

14th July 2019

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE LAKES
CATHOLIC PARISH

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Monday to Friday 8-30am-3pm

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St Rose School

Principal - Josie Vescio - Phone: 9982 1467

Please submit items for the bulletin to

bulletin@lakesparish.org.au

by 10 am on Wednesdays.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

21st July

Gen 18:1-10

Col 1:24-28

Lk 10: 38-42



**OUR NEXT ALPHA JOURNEY BEGINS ON MON 29 JULY 2019
7PM-9.15PM (DINNER AT 7PM)
THE LAKES PARISH HALL
21 LAGOON ST, NARRABEEN**

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Alpha an opportunity to explore the meaning of life, and it is designed primarily for people who don't go to church and maybe wouldn't call themselves Christians, and it is an opportunity to discuss the really big questions like, 'Why am I here?' 'What's the purpose of life?' 'Does life have an ultimate meaning?' Alpha is a way to discuss these really big questions in a way that is very low key, unpressurised, non-confrontational, based on respect for people regardless of what they believe or what they think.

To support the Lakes Parish to be missionary, and to help offer answers to these questions for those in our community, consider asking your friends, workmates, family... 'Would you like to come to Alpha with me? Please take home the flyer inserted in this week's bulletin to give to them.

It's not about whether or not they say "yes". It's just about the invitation itself and leaving the rest up to God.

All Welcome

Email parishoffice@lakesparish.org.au or call 9982 1058 to let us know you and your friends will be coming, or ask to speak to one of the Alpha team – Diane, Marc, Liz, Alex, Cathy, Laura, Janice, Sue.

<https://www.lakesparish.org.au/alpha>



A Year of Discernment 2019



Divine Renovation Implementation Workshop

Start: 8 August from 8pm

Finish: 10 August 1pm

Venue: Chevalier Centre, 1 Roma Ave, Kensington NSW

Greg Shakhovskoy 0439 678 018 or gshak@internode.on.net

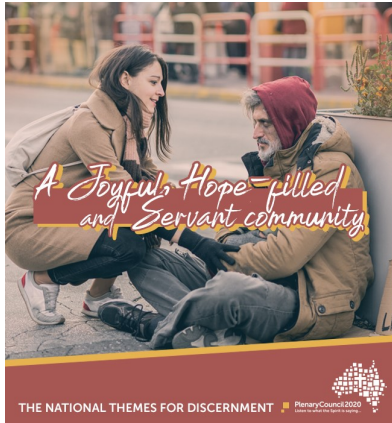
Lorraine McCarthy 0402 217 123 or

lorraine.mccarthy@alpha.org.au

Workshop cost \$155 covered by the Parish.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #5 – How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God's kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action, and to recognise Jesus.



Find out more: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



Apostleship of the Sea

Supporting Seafarers Worldwide

Apostleship of the Sea Sunday (Sea Sunday) - 14 July

On Sea Sunday, the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church that supports seafarers both practically and spiritually, attending to their welfare in many ports around Australia and elsewhere through Stella Maris Centres and Chaplaincies. Chaplains, volunteers and staff visit to speak to the ship's crew, offer friendship, arrange Mass and attend Mass with them, listen to their needs, and provide access to Wi-Fi or Internet so they can contact their families. You may assist by volunteering or donating to the Sea Sunday Appeal 2019.

For more information about it's work

www.aos-australia.org

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BsolnQRjVvQ&feature=youtu.be>



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Parish Pastoral Council



I would like parishioners to consider if they wish to be on the new Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).

PPCs are one of the structures strongly recommended by the Bishops of the Second Vatican Council. The PPC is to assist the parish priest and the parish community in the Church's apostolic work in the field of making the Gospel known.

PPCs witness to the basic equality of dignity of all members by reason of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, highlighting the role of all to share in the Saving mission of Jesus.

During the Easter Season our readings focused on the Acts of the Apostles and the growth of the Early Church after the Resurrection. It is a good time for our parish to look at how we grow our parish.

So if you feel that is an appropriate way for you to focus your talents in the parish, please contact the Parish Office and leave your details.

I will have a gathering of those interested to open up more as to what the PPC can do for the parish and the commitment it will involve.

Fr Robert



Broken Bay Bible Conference 2019 Registrations Open

The Holy Spirit through the Pages of Scripture Friday – Saturday
11-12 October 2019

From the very first pages of Scripture, through to the life of Jesus, the Early Church, and into our own times, the Holy Spirit is active, boldly empowering and gifting God's people.

Journey with us as we discover who the Holy Spirit is and how the Spirit guides, enlivens and encourages our lives and the Church today.

This 2-day conference will be presented by **Dr Debra Snoddy**, Lecturer in Biblical Studies at Catholic Institute of Sydney and **Rev Assoc Prof Ormond Rush**, Lecturer in Theology at Australian Catholic University.

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

Costs: Full Conference Registration \$88;

Single Day Registration \$44

Enquiries: www.bbcatholic.org.au/bible Tania Rimac
faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au or 02 8379 1629

Online Registration: www.trybooking.com/BCKBE



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KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who are sick: Michelle Beck, Pauline Bedford, Margaret McNamara, Margaret Collins, Wendy Ochs, Tony Adrian, Berna Banister, Mandy Rossetti, Sharon Frazer, Elizabeth (Betty) Borg, Trish Townley and Emmanuel Zarb.



Anniversary - Pasqualina Calvi. May she rest in God's peace and love forever.

Congratulations to Nancy and John Warren on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. A great achievement!



**WE WELCOME FR JAMES DUCK
TO OUR PARISH THIS
WEEKEND.
THANK YOU FOR VISITING.**



Loosely Woven presents

LULLABY

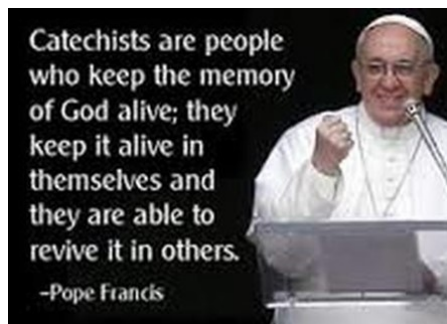
2pm Saturday 24th August

The Lakes Catholic Parish Hall

21 Lagoon Street Narrabeen

Info: Gavin Williamson

gwill@bigpond.com looselywoven.org



During Term 2, Fr Bogdan visited the Year 3-6 students at Collaroy Plateau PS, Wheeler Heights PS and Elanora Heights PS. They sang and prayed together. Fr Bogdan also discussed with the children how spending time with Jesus at Mass is like going to visit family and friends. We welcome each other, we talk and listen, we prepare and eat a meal, we clean up, we say thank you and leave feeling happy and fulfilled. More visits are planned for Term 3.

MINISTERS NEEDED

Our parish is in need of more ministers.

We could do with many more Alter Servers and Acolytes

We are also in need of Ministers of Communion and Readers.

Our ministries show us that we are called by our baptism to participate in the liturgical life of our parish.

If you would like to become actively involved in our parish, please consider joining one our ministries. You will be rostered on usually once per month.

Please contact the parish office if you would like more information on the various ministries you could be involved in. parishoffice@lakesparish.org.au

ALPHA PRAYER



Lord,

Pour out your Spirit on the Lakes Parish as we seek a more personal relationship with you. Help us to recognize those in our lives who are in need of your mercy and love. Fill us with your wisdom and courage to extend your invitation for them to get to know you through Alpha. Amen



2019/20 LAKES PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

CONFIRMATION

To be eligible for enrolment in this sacrament, your child must be a baptised Catholic and minimum 7 years of age by 8 September 2019.

Online registrations close Friday 12 July.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BDDFP>

Parent Talk - Wednesday 24th July St Joseph 7.30pm

Input Session I - Sunday 28th July St Rose 5.00pm

Input Session II - Sunday 11th August St Joseph 8.30am

Review Sunday 25th August St Joseph 8.30am or

Review Sunday 25th August St Rose 5.00pm

Celebration Sat/Sun 7 & 8 Sept St Rose/St Joseph All Masses

Please see parish website for details regarding registration, payment, sacrament preparation and other information.

<https://www.lakesparish.org.au/> Any questions please contact: sacraments@lakesparish.org.au



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What's Happening at The Lakes

See parish calendar on website www.lakesparish.org.au/parish-calendar

BEING PART OF THE COMMUNITY

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH OUR PARISH?

If you are new to The Lakes Parish, WELCOME. Please provide your details on the 'Parishioner Information Form' available in church foyers or go to:

<http://www.lakesparish.org.au/parish-registration>

Already registered? Please let us know if you:

- Have changed address.
- Welcomed a new child into the family.
- Would like to support our Parish and join our Planned Giving program.
- Plan to enrol your child in one of our Parish Schools.
- If you require a reference for high school.

Privacy laws requires the Parish Priest to have met with the family prior to completing the reference request. Please contact the office to make an appointment.



The 2019/2020 weekly envelopes are now ready for collection and will be left in the church foyers.

Tai Chi & The Dance Group will break during the school holidays and resume on Wed 24th July for Tai Chi and Thursday 25th for the Dance Group.



Community Prayer Evening will now be in the mid year school holiday recess until Monday 29th July



LATEST ISSUE OF CATHOLIC WEEKLY AND BROKEN BAY NEWS AVAILABLE IN CHURCH FOYER



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Liturgical Calendar (Subject to Change)

Next Week - Weekday Masses and Devotions

Date	Title	Time
Mon, 15-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:30am
Tue, 16-7-2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:00pm
Wed, 17-7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Robert	9:30am
Wed, 17-7- 2019	Mass - Elizabeth Jenkins - Fr Bogdan	11:00am
Thu, 18-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	9:30am
Fri, 19-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:30am
Sat, 20-7- 2019	Morning Prayer & Rosary - St Joseph	8:30am
Sat, 20-7 2019	Mass, Adoration, Penance - St Joseph - Fr Robert	9:30am

Next Week Other Events

Date	Title	Time
Mon, 15-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
Mon, 15-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm
Wed, 17-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
Fri, 19-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm
Sun, 21-7-2019	Morning Tea - SJ	10:00am

Next Sunday Masses

Date	Title	Time
Sat, 20-7- 2019	Vigil Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan/Dcn David	5:30pm
Sun, 21- 7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Bogdan	8:00am
Sun, 21-7 2019	Mass - St Joseph - - Baptism - Fr Bogdan	9:30am
Sun, 21-7- 2019	Mass - War Vets - Fr Robert/Dcn David	11:00am
Sun, 21-7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Robert	6:00pm

Safeguarding Children



A culture of Safeguarding values WISDOM..."Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom." - James 3:13



To report concerns or complaints please contact a member from the Diocesan Safeguarding and Child Protection team.

Office for Safeguarding (Chancery)

02 8379 1605

safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au

<http://www.bbcatholic.org.au>

Pope Francis' Prayer

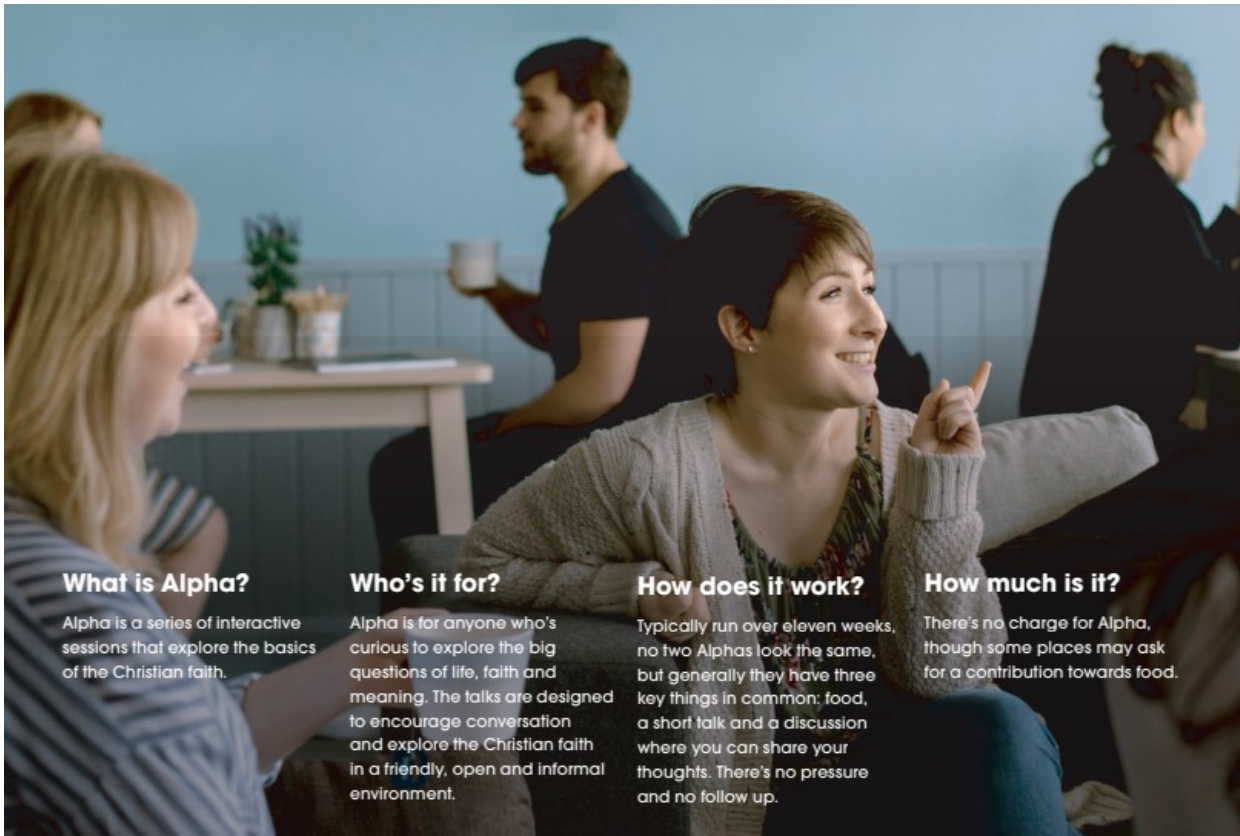
Intention for July

That those who administer justice may work with integrity and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.



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You're invited...



What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore the basics of the Christian faith.

Who's it for?

Alpha is for anyone who's curious to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

How does it work?

Typically run over eleven weeks, no two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a short talk and a discussion where you can share your thoughts. There's no pressure and no follow up.

How much is it?

There's no charge for Alpha, though some places may ask for a contribution towards food.

Have you ever wondered... Is there more to life?

- Got lots of questions?
- Never really understood the Christian faith or been to Church?
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'We made such great friends' – Lakes Alpha 2016

Our next Alpha journey begins on

Monday 29 July 2019 7pm - 9.15pm (dinner at 7)

The Lakes Parish Hall, 21 Lagoon St, Narrabeen

Over 27 million people around the world have explored the big questions of life on Alpha. You're invited to join the journey here...

Alpha

alpha.org.au

All Welcome

Email parishoffice@lakesparish.org.au or call 9982 1058

to let us know you and your friends will be coming, or ask to speak to one of the Alpha team – Diane, Marc, Liz, Alek, Cathy, Laura, Janice, Sue

<https://www.lakesparish.org.au/alpha>

What others have to say about Alpha

“Alpha has really opened my eyes to the bigger picture and what life is more about. I have been going through a tough period in my life and I feel that this whole experience has really helped me pull through and has given me a different outlook on things, it has given me courage and inspiration when I didn't know what else to do and has put a different perspective on life now. I would recommend to anyone to give Alpha a go, have an open mind and let your faith guide you, it might help you to deal with those different pathways in life or just give you that feeling of belonging to the community as a whole. Either way, it's a beautiful experience and one that you will enjoy.” **Brendan**

“I was a little apprehensive about what Alpha was before I started. People who didn't know the program suggested it wouldn't be relevant, how wrong they were. The information, the sessions and the discussions and evenings have all been relevant and interesting. The topics covered opened up some great and often interesting conversations. It has encouraged me to set aside time regularly to reflect, offered me some tools I use each day at work and at home and as a result I've found a calmness which has been most welcome. I would encourage you to try Alpha, you will be pleasantly surprised at what you will take away from the experience.” **Sally**

“For me, a huge reason I go to Alpha each week is the encouragement I get from the group. You can just be yourself, with your own ideas and points of interest, with no right or wrong answers. With each new week, I am genuinely excited to go to Alpha - and not just because of the delicious dinner and dessert! I look forward to seeing the smiley faces of the group, the friends I have made, and I love the weekly video we watch. I'm naturally quiet, and in group situations prefer to listen to what others have to say - it's just who I am. For me, I get the most out of the group discussions after the video as I'm interested in what others have to say. I love hearing their interpretations and life experiences, highlighting I'm not alone with many of my thoughts. If you're similar to me and new to the idea, it's a great source of knowledge, courage and support.” **Chloe**

“I was always keen to attend the Alpha course but found myself inventing reasons why I shouldn't attend: Am I the right candidate? It's too far out of my comfort zone. How could I spare the time? What will my family think? But after signing up, it became the highlight of my week. I started looking forward to Monday. The two and a half hour session seemed way too short. Do we really need to break for school holidays? Is a one-day retreat long enough? Is there a follow-up course? It's true that the things you're most unsure about can become the most wonderful experiences.” **Sean**

No pressure no charge no follow up, if it's not for you

What have you got to lose

