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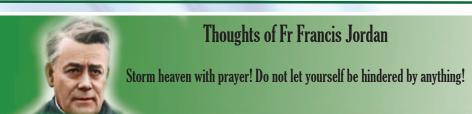
Prayer during the coronavirus pandemic

God of Salvation, We turn to you with a prayer for protection and healing as the coronavirus is spreading. Help those who are affected and have become sick. Grant patience to those who live in quarantine. Give strength to those who care for the sick. Inspire scientists in their research. Strengthen between us the sense of togetherness. Let no one be abandoned, make everyone feel safe together and with You, because You are compassionate. Through the intercession of Blessed Mary of the Apostles and Fr. Francis Jordan, we thank you, present and faithful God, You who live and love for

Amen.

ever and ever.

Salvatorians







A warm welcome
to our parishioners
and visitors who are
celebrating the
Eucharist with us at
Pittwater Parish Sacred Heart Church,
Mona Vale and
Maria Regina Church,
Avalon



The Broken Bay News can be downloaded at https://ww-w.bbcatholic.org.au/pittwa-ter/news-events/-from-the-diocese/broken-bay-news

🖈 trybooking

To ensure that we fulfil the requirements of the 80 (Mona Vale) and 100 (Avalon) people limit, we would like you to use the Trybooking website to book for our weekend Masses.

There is no need to book for the weekday Masses.

The bookings are now open. Further weekend Masses will be added each week, taking into consideration any changes in government restrictions.

Here are some pointers that might help:

- 1. Once you have selected the Mass you would like to book for, you will need to enter the quantity of tickets at the bottom of the page. Then click NEXT.
- 2. Once you have read and agreed to the "Additional Information" you will need to select "YES" from the dropdown box that says "I Agree to the Terms Above"
- 3. You will then need to enter the First Name and the Last Name of each of the Attendees. Then click NFXT
- 4. In the Checkout, you will need to complete all the fields, First Name, Last Name, Phone Number, Address, Suburb, Postcode and Email Address. Then click PURCHASE.
- 5. If you have completed the transaction successfully, you will see "Transaction Successful" on the following page and you will receive an email with the "ticket" to the Mass you have selected.
- 6. If you do not see "Transaction Successful" and you do not receive an email (please remember to check your junk email) then the items may still be in your cart and you may need to re-complete one of the steps.
- 7. You do not need to print the ticket. We will have your name on the "Ticket Holder List" for each Mass.

To book for our Masses at Sacred Heart Church, Mona Vale, please visit To book for our Masses at Maria Regina Church, Avalon, please visit https://www.trybooking.com/BJPSP

Please do not hesitate to contact the Parish office 9157 0999 if you need any assistance.

LIBRARY

"Now that the restrictions have been lifted concerning the opening of churches, although at present only 100 people, we can access the Library. You are very welcome to browse the vast assortment of books and DVDs in the Parish Library at Maria Regina after the daily and weekend Masses." Books and DVDs will still be reviewed in the Bulletin.'

if you have an inquiry you may phone me on 99183973 (Home) 0401613643 (mobile).

Trish Newman

We Pray for Recently Deceased **Mary Coombs** Luke Parr

If you would like the names of your relatives or friends and offerings included, please drop the envelope in to the Parish Office by Midday on Wednesdays. Thank You.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord, And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them. May they Rest in Peace. Amen. May Their Souls And The Souls Of The Faithful Departed. Through The Mercy Of God, Rest In Peace. Amen.

Deceased Anniversary

Paul Harley-Green Phung Thi Nguyen **Barbara Cincotta Augustine Neo Eng Guan**

Prayers for the Sick

Bill Eyre Manny Zarb Philip Maddrel Gail Reiher Imelda Vince Eric Domagas Vicky Villaluz Ben Castillo Moira Howie Carol Brennan Jomar Christine Hills Donald McRae Sara Zofrea Beryl Peo-Duncan Joe Romeo Joe Romeo
John Andrew Graham
John Charles Graham
Michael Carrodus
Pat Regan
Robyn Sheather
Eva Hyland

The names on this list will be removed after four weeks unless otherwise requested or advised.

BOOK REVIEW

The Power of Now by Eckhart Tolle



This seems to be the "right book" for many people at this point of time. The writing is as

clear as a bell; the words ring true. An exceptional book, to make a difference in people's lives.





We the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay and the Catholic Parish of Pittwater are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.



We welcome to Pittwater Parish Raphael Laxale on 5 July 2020 Kiera Brennan on 11 July 2020 at Sacred Heart Church, Mona Vale for the Sacrament of Baptism

Watch the daily Mass on Demand at https://www.youtube.com/user/cathnews We hope that this will help the faithful to celebrate the Holy Mass online wherever you are

PLANNED GIVING

The money contributed to our parish via our second collection helps us to meet the running costs which our Parish incurs, including wages, electricity, telephones, insurances, rates, building and equipment repairs and maintenance, to name but a few. As we are unable to donate via our second collection at present. our parish will not receive the funds which are truly needed to cover our relentless stream of expenses. Whilst you are unable to attend Mass, if you are able to make your regular donation by way of automatic direct debit from your credit card, please complete the form included in this bulletin. Or donations can be made on our website: www.pittwaterparish.org through the donations and giving tile. If you would prefer

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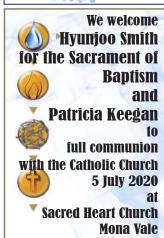
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We welcome to Pittwater Parish Mackenzie Armstrong Mason Armstrong on 27 June 2020 **Charlotte Hermsen Poppy Janssens** on 28 June 2020 at Sacred Heart Church, Mona Vale for the Sacrament of Baptism







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MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART CHURCH 1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale

Weekday Masses Tuesday 9.30am Wednesday 9.30am Thursday 7pm (Followed by Adoration and Benediction at 9pm) Friday 9.30am First Friday of the Month, **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 9.30am, followed by Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 10.30am

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 8.00am • 10.00am • 4.00pm Croatian (1st & 3rd Sunday) 6.00pm (SOUL)

Reconciliation 4.00pm to 4.30pm Saturday

> **Baptism** 4th Sunday - 11.30am

MARIA REGINA CHURCH

7 Central Road, Avalon

Weekday Masses Monday 8am Wednesday 8am Thursday 10am 9am Exposition of the **Blessed Sacrament**, **Adoration and Benediction** at 9.45am Friday 8am

Mass with Anointing of the Sick -First Friday of the Month at 8am

> **Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am

Reconciliation **Before Vigil Mass on Saturday**

> **Baptism** 3rd Sunday - 11.00am

We acknowledge the lifelong trauma of abuse victims, survivors and their families, the failures of the Catholic Church to protect, believe and respond justly to children and vulnerable adults, and the consequent breach of community trust.

Media Release - 16 July 2020



Bishop Randazzo announces change to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has made adjustments to the age of children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Diocese of Broken Bay. In a letter to clergy of the Diocese last week, Bishop Randazzo acknowledged the crisis of the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the course of Sacramental Preparation Programmes across all parishes.

"I have been unable to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parishes of the Diocese at all this year," said Bishop Randazzo, who has decided, due to ongoing uncertainty and for the sake of clarity for parents and families, parishes and personnel involved in preparing children for the Sacraments that he will not celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at all in 2020.

Formerly, children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation were seven years old, typically those in Year 2. For the future celebration of the Sacrament, Bishop Randazzo has announced that candidates will be at least eight years old, those who are in Year 3.

The change has been made after Bishop Randazzo consulted and received feedback about the Sacrament of Confirmation and after discussions with the Council of Priests

"The practice of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with those who have reached the age of seven, typically those in Year 2, seems early for the most meaningful reception of the Sacrament," said Bishop Randazzo.

"Therefore, I wish to use the circumstances afforded us negatively by the pandemic to place our practice of Sacramental preparation, positively, on a new footing going forward."

The Bishop has not changed the order of the Sacraments of Initiation being Baptism, followed by Confirmation and Eucharist. Under the new program, Reconciliation and Eucharist will therefore be celebrated by those who are aged nine and in Year 4.

"I regard this as the best and most sustainable way forward to address both the suspension of the celebration of Confirmation for the rest of this year, and to engage the unique opportunity with which we are now presented to bring Sacramental Preparation Programmes into the future on a different footing for children who are older and more able to appreciate the significance of their Christian Initiation."

The letter to clergy announcing the changes, explained some of the implications on Sacramental Preparation Programmes. With the various timings of the programmes across parishes throughout the Diocese taking place either in the first or second halves of the year, it will take the course of 2021 to 2022 to establish the consistent foundation of the preparation programme for children who are aged eight and older.

Bishop Randazzo also explained norms around who has the faculty to Confirm, especially regarding the various circumstances arising for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. With some exceptions, the Bishop clarified particularly regarding the Confirmation of children, "I am the ordinary minister of the Sacrament of Confirmation and I do not wish this to be compromised by widespread delegation of this faculty".

The Bishop explained he is aware of the practical implications for parishes during a period of adjustment but looks forward to achieving consistency across the diocese as soon as is practicable.

"We have been through a great disruption that has affected parish communities in numerous ways," said Bishop Randazzo, "and I acknowledge the many creative and innovative initiatives adopted by our people to keep the faith flourishing".

"I am grateful for the way in which parishes will bring to completion this year sacramental preparations commenced in 2019, so that in the new year, we can resume the programme for new cohorts on a new premise."

For more information please contact Selina Hasham, Director, Office for Communications on 02 8379 1622 or email selina.hasham@bbcatholic.org.au



SRE RETURNS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN TERM 3 "Be there for them"

Wouldn't it be great that when SRE (scripture) returns in early Term 3, we can know that even though some catechists can't return just yet, every single student whose parents want them to attend Catholic SRE classes will be able to do so. There are pre-prepared lessons that are age-appropriate and easy to use. If you are willing to take a 30-40 minute SRE class once per week for either a term or the rest of the year, please contact:

Veronica Thomas

CCD Coordinator Mobile 0417061534 Email:

veronicathomas2009@gmail.com Maureen Wooldridge Mobile 9997 4694

Please watch a short video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IONdRTBJwxo&feature=youtu.be

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

Joe Paprocki

At this time of the year, many Catholics find themselves considering an invitation to become a catechist in their parish. Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education/Faith Formation, Pastoral Associates, Priests, and Deacons are all "on the prowl" seeking out those who have the potential to serve in this role. Perhaps you've been invited to be a catechist. Perhaps you know someone who is thinking about becoming a catechist. Or perhaps you are the one doing the inviting. Whatever the case may be, I offer the following reasons for becoming a catechist.

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

- You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
- Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
- Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more thanever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus
- Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith. You have much to share with those
- you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
- Today's catechetical textbooks/re sources offer outstanding support.
- You'll be challenged, you'll have fun, and you'll make new friends. You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. (You'll be
- evangelising!) You'll be handing on a 2000-year-old
- Tradition that changes lives. It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

For more information call our Parish Catechists coordinators: Maureen Wooldridge - 9997 4694 or Veronica

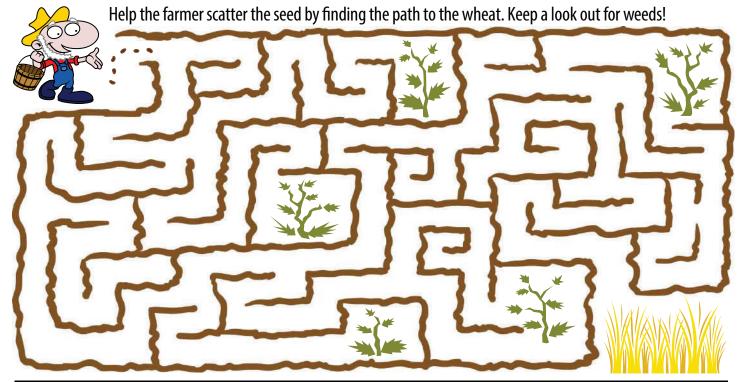
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What are some of the "weeds" in our lives that stop us from growing?

Circle the things plants need in order to grow.

Write down or draw some of the things we need to make ourselves grow.



The Living Word

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 53:6,8

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading Wis 12:13.16-19 A reading from the book of Wisdom In the place of sin, you give repentance.

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything,

to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient

You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned

and you expose the insolence of those who know it;

but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement,

you govern us with great lenience,

for you have only to will, and your power is

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people

how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men,

and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 85:5-6. 9-10. 15-16. R. v.5

(R.) Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. (R.)

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. (R.)

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:26-27 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the

The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

See Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Mt 13:24-43 Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Let them grow together until the harvest.

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.

He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon

has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

Ps 110:4-5 The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,

Rv 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.

If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me.

I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we hear how the Spirit of God dwells in all of us, helping us in our weakness. The first disciples had *Jesus to explain the parables; we have the Spirit to* enlighten us. It is the Spirit who helps us to interpret the teaching of Jesus and to be receptive to the challenges that they pose.

The presence of sinners in the kingdom of God is often a stumbling block to good people. There will be a time for separation and judgment, but the time is not now. This means that the righteous will have to live with the sinner and, even more challengingly, show them the same kind of concern that they show to others. The presence of sinners does not necessarily erode the quality of the kingdom. Rather, it provides disciples an opportunity to rise to the occasion of generosity and forgiveness.

There are two images of judgment in the readings. The one in the gospel is terrifying and decisive. The wicked are bound together into bundles and readied for burning. We must remember that this is a parable. In the first reading and in the psalm response the justice of God is said to be lenient, clement and kind. The power of God is demonstrated not in retribution but in mercy. God is said to be 'merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in kindness and fidelity', and repentance is a very real possibility. This is the image that gives us hope.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

To read the Message from Bishop Anthony, please go to www.pittwaterparish.org. News and events tile and message from Bishop Anthony on the drop down menu.



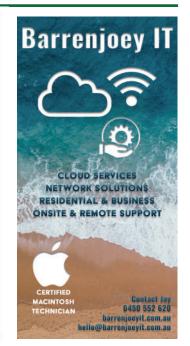
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Liturgy for the Week

20/07 **Monday Ordinary Time 16** Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42

21/07 **Tuesday Ordinary Time 16**Micah 7:14-15, 18-20;
Mt 12:46-50

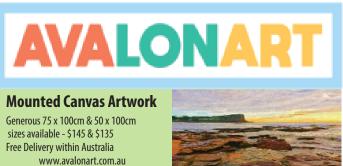
22/07 **Wednesday St Mary Magdalene,**Song 3:1-4 or 2 Cor 5:14-17;
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

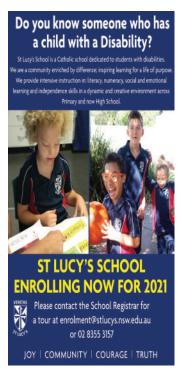
23/07 **Thursday Ordinary Time 16** Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17

24/07 **Friday Ordinary Time 16** Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23

25/07 **Saturday St James,** *apostle*, 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28









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