

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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4 March 2018— Third Sunday of Lent —Year B

Parish Mass Times:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am

Thursday: 9:15am

Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (vigil) Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm

Public Holiday: 9:00am

Youth Mass: 6:00pm (1st Sunday of month)

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice Morning Prayer: Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6:10am Thursday: 8:40am Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:15am or by request Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 - 10am concluding with Benediction Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am

Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)



March 2018

Every Thursday

Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg 10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Sunday 4 March

Junior Choir-9am-11am

Sunday 11 March

Parish Choir-9am-11am

Sunday 18 March

Junior Choir-9am-11am

Sunday 25 March

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the

Parish Choir-9am-11am

Thursdsay 29 March

Holy Thursday

Friday 30 March

Good Friday

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'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market' (Gospel)

There is nothing wrong with anger, it simply arises spontaneously, but how we deal with that anger is what matters. We ought to be patient in our response to anger rather than react.

Dear parishioners and visitors to the parish,

Today's readings invite us to re-examine our understanding of the commandments. A proper understanding of the commandments is very essential for finding their source-God. The 10 commandments propose a way of life that upholds God's name and our human dignity. They are not so much about what we must do as they are about how we should think and act in our daily life. Their purpose is not just about the avoidance of evil but directing our life towards a higher goal. They challenge us to look deep within ourselves to identify the real intent behind our actions. Jesus knew the money-changers in the temple were motivated by greed rather than the service of God and to his people.

This week is Catholic Schools' Week and Catechists Sunday. We value and appreciate the service and sacrifices teachers and parents make in sending their children to Catholic Schools; we value the catechists who reach out to children in state schools. Our faith is a precious gift to be shared in every way possible. This is an aspect of our discipleship. Jesus gave us the great commission to make disciples of all nations. Thankyou for your sacrifice and service to God and his people.

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

PARISH OFFICE TEAM

Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest

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0412 882 263

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What's on...

Every First Friday, 7-8pm, Holy Hour for Vocations. Adoration, reflection, evening prayer of the Church. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Every Last Wednesday, 7-9pm, A Discernment Evening for young adults (18-35) who meet together once a month in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Sunday 25 March, 9:30am-3:30pm, Easter Silent Retreat given by the Verbum Dei Missionaries at The Centre, 14 Frances Street, Randwick. \$50 including meals. Call Kylie 0403 453 620 or verbumdeisydney@gmail.com

Tuesday 27 March, 7:30pm Chrism Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration with Bishop Peter A Comensoli to renew their priestly commitment. Please contact Bella Jakubek Bella.Jakubek@dbb.org.au should you require further details.

Friday 8 June 6pm —Sunday 10 June 11am, Better Blokes at Warrambui Retreat @ Conference Centre. Better Blokes is a national gathering of men. It is a life-changing and life-affirming experience where men are encouraged to get real with their mates, get real with God and get real with themselves. Men testify that they are equipped to be better blokes within their families, their churches and the wider community. This year we celebrate 10 years of Better Blokes. Our featured guests will be Col Stringer and Steve Grace.



SINGERS AND MUSICIANS - WE NEED YOU!

The Junior Choir and Parish Choir each provide music at two of our Sunday masses each month, and we need your help. We don't mind how musical you are; if you want to have fun with others in a prayer filled environment please just come along and join in.

Junior Choir and Parish Choir:

- * 9am. practice for 10am. Masses
- * 1st and 3rd Sunday (Junior) 2nd and 4th Sunday (Parish)

Please contact the office if you would like more information.



PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, lessons available. Next get together **Thursday 8 March 2018** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

Enq.: Angela 9144 6553 or Merna 9449 2883.

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Maurice Martin; Lewis Crinitti; Phillip
Johnson; Cecil Rascher; Thi Nguyen; Victoria;
Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer;
Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Jan Davies,
Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus
O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly,
Lisa Doherty, John Edwards, Carol-Anne
Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic,
Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone,
John Michael Walsh

World Youth Day 2019 Panama – Promo & Info Night

Have you heard about World Youth Day 2019 Panama? To learn more and see what opportunities lie ahead, don't miss our Promo & Info Sessions!

Our diocese will have 3 (of the same) sessions at 3 different locations, so choose one that suits you! Each one aims to present the finer details of the WYD pilgrimages to Panama to potential pilgrims, their parents and carers, as well as community leaders.

Dates & Venues:

6 March - Our Lady of Good Counsel, Forestville 7 March - Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal 8 March - Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

The Light is ON For You.

How are your Lenten commitments going? Are you looking for a way to kick start your Lent? This week we continue *The Light is ON*, and we are open on Friday between 7-8pm. Come along to make a space to renew your relationship with God through prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available during this time. For further details, Lenten resources, and participating churches across the Diocese please visit www.thelightisonforyou.org.au

The Vital Role of Religion - A word from a world authority in psychiatry.

"During the past thirty years people from all the civilised countries of the earth have consulted me... Among all the patients in the second half of life - that is to say, over thirty years - there has not been one whose problem in the last resort was not that of finding a religious outlook on life. It is safe to say that every one of them fell ill because he had lost that which the living religions of every age have given to their followers, and none of them has really been healed who did not regain his religious outlook. - Professor Carl Jung, noted Swiss psychologist and psychiatrist, in "Modern Man in Search of a Soul".

LIONS CLUB BI-ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The Lions Club of St Ives is holding their bi-annual Garage Sale at the Pickering Pavilion, St Ives Showground, on Saturday, March 24th. Sale time is from 8 .30 am to 2 .00 pm. Donations can be delivered to the Pavilion during Friday, March 23rd. Absolutely all proceeds go to local charities. For pick-ups please call Michael 9449 4377 or Peter 9499 2710.

THANK YOU FROM VINNIES

From the Vinnies Conference Corpus Christi, St Ives Parish Christmas Appeal raised \$4,530. Your generosity will assist in the alleviation of poverty and homelessness in the diocese as well as your six Twin Vinnies Conferences in Kerala Province India & Indonesia.

Gratefully Yours Mario Pauls Chatswood Regional President

Catechist Sunday - Sunday 4 March 2018



Today is Catechist Sunday, annual an event in the Confraternity of Christian **Doctrine** Calendar. Catechist Sunday originated in 1935 when Vatican published a

document 'On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education', which acknowledged the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and asked every country to honour those catechists who serve within their Christian communities.

As catechists begin another year of teaching Special Religious Education (SRE) to Catholic children who attend public schools in this parish, let us give thanks for their ministry and pray for their work that it will bear fruit in the hearts and minds of the children and their families.

The ministry of SRE in parishes is a tangible expression of parish evangelisation. Today Ask yourself – "is God calling me to teach SRE to Catholic children".



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

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ope Francis O @Pontifex - Feb 27

We are all called to live the joy that comes from the encounter with Jesus, to overcome our selfishness, and to move beyond our comfort zone.



WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE: Vinnies urges all to commit to a fair go. Australia is a rich country. We could end poverty if we wanted. Instead we choose not to, and inequality rises. Investors stockpile houses, with the next generation forced to rent, and the poor pushed to the edge of homelessness. For the jobless, there is a broken, privatised job active system that harasses more than helps. The treatment of asylum seekers, especially those who arrive by boat, is cruel and heartless.

Mr Frank Brassil, spokesperson for the St Vincent de Paul Society National Council, said, "The World Day of Social Justice, is a time when Australians should think about the sort of society that they want Australia to become. Is it a society in which a few have the opportunity to become fabulously rich? Or is it a society in which all have the opportunity for a meaningful life in which they can contribute to the community?"

"One of the best ways of alleviating poverty would be to increase Newstart, Youth Allowance and Austudy to above the poverty line. We can afford it. We should do it!" he said. "It is also timely that governments at all levels should commit to providing sufficient housing so that no person should have nowhere to call home."

(World Day of Social Justice 2018 was officially 20 February as designated by the United Nations. The above media release is on www.vinnies.org.au).

Volunteers Needed!!

The Morning Tea Ministry is seeking volunteers to join the morning tea roster for 2018. If you would like to lead a team, please contact the Parish office on 9144 6998 or email office@corpuschristi.com. Your commitment would be once every 6-7 weeks on a Sunday morning directly following the 10am mass.



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