

<b>Responsorial Psalm Response</b> Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.		<b>Gospel Acclamation</b> <b>Alleluia, alleluia!</b> The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor <b>Alleluia!</b>					
<b>WEEKEND MASSES</b>							
<b>Epping</b>	<b>5pm Vigil, 8:30am, 10:15am, 6:00pm</b>						
<b>Carlingford</b>	<b>6:00pm Vigil, 7:45am, 9:30am</b>						
<b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b>	<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Thur</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	
<b>EPPING</b>	No Mass	12:15pm	12:15pm	12:15pm	12:15pm	9:15am	
<b>CARLINGFORD</b>	9:30am	No Mass	9:30am	9:30am	9:30am	No Mass	
<b>HEALING MASS</b>	<b>Carlingford—1st Thursday, Epping — 3rd Wednesday</b>						
<b>EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST: Epping</b> Saturday 9:45-10:15am, <b>Carlingford</b> , 4th Thursday 10:00am							
<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Epping</b> Saturday 9:45-10:15am <b>Carlingford</b> Saturday 5:00—5:30pm <b>OR BY APPOINTMENT</b>							
<b>BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS BY APPOINTMENT</b>							
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**Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:**  
**Recently deceased:** Ted Sawyer, Vincent Kertapati, Loretta Fare, Fr Paul Douglas Smith, Fred Camilleri, Sr. Patricia Murphy, Tony Taylor, Damian O'Neill, Violet Smith, Ton & Yuk Lan., Michael Joseph Fahy, Ancizar Lopez, Gan Chin Joo (father of Lynn Siau), Thomas McEneaney, Sheila Lansom, Lawrence O'Donnell (father of Marilyn Sharp)

**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, Gerald Viset, Dorothea Ellis, Veronica Hartwich, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Greg Walsh, Marion Barton, 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, Tony ?, George Khouri, Martin Sill, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Rob Neil, Josie Scully, Martin & Gay Flood, Clara Suh, William Jones, Kath McCarthy, Patricia Amy, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Frank Holmes.

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

#### BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH THIS SUNDAY

Welcome to:

Joseph Patrick Hopkins,  
Harriet Himbrechts  
Faith Jinyu Liang

Please hold these children and their families in your prayers.



**Wednesday  
11th July**

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
14/07/18	5:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd	6:00pm	Fr Joey Frez
15/07/18	8:30am	Fr Peter Dowd	7:45am	Fr Joey Frez
15/07/18	10:15am	Fr Peter Dowd	9:30am	Fr Joey Frez
15/07/18	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd		

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday 11th July, due to the staff having to attend an all day workshop.

Thank you for your understanding.

#### July Safeguarding Message

"Recruitment and selection procedures for new employees and volunteers should clearly signal the organisations commitment to children safety." (Final Report, Royal Commission).

## 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**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8-07-18**

**Ezekiel 2:2-5**

**2 Corinthians 12:7-10**

**Mark 6:1-6**



#### Year of the Youth Cross Programme

The Broken Bay Year of Youth Cross will be with us next week-end, as we commence hosting the Cross for the two-week period 14 to 27 July. Final plans for the events are coming together, and everyone's efforts will ensure each of the events will be a wonderful occasion. Our celebrations commence with the Reception Mass on Saturday 14th July, 6:00pm, at St Gerard's Church.

More detail on each of the events are set out in the Brochures which are available at the back of each of the Churches. We invite you, whether you are young or not so young, to come along to as many of the events as you are able to make, as we celebrate the Year of Youth.

We still need helpers to support the success of the events over the two-week period. If you are able to assist in any or some of the areas listed below, could you please indicate your planned assistance on the **Sheets at the back of each Church**. Noting the events commence next weekend, please finalise your contribution to the sheet **this weekend**. The areas of help needed are:

- The provision of prepared dishes/plates (both hot and cold, savoury and sweet) with an 'International' flavour for the Reception of the Cross Supper on 14th July.
- We are still in need of prepared cold savoury or sweet foods for the events which include supers (Praise and Worship on 19th July, and Taizé on 25th July)
- For the Year of Youth Retirees Luncheon, we need support to provide finger food dishes, sandwich platters, etc. We also ask that people RSVP to indicate their planned attendance to the luncheon
- Helpers to assist with the hospitality teams at each of the suppers

- We are seeking helpers for the Year of Youth Cross Procession. We are seeking assistance to set up at St Gerard's, greeters and marshals

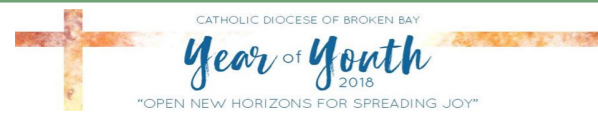
If you are one of our youth or young adult parishioners, and would like to participate in the Liturgy events, please also indicate your interest.

We have also finalised plans for our central celebration, the Procession of the Cross event where we will be processing the Year of Youth Cross from St Gerard's Church to OLHC Church on the afternoon of Saturday 21st July. We will be leaving St Gerard's Church at 2:00pm and arriving at OLHC Church by 4:30pm (in time for the Cross to be received during the 5:00pm Vigil Mass). The Procession is being undertaken in 5 stages, stopping for prayer and reflection at four stops (Parishioner's front yards and Boronia Park) along the way. Maps of the final Cross Procession route are at the back of each of the Churches. Whilst we welcome everyone joining us on the entire 4.8km pilgrimage, you are welcome to walk one or more stages if the whole walk sounds a bit daunting. Next week's Bulletin will set out the details of each of the stages of the Procession.

Please join us in the celebrations of the Year of Youth Cross. If you would like further information, please contact the Parish Office (9876 2853), Fr Joey (by email or through the Parish Office), or Kevin Macdonald on 0427 906 960.

More details are to come in the coming weeks, but following our time hosting the Year of Youth Cross, we also plan to hold a Parish Youth Forum. As part of the Year of Youth celebrations, the Australian Catholic Bishops are inviting us to enter into a prayerful discernment about the important and life-giving presence of young people in the local Church and society. At this stage, we plan to have the Youth Forum on Sunday 9th September, after the 10:15am Mass at Epping in the OLHC Parish Hall.

...see page 2 for programme



## Broken Bay Year of Youth Cross Programme

### Saturday 14th July

**6:00pm Reception of the Year of Youth Cross** from Lower North Shore Parish within the Vigil Mass at St Gerard's Church.

**7:00pm Supper in the parish hall.** You are invited to bring a plate to share with fellow parishioners. Once again please complete the sheet at the back of the Church

### Sunday 15th July

#### Witness for Youth 5:30pm-8:30pm

Hosted by our own Antioch youth group. We welcome all who are interested in hearing about a few people's personal experiences at the previous World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow.

### Tuesday 17th July

**Year of Youth Retirees Luncheon 10:30—12:30pm**  
A Prayer Service and light lunch for adults and older adults to build fellowship and celebrate their youth. Please RSVP on the sheet at the back of the Church or call the parish office on 9876 2853.

### Thursday 19th July

#### Praise and Worship followed by Supper 7:30-10pm

A night of joyful and prayerful worship music. Two of our young people will give witness to God's impact on their lives and a priest's reflection on self-identity and acceptance followed by Adoration and Benediction. Light Refreshments afterwards in the parish meeting room. (If you can bring a plate of food, please complete the sheet at the back of the Church).

### Friday 20th July

#### Live Stations of the Cross (SoC) and Reconciliation 7:00pm-8:00pm

The youth will present the SoC through narration and a live play. Confession is available after SoC to everyone.

### Saturday 21st July

#### Procession of the Cross from St Gerard's to Our Lady Help of Christians Epping 1:30pm-4:15pm

Our own Carlingford to Epping Pilgrimage walk.

**1:30pm** Enjoy a light afternoon tea at Carlingford before setting off.

**2:00pm** Commence Pilgrimage. There will be four stops with music and prayer during the Pilgrimage. You may walk one leg or the entire procession that is up to you.

If you or your group is interested in carrying the Cross for one of the legs in the journey then please complete the sheet at the back of the Church.

**The map showing the route of the Procession is located at the back of each Church.**

**5:00pm** The Cross will be processed in at the Vigil Mass at Epping.

### Sunday 22nd July

#### Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00pm—7:30pm

Will be held after the 6pm Sunday night Mass.

#### 7:30pm Antioch will be Hosting a Social Pizza Night

(after the Divine Mercy Chaplet) in the parish meeting room Epping.

### Monday 23rd July

#### Our Lady Help of Christians School Event

### Tuesday 24th July

#### St Gerard Majella's School Event.

### Wednesday 25th July 7:30pm—9:30pm

**Taizé celebrations** followed by supper in the parish meeting room Epping.

Come and experience the church being filled with candles around the altar with gentle music chants. Priest's reflection on Being Still.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

If you bring a plate of food to share that would help, Please complete the form at the back of the Church.

### Friday 27th July 7:00pm

**Evening prayer** followed by the handover of the Cross to St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills.

## 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 both 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

## Marriage Enrichment Weekend : Take the time to step back

from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship!

17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> August at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville,

NSW Book online at [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au)

Alternatively contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com) Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

## THE NICENE CREED

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

## 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 May or June? 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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## RCIA Enquiry Meetings will be held on:

This Sunday 8th July at 10:45am in Parish Meeting Room at Carlingford.

Sunday 15th July 11:30am in the Parish Meeting Room at Epping

Wednesday 18th July at 7:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room at Epping

For further information please contact the RCIA Coordinator through the Parish Office on 9876 2853.

Interested in learning more about  
the Catholic faith?

  
**RCIA**

### Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel: *The Smoldering Ashes of Our Faith*

Anyone who has ever watched a fire knows that at a point the flames subside and disappear into smoldering coals which themselves eventually cool and turn into cold, grey ash. But there's a moment in that process, before they cool off, that the coals can be stirred so as to make them burst into flame again.\*

That's the image St. Paul uses to encourage us to rekindle the fires of our faith when they seem to be burning low: "I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that was once given you" (2 Timothy 1:6). It's a meaningful image. Our faith sometimes needs some stirring in its roots to make it alive and affective again. But how's that to be done? How do we stir into flame again the fire of our faith?

The voice of God often seems clear in our youth but later on that clarity gives way to what the mystics call "dark nights of the soul."

We stir our faith back into flame by re-situating ourselves inside its roots. Despite the fact that faith is a divine gift, it can be helpful sometimes to journey back and examine what earthly forces helped plant the faith inside us.

Who and what helped give us faith? Of course, that's a deeply personal question that each of us can only answer for himself or herself. For myself, when I try to go back and touch the roots of my faith a number of things come into focus.

First, there was the faith and witness of my parents, the critical piece. Faith was the most important thing in their lives and they did everything in their power to ensure that this was true too for us, their children. And their lives never belied their faith. That's a strong witness and a gift of incalculable value.

Then there was the witness of my parish church, a rural, immigrant community, small enough so that everyone knew everyone else's joys and sorrows and was able to share them in faith, even if not always in full neighborly warmth. It takes a village to raise a child, in my case it was a parish. As a boy growing up I could glance around a church and see most everyone I knew, friend or not, all kneeling together in one faith. That's a rarity today and no small gift.

Next came the dedication and faith witness of the Ursuline sisters who came into our rural community to teach in our public schools and were not only our best teachers academically but also catechized us. By the time I'd reached my teens, I'd memorized two catechisms and had a solid intellectual grasp of the tenets of my faith, a gift whose importance I recognized only later on.

Finally, and in a way that left deep, permanent roots in my soul, there was the voice of the God of my youth. During my youth, God's voice was strong and clear inside me. Admittedly some of what I took to be God's voice then was in actuality the voice of fear, timidity, tribalism, and what Freudians term the superego. But, that being admitted, God's voice was there too, unavoidable, clear. I know that because much of my youthful fear, timidity, crass tribalism, and superego have long since departed, and the voice of the God of my youth remains inside me still.

However, now, sometimes that voice can be quite silent, and it can feel as simply the voice of the naiveté of my youth – Santa, the Easter Bunny, and Jesus – and not something that's real anymore or indeed ever was really real. For me, as for everyone, faith-wise, sometimes my imagination and affectivity simply run dry so that my pre-occupations preclude God's presence. It's then that I need to stir the seemingly smoldering coals of my faith by making a journey back to reground myself in the reality of my parents' faith, in the reality of what branded my soul in our small parish community, in the reality of the witness and catechesis of the Ursuline sisters who taught me, and, not least, in that clear, deeply moral, divine voice that spoke inside me and guided me in my youth.

This kind of journey, I believe, can be helpful for most everybody, with one cautionary flag: *the seeming silence of God in our lives as adults can in fact be a deeper modality of God's presence rather than a sign of a deteriorating faith.* The voice of God often seems clear in our youth but later on that clarity gives way to what the mystics call "dark nights of the soul," where God's seeming absence is not a question of a loss of faith but of a new, richer, less-imaginative mode of God's presence in our lives. Fervor is not always a sign of a deep faith, just as the seeming absence of God is not necessarily a sign of a weakening faith. God must be patiently waited for and will arrive in our lives only on God's terms, not ours.

Even so, St. Paul's advice remains: "I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that was once given you."  
Ron Rolheiser

\* Ed: So says the nineteenth century Jesuit poet also, Gerard Manley Hopkins, in his poem *The Windhover*. Used with permission of the author, Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser. Currently, Father Rolheiser is serving as President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio Texas. He can be contacted through his web site, [www.ronrolheiser.com](http://www.ronrolheiser.com).



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### PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	08/07/18	9:30am	No Kidz Word—School Holidays
		10:15am	No Kidz Word—School Holidays
		10:45am	PMR Carlingford RCIA Enquiry Meeting
		12:00pm	CH Carlingford—Baptisms
		12:00pm	CH Epping—Baptisms
Mon	09/07/18	6:00pm	PMR Carlingford—Antioch Meeting
		9:00am	No Little Engines Playgroup during school holidays
		9:30am	No Gerry's Playgroup during school holidays
		9:30am	<b>Mass at St Gerard's</b>
		7:30pm	CH Carlingford—Rosary Group
Tue.	10/07/18	7:30pm	PMR Carlingford—SVdP Meeting
		12:15pm	<b>Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians</b>
		7:00pm	CH Carlingford Adult Choir Practice
Wed.	11/07/18	9:15am	<b>Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians</b>
		9:30am	<b>Mass at St Gerard's</b>
		9:00am	Parish Office closed—Staff attending workshops
		6:00pm	CH Epping Taizé practice
Thur.	12/07/18	9:30am	<b>Mass at St Gerard's</b>
		9:15am	No Alpha this week
		11:00am	Mass at the Poplars Nursing Home
		12:15pm	<b>Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians</b>
		2:00pm	CH C'ford Rehearsals Stations of the Cross
		6:00pm	CH Carlingford—Taizé Practice
Fri.	13/07/18	7:00pm	No Alpha this week
		9:30am	<b>Mass at St Gerard's</b>
		10:00am	PMR Carlingford—Scripture Reflection
		12:15pm	<b>Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians</b>
		2:00pm	CH C'ford Rehearsals Stations of the Cross
Sat.	14/07/18	7:00pm	PH Carlingford—CANA on a break
		9:15am	<b>Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians</b>
		9:45am	Exposition and Reconciliation
		10:20am	Benediction
		5:00pm	PMR Carlingford Happy Family Group
		5:00pm	Vigil Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians
		5:00pm	Reconciliation at St Gerard's
		6:00pm	Vigil Mass at St Gerard's
6:00pm	Reception of the Year of Youth Cross at the Vigil		
			Mass followed by supper in the parish hall.
PH-Parish Hall, CH-Church, PMR-Parish Meeting Room,			

### ALPHA SESSIONS

**ALPHA IS ON BREAK,  
SESSIONS WILL RESUME  
ON THURSDAY, 26TH JULY 2018**



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### Renewing Parish Culture – Ron Huntley from Divine Renova- tion at Broken Bay on 22 July

Ron Huntley works closely with Fr James Mal-  
lon in Halifax, Canada, as the Divine Renova-  
tion Ministry, Director of Coaching & Develop-  
ment.

Ron has extensive experience as a coach for  
parishes, accompanying many diverse parishes  
from around the world in their journey of par-  
ish renewal from maintenance to mission, in  
particular in the areas of creating a healthy  
parish culture and skilled leadership.

Ron will give two addresses at this event:  
• Changing Parish Culture: How to Grow Mis-  
sionary  
Disciples in Your Parish  
• Using Alpha as a Tool for Cultural Change

There will be time for group discussion and  
Q&A. Lunch will be provided.

A particular invitation is extended to Parish  
Leadership Teams, Parish Pastoral Councils,  
Alpha Teams, Clergy and all who are passion-  
ate about parish renewal in the Church today.

**Date:** Sunday 22 July 2018

**Time:** 9:00am – 1:00pm

**Venue:** Caroline Chisholm Centre, Bldg 2,  
423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

**RSVP:** 16 July  
2018 [faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au) or Pina  
Bernard 8379 1627





### Children's Sacramental Journey Confirmation 2018

Enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open and will close on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Enrolment information, forms and brochures are available at the back of both churches and available for download on the parish website [www.eppcarl.org.au](http://www.eppcarl.org.au). Alternatively, please feel free to contact us and we will forward you the enrolment kit.

In our Diocese of Broken Bay, children who have been baptised and are in Year 2 or above are eligible to celebrate Confirmation. Our Sacramental Programme is advertised through the parish website, bulletins, announcements at Mass, both parish school newsletters, catechists and word-of-mouth. This can mean we are unable to ensure every eligible child is notified. If you do know of anyone whose children are in Year 2 or above, please feel free to spread the word for us.

Children enrolled in this Sacrament's preparation are required to attend a group session once a week with their parent over 4 weeks. 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, the children (also known as 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  
0407 255 593 [kids.sacrament@eppcarl.org.au](mailto:kids.sacrament@eppcarl.org.au)

### MASS IN HONOUR OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS



The monthly Mass in honour of St Mary of the Cross will be celebrated in St Mary's Chapel at Carlingford this **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July** at the **9:30am** Mass.

### “粵語啟發聚會 CANTONESE ALPHA”

In addition to the Alpha held by the Parish on Thursdays, The Happy Family Group of Carlingford has also organized a "Cantonesse Alpha."

Details are:

Whole sessions will be spoken in Cantonese;

Watch Alpha videos with Chinese subtitles;

Next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> July in the Carlingford Parish meeting room.

Commencing at 7:15pm.

Catherine Wong Email: [happyfamily.2008@yahoo.com](mailto:happyfamily.2008@yahoo.com) or 0468 491 338

### THANK YOU PLANNED GIVERS!!

Just a reminder that your new Planned Giving Envelopes for 2018/2019 are available for collection at the back of both churches.

Once again thank you for your kind generosity through the year.

### REFLECTION ON NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES

A reminder that our weekly time of reflection on the coming Sunday's Scriptures will take place this coming **Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> July** at Carlingford and will commence immediately following the 9:30am Mass, in the Parish Meeting Room. All welcome!

### Positions Vacant - Catholic Parish of Epping Carlingford

#### Missionary Discipleship Co-ordinator, Part-Time approx. 22 hpw

The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford is seeking a person to assist in the development of a culture within the parish where all parishioners are invited to grow in their faith based on the model of parish transformation developed by Fr James Mallon and articulated in his book "Divine Renovation."

Familiarity with the Alpha Programme, an ability to develop volunteer leaders within the parish as agents of this transformation as well as offer faith formation through small groups and other faith education opportunities is essential for anyone appointed to this position.

For more information contact Maree at [maree@eppcarl.org.au](mailto:maree@eppcarl.org.au)



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

During the 9:30am Mass at Carlingford and the 10:15am Mass at Epping each Sunday during school term, Children's Liturgy is held for primary school aged children at both St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians.

The children move from the main body of the Church to the meeting room after completion of the Greeting by the priest. There are at least two to three volunteers who help with the Children's Liturgy. Each week the liturgy will include a song, reflective prayer, a Profession of the Faith, a reading of the Sunday Gospel and a reflection lead by the leader of the Children Liturgy.

If you would like your child/ren to take part, please join the other children when the priest asks for "those children taking part in the Children's Liturgy to come to the front of the Church."

There is no Children's Liturgy on a Sunday when it is a Children's Mass or school holidays.

## Year of Youth 2018

### CANA: OUR yrs. 7 -9 YOUTH GROUP

**CANA IS NOW ON A BREAK  
AND WILL RESUME  
ON FRIDAY 27 JULY 2018**

Ring Ashleigh for any further  
information  
0430 120 015



### BEYOND OUR PARISH

#### Most Rev Peter A Comensoli's Farewell Mass

With the appointment of Most Rev Peter A Comensoli as the ninth Archbishop of Melbourne, the Diocese of Broken Bay will hold a Farewell Mass for him with all the faithful of the Diocese invited.

**Date: Sunday 22 July 2018**

**Time: 2.00pm**

**Venue: Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara**

More details will follow in the coming weeks.

This will be the last public event that Archbishop Peter will be present at in Broken Bay before his move to Melbourne.

#### Broken Bay Bible Conference 2018 "St Paul: Persecutor to Preacher" Friday - Saturday 27-28 July 2018

Registrations for the Bible Conference close 11 July. Come along to meet Paul, the passionate proclaimer of the Gospel, and learn about his journey from persecutor to preacher. Presented by acclaimed international biblical scholar Fr Nicholas King SJ; Dr Catherine Playoust; and Most Rev David L. Walker. The conference includes a Conference Mass; 9 talks with interactive discussions and question time; a Panel Presentation; and a Conference Dinner.

**Date: Friday / Saturday 27-28 July 2018**

**Venue:** The Heritage Function Centre, Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, 117 Ryedale Rd West Ryde 2114

**Costs:** Full Conference Registration \$110; Single Day Registration \$55

**Register at:** [www.trybooking.com/UFJU](http://www.trybooking.com/UFJU)

**Enquiries:** Web: [www.dbb.org.au/bible](http://www.dbb.org.au/bible)

Email: [faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au) Phone: Pina Bernard 8379 1627.

#### Theatre-on-Chester's next production starts soon.

The preview (special price \$20) will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 18 July in Epping Uniting's hall. We would be pleased if you could advertise this to your congregation. Tickets are available from our church office ([communication@eppingunitingchurch.org.au](mailto:communication@eppingunitingchurch.org.au), 9869 2737) or pay on the night.

As you can see from the attached flyer, it is a play by David Williamson about a self-opiniated "shock jock" so promises to be good.

### OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY:

**Meeting this Sunday 8 July:**

Antioch now meets @ 6.00pm,

If you're young, feel like **FUN & FELLOWSHIP** & want to know more about living your faith, come & join us this week in the parish meeting room @ Carlingford.

If you would like more info or would like to come, please contact  
Donna 0498 935 580

So head on down and bring a friend.  
**ALL VERY WELCOME!**

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

### Celebrating Disciples of All Nations – 18 August 2018

To mark the 104<sup>th</sup> 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

**St Teresa's 'Way of Perfection'** is full of a rich and timeless wisdom that is still very relevant today as a guide in the spiritual life. Most Rev David L. Walker will lead us over two sessions in exploring the spirituality of this great Spanish 16<sup>th</sup> century Saint and Doctor of the Church.

**Presenter:** Most Rev David L. Walker, Bishop Emeritus, Diocese of Broken Bay

**Date:** Tuesdays 7 and 14 August 2018

**Time:** 7.00pm – 9.00pm

**Venue:** Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

**RSVP:** By Friday 3 August

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