# 21st July 2019

#### **16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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#### Office Hours are:

Monday to Friday 8-30am-3pm

#### **Emergency Calls:**

0472 747 411

## St Joseph's School

Principal - Virginia Outred - Phone: 9913 3766

#### 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 28th July

Gen 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11: 1-13





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

Being a Bear Grylls fan, I was drawn to a poster with a photo of him suggesting that ALPHA was his 'Greatest Adventure'. I was curious to explore further why this man of action & adventure was the face of a big red question mark - ALPHA. I watched Bear Grylls' story and found out about his journey of finding a simple faith. The timing of my initial investigation was crucial, as I have been personally struggling with my faith & core beliefs for some time & searching for answers. The two main questions I was wrestling with was 'Is there more to life than this' & 'What is my life purpose'?

So I committed every Tuesday night for a few hours to join a community of varying ages to eat, sing, listen, discuss and pray. After a few sessions I noticed that I was feeling 'different' & looking at my life from another view point. By the final session it all clicked into place that 'God loves you'! Wow, what an amazing realisation that God's love for me will never change no matter what. I had a total 'self-awakening' at a time where I was battling to let go of control and just believe and trust in God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

I am stoked to have found a renewed sense of belonging and grace through ALPHA. The series of interactive sessions to discuss life and the Christian faith in an informal, fun and friendly environment was very welcoming. I'm not sure what I am going to do with myself on Tuesday nights now. I am going to miss the weekly 'feeding of my soul' (and stomach too). The Alpha guide was a massive help and has encouraged me to pick up and read my bible as well. I am also back celebrating Mass weekly and listening to God's word and engaging in discussions with other family members about the Gospel.

I have witnessed a transformation in my being and am filled with comfort & peace. I have been truly blessed to discover a modified me through ALPHA. I would encourage anyone who might wish to nurture their faith to get a taste of ALPHA and you also might discover that there is more to life than this!

God Bless, Matt Harris (Lakes Alpha 2017)

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

Who are you going to invite?



A Year of Discernment 2019

#### **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:**

National Theme for Discernment #6 -

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform?



This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire to do things differently in response to Christ and the experience of our people, accepting that faithfulness to tradition requires change that is both personal and communal. Find out more: <a href="https://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au">www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au</a>



# Bible Sunday - 28 July

Each year the Church designates one Sunday as Bible Sunday, which aims to draw our attention to the Bible more intentionally. On Sunday, 28

July is Bible Sunday and everyone is encouraged to take some time each day to sit and read the Bible, allowing time to grow in relationship with God; through Scripture God speaks to his children.

The Diocese of Broken Bay has various Bibles for sale, including Study Bibles and Children's Bibles that are offered at a subsidised cost through the Fr Harry David Estate. For more information visit bbcatholic.org.au/bibleoffer

Join us this October as we continue to celebrate the Bible, at the annual Broken Bay Bible Conference. This year we will be exploring *The Holy Spirit through the Pages of Scripture*. 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, presented by Dr Debra Snoddy and Rev Assoc Prof Ormond Rush. For more information visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/bible

For more information on any of the above please contact Tania Rimac <u>faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au</u> or 8379 1629.

# **ALPHA PRAYER**





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

# **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

#### SMARTLoving Marriage Weekend Seminar

Open to all married couples, the SMARTLoving weekend is a solution-focused seminar that will equip you and your spouse to identify your unique love profile and learn practical ways to love more effectively. Whether you are in a stable marriage or a stressed one, you can consolidate strengths, overcome barriers, and move closer to being the couple you want to be. Take some time for yourselves and register for this weekend.

When: 21-22 September 2019

Venue: St Joseph's Retreat Centre, 33 Barina Downs Rd,

Baulkham Hills

Time: 8:30am Saturday – 4:30pm Sunday

Cost: \$445 per couple (accommodation and full catering)

Registration:

www.trybooking.com/BDEKL

PLACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED

**Enquiries:** 

events@bbcatholic.org.au



# THE JOY OF GIVING IS NOW EASIER

Thank you for your generous donations to the 2nd collection, either through the planned giving envelopes or loose donations. It would assist the parish if those who contribute through the envelopes would change to direct debit either through your bank account or credit card. This will also save money in having to print sets of envelopes each

year. This is also more efficient. Parish Finance Committee

#### For Direct Deposit Payments -:

Account Name: The Lakes Catholic Parish

BSB: 062 784

Account No: 1294 8001

Reference: PG + surname and initials (eg: PG Smith A&B)

Where you can also set up weekly or monthly reoccurring payments.

Or Credit Card -:

By filling out the credit card authority (as shown below) on the back of the parishioner information form which can be found in the church foyer, on our website or by contacting the parish office.







#### **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.



**Remembrance** - Ester Rossetti (mother of Anna Grantham) who would have been 96 yrs on the 16th July.



# 2019/20 LAKES PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

#### **CONFIRMATION**

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.

<a href="https://www.lakesparish.org.au/">https://www.lakesparish.org.au/</a> Any questions please contact: <a href="mailto:sacraments@lakesparish.org.au">sacraments@lakesparish.org.au</a>

# **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



# **Level 2 Certificate – The Church in The Third Millennium**

Begins *Monday 5 August* for 6 weeks - 9.30am-2.30pm Corpus Christi Parish Hall, 263 Mona Vale Rd, St Ives **Register by 29 July: PH 8379 1643 or registrations@bbcatholic.org.au** 



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# Biography of Lakes Parish Finance Committee Members

(as at July 2019)



#### **Sean Burke**

**Responsibility on Committee**: manages Parish share investment portfolio, working together with external financial advising firm (PSK)

Sean is a member of the St Rose community but occasionally visits St Joseph's on the Sundays when

his morning alarm fails. He is honored to be married to Christina, a senior teacher at Stella Maris College, and together they have three beautiful children Damon, Aiden and Hugh who attended St Rose between 2002 and 2014. Prior to establishing his own media consultancy business in 2011, Sean was an executive director at British-based media company EMAP before serving as Operations Director at PBL Media in Sydney and across SE Asia from 2007. He is an honorary treasurer and auditor for several other community and political organisations in the area.



#### Martin O'Brien

Responsibility on Committee: looks after maintenance & WHS issues for church properties, working together with Deacon David McKenzie. Martin has been a member of the Lakes Parish for 20 years. He and his wife Robyn have three daughters and two sons, aged 16 to 24, each of whom went to School at St Rose then Stella Maris and St Augustine's respectively. Martin leads a busy family, work and social life and lives in Collaroy.



#### **Graham Latta**

Responsibility on Committee: Secretary, manages
Parish accounts and reporting, working together with
Parish bookkeeper (Therese Oakley)
TAFE Teacher, Bachelor of Business, Major in
Computing and Management Information Systems,
Certificate in Accounting, Certificate IV Training and
Assessment (Teaching) Member of the Lakes Parish
since 1997. Married to wife Nina with2 children
Marlise (24) and Anneka (18). Both attended St.
Rose and Stella Maris.



#### **Marie Tierney**

Responsibility on Committee: looks after Parish owned rental properties and dealing with property agents (Novak Agencies) Spent 2 years working in a real estate office in Dubbo, controlling the rental ledger and properties. Since 1997, Marie has owned and managed her own rental properties in Dubbo until she moved to Collaroy. From 2006 until 2010 managed her stepmother's Sydney based properties eventually handling the sale of her properties for her estate where Marie acted as her executive.



#### **Martin Dando**

Past parishioner with St. Ives Parish for more than 15 years. During this time he was a member of the Finance committee for approximately 10 years and held office of Secretary. Also a Minister of the Eucharist and member of the Ku Ring Gai Catenian Association. Moved to the northern beaches 4 years ago and became member of

The Lakes Parish, where he completed Fr. James Mallon's Divine Renovation program and completed the Alpha program. Retired from work now, but was a director/executive of a large global multi national for 23 year previously.



#### 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.



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







2pm Saturday 24th August
The Lakes Catholic Parish Hall
21 Lagoon Street Narrabeen
Info: Gavin Williamson
gwill@bigpond.com
looselywoven.org



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

## Liturgical Calendar (Subject to Change)

Next Week - Weekday Masses and Devotions			
Date	Title	Time	
Mon, 22-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	7:30am	
Tue, 23-7-2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	7:00pm	
Wed, 24-7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Bogdan	9:30am	
Thu, 25-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	9:30am	
Fri, 26-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:30am	
Fri, 26-7- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Grandparents Mass - Fr Robert	9:30am	
Sat, 27-7- 2019	Morning Prayer & Rosary - St Joseph	8:30am	
Sat, 27-7 2019	Mass, Adoration, Penance - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	9:30am	

#### **Next Week Other Events**

	Date	Title	Time
	Mon, 22-7- 2019	Kidsgroup - LPH	9:30am
	Mon, 22-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
	Mon, 22-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm
ı	Wed, 24-7- 2019	Tai Chi Group - LPH	11:00am
-	Wed, 24-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
	Wed, 24-7- 2019	Confirmation Parent Talk - LPH	7:30pm
	Thu, 25-7-2019	Dance Group - LPH	7:30pm
	Fri, 26-7- 2019	Men's Connect Group - H2O Cafe	9:00am
	Fri, 26-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
	Fri, 26-7- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm
	Sun, 28-7-2019	Confirmation Input Session I - St Rose Hall	5:00pm

#### **Next Sunday Masses**

Date	Title	Time
Sat, 27-7-2019	Vigil Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	5:30pm
Sun, 28– 7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Robert/Dcn David	8:00am
Sun, 28-7 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert/Dcn David	9:30am
Sun, 28-7- 2019	Mass - War Vets - Fr Bogdan	11:00am
Sun, 28-7- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Bogdan	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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