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THE BULLETIN

27 OCTOBER 2024

30TH 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 weekend, we're excited for our Holy Wins Trivia Night organised by our youth. Can't wait to see all the fantastic costumes on display!

Best wishes for our Vinnies team as they celebrate their regional festival and Mass. Thank you for your dedicated work in supporting our community!

Join us on Saturday (26 October) at 3:00pm for Fr. Biju's final session on St Paul.

If you'd like to have your remembrance candle placed in the church before All Souls' Day, please remember to purchase it by 3:00pm on 30 October.

Don't forget to register for the Parish Council meeting on 10 November - registrations close soon.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

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.



Healing of Blind Man by Brian Jekel

Master, grant that I may see.
This Sunday's Gospel - Mark 10:46-52

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

Dear friends,



Fr David Ranson
PP VG
Parish Priest

It is very poignant to witness how many have been in our church before the Blessed Sacrament since the opening of our new Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration. It was also very encouraging to have as many join us online last Wednesday for our seminar on **Eucharistic Adoration with Fr Robert Rieger in Medjugorje** – some 70 screens in the Zoom presentation! Fr Robert spoke powerfully of the potential of such prayer and on the possibilities and challenges of having such a chapel. We are humbled by this opportunity which calls us into prayerful reflection and consideration.

Our work enhancing our church continues this week. The shelving for our new parish library in the foyer will occur next Wednesday, along with some further touches to the chapel. This will give us back our library which has been in boxes for the last few months. We also have our Tabernacle restored and returned, with gratitude to the generosity of a parishioner. And our new seating in the northern transept allows a warmer welcome to our families. Do feel welcome to invite those with prams especially to this area where there is more room now for them be a part of our liturgies and celebrations.

This Saturday evening Vigil Mass we welcome our **St Vincent de Paul Society** for their annual Region Festival Mass and the commissioning of new members and leaders. It is always a privilege for us to host this Mass and to celebrate the extraordinary work of the Society.

Next week we come to the end of October and the commencement of **November, which is the month during which, traditionally, we remember and pray for our deceased.** Again, this year we will have candles available for those we especially wish to remember. On 1 November, All Saints, our Masses will be at their customary time of 9.00am and 12.30pm, and given that 2 November, All Souls falls on a Saturday this year, we will have but the one Mass at the usual time of 9.00am.

This week's church flowers are generously sponsored by **Jimmy Jimenez** in loving memory of the

Jimenez family

and all beloved relatives who have passed away.
May they rest in eternal peace.

On Saturday 2 November our parish is hosting a special event for parishes across the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Dioceses of Broken Bay, Parramatta, and Wollongong, sharing the idea of **Parish-in-Council**, its history and practice. We will be joined on the day from representative across the four dioceses to share our experience with the hope that other communities, too, may find it helpful in their mission.

In the late afternoon of Saturday 2 November, from 3.30pm we gather on the forecourt of our church for our praying of the **Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary**. Do spread the word about this opportunity which occurs on the first Saturday of each month.

Our own **Parish comes together in council on Sunday 10 November.** It is a very rich opportunity for us to come together to grow in our fellowship with each other, to listen to one another and to discern through each other the way in which the Spirit of God is guiding us. Do join us on the afternoon of 10 November. All our registration details are in the bulletin.

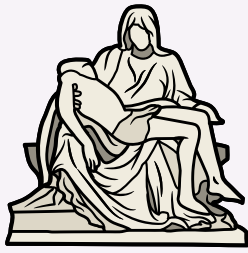


CELEBRATING SEÑOR DE LOS MILAGROS

El Señor de los Milagros (The Lord of Miracles), also known as Cristo Moreno (Brown Christ), is one of Peru's most revered religious icons and is celebrated throughout October. Originally painted by an Angolan slave in 17th-century Lima, the image miraculously survived multiple earthquakes, drawing Peruvians to it as a powerful symbol of faith and resilience. Each October, known as the "purple month," thousands gather for processions through Lima, dressed in purple robes in honor of El Señor de los Milagros. On the first Saturday, a replica of the image departs from the Monasterio de las Nazarenas, traveling through the streets of Lima before returning to the Santuario de las Nazarenas. This devotion extends globally, uniting Peruvians around the world in their shared faith and heritage.

We extend our warmest wishes to our Peruvian community and all who celebrate this special feast day. May it be a joyful celebration, and may our hearts join with yours in thanksgiving!

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**:

Astrid Gonzalez; Tess Turton (mother of Terence).

Our loved ones who are **sick**:

Laila Haddad; Dilia Ng; Linda Yip; Lonnie Chu; Minnie Walshe; Maria Taylor; 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 Vlastic; 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**:

Anthony Raffaele (father of Grace ann Raffaele); Sumita Chandra; Hilary & Isabel Coutinho; Margarita Tu (mother of Felix Ta); Bernadette Cheng Tak Yee (sister of Teresa Ng); Slava Julia Suplina; Pepito Agudelo.

- For Theresia Tjung, mother of Rosa, whose 40th day of passing will be on October 27th: may she rest in peace, and may her family find comfort and strength during this time.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, we meet Bartimaeus, a blind beggar who encounters Jesus. A small yet powerful detail in this passage is when Bartimaeus "throws aside his cloak" before approaching the Lord. This simple act holds deep meaning.

As a blind man, Bartimaeus' cloak was likely one of his most valuable possessions. It shielded him from the cold and might have even served to collect alms. He would have learned early on to protect what little he had. Yet, in this moment, Bartimaeus willingly casts it aside. This seems out of character for someone in his condition. Being blind, he knew how easy it would be to lose his cloak, yet he discarded it. Why?

Bartimaeus believed that whatever Jesus would give him was worth far more than his cloak. Throwing it aside showed that he wanted nothing to slow him down or hold him back from reaching Jesus. This act of abandoning his security was an expression of faith. Bartimaeus was not seeking money, as he would have from others. Instead, when he heard that Jesus was near, he cried out for mercy. His faith had already been kindled before he received his physical sight.

Faith is central to this story. Jesus calls Bartimaeus over and asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" Bartimaeus replies, "Master, I want to see." Jesus then says, "Go, your faith has saved you." It's important to note that Bartimaeus' healing came after he placed his faith in Christ. His trust in Jesus, symbolised by casting aside his cloak, prepared him to receive the gift of sight.

This speaks powerfully to us today. Like Bartimaeus, we, too, hold onto things that bring us security but may slow us down in our walk toward Jesus. These could be material possessions, fears, or doubts. When Jesus calls us, we are asked to let go of anything that might hinder us from fully receiving His grace. Only then can we fully accept what He offers.

There is one last subtle twist that the Gospel writer includes at the end of this passage. After Jesus heals Bartimaeus, He tells him, "Go on your way." Yet, instead of going back to his old life, Bartimaeus chooses to follow Jesus. His encounter with Christ was more than physical healing—it transformed his life. In following Jesus on the way, Bartimaeus shows us that true discipleship means recognising Christ as our path forward, not just a passing figure who gives us what we need.

Christ is also our way. Like Bartimaeus, we are invited to cry out to Jesus and to follow Him on the path to eternal life. May we have the courage and faith of Bartimaeus to throw aside our cloaks and follow Christ, who is our true way.



Deacon
Richard Houwing
Parish Deacon



November Remembrance

In November, we pay special tribute to all souls. This year once again, parishioners can purchase a simple white candle for \$5. These candles can be lit whenever you attend Mass throughout the month as a symbol of prayer and memory.

Each candle will come with a label where you can write up to 5 names of your loved ones, which the parish staff will prepare and place in the church within 2 business days of your purchase. Candles purchased before 3pm October 30th will be ready for the 1st of November.

How to Purchase:

Online through TryBooking using the link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CWJVB>
or the QR code below.

Cash payments can be made at the Parish Office on weekdays during office hours.

Details:

- One ticket equals one candle.
- The booking form closes on November 22nd, as the candles will be removed during the final week of November.
- Orders placed after 5 pm will be considered as ordered of the next business day, with candles placed in the church within 2 business days of payment.

If you wish to participate but are unable to due to financial reasons, please email Olivia at Olivia.Lee@bbcatholic.org.au, or speak with Diana at reception, and we will provide and prepare candles for you free of charge.

Thank you for joining us in this special time of remembrance and prayer.



*May the souls of the
faithful departed,
through the mercy of
God, rest in peace.
Amen*



FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 1

Solemnity of All Saints

Mass at
9:00am, 12:30pm



SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 2

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Mass at 9:00am



Our Lady of Dolours (Sorrows) Church
94 Archer St, Chatswood
chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au

FIRST SATURDAY

Public Rosary

NOVEMBER

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

MADE FOR LOVE:

Intro to the Theology of the Body

Guest speaker

**TOMASZ
JUSZCZAK**



JOIN US CAPSTONE YOUNG ADULTS AS WE
TAKE A DIVE INTO THE DEEPEST LONGING
OF OUR HEARTS AND DISCOVER THE
ANSWER TO THE QUESTIONS OF WHAT WE
ARE CREATED FOR!

Date: Sunday November 3rd

Time: 5:30 pm Youth Mass

6:30pm Dinner + Talk

Harrington Hall, Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

<https://tinyurl.com/27kdfn2a>



RSVP FOR CATERING



For any teachers wishing to bring a group of
year 12s or for any other queries, contact:

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OUR WEEK IN PICS



Lei and Theresa joined the celebrations for Saint John Paul II's feast day at Gosford!



Hello from Playgroup! We had a great time playing together and spending time with our parents and carers.



Thank you to everyone who donated gifts as prizes for HolyWins Trivia night! We've had a great time packing them and we're ready for Saturday night!

Thank you to everyone who joined our session about Adoration with Fr Robert Rieger!



Left & Below: Fr Joey celebrating Mass for Mercy and Pius students. Above: another beautiful night with our Lord at our weekly Thursday Adoration.





SENIORS & GRANDPARENTS MELBOURNE CUP DRESS UP MORNING TEA

7 November 10am
Parish Magnificat room

Dress to impress play games and win a prize!



CLERGY APPRECIATION DAY PRESENTATION

Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye! Your presence is requested at the Clergy Appreciation Day presentation on Sunday 3 November at 3.30 pm in the Magnificat Room. This special event has been organised to allow parishioners an opportunity to express their gratitude and appreciation to our priests and deacons who so generously give of their time to attend to our spiritual needs and to provide pastoral care in the many and various ways it is needed. Please take advantage of this opportunity by giving up an hour and a half of your time to show our priests and deacons that the time they give to us is greatly valued and appreciated. Afternoon tea will be served following the presentation.

- MCAG/Organizing Committee



SPECIAL MORNING TEA AND ENGLISH CONVERSATION!

Do you know any recently arrived migrants?
Do you know any 'grandparents' who are visiting their families in the local area?

Please extend an invitation to them to join us on Wednesday 6 November at 9.30-11am in the Magnificat Room (across from the church - Kirk St). We would really like to welcome anyone who would enjoy meeting new friends whilst improving their English conversation skills!

OLD Parish English Conversation Mentors



COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

2 NOVEMBER



- All Souls' Day is celebrated on November 2nd, the day after All Saints' Day. This continuity reflects the Catholic belief in the communion of saints and the connection between those in heaven and those still on earth.
- Pope Benedict XV officially established All Souls' Day as a feast in the 20th century, but the practice of praying for the dead has roots in the early Church, dating back to at least the 2nd century.
- In Mexico and other Latin American countries, families create elaborate altars (ofrendas) at home or in cemeteries with photos, favorite foods, and drinks of the deceased, celebrating their lives and inviting their spirits to join in the festivities.
- The primary focus of All Souls' Day is to pray for the souls of the deceased, particularly those in Purgatory who may need assistance to enter Heaven. The Church encourages the faithful to offer Masses, prayers, and good works on behalf of these souls. There is a common misconception that purgatory is an extension of hell but it's not, it is a loving opportunity for purification for souls who have died in God's grace but still need to be cleanse. Every soul in purgatory is going to Heaven.
- All Souls' Day provides a chance for us to reflect and on Purgatory, the resurrection of the dead, and the communion of saints, helping the us to understand our beliefs more deeply. It's a special day for us to offer up our joys, sorrows, hardships for our community in purgatory and their journey towards God.

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

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I WANT TO SEE! In today's Gospel only the blind man, Bartimaeus, can see who Jesus really is – the Messiah, the Son of David. To the others in the crowd he is only Jesus, the good man from Nazareth. At times it can be hard for us to see Christ in the midst of the sights and sounds of our world. May the Lord open our eyes to recognise him in the breaking of the bread and to see his footprints in our lives. Then, with Bartimaeus, may we joyfully follow him along the road.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 104:3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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.

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

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. Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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 Jer 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah
I shall lead them back in mercy – both the blind and the lame.

The Lord says this: Shout

with joy for Jacob!

Hail the chief of nations!

Proclaim! Praise! Shout:

‘The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!’

See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:

a great company returning here.

They had left in tears,

I will comfort them as I lead them back;

I will guide them to streams of water,

by a smooth path where they will not

stumble.

For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 125. R. v. 3

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, / it seemed like a dream. / Then was our mouth filled with laughter, / on our lips there were songs. **R.**



2. The heathens themselves said: ‘What marvels / the Lord worked for them!’ / What marvels the Lord worked for us! / Indeed we were glad. **R.**

3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage / as streams in dry land. / Those who are sowing in tears / will sing when they reap. **R.**

4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, / carrying seed for the sowing: / they come back, they come back, full of song, / carrying their sheaves. **R.**

SECOND READING Heb 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,

and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:46-52

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.

Master, grant that I may see.

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said, 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him, 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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. Look, we pray, O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. 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: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

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 19:6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs

we may one day possess in truth.

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

'LET ME SEE AGAIN'

This week's Gospel is the story of Bartimaeus, a 'blind beggar'. Earlier in the Gospel (8:22-26) there is another healing story of a blind man in Bethsaida. These two stories bookend the journey of the disciples with Jesus toward Jerusalem and the three passion predictions. Last week we heard of the sons of Zebedee who, like the other disciples, fail to see who Jesus is. In today's story, Bartimaeus is named and connected to a family, which is unusual for healing miracles.

Bartimaeus is sitting alongside the road, the way. Jesus, the crowd and disciples are leaving Jericho on the way to Jerusalem. Bartimaeus shouts out asking for mercy, addressing Jesus as 'Son of David'. He recognises him as Messiah. Many order him to be silent. He shouts the same phrase more loudly. Jesus stops in his tracks and invites the crowd to call Bartimaeus to come to him. They say 'Take heart, get up, he is calling you'. Jesus' reconciles the many to their mission.

Bartimaeus throws off his cloak, his means of income from begging. He springs up, coming to Jesus guided by the sound of his voice. Jesus asks 'What do you want me to do for you?' This is the question Jesus had asked the sons of Zebedee. Bartimaeus answers: 'Let me see again.' Jesus' words have immediate impact. Bartimaeus regains his sight and follows Jesus on the way: he becomes a disciple of Jesus. How clearly do we see our mission to bring others to Jesus, to spread the good news, to invite others on the way.

Dr Rosemary Canavan

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Parish-in-Council V



Join us on **Sunday 10 November**, and help to discern and shape the future of our parish at our fifth Parish-in-Council meeting.

The afternoon will feature lunch, thought-provoking conversation, the opportunity to meet new people, and for each and every one of our voices to be heard.

Date: Sunday 10 November

Location: Harrington Hall

Time: Arrive between 11.30 am to 12.10 pm

Kids: Children are warmly invited to our special Kids-in-Council!

Register Now: visit <https://parish-in-council-v.rsvpify.com>, scan the QR code or contact the Parish Office.



SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE FEAST 28 OCTOBER

- Saints Simon and Jude share a feast day on October 28. They're celebrated together because tradition holds that they traveled and preached as a pair and were martyred together.
- Simon is often called Simon the Zealot, likely due to his fervent faith or association with the Jewish zealot movement. Jude is sometimes known as Thaddeus, which means "courageous heart."

- Saint Jude is famously known as the patron saint of hopeless cases or lost causes. This may be because his name was similar to Judas Iscariot, so people were hesitant to pray to him—making his intercession seen as a last resort for desperate cases.
- Apart from being a zealot and one of the 12 apostles, not much is historically documented about Simon. Some legends suggest he preached in Egypt, Persia, or Armenia, and he is often seen as a quieter figure compared to other apostles.
- In Christian iconography, Simon is often depicted with a saw, as tradition says he was martyred by being sawed in

half. Jude is usually shown with a club or an axe, and often with a medallion bearing the face of Jesus, symbolising his dedication to spreading Jesus' image and teachings.

Jude is also often depicted with a flame above his head, symbolising his presence at Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. This symbol highlights his deep connection to the beginnings of the early Church and his role in spreading the Gospel.

- Their relics are said to be kept together in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, where they are honoured by pilgrims from all over the world.
- Some stories suggest Simon and Jude traveled as far as Persia (modern-day Iran) to preach the Gospel, where they are believed to have met their martyrdom.
- Devotion to Saint Jude supposedly surged during the Great Depression, with many seeking his help for relief during those tough times. Today, he's among the most popular saints in the world, with several churches and hospitals named in his honor.

Our Lady OF DOLOURS

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

FRIDAY • NOVEMBER 15
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, CHATSWOOD

4PM • AFTERNOON TEA AND TALKS
6PM • DINNER
7PM • PRAISE AND WORSHIP
9PM • COMPLINE AND SUPPER

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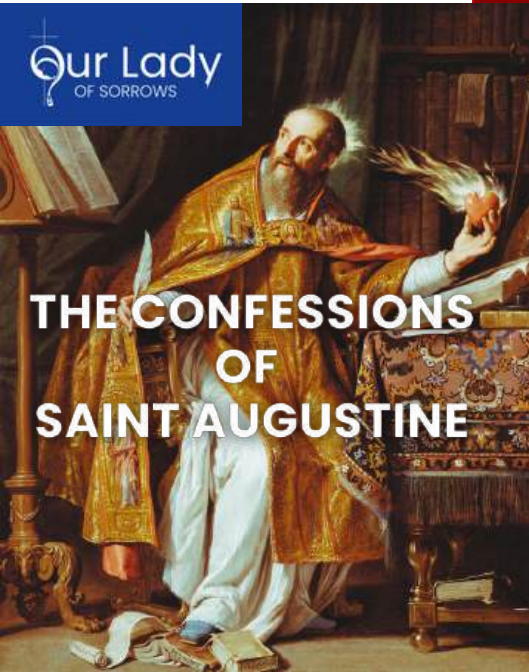


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Wednesday
for persecuted Christians

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OUR LADY OF DOLOURS 94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD

Across the world, many Christians face persecution for their faith, enduring hardship and risking their lives to follow Christ. This Mass with Bishop Anthony Randazzo is a time for us to come together in prayer, showing solidarity and support for our brothers and sisters who courageously live their faith despite the challenges they encounter. Join us as we lift them up in prayer and strengthen our global Christian family.



**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.

NEXT WEEK: CHURCH EVENTS, PRAYER, AND LITURGY

Monday
28 October

Feast:

Saints Simon & Jude

- 11:30am Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary (Cenacle, MMP).
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 1:30pm Organ practice SC.

Tuesday
29 October

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- 10:30am Organ practice SC.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 2:00pm Organ practice OC.
- 4:00pm Organ practice AH.
- 5:00pm Mercy Year 12 info night.
- 7:00pm Filipino Choir.

Wednesday
30 October

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 3:30pm Organ practice BJ.
- **6:30pm Mass of Hope.**

Thursday
31 October

- 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.
- **7:00pm Holy Hour Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration** with Reconciliation also available.

Friday
1 November

Solemnity:
All Saints

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- 10:30am Organ practice SC.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1:00pm Rosary.
- 3:00pm Organ Lesson BJ.
- 4:00pm Organ practice/lesson AH.
- 6:00pm Praise and Worship practice.

Saturday
2 November

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9:00am Mass**
- **9:30am Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration**, Reconciliation, Rosary.
- 11:00am Choir practice.
- 12:30pm Organ practice SC.
- 4:00pm First Saturday Rosary.

- 5:00pm Vigil Singers.
- **5:30pm Vigil Mass.**

Sunday Mass
3 November

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **7:30am Mass.**
- **9:00am Mass.**
- **10:30am Mass.**
- 12:00pm Baptism.
- 1:30pm Organ practice SC.
- 2:30pm Organ practice AH.
- **5:30pm Mass.**

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO MEMORIAL 4 NOV



- Saint Charles Borromeo was made a cardinal at just 22 years old and became the Archbishop of Milan shortly afterward. His early elevation to such high office was unusual for someone so young.
- Saint Charles was born into a noble family in Arona, Italy, in 1538. His uncle, Giovanni Angelo de' Medici, became Pope Pius IV, which helped pave the way for Charles's early career in the Church.
- He played a significant role in the Counter-Reformation, implementing the reforms set forth by the Council of Trent. He focused on improving the education of clergy and laypeople.
- Saint Charles is the patron saint of catechists and spiritual leaders, reflecting his dedication to teaching the faith and promoting catechesis.
- Known for his charity, he often gave away his own money and possessions to help the poor and those in need, exemplifying the Christian call to service and compassion.
- During the plague in 1576, he personally cared for the sick and dying, even at great risk to his own health. This earned him great respect and admiration.
- He was involved in architectural projects in Milan, including the construction and renovation of churches, and played a part in the design of the beautiful Milan Cathedral.
- Saint Charles Borromeo founded several seminaries and educational institutions, emphasising the importance of theological education for the clergy and laity alike. He worked tirelessly to reform the clergy in his diocese, establishing seminaries for the education of priests and insisting on their moral and spiritual integrity.
- After his death, he was invoked as a protector against famine and plagues in Milan. His intercession was sought during various crises, reflecting his continued influence even after his passing.

NEXT WEEK IN THE MEETING ROOMS

Monday
28 October

- 1:30pm Friends & Fellowship (St Paul).
- 5:30pm 9am Mass Choir (St Paul).

Tuesday
29 October

- 10:00am Bible Study (St Paul).
- 11:00am Igniting Young Hearts (St Peter).
- 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
30 October

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

Thursday
31 October

- 10:00am Atrium for 3-6 year olds (Atrium).
- 1:00pm Playgroup (Magnificat) set up 12:00pm.
- 6:00pm Altos choir practice (St Paul).
- 7:00pm Praise and Worship Practice (Harrington Hall).

Friday
1 November

- 10:00am Meditation and Sharing (St Paul) set up 9:30am.
- 11:15am Meditation Morning Tea (St Paul).
- 1:00pm CCD (Magnificat) set up 12:00pm.
- 6:00pm HolyWins Bump in (Harrington Hall).
- 6:00pm Set up for Sydney Seminar (Harrington Hall).
- 7:00pm Online Zoom Meditation and Sharing.

Saturday
2 November

- **10:00am Parish in Council Sydney Seminar (Harrington Hall).**
- 10:00am Music Lessons (St Paul).
- 10:30am Legion of Mary Praesidium (St Peter) set up 10:00am.
- 11:30am Infant Baptism Prep (Magnificat) set up 11:00am.
- 2:00pm First Saturday Rosary Rehearsal (St Paul).
- 2:30pm First Saturday Rosary Cuppa (Magnificat).
- 5:15pm First Saturday Rosary Gathering (Magnificat).

Sunday Mass
3 November

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:45am Filipino Choir (St Paul).
- 9:30am Choir Practice (St Paul).
- 11:00am RCIA (St Peter).
- 6:30pm Cornerstone & Keystone Youth (Magnificat, St Peter, St Paul) set up 4:00pm.

The Catholic community of Chatswood invites
Year 6 children and their families to our

Year 6 End of Year Class Mass

24 November 2024 | at 5:30PM

During this Mass each Year 6 student will be presented with a small gift as part of our end of year celebration to mark the end of their primary years.

If you plan on coming please RSVP Angela at angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au

This will help us with catering for food and gifts. We also want to include Year 6 children in the Mass so if your child would like to read a prayer, please let Angela know at the above email by Tuesday 19 November.

After Mass the Year 6 children are invited to join our Cornerstone youth group for food and fun activities in our Magnificat Parish Meeting Room until 8:30pm

All Welcome!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP US TAKE BREAD TO THOSE IN NEED

As the Christmas season approaches, are you looking to make a meaningful impact in our community?

We are seeking volunteers to help deliver fresh bread from Bakers Delight in Chatswood Chase to the Matthew Talbot Men's Hostel every Monday evening.

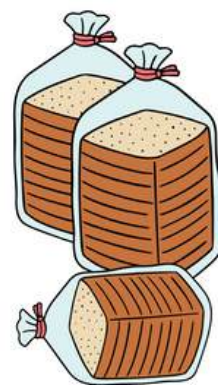
If you're available to lend a hand and share some warmth, please consider joining us.

With a team of volunteers, we aim to rotate the collection and drop-off duties, making it manageable for everyone involved.

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

- El H: 0403 095 053
- John R: 0439 783 956
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Join us in spreading kindness and nourishing those in need!



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DATES

Friday 8th November, 6.30pm
City Recital Hall

Sunday 10th November, 2.30pm
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CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN

FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER | 3.30PM - 9PM

Markets 3.30pm - 8.30pm
Special Guest music performances 4pm - 7pm
Carols at Twilight 7.30pm - 9pm

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Rest & Wait

Sat 30 Nov 1-4pm
Lavender Bay, Sydney

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A women's circle
to pause,
reflect, sing &
share stories

with Trish Watts
& Mary Diggins

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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



TWO TRUTHS AND A LAUGH

"Sometimes the Lord calms the storm.
Other times, He lets the storm rage and calms His child."
Unknown



"The only thing we are allowed to do for others is to help
them learn to love."
Henri Nouwen



What's a Christian's favorite type of music?
Soul.

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.