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THE BULLETIN

13 OCTOBER 2024

28TH 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 - we would love to hear from you!

This week, preparations for our Vigil Mass in honor of the feast day of Blessed Carlo Acutis were in full swing! As we reflect on the journey of constructing the chapel, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to today's (Friday) celebrations.

Looking ahead, join us next week at the 10:30 AM Mass for our Blessing of the Animals. Bring your furry friends along as we gather to give thanks to God for their lives and the joy they bring us.

This Saturday marks the beginning of Fr Biju's interesting series of talks on St Paul - all welcome.

If you haven't registered yet, please sign up for Monday's Pastoral Discernment and for the upcoming Parish in Council meeting this November.

Join us on Tuesday for our second annual Footprints Mass, a special event commemorating the lives of all babies lost through stillbirth or miscarriage.

Thank you to Matt and Chloe Aylward for their 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 by the close of business on Wednesday.



On the sacred lands of God, under the faithful custodianship of the Cammeraygal people.

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me. This Sunday's Gospel - Mark 10:17-27

Dear friends,



Fr David Ranson
PP VG
Parish Priest

We have come to the weekend for which we have been working for some months: **the formal reception of the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis into our church**. This has occasioned the renovation of our former parish library on the side of the church into a Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration in which also the relic will be permanently placed. That we have been able to bring the project to this stage of development within this time is something quite miraculous itself. There are still some aspects of the project that await completion: the installation of two stained glass panels, the statues of Carlo and the Virgin Mary, and a crucifix. Two kneelers will be integrated into each side of the chapel, too. However, the basic structure of the chapel is now complete. For this we owe an enormous debt of gratitude to our architect and project manager, John O'Brien who is the real miracle underneath it all. John has brought his many years of experience as a liturgical and church architect both to conceive and execute the project, presenting an outcome of undeniable quality and beauty. He has been diligent throughout, generous, and gracious. It has been a privilege for me to work with him and, on behalf of our entire parish, I express my deepest gratitude and highest esteem to John. We look forward to

continuing to work with John as we progress our exploration of how best to refresh and renew our entire church building in the coming year.

As we receive the relic of Blessed Carlo, I express our gratitude, too, to Elizabeth Cheung who first inspired such an opportunity. And to Ditas and Henry Naguit who facilitated our collection of the relic of Blessed Carlo in Assisi. Their friend, Corazon Sim, who personally conveyed the relic from Assisi to us in July, has returned to be with us this weekend. We are so grateful to her, too, for her kindness in being back with us for this special occasion. So many people have worked hard in the background to make this weekend as special, particularly our parish staff for all the organisation and

communications. Our Parish Director of Music, Titus Grenyer, has written a unique Mass setting for the weekend and has worked tirelessly with our Parish Choir to make our Vigil Celebration as beautiful. Our flower team have decorated our church in the most majestic way. This has taken them many, many hours and we are deeply grateful. Fr Joey has been working with our servers from SEEK in preparation for the liturgy.

A word of gratitude, too, to our Youth Minister, Bettina Ignacio who worked with Ditas Naguit and Yvonne Corpus in the conduct of our online nightly novena since 3 October in anticipation of the Feast Day of Blessed Carlo. Each evening, we had between 55 and 72 screens in this prayerful preparation.

And so, we welcome Carlo, through his relic, to our own church of Our Lady of Sorrows which bears the same name as the church in which he was baptised in 1991, so that forever now he will be a part of the life of our community. This is the power of the relic. It makes present the one whom we remember. They are not just an idea, a thought. They are someone with a body, a tangible life we can see and can touch; they become physically present in our midst. And with this presence they are now our intimate friend, our inspirer, and our intercessor. The need for such a model for all of us, and especially for our young, is real. May Carlo whisper his friendship with us deep in our hearts. May call us to live our lives in the fullest way possible, and may he be there always to support us, and pray for us, before the God in whom are all in communion.

This weekend, we also are joined by **Fr Biju Jose OSH to give a series of three seminars on the literature of St Paul**. Fr Biju is Parish Priest of Ku-ring-gai Chase and holds a doctorate in the New Testament from the Gregorian University in Rome. Everyone is welcome to join the seminars on 12, 19, and 26 October, commencing at 3.00pm. Bishop David then offers us a series of seminars on the Confessions of St Augustine in November 16, 23 and 30. Wonderful opportunities to grow in our faith.

A warm welcome back to our students who next Tuesday return to Term 4! We are mindful of our students commencing their HSC and pray that the Spirit of God guide them through these next weeks.

This week's church flowers are generously donated by

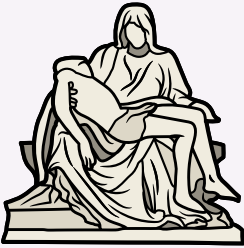
*Matt and Chloe
Aylward*

in memory of all babies lost through miscarriage,
stillbirth, and infant death.



On the evening of Monday 14 October, we invite as many to gather in Harrington Hall for dinner from 6.30pm for participation in our **North Shore Pastoral Discernment**, called by Bishop Anthony. This is a unique opportunity for us to contribute as a parish to this discernment on the challenges and opportunities, pastoral and social, facing our parishes across the Deanery of the North Shore. Do see the bulletin for further details and registration. And then on the evening of Tuesday 15 October at 6.30pm we have a special **Footprints Mass for those who have suffered miscarriage and stillbirth**. Please spread the word and please feel welcome to come together in such a prayerful moment to remember, to hold and to treasure.

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.



*Sorrowful Mother,
pray for us.*

*Mournful Mother,
pray for us.*

*Sighing Mother,
pray for us.*

IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER:

Our loved ones who have recently passed away:

Tess Turton (mother of Terence); Theresia Tjung (mother of Rosa); Greg Homan; Margaret Valda Maher (mother of Cheryl Thomas).

Our loved ones who are sick:

Minnie Walshe; 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:

Slava Julia Suplina; Pepito Agudelo; Maria Raffaele (mother of Grace ann); Meracris Cruz (sister of Riza); Maria Cristina (Tina) Robinson.

- For the late Marcelita Ilagan whose birthday we celebrate this month.

GOSPEL REFLECTION – AN UNFINISHED STORY

In this Sunday's Gospel, we encounter a rich young man who sincerely seeks eternal life but walks away when Jesus invites him to go further in his faith by giving up his wealth. Did you, like me, automatically judge this young man because he left the encounter with Jesus in sadness? Did you assume that his sorrowful departure meant he chose to keep his wealth rather than follow God? Did you view him as selfish, weak, pitiful for struggling to obey God? Why are we so quick to write the end of his story when the Gospel leaves it open?

We know that this young man left in sadness, but we have no idea if he eventually returned to God in joy and glory. Instead of concluding his story based on our own experiences or assumptions, let's appreciate the beauty in how Jesus let him walk away, honouring his freedom. God allows us the space to make our own choices, even if that means stepping back for a time. God knew that the decision to give up wealth would be difficult for this young man, but He didn't say it was impossible...as long as came back to God.

The unresolved ending of this man's encounter with God reminds us that many stories in life don't have neat, clear conclusions. We often face situations where we are left wondering what happened or what could have been. And, just like the rich young man, we face situations of deep sadness when we realise God is asking us to give up everything that makes us feel rich and valuable. The Gospel acknowledges this reality, offering us a space for our own experiences of uncertainty. It invites us to trust that even when the outcome is unclear, God is still present, working in ways we cannot see.

By not revealing the rich man's final decision, the Gospel turns the focus back to us. It challenges us to stay present in our own journey and take responsibility for our own choices. The open ending encourages us to embrace the process of discipleship, understanding that it may take time, and we may need multiple attempts before we fully say "yes" to Jesus's invitation to go further in our faith.

The rich man's story is left unfinished, just like ours, but our God is patient and always invites us back. Whether we take the first step today, tomorrow, or even after a long journey, the door remains open. What will you do with the unfinished story of your life? How will you use your freedom to write your own ending—one that leads back to the arms of Christ, who understands the difficulty of detaching from the things that bring us comfort and security, yet waits for us with hope and love.

Olivia Lee



Parish-in-Council V

On **Sunday 10 November**, we will come together once more as a community, to encounter one another, listen to each other, and help to discern and shape the future of our parish at our Parish-in-Council V meeting.

The afternoon, like our previous Parish-in-Councils, will feature lunch, thought-provoking presentations, conversations and the opportunity for each and every one of our diverse voices to be heard.

We will meet new people, get to know one another better and continue our journey to becoming a vibrant and inclusive community of God, where everyone feels accepted, valued and known - a true sense of belonging.

Date: Sunday 10 November

Location: Harrington Hall

Time: Arrive between 11.30 am to 12.10 pm

Register: visit <https://parish-in-council-v.rsvpify.com> or scan the QR code to register now



Our Lady OF DOLOURS

BLESSING OF THE animals

20 OCT

Join us to celebrate the gift of our pets to our lives! The blessing will occur after the 10:30am Mass.

**Please make sure that your pet is not a threat to the safety of others before bringing them to this event.*



Pastoral Discernment North Shore

Pastoral Discernment

Bishop Anthony is calling on us all to participate in a Pastoral Discernment Project.

This important project seeks to understand the unique challenges and opportunities we face, and to gather our thoughts on the mission, growth and future of the local Church in the North Shore of Sydney.

The fruit of our community discernment will be part of a collective Chatswood Parish submission for Bishop Anthony's review.

Join us on the evening of Monday 14 October as we come together for dinner, followed by prayer, reflection and discernment.

Date: Monday 14 October
Location: Harrington Hall
Time: 6.30 pm

Register: scan the QR code or visit <https://pastoral-discernment.rsvpify.com> to register now.



3RD FRIDAY EVERY MONTH
7:00PM - 9:30PM
MAGNIFICAT MEETING ROOM



Women can come as they are, share their stories, and find strength and fellowship

Drinks and light nibbles provided, please feel welcome to bring a plate to share.

To register your interest or to find out more, please email chloe.aylward@bbcatholic.org.au

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS MEMORIAL 12 OCTOBER



- Carlo was a talented computer programmer and web designer. He used his skills to create websites to promote the Catholic faith, particularly focusing on Eucharistic miracles.

- Carlo passed away from leukemia at the age of 15 in 2006. His unwavering faith during his illness and his commitment to God inspired many, leading to his beatification in 2020.

- Despite his holiness, Carlo was a typical teenager who enjoyed playing video games and spending time with friends. He believed in balancing his leisure activities with his spiritual life.

- Carlo attended Mass every day, even if it meant making sacrifices to fit it into his busy schedule. He emphasised the importance of the Eucharist in his life.

- Carlo is often referred to as a patron saint for young people and the internet, as he showed that it is possible to be deeply spiritual while engaging with modern technology.
- He was known for his generosity and kindness, often helping those in need. Carlo would invite friends who felt lonely or left out to join him, promoting inclusivity.
- Carlo had a close relationship with his family. His parents described him as a bright and joyful child who often brought happiness to those around him. They shared many family outings and experiences, which were important to Carlo.
- Carlo was a big fan of superheroes, particularly Spider-Man. He admired their courage and ability to help others, reflecting his own desire to make a positive impact on the world.
- Carlo Acutis was beatified on October 10, 2020, making him one of the youngest individuals to be beatified in the Catholic Church.



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.



CHAPEL TRANSFORMATION

Can you believe we started this journey of creating our Eucharistic Chapel just in July?



NOTICE: JOURNEY INTO TRUTH

Journey into Truth resumes this TUESDAY, 15th OCTOBER at 7 PM to 9 PM at The Magnificat Room, OLOD. We come now to a detailed study of the Ten Commandments, all of which relate to the worship of God. Doors open at 6:30 PM with Charbel Rais from PAROUSIA MEDIA (for Catholic Books and DVDs) in attendance. Everyone is welcome.

- Catharine

FAMOUS CHINESE BIBLE QUOTE

我曾祈求，天主就賜給了我聰明；我曾呼籲智慧的神便臨於我身。智慧篇 7:7

I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. **Wisdom 7:7**

- Chatswood Chinese Catholic Association

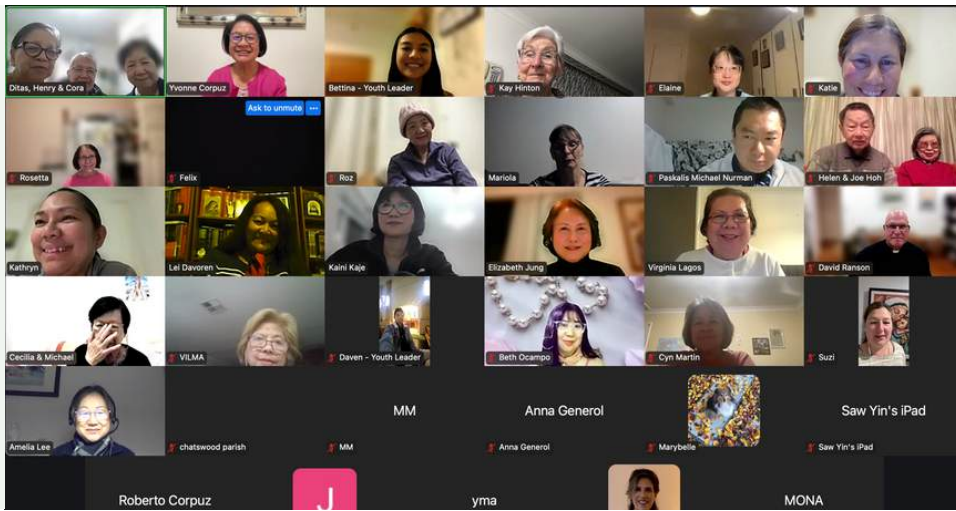


Thanks to everyone who came out to our Public Rosary last Saturday!

Check out the incredible work of our Altar Society Flower Team! Thank you to Irene, Cynthia, Teresa, Yvonne, Agatha.



Right: Our last day of praying the Novena for Carlo's feast day online - what a journey! Thank you to Fr David, Bettina, Yvonne, and Ditas for all your work and preparation



This week at Playgroup We had the pleasure of welcoming Melissa and her adorable 3-month-old baby, Lisa, to our group!



The kids had a fantastic time playing outside, picking flowers, and engaging in various activities. They especially loved dancing and singing - especially Isla who was dressed as Princess Elsa! - *Mona*



Another wonderful Filipino Community celebration last week!

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time / B

13 October 2024

WHO CAN BE SAVED? In Jesus' time people saw wealth and prosperity as signs of God's blessing. Today we can still covet these things. We can embrace the message of our consumerist society that happiness lies in having more. The wise person knows that the greatest richness of all is the saving love of God in Christ Jesus, and it is ours for free. If our primary attachment is to Jesus, we will not covet material goods but use them as necessary.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

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. May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom
In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;

compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,

and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps.

In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 89:12-17. R. v. 14

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life / that we may gain wisdom of heart. / Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? / Show pity to your servants. **R.**

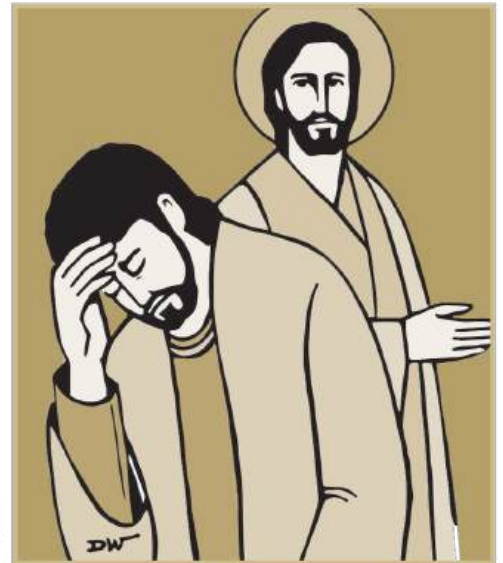
2. In the morning, fill us with your love; / we shall exult and rejoice all our days. / Give us joy to balance our affliction / for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

3. Show forth your work to your servants; / let your glory shine on their children. / Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: / give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

Heb 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.



The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:17-30

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.

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face

fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Shorter form: 10:17-27

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

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. Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may

pass over to the glory of heaven. 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

cf. Ps 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that, as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may

make us sharers of his divine nature. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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 in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

'FOR GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE'

Many of us find it impossible to see the eye of a needle and the previously discarded needle threader is once again an essential tool. Indeed, many no longer bother with sewing or darning. So, the idea of a camel squeezing its gangly legs and neck and robust body through a tiny aperture is just absurd, never mind impossible. But wait, could that 'eye of the needle' be an opening enabling passage among rock formations, offering a possibility akin to an Indiana Jones adventure in the desert? No, it's not.

If we begin with the wisdom of the first reading, 'I prayed, and understanding was given to me; I called on God, and the spirit of wisdom came to me' we have some perspective on today's Gospel. If we team this with the words of Hebrews 'the word of God is living and active' we take another step on the journey. The Gospel begins with Jesus proceeding on a journey and we might contemplate elements of synodality with prayer, calling on God and travelling with the spirit of wisdom on a journey. Any of us could be that person who seeks the answer to the question of eternal life. We all lead good lives. This person fails the discipleship request to sell everything and give the proceeds to the poor. Is entering the kingdom of God so impossible? No, 'for God all things are possible'. Our journey with God, in prayer and with the spirit of wisdom in the company of others on the mission to which we are called, is the way of life that leads to eternal life. Let's go!

Dr Rosemary Canavan

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Prizes to
be won!

Saturday 26th October

Come dressed as any Saint, or in white or red clothing
for the Saints, angels and martyrs

**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 availble
for group registrations of 10!

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REGISTRATIONS
ESSENTIAL

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.



Magnificat Room

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ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

MEMORIAL 17 OCTOBER



- St. Ignatius was one of the earliest Church Fathers and served as the bishop of Antioch in the early second century. He played a crucial role in shaping the early Christian community.
- He was martyred for his faith around 107 AD. According to tradition, he was arrested and taken to Rome, where he was thrown to wild beasts in the Colosseum.
- Ignatius is known for his seven letters, which he wrote while being transported to Rome. These letters address various Christian communities and provide insight into early Christian beliefs, church hierarchy, and the importance of unity among believers.

- St. Ignatius is often referred to as "Ignatius Theophorus," which means "God-bearer."

SAINT LUKE FEAST 18 OCTOBER

- Luke is known as both an evangelist and a physician. He is the author of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, and he is often referred to as the patron saint of physicians and surgeons.

- Unlike most of the apostles, St. Luke is believed to have been a Gentile, which makes him unique among the Gospel writers. His perspective often highlights the inclusivity of Christ's message.

- Luke is traditionally credited with being an artist as well, and he is often depicted in Christian art as a painter. Some traditions hold that he painted the first icon of the Virgin Mary.

- St Luke includes several parables that are not found in the other Gospels, such as the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. These stories emphasize themes of mercy, compassion, and forgiveness.

- In Christian art, St. Luke is often symbolized by an ox or calf, representing sacrifice and service. This symbol reflects the themes of sacrifice found in his writings.





THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 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 JOHN ZHANG OSA
ASSISTANT PRIEST AT NORTH
HARBOUR CATHOLIC PARISH
HIS TOPIC: "MY VOCATION
JOURNEY"

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.

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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.



Magnificat Room

96 Archer St, Chatswood - Entry from Kirk St
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GO AND INVITE
EVERYONE
to the banquet



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SCAN ME



In Mongolia, Chuluunbaatar suffered a life-altering injury while trying to rescue a submerged vehicle, leaving him unable to work and reliant on scarce support services for basic needs. Without shelter and food, Chuluunbaatar faces the real risk of freezing to death.

Resources are limited, but the Church in Mongolia is working hard to provide essential services to people in need.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance these vital services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals like Chuluunbaatar.

NEXT WEEK: CHURCH EVENTS, PRAYER, AND LITURGY

- Monday
14 October
- **12:30pm Mass.**
 - 1:00pm Rosary.
 - 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal.

- Tuesday
15 October
- Memorial:**
St Teresa of the
child Jesus
- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
 - **9:00am Mass.**
 - 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
 - **12:30pm Mass.**
 - 1:00pm Rosary.
 - 2:00pm Organ practice OC.
 - 4:00pm Organ practice AH.
 - **6:30pm Footprints Mass.**

- Wednesday
16 October
- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
 - **9:00am Mass.**
 - 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
 - **12:30pm Mass – Anointing of the Sick following Mass.**
 - 1:00pm Rosary.
 - **6:30pm Mass of Hope.**

- Thursday
17 October
- Memorial:**
St Ignatius of
Antioch
- 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
18 October
- Feast:**
St Luke
- 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.
 - 7:00pm Indonesian Choir – set up 6:00pm.



GOSPEL REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- What are the "riches" in my life that might be holding me back from fully following Jesus? How do these comforts and securities influence my faith?
- How do I perceive Jesus' invitation to the rich young man? What might that reveal about God's desire for a personal relationship with me?
- What does eternal life mean to me, and how does my understanding of it shape my daily choices and interactions with others?

- Saturday
19 October
- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
 - 11:00am Choir practice.
 - 5:00pm Vigil Singer Bookings.
 - **5:30pm Vigil Mass.**

- Sunday Mass
20 October
- 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **7:30am Mass.**
 - **9:00am Mass.**
 - **10:30am Mass – Blessing of the Animals.**
 - 1:00pm Wedding.
 - **5:30pm Mass.**
 - **7:00pm Indonesian Mass.**

A PARENT'S PRAYER

My God, here are my children; I give them to You. Reach out and touch them with the finger of Your love, so that they will stop where they are, sense Your presence, and turn to You.

Take them and make them what You want, not what I want.

Call them to adventures You have planned for them, not what I aspire to for them.

Keep them from sin, but if they sin, draw them back to You.

Keep them from smallness of spirit. Help them to know themselves and enjoy the person You created them to be.

Help them to use their gifts to serve You.

Help them to plunge deep into the mystery of their union with You and love You above all things.

As for me: Help me to love them without possessiveness.

Help me to be firm and protect them when I must.

Help me to be patient while they strive to find themselves.

Help me to respect them for what You made them to be.

Help me to guide them with Your wisdom.

Help me to love them while letting them go.

And, when the work is done, and they are formed, raised, and gone, help me to turn back to You without my children and continue the journey, wiser, and more understanding of You and Your way with me because I have borne children of my own.

Thank you to Magdalene for sharing this with us!

NEXT WEEK IN THE MEETING ROOMS

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| Monday
14 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1:30pm Friends & Fellowship (St Paul).• 5:00pm North Shore Discernment planning (St Peter).• 6:00pm North Shore Discernment Evening (Harrington Hall). |
| Tuesday
15 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:00am Mercy College (St Peter).• 10:00am Bible Study (St Paul).• 3:45pm Atrium for 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12 year olds (Atrium).• 6:30pm Filipino Choir (Harrington Hall).• 7:00pm Indonesian Legion of Mary (St Peter).• 7:00pm Journey into Truth (Magnificat, St Paul) set up 5:30pm. |
| Wednesday
16 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:00am Mercy College (St Peter).• 9:30am English Lifestyle Conversations (Magnificat).• 6:30pm Indonesian instruments practice (Harrington Hall).• 6:30pm SEEK (St Paul).• 7:00pm Exploring the Faith (St Peter). |
| Thursday
17 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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
18 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Meditation and Sharing (St Paul) set up 9:30am.• 7:00pm Our Lady's Ladies (Magnificat) set up 6:00pm.• 7:00pm Online Zoom Meditation and Sharing. |
| Saturday
19 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Music Lessons (St Paul).• 10:30am Legion of Mary Praesidium (St Peter) set up 10:00am.• 3:00pm Second Session on St Paul by Fr Biju Jose (Magnificat) set up 2:00pm.• 7:00pm Korean Bible Reading and Discussion (St Paul). |
| Sunday Mass
20 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30am Choir Practice (St Paul).• 11:00am RCIA (St Peter).• 5:00pm Indonesian Choir (St Paul) set up 4:00pm.• 5:30pm Indonesian Fellowship (Magnificat, St Paul).• 6:30pm Capstone young adults (Harrington Hall). |

Wyong Catholic Parish

Invites you to

St Cecilia's Relic Installation Mass

On

Saturday, 23rd November 2024

At 11:00am

Celebrated by Very Rev Dr David Ranson VG

At St Cecilia's Church

23 Byron Street, Wyong NSW 2259

This special Mass will be followed by light refreshments for all to enjoy!

Please RSVP by 23rd October 2024 using the QR code.



WCCM AUSTRALIA (NSW)
MEDITATION & COMMUNITY

Beholding Divine Beauty

Fr Bernard McGrath, from St Benedict's Monastery, Arcadia, will share his thoughts on our theme.

There will be time for listening, silent reflection and meditation.

When: Saturday 19th October 2024 from 12pm to 3.30pm

Where: St Francis Xavier Parish Hall,
17 Mackenzie Street, Lavender Bay

Books will be for sale and Community CDs will be available.

Donation of \$20

BYO lunch tea/coffee provided.

If you plan to attend please reply to Jan Wylie by 16th October 2024 wyliejan45@gmail.com or phone – 0418 655 291

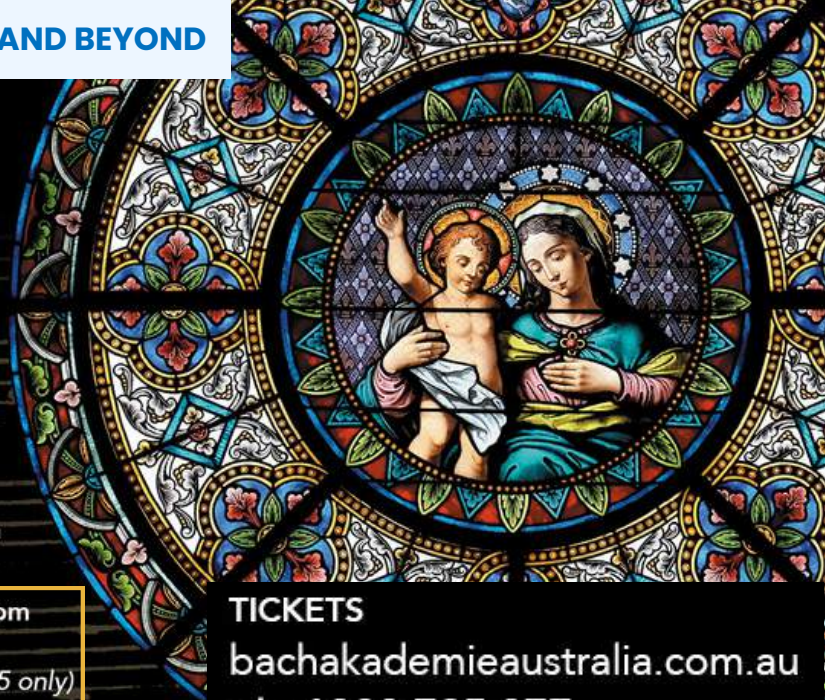
BACH'S CHRISTMAS ORATORIO

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AKADEMIE AUSTRALIA

DATES

Friday 8th November, 6.30pm
City Recital Hall

Sunday 10th November, 2.30pm
Our Lady of Dolours Church,
Chatswood (Cantatas 1, 2 and 5 only)



TICKETS

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The 10 Year Anniversary Concert
MARLISA
LIVE!
At The Concourse



Special Guests

Mary Ann Van Der Horst (X Factor 2014)
Ripley Alexander (Australian Idol 2024)

The Lounge, Thursday, 12 Dec 2024

THE CONCOURSE, 109 Victoria Ave,
Chatswood NSW 2067

Doors Open 6:30 pm



Tickets



ARTES CHRISTI

Seeking the face of Christ through the arts.

Artes Christi Australia, in collaboration with Coro Austral, proudly announces a special All Souls' Day concert, "In Memoriam," featuring Faure's Requiem to be held at St. Thomas Lewisham. This extraordinary evening of sacred music will be conducted by Michael Murphy, Chorusmaster for Artes Christi, with proceeds benefiting Aid to the Church in Need. Tickets will sell out quickly so please book early to ensure you don't miss out.

Event Details:

- Date: Saturday, November 2nd, 2024 (All Souls' Day)
- Time: 7:30 PM
- Venue: St. Thomas Lewisham, [Address]
- Tickets:
 - General Admission: \$30
 - Concession: \$20
 - Available for purchase at <https://www.trybooking.com/CVMOV>

The program features a rich selection of sacred and secular works, including:

1. Schubert's String Quartet No. 14 "Death and the Maiden" (Movement II)
2. Victoria's "Popule Meus"
3. Bach's "Contrapunctus I" from The Art of Fugue
4. MacMillan's "Miserere"
5. Corelli's Sonata da Chiesa No. 2 in D Major
6. Fauré's Requiem in D minor

We are honored to present this program on All Souls' Day, a time for remembrance and prayer.

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"> • 7:30am • 9:00am • 10:30am • 5:30pm

