward catechumens, by learning their names, greeting them and engaging them in conversation, parishioners reassure them that they have a place in the community. Most of the rites of initiation take place at Sunday Mass. By its attention and participation in these rites, the assembly at Mass expresses the community's care and encouragement for the catechumens. What's more, at every liturgy, catechumens look to parishioners as models, following their example and reflecting on the meaning of the rituals as they watch the responses of the gathered community celebrating the Eucharist. Welcoming the catechumens into parish activities not only makes them feel included, it also provides them glimpses of the life of disciples. Becoming a sponsor for a catechumen is yet another way parishioners could be helpful. Finally, the faithful can pray for the catechumens throughout the week.



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6th Sunday of Easter 2019

Do you ever wonder if the Holy Spirit is still influencing our world and changing lives today?

Well "maybe", some may say. Look at the division, look at the tragic weakness in our church, highlight the uncertainty and there you have it!

Yes, we can focus on the fears and fail to see where the Holy Spirit is actually at work, transforming us.

The first reading reminds us of the "disagreement" in the early church, the "long argument" and they had to "discuss the problem". Then something amazing occurred. They sorted it out. There was an apology. They "sent greetings" and apologised that "some had disturbed you with their demands" and "unsettled your minds".

The message was clear, "It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials..."

Yes, the Holy Spirit still influencing our world.

Where does someone like our Pope Francis come from? Can we see how the Holy Spirit formed this man and guided his life?

Yes, people's lives are changed and transformed in our world today.

Where do people in our parish find the hope and strength to persevere in loving and forgiving? We see people caring and supporting their families. They live with hope in all that is happening in their extended family and in the world around them.

The prayer of Jesus is being answered:

Holy Father, I pray for those who believe in me. May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me, and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me.

When we see love that heals and holds families together, when we believe that the power of God is helping us to love and live out our lives in love for one another we are witnesses to Jesus prayer that we may be one without divisions.

May our hearts be opened to see and to experience the power of the Holy Spirit at work within us and among us in those who love us and those who need our love.

This is what makes us disciples and followers of Jesus. We are chosen by a God of Love and we are gifted with the power to love through the Holy Spirit. We choose to live our lives loving. Look around at Mass. You are with saints.

We are sent to love, to be missionary disciples...

Alpha continues ~ please pray for all those on their journey of faith.

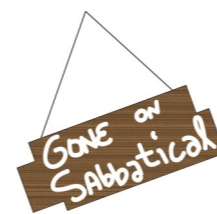


Denis McNamara *Supporting people to become disciples*

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	26/05/19		Catechist Recruiting at St Gerard's
		9:30am	Kidz Word at St Gerard's Church
		10:15am	Kidz Word at OLHC Church
		10:30am	Morning tea for Fr Peter at St Gerard's
		3:00pm	PH Epping First Eucharist Session 4
		7:00pm	PMR Epping—Antioch Group meet
Mon	27/05/19	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's
		7:30pm	PMR Carlingford SVdP meeting
		7:30pm	St Gerard's Church—Rosary Group
Tue.	28/05/19	12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
Wed.	29/05/19	9:15am	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		7:00pm	PMR Carlingford Workshop for Readers presented Fr John Frauenfelder
		7:00pm	CH Epping Adult Choir practice
Thur.	30/05/19	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		10:10am	St Gerard's Church—Reconciliation Yr. 3/4B
		12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		7:00pm	PMR Carlingford First Eucharist Session 4
		7:30pm	Rm 2 RCIA meeting
Fri.	31/05/19	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		10:10am	PMR Carlingford—Scripture Reflection
		12:15pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		4:30pm	CH Epping Rosary for the Immaculate Heart of Mary
		7:00pm	PH Carlingford CANA Youth group meeting
Sat.	01/05/19	9:15am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		9:45am	Exposition and Reconciliation
		10:15am	Benediction
		3:00pm	St Gerard's Church—Reconciliation for the First Holy Communion Children
		5:00pm	Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
		5:00pm	St Gerard's Church—Reconciliation
		6:00pm	Mass at St Gerard's Church

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



MORNING TEA AS FR PETER HEADS OFF ON HIS SABBATICAL

The Welcome and Hospitality Ministers within the parish cordially invite all parishioners to a morning tea to wish father Peter bon voyage as he departs for his well earned sabbatical leave. The proposed dates are as follows:

- St Gerard's at Carlingford after the 9:30am Mass on Sunday the **26th May**.
 - Our Lady Help of Christians, Epping after the 10:15 am Mass on Sunday the **2nd June**.
- Please be a part of this special occasion as we wish Fr Peter a safe journey.

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Parish Pastoral Council
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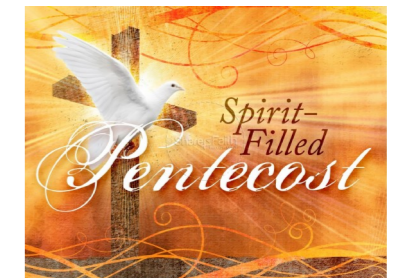
OUR LOCAL PENTECOST ECUMENICAL LITURGY

The next gathering of the local Churches in our Covenant will be to celebrate Pentecost on

Tuesday, 4th June 2019

at 7:45pm
at West Epping Uniting Church,
161 Carlingford Road
Epping

Please come along to this liturgy and be part of our Pentecost celebrations.



THE PARISH WEBSITE
www.bbcatholic.org.au/
eppingcarlingford contains a complete directory of parish life and downloads of



Children's Sacramental Journey - First Eucharist 2019

This weekend, we move into our fourth and final group session called Eucharist. In this session, we discuss the Liturgy of the Eucharist where the children will learn about the prayers that are said, how to respond and receive Jesus in Holy Communion. Upon receiving the goodness of Jesus, they are taught to go forth and share the love of the Eucharist with others by their words, thoughts and deeds.

In preparation for their First Holy Communion, the children and their families are invited to celebrate Reconciliation in the Second Rite next Saturday, 1st June at 3pm in St. Gerard Majella's Church. The children have been asked to think deep and write a 'Thank-you' letter to their parents. Similarly, the parents have been asked to pen a letter to their children. At the conclusion of this Reconciliation Liturgy, parents and children will exchange their letters. This is a beautiful moment for the families and often the parents' letters are preciously kept by the children in a special place at home!

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as the children journey towards becoming fully initiated members of the church.

We always like to hear from you and look forward to building a fruitful relationship. If you have any queries or would like more information regarding your child's sacramental journey within our parish, please send an email to kids.sacrament@eppcarl.org.au

Children's Liturgy of the Word – 6th Sunday of Easter

This week, Kidz Word looks at Jesus preparing his disciples for the time when he would leave them. Jesus knew that his disciples would be afraid, just like how the children would be afraid if their parents had to go away without them. However, the children have all experienced being left in the care of others like grandparents or other responsible adults. Similarly, Jesus promised his disciples that the Father would send someone to take his place. The children learn about the Holy Spirit being with us right now, working in each of us, as we being followers of Jesus, continue the work of Jesus.

During Kidz Word, the adult leaders lead the children through prayers, songs/mimes and readings. The children reflect on the same Scripture readings as the rest of the assembly. They are taught a simplified message of the readings and are encouraged to share that message with their family and friends after Mass.

Adult volunteers are needed to lead Kidz Word each week, as well as to assist with the supervision of the children. This is a great opportunity for adults and middle/high school youth to help these eager youngsters celebrate God's Word. Training and resources are provided. A Working with Children's Check will be required, which we can assist you with.

If you would like to help bring this meaningful ministry to life so God's Word can reach the hearts of our young children, please contact the parish office on 9876 2853 or email me at lynn@eppcarl.org.au
We look forward to hearing from you!

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The Charitable Works Fund

**SHORTFALL AFTER THE THIRD
WEEK \$7,946**



Envelopes can be found at the back of the church. 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 2018/2019 Financial Year is \$51,193.

Thank you for your kindness, your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

ALL READERS PLEASE NOTE!

All Readers are invited to an evening with Fr John Frauenfelder as we reflect on the importance of the Ministry of Breaking Open the Word at Mass each week.

The workshop will take place on Wednesday 29th May in the parish meeting room at Carlingford, commencing with a light supper at 7pm followed by a reflection given by Fr John and Fr Peter.

All Readers (**and anyone else for that matter**) are asked to attend.

RSVP no later than Friday 24th May to the parish on 9876 2853 or email maree@eppcarl.org.au

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

There will be devotions in honour of Our Lady, on the 1st Saturday of the month preceding the 9:15am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians' Church. This includes the rosary and prayers. You are most welcome!

Rosary for the Intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The rosary for the intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be recited every Friday afternoon at 4:30pm at Our Lady Help Christian's Church, Epping.

Can Anyone Help?

A lady requires transport to either 8.30am Mass at Epping or 9.30am Mass at Carlingford.

if you can help, would you kindly phone Joan Rideout on 9874 3515 or contact Marie Saul on 9871 2770

CATALYST FOR RENEWAL REFLECTION MORNING

Our next reflection morning will be held on **Saturday, 1st June** in the parish hall of Hunters Hill, corner of Gladesville Road and Mary Street. Sr. Catherine McCahill sgs will lead our reflection, her topic/theme: 'Mary of Magdala: Sinner? Prostitute? Disciple, Apostle?'

Commencing at 9:30am concluding at 12:30pm. Tea & Coffee available. No need to book. We do appreciate a donation. All most welcome. A time to be still. Time for silence and reflection. Enquiries to Carole Wilson 9869 1036. 'Come & See'

Youth Page

OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY

Meeting this Sunday 26th May

Why not come along to the Antioch meeting to hear a **great talk**, join in **discussion time** get into some **awesome music**, take time out for **prayer** and **meet people!**



The meeting starts at **7pm**, in the parish meeting room @ **Epping**
So head on down and bring a friend.

All young people from Yr. 10 to age 22 are **VERY WELCOME!!**

For more information
Joanne—0416 030 927

"It was at Antioch that the believers were first called"



CANA: OUR yrs. 6-9 YOUTH GROUP



**Cana is on this this Friday
31st May from 7:30-9:00pm**
in the St Gerard's Parish Hall.

Cana is a relaxed social and Christian gathering for young people between Year 6-9, with a combination of **games, food, a talk** each week and **prayer**.

Come along and try it, bring a friend along and make some new friends!

If you have any questions, please contact the Youth Minister, **Joanna Mak**

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)

Are **YOU** interested in attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Perth this year?

This national festival occurs once every 2 years and is designed to bring young Catholics all over Australia together. This 3 day convention (**from 8-10th December, 2019**) will host a wide range of activities including music, prayer, leadership talks, worship and a pilgrimage walk. This festival is specifically for people between **Year 9 up to 30 years old** (under 18s must be accompanied and supervised by an adult). If you would like to find out more or you are interested in attending the ACYF, please email the Youth Minister on joanna@eppcarl.org.au or call Joanna on 0423 717 550.

You can also find more information on the website www.acyf.org.au. We would love to give our youth this amazing opportunity to participate and deepen their relationship with Christ and with other Catholics.



PRAISEFEST

Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites all young people to PRAISEFEST! Join young people (youth & young adults) from across the Diocese to catch up with friends, enjoy our Festival consisting of different activities and a free BBQ, encounter God through vibrant and honest worship, and receive spiritual nourishment through an inspiring and relevant message.

Date: Friday 7 June 2019 **Time:** 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Venue: Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood Parish, 94 Archer St, Chatswood NSW 2067 (next PRAISEFEST on 23 August 2019)

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