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## THE BULLETIN

22 SEPTEMBER 2024

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

# GLAD YOU'RE HERE

## Welcome

A very warm welcome to you, especially to anyone new and visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us! If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Our Lady of Dolours please contact us at 02 9410 9000 or email us at [chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au) - we would love to hear from you!

*We have a fantastic lineup of events coming up –be sure to mark your calendars!*

*First up is Fr Chima's talk on the Theology of Ecology this coming Monday, followed by our bushwalk and liturgy on Saturday. We hope to see you at both!*

*Another key event to note is our Blessed Carlo Acutis Feast Day Vigil Mass. In preparation, we'll be holding a Novena leading up to the Vigil, followed by Mass and an all-night adoration.*

*Congratulations to everyone who received the Sacraments last week, and a big thank you to all who made our Feast Day celebrations such a success—it was a truly wonderful day.*

*Thank you very much to Sandra Byak for her generosity in donating this week's flowers for the church.*

For any inclusions to next week's bulletin, please email your content to Olivia at [Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au) by the close of business on Wednesday.



*On the lands of the Cammeraygal people.*



Jesus Christ with the children by Carl Bloch



**The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity...All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.**

*This Sunday's Gospel - Mark 9:30-37*

Dear friends,



**Fr David Ranson**  
PP VG  
Parish Priest

Some very warm words of thanks to all those who made our weekend last as memorable. Even with the challenges of traffic and weather we had two full churches **celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation** for 96 children last Saturday. It was a very joyous occasion and our special gratitude to Angela Hague and Mona Saouma for the incredible amount of work put into the four weeks of preparation for the children along with the liturgies of Confirmation themselves. And then on Sunday 15 September, our Parish Feast Day, we welcomed Adam Clarkson, Sue Woodall and Atsushi Shibaoka into our Catholic Church and confirmed them along with Justine Kim, Potiphar Aurestila, and Mizuki Naito. What a wonderful indication of the activity of the Spirit of God in our faith community! And, a very special thank you to all those who made the festivities on our forecourt through the morning of our parish feastday as vibrant, even in the cold wind that beset us!

This weekend **Karen Forbes, our parish CCD Coordinator** will speak at all our Masses. Karen facilitates the work of our extraordinary team of over 50 catechists providing

Special Religious Education to over 600 Catholic students in the six public schools in our parish. To continue this important endeavour, we need assistance! Please do consider if this may be something we could help with. It is just an hour or so each week, and something that is very rewarding.

**On Sunday 22 September at our 10.30am Mass we will honour in a special way St Padre Pio** who is venerated especially by our Italian community. His Feast Day is Monday 23 September. Our Mass will be bi-lingual – in English and Italian. A special celebration indeed!

**Fr Chima Ofor joins us on Monday 23 September** at

7.30pm in the Magnificat Meeting Room to present a seminar on the spirituality of ecology as part of our celebration of the Season of Creation. It will be a wonderful opportunity to hear more about the message of Pope Francis' letter to us on the environment.

**We congratulate all the children from our parish primary school for the beautiful concert they staged at the Chatswood Concourse last Tuesday evening!** It was quite spectacular with 800 people in attendance!

**This week is the last week of Term 3, and for our Year 12 students their last week of classes before the HSC commences in Term 4.** This week our church will host the Graduations of both Pius X students and Mercy College students. Please note that the Pius College Graduation this year needs to be at 9.30am. Therefore, our normal 9am Mass and Rosary on Wednesday 25 September will be suspended for this week only. Mercy College Graduation will be at 4.00pm on the same day. We congratulate all our graduating students and wish them every blessing in the time ahead.

**Congratulations are also in order for our remarkable Parish Director of Music, Titus Grenyer.** Last Wednesday, Titus performed the world premiere of his Organ Symphony – the first composed by an Australian – at St Mary's Cathedral. Then, on 1 October he will perform his next Sydney Town Hall recital, "Organ Music of the Future", at 7.00pm. This is a free event and goes for one hour. But then on 4 October, Tim Li, our talented organ scholar, performs with his chamber ensemble at Australia Hall, 150 Elizabeth St; 7:00pm, 1 hour. Tickets are \$25 general admission and we can book here: <https://events.humanitix.com/elgar-nielsen-and-britten>. The chamber orchestra project led by violinist Tim Li presents an exciting program featuring the early works of 19th and 20th century composers Edward Elgar, Carl Nielsen and Benjamin Britten. We are so gifted to have such talent in our parish! A number of our parishioners were at St Mary's Cathedral last Wednesday and I know many will also be present at the other grand occasions.

**Our preparations for Carlo Acutis Feast Day are now well underway.** Our online novena leading to the Feast Day commences on Thursday 3 October, and then on Friday 11 October we will celebrate the Vigil Mass of the Feast Day in which our relic of Carlo will be made available for public veneration for the first time. **Our 7.00pm Mass on 11 October**

This week's church flowers are generously donated by **Sandra Byak** in loving memory of her sister

*Marica Cetinic*



will then be followed by Eucharistic Adoration through the night until the 9.00am Mass of the Feast Day on Saturday 12 October. However, given constraints we have on the Saturday, our main celebration will be on Friday 11 October. Our immense gratitude to John O'Brien our architect who is managing the creation of our Acutis Chapel brilliantly.

Lastly, we have a parishioner who is looking for a builder who might assist the restoration of a home kitchen after serious misconduct by a previous builder. Might there be someone who could assist? Please let me know if this may have possibility.



**ZOOM NOVENA DAY 1 - 8**  
8PM OCTOBER 3 - 10

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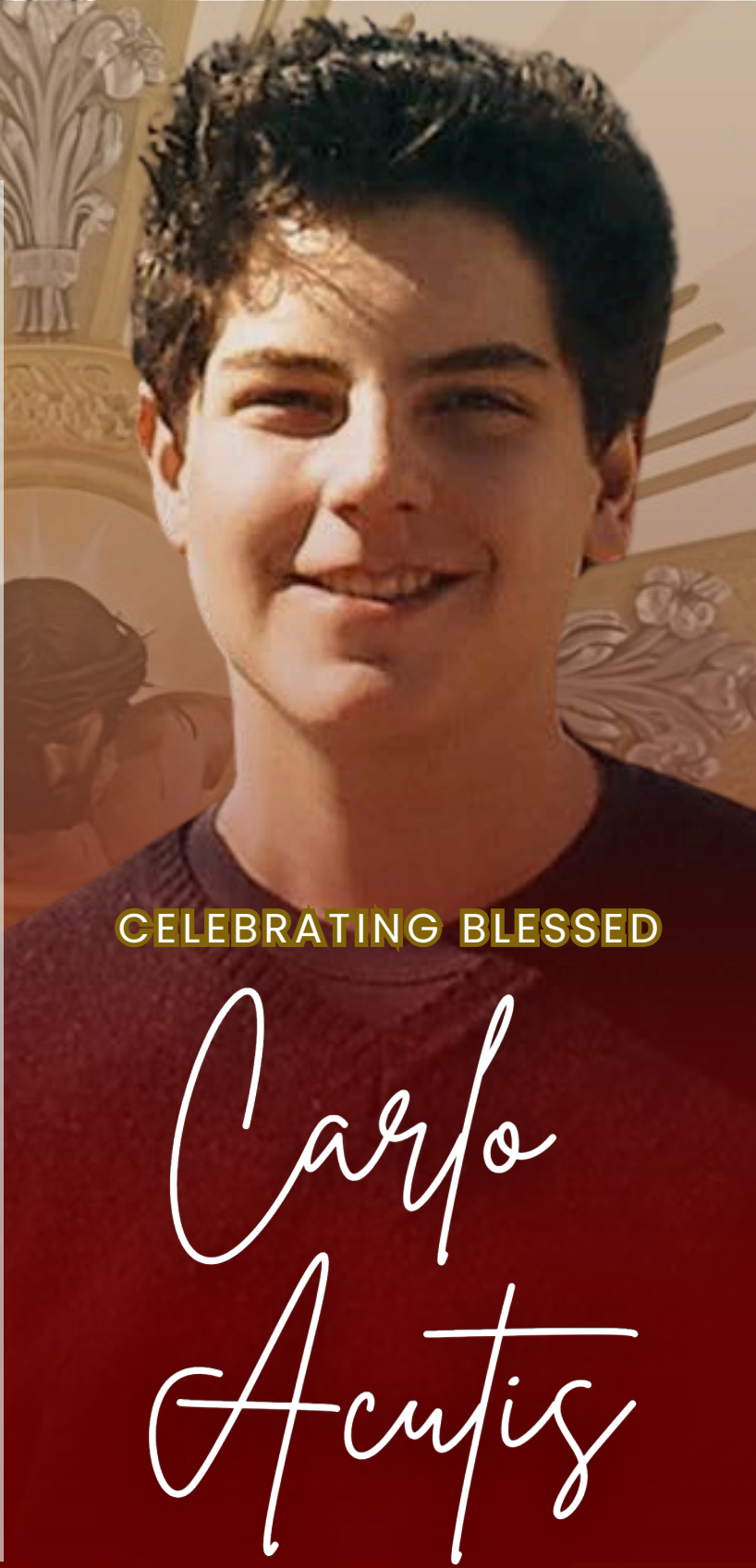
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**VIGIL MASS FOR THE FEAST DAY**  
FRIDAY 11 OCTOBER 7PM

**VENERATION OF RELIC & ADORATION OF EUCHARIST**  
THROUGH THE NIGHT  
FOLLOWING THE VIGIL MASS,  
UNTIL SATURDAY 9.00AM  
FEAST DAY MASS.



**CELEBRATING BLESSED**

*Carlo Acutis*

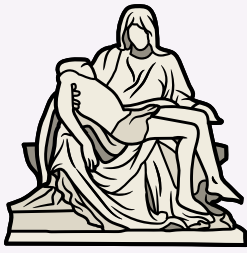


**OUR LADY OF SORROWS (DOLOURS) CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Our community would love to pray for you. If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin e-mail  
Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au by Wednesday.



*Staff of Apostles, pray for us.*

*Rock of constancy, pray for us.*

*Refuge of the abandoned,  
pray for us.*

*Mother of the Crucified,  
pray for us.*

*Field of tribulation,  
pray for us.*

*Mass of suffering,  
pray for us.*

*Conqueror of the incredulous,  
pray for us.*

*Mother pierced by the sword of  
sorrow, pray for us.*

## IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER:

### Our loved ones who have **recently passed away**:

Greg Homan; Margaret Valda Maher (mother of Cheryl Thomas); John Ryan; Eufravio Gervacio (uncle of Cherry & Jonathan Atip); Mark Ariola; Robin Evertsson (nephew of Christer Jonsson & Chrystal De Croos); Miranda Teresita Celedonio (mother of Lionel Celedonio); Chor Kuen LAM TSE (Mother of Oscar TSE).

### Our loved ones who are **sick**:

Maria Taylor; Francis Placko (baby son of Andrew and Kristin); Bernardus Sunjaya (father of David Sunjaya); Rose Wu; May Ho; Ban Le LLamas; Sally Luxton; Sr Marie Dayton; Giselle Clark; Judith Ryan; Sally Luxton; Jim & Ann Avery; Thomas West; Lucy Rodriguez; Gillian Hawkins; Leo Barry; Donna Fernandez; Allison Roberts; Zac Vlasic; The mother of Fr Greg Skulski; Helen Coutts-Trotter (sister of Terry Meagher); Teddy Malapira; Kristen O'Loan; Mitch East; Margaret; Victor Villanueva Herriquez; Johnson Siu; Joseph Bonnici; Bill Piper; Frank Hallissy; John O'Brien; Gerard De Leon; Carlos De Leon; Mary Kin-Soon Ng; Bonnie Leung; John Tiorg and family; Esther Grant and family.

### Our loved ones, **at rest with God, whose anniversaries fall at this time**:

Maria Cristina (Tina) Robinson; Janet Coombs; Jack Ladd (brother of Patricia Biddell); Marica Cetinic (sister of Sandra Byak); Anunciacion & Abraham Gadiane; Eduardo Gadiane; Kevin Bruce; Shirley Ranson; Mark Esteban (husband of Angela Esteban).

### Our loved ones recently celebrating their **birthdays**!:

Dom Tagle; Gigi Esteban; Lincoln Aylward; Ditas Naguit; Fr Joey Frez.

- Congratulations to Ditas and Henry Naguit on the celebration of their wedding anniversary! May you have many more wonderful years together!
- We remember the late Mrs Patricia Goldhawk who would have celebrated her 90th birthday next week, cherishing her memory and the legacy of love she left behind



# Footprints Mass

Pregnancy & Infant Loss Memorial Mass

Tuesday 15 October 2024 6:30pm

Whether the death of a child happened recently or many years ago, parents, grandparents, family and friends are invited to participate in a special Mass of Remembrance, to honour the brief life of the children who died too soon through miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death.

All are welcome to join us after Mass on the forecourt for light refreshments, and to meet others that share this missing piece of your heart.





FOUNDATION YOUTH MINISTRY  
PRESENTS

# PARISH HOLYWINS TRIVIA

Food and  
drinks  
provided!

Prizes to  
be won!

**Saturday 26th October**

Come dressed as any Saint, or in white or red clothing

**Bring your friends and family of all ages for a fun night with the parish to fundraise for our youth ministry!**

**Time:** 6:30pm - 9:15pm

**Location:** Harrington Hall

**Price:** \$20 per person

Discounted tickets available for group registrations of 10! RSVP to [bettina.ignacio@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:bettina.ignacio@bbcatholic.org.au)

# Saint Paul

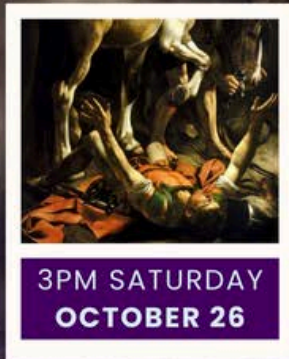
**EXPLORING THE LIFE & TEACHINGS OF  
THE APOSTLE TO THE GENTILES**



**3PM SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 12**



**3PM SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 19**



**3PM SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 26**



Join us as Fr Biju Jose OSH, Parish priest of Ku-ring-Gai Chase Catholic Parish, guides us through the life of St Paul, from his dramatic conversion to his influential mission as the Apostle to the Gentiles. Explore the significance of Pauline literature and gain profound theological insights that continue to inspire and shape Christian thought today.

As I sit in Jesus' arms, the conversation among the disciples swirls around me. They are arguing about who among them is the greatest, but I don't understand what they mean. Greatness is not something I think about. I know Jesus, though —He sees me. He holds me gently, like I matter, though I am small and often overlooked by others.

Jesus speaks to His disciples, and His words are surprising: "Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me, and whoever receives Me, receives not Me but Him who sent Me." I don't fully grasp all of His words, but I feel the love and importance of what He is saying. Somehow, in being held by Jesus, I am not just a child; I represent something bigger. I represent Him.

In this moment, I realize that what Jesus is teaching His disciples isn't just about welcoming me, but about seeing the world through my eyes—through the eyes of one who depends on others, who trusts, who is vulnerable. Jesus values this kind of openness, this kind of heart. When people welcome someone like me, small and unnoticed, they are welcoming Jesus Himself. It isn't about power or who is the strongest or the most important. It's about love, humility, and trust.



**Magnificat Room**

96 Archer St, Chatswood - Entry from Kirk St  
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**FIRST SATURDAY  
PUBLIC**

*Rosary*



**3:00PM RECONCILIATION  
3:45PM CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY  
4:00PM ROSARY**

In His embrace, I feel safe. He values me, even though I am little. I sense that what matters to Him is not how important someone seems, but how open their heart is to love and serve others. And in that, I understand that true greatness in His Kingdom is about being small, trusting, and ready to love—just like me.

Through Jesus, I see that even the smallest among us carry the presence of God. To welcome one like me is to welcome the love of God into the world.



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# HAPPY FEAST DAY!



# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Twenty - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / B

22 September 2024

THE BATTLE WITHIN. Today's readings highlight the battle between good and evil. The virtuous person in today's First Reading, and Jesus in the Gospel, both suffer greatly at the hands of the godless. But as James notes in today's Second Reading, and as we see in Jesus' disciples, the battle between good and evil is waged within each one of us as well. While we give thanks to God for the good within us, we also acknowledge the part of ourself that is drawn to evil and humbly seek God's mercy.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.**

**Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.**

### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

### 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.**

### COLLECT

P. O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Wis 2:12, 17-20

**A reading from the book of Wisdom.**

**Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.**

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 53:3-6, 8. R. v. 6

**R. The Lord upholds my life.**

1. O God, save me by your name; / by your power, uphold my cause. / O God, hear my prayer; / listen to the words of my mouth. **R.**

2. For proud men have risen against me, / ruthless men seek my life. / They have no regard for God. **R.**

3. But I have God for my help. / The Lord upholds my life. / I will sacrifice to you with willing heart / and praise your name for it is good. **R.**



### SECOND READING

James 3:16-4:3

**A reading from the letter of St James.**

**Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.**

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. 2 Thess 2:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

Mk 9:30-37

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

**P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.**

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity . . . All who wish to be first must*



*make themselves the servants of all.*

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**HOMILY PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

P. Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

**PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME**

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

**COMMUNION RITE**

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace.*

**LAMB OF GOD**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Ps 118:4-5

**You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**

**'...LAST OF ALL AND SERVANT OF ALL'**

Our first reading from Wisdom alerts us to 'the righteous man' who is God's child. The words here will echo in the Gospel with the second of the predictions of Jesus' death. The passage from James also has synergy with the ambitions of the followers of Jesus addressed in the Gospel.

Beginning with the second prediction of Jesus' death – 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed he will rise again' – we find Jesus teaching his disciples as he moves through Galilee. We hear that they did not understand but were afraid to ask. Arriving in Capernaum, inside the house, we see Jesus ask them what they were arguing about. The silence was of embarrassment because their discussion was of who was the greatest. The focus is now even smaller as Jesus now sits down with the Twelve, his closest companions, in the house. It is to these that he says, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Servant is here *diakonos*, servant or deacon. His message to his leadership team is clear as to how they need to model and live their responsibility and call. His further exemplar of placing a child among them, broadens their understanding of welcoming Jesus among them, challenging their orientation to Jesus and to God, 'the one who sent me.' Let us pause to reflect on our orientation to Jesus and to God. Where do we stand?

Dr Rosemary Canavan

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## NEXT WEEK IN THE CHURCH & PRAYER & LITURGY EVENTS

Monday  
23 September

**Memorial:  
St Pius of  
Pietrelcina**

- 10:00am Mercy College Awards
- 11:30am Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary (Cenacle, MMP).
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.

Tuesday  
24 September

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- 10:00am Mercy Grad. Rehearsal
- 10:30am Organ practice SC.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 2:00pm Organ practice OC.
- 4:00pm Organ practice AH.
- 7:00pm Filipino choir practice.

Wednesday  
25 September

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:30am St Pius X College Graduation Mass.**
- **12:30pm Mass**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- **3:00pm Mercy College Year 12 Graduation Mass.**
- **6:30pm Mass of Hope**

Thursday  
26 September

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- **9:30am Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration**, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 2:00pm Organ practice OC.
- 3:30pm Organ lesson TL.
- 4:30pm Organ lesson SL.
- **7:00pm Holy Hour Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration** with Reconciliation also available.

Friday  
27 September

**Memorial:  
St Vincent  
de Paul**

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 4:00pm Organ practice and lesson AH.

Saturday  
28 September

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- **9:30am Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration** with Reconciliation, Rosary.
- 11:00am Choir practice.
- **3:00pm Wedding - bump in from 12:30pm.**
- 5:00pm Vigil Singer Bookings.
- **5:30pm Vigil Mass.**

Sunday Mass  
29 September

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **7:30am Mass.**
- **9:00am Mass.**
- **10:30am Mass.**
- 2:30pm Organ practice AH.
- **5:30pm Mass.**



### SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO)

**MEMORIAL  
23 SEPTEMBER**

- Padre Pio was known to have the miraculous ability to be in two places at once! Numerous accounts from people all over the world claimed to have seen him, even though he had never physically left his monastery in San Giovanni Rotondo.
- In 1918, Padre Pio received the stigmata—the wounds of Christ—which remained with him for 50 years until his death. They were visible, painful, and bled, but interestingly, his body had no signs of decay when exhumed.
- Padre Pio could spend up to 15-19 hours a day hearing confessions. He had the spiritual gift of reading souls, meaning he could tell if someone wasn't being honest or was hiding a sin.
- Padre Pio had a soft spot for animals, and there are many stories of his interactions with them, including a time when a bird flew into the confessional and didn't leave until the confession was finished!
- Padre Pio was known for his simple but profound spiritual advice. One of his famous sayings is: "Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

耶穌坐下，叫過那十二人來，給他們說：「誰若想做第一個，他就得做眾人中最末的一個，並要做眾人的僕役。  
馬爾谷福音9:35

Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

Mark 9:35

*Submitted by the Chinese Catholic Association*

## NEXT WEEK IN THE MEETING ROOMS

Monday  
23 September

- 10:00am Atrium for 3-6 year olds (Atrium).
- 1:30pm Friends & Fellowship (St Paul).
- 3:45pm Atrium for 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12 year olds (Atrium).
- 7:30pm Theology of Ecology talk by Fr Chima.

Tuesday  
24 September

- 10:00am Bible Study (St Paul).
- 3:45pm Atrium for 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12 year olds (Atrium).
- 7:00pm Indonesian Legion of Mary (St Peter).
- 7:00pm Journey into Truth (Magnificat, St Paul) set up 5:30pm.

Wednesday  
25 September

- 9:30am English Lifestyle Conversations (Magnificat).
- 6:30pm Indonesian instruments practice (Harrington Hall) set up 6:00pm.
- 7:00pm Exploring the Faith (St Peter).
- 7:00pm MenAlive Faith Discussion (Magnificat) set up 6:30pm.

Thursday  
26 September

- 10:00am Atrium for 3-6 year olds (Atrium).
- 1:00pm Playgroup (Magnificat) set up 12:00pm.
- 6:00pm Altos choir practice (St Paul).

Friday  
27 September

- 10:00am Meditation and Sharing (St Paul) set up 9:30am.
- 6:30pm LIFE 1 (Magnificat)
- 7:00pm Online Zoom Meditation and Sharing.

Saturday  
28 September

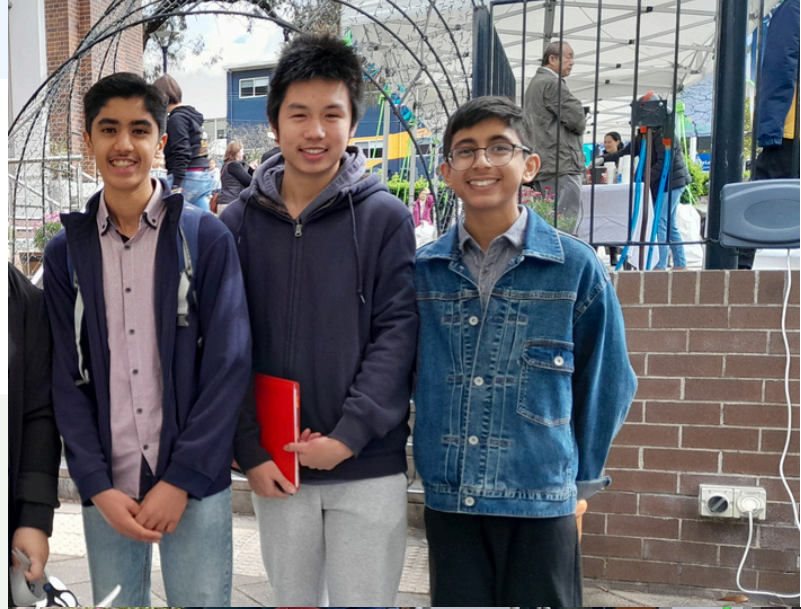
- 10:00am Music Lessons (St Paul).
- 10:30am Legion of Mary Praesidium (St Peter) set up 10:00am.

Sunday Mass  
29 September

- 9:30am Choir Practice (St Paul).

### MEETING ROOM UPDATE

Last Thursday, Fr David and Diana generously undertook a major reorganization of the meeting rooms to streamline the kitchen items. As part of this, all crockery and cutlery have now been consolidated in the Magnificat Room. Please ensure that after cleaning and use, these items are returned to their designated space. We are also in the process of ordering additional supplies to better stock each room. Thank you for your cooperation!



**SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER**



**YOU'RE INVITED**

**Parish bush walk & liturgy**

Families, dogs on the leash, parishioners of all ages, are warmly invited to join our inaugural parish bush walk which leaves Our Lady of Sorrows Church at 10.30 a.m., walks for 15 minutes to the entrance to Blue Gum Reserve in Dulwich Rd and continues from there at 10.45 a.m. to the Chatswood Scout Hall off Kooba Ave arriving at 11.00 a.m. for a liturgy led by Fr David Ranson PP. Bring your children, your dog on a leash and some refreshments to share, and marvel at the beauty of the Blue Gum Reserve and the wonders of God's Creation. We will return to OLOD Church by or before 12.30 p.m.

# THEOLOGY OF ECOLOGY

*with Fr Chima Ofor*



**MONDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 7:30PM**

All are warmly invited to join this special session, led by Fr Chima Ofor, Parish Priest of Manly Freshwater. Fr Chima specializes in the Theology of Ecology, and will speak to us about the commitments we make as an EarthCare Parish. This session will offer valuable insights into the spiritual and ecological responsibilities we embrace in caring for our common home.



**Magnificat Room**

96 Archer St, Chatswood  
Entry from Kirk St  
[chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

## HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A CATECHIST?

Have you thought about assisting an SRE teacher in a class / becoming an SRE teacher?

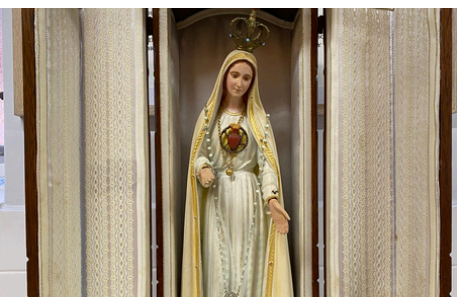
- It's a half hour weekly commitment, in school terms.
- Classes are available in state primary schools within the parish.
- Catholic Scripture classes are informative and fun for the children and rewarding for you!

Training and resources are available including teachers and student manuals. If you have any queries or if you're interested it would be great to hear from you!

Please contact Karen Forbes on 02 9410 9029 or email: [karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:karen.forbes@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Statue Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then He said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." So from that hour, this disciple took her into his home. John 19:26-27*



Would you like to take home the statue of Mary in the month of October? This statue is available to be picked up from the church to stay in your home for one day or two days. A booklet of prayers will be provided to help you venerate our Blessed Mother during the visit of the statue to your home.

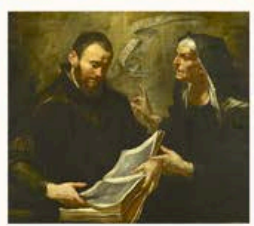
If interested please sign up on the list at the statue's table, or call Cecilia 0466 961 240.



# THE CONFESSIONS OF SAINT AUGUSTINE



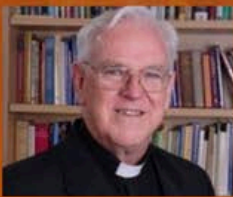
3:30PM SAT.  
NOVEMBER 16



3:30PM SAT.  
NOVEMBER 23



3:30PM SAT.  
NOVEMBER 30



All are warmly invited to join this series of talks, where we delve into the life and writings of *The Confessions of Saint Augustine*. Led by Bishop David Walker, we will explore the journey of one of the Church's most influential saints and reflect on its relevance for us today.



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## SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

**MEMORIAL**  
**20 SEPTEMBER**

- In order to raise funds for the poor, St. Vincent de Paul started the first recorded charity auction. Wealthy benefactors donated items, and the proceeds went directly to those in need.
- Along with St. Louise de Marillac, St. Vincent founded the Daughters of Charity, the first non-cloistered order of women. Unlike most religious orders of the time, these sisters lived in the world, serving the poor directly.
- Despite his humility and dedication to the poor, St. Vincent de Paul was highly regarded by the French royalty. He served as a spiritual advisor to Queen Anne of Austria and had connections at the highest levels of society.
- St. Vincent de Paul was captured by pirates and sold into slavery in North Africa. He spent two years in captivity before converting his master to Christianity, which eventually led to his release!
- In 1625, St. Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission (also known as the Vincentians), a society of priests and brothers dedicated to serving the poor and educating clergy.
- In his early years, some of St. Vincent's beliefs were considered controversial, especially when he emphasized the need for reform in the Church. However, his deep faith and devotion won over his critics, and he went on to become one of the Church's greatest saints.

## CALL FOR

## Prize Donations!

Foundation Youth Ministry at Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood is holding a Parish Holywins Trivia Night to fundraise for the ministry and we are looking for quality prizes! Do you think you could help us out?

Items must be:

- New
- Unopened and unused
- Family friendly

Prize suggestions: Teddy bear, Chocolates, Candles, beach umbrella, picnic sets

Drop off: We will have a tub in the parish office

Got questions? Email [bettina.ignacio@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:bettina.ignacio@bbcatholic.org.au)



# CHATSWOOD **men** ALIVE

Chatswood menALIVE is part of a National Catholic Mens Movement these past 20 years and is represented in 26 dioceses throughout Australia and New Zealand encompassing some 25,000 men.

The purpose of menALIVE is to help men discover God at work in their lives, a God who is walking beside them on their own personal journey.

Chatswood menALIVE meets twice monthly to discuss men's topics, leading to in-depth personal reflection & prayer with a scriptural basis.

In addition to regular monthly meetings, other events include:

- A National Conference (menALIVE MAX)
- State of Origin Nights
- Sydney Camino Walk
- Men's Masses & Bar B Q's
- Men's Breakfast
- Men's Movie Nights

**MEETINGS EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup>  
WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH  
MAGNIFICAT ROOM**

PARISH MEETING ROOMS  
CNR OF ARCHER & KIRK ST, CHATSWOOD  
OPPOSITE OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CHURCH  
MEETINGS COMMENCE AT 7 PM

## ALL MEN WELCOME FOR MORE INFO

PETER WOO: 0433 030 016

SCOTT SULLIVAN: 0406 512 425



### ST ALOYSIUS' COLLEGE

St Aloysius' College is a Catholic, Jesuit school for boys founded in 1879 by the Society of Jesus. The College has a deliberate academic orientation and, in companionship with parents, offers a holistic formation for its students from Years 3 to 12.

#### BURSARY PROGRAM

The St Aloysius' College Bursary Program has been established to offer students an opportunity to avail themselves of a Jesuit education when ordinary enrolment is not affordable or sustainable. The bursaries are intended to assist those families who are most in need. St Aloysius' College seeks to graduate 'men for others' who are faithful and committed, integrating a deep spirituality with a passion for justice and academic excellence.

Apply now for means-tested bursaries in Years 7, 2027 and beyond.

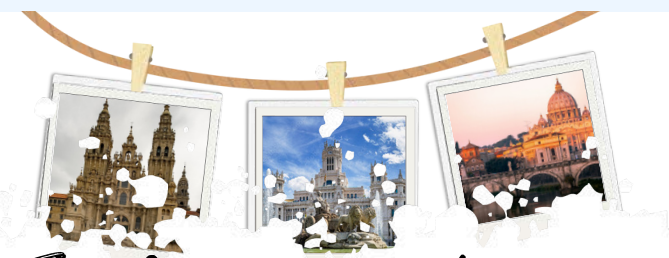
Further information may be obtained from the College Website: [www.staloyisius.nsw.edu.au](http://www.staloyisius.nsw.edu.au) or by contacting the Registrar on 02 9936 5535 or email: [registrar@staloyisius.nsw.edu.au](mailto:registrar@staloyisius.nsw.edu.au).

### HELLO FROM THE UK!

Check out these beautiful photos from Our Lady of Sorrows in Bognor Regis! They were sent with warm wishes from a former parishioner, Jacqueline, who shared her joy as they celebrated their feast day alongside ours.

Thank you, Jacqueline, for thinking of us and sending your blessings!





# The Camino... a pilgrimage

and Rome, Santiago, Fatima and Madrid

16 days, 3 countries

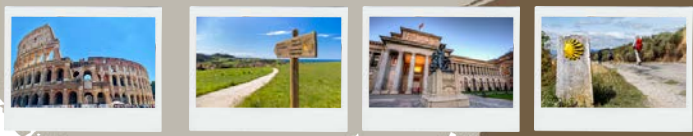
VISIT 3 OF THE MAJOR SITES OF MODERN CHRISTENDOM IN THE JUBILEE YEAR

**Rome:** 4 Major Basilicas, Spanish Steps, Piazza Navona, Pantheon and Trevi Fountain. **Santiago:** Walk in the footsteps of St James along the Camino. Obtain the 'pilgrim passport' after walking 120km to receive a 'compostela' (certificate of completion). **Fatima:** Capelinha - Our Lady of Fatima, tombs of the 3 children, Way of the Cross, Aljustrel (children's house), site of the Angel's apparition. **Madrid:** Prado Museum, Palacio Real, St Miguel's markets and much more.

DEPART 24.4.25 - RETURN 12.5.25

(PTO FOR FULL ITINERARY)

To register click [HERE](#) or for more information, email or call Isabella Conde.  
E: CaminoTour2025@gmail.com M: 0403 864 952



## IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING  
THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2024 AT SACRED HEART CHURCH  
2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND AFTER DINNER SPEAKER WILL BE FATHER GERARD MORAN OCD ASSISTANT PRIEST AT CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH ST IVES. HIS TOPIC: "THE NATURE OF A DISCALCED CARMELITE VOCATION AND THE CARMELITES IN AUSTRALIA SINCE 1948"

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on 0478 083 116 or email [annaytleung@yahoo.com.au](mailto:annaytleung@yahoo.com.au) or telephone Terry Scanlan on 0438 887 295 or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you are planning to attend.

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**COST:** Free

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**Our Lady of Dolours Parish is committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and vulnerable adults.**

**If you have any concerns about safety contact the parish office on 02 9410 9000 or contact the Office of Safeguarding on 02 8379 1605. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all who enter our church.**

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**Regular Mass Times:**

Monday	Mass 12:30pm.
Tuesday	Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.
Wednesday	Mass 9:00am, 12:30pm & 6:30pm.
Thursday	Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm. Reconciliation: 7:00pm.
Friday	Mass 9:00am & 12:30pm.
Saturday	Mass: 9:00am Reconciliation: 9:30am. Vigil Mass: 5:30pm
Sunday	Mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7:30am</li> <li>• 9:00am</li> <li>• 10:30am</li> <li>• 5:30pm</li> </ul>

