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THE BULLETIN

3 NOVEMBER 2024

31ST 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!

Join us this weekend for our first Saturday Public Rosary on the forecourt as we come together to pray for our world.

Don't miss your last chance to register for PIC 5 on November 10th—an excellent opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners and help shape our future.

For those attending the 7:30 am Mass, please join Jan in the PEW garden for a cuppa and chat after Mass.

We are excited to host Bishop Anthony for the annual Red Wednesday Mass on November 20th, dedicated to persecuted Christians worldwide. All are welcome to join us in praying for our brothers and sisters suffering for their faith.

Thank you to Ellen and Louis for generously sponsoring 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.

Love with all my heart - LD

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

This Sunday's Gospel - Mark 12:28-34

Dear friends,



Fr David Ranson
PP VG
Parish Priest

This weekend our Parish is hosting a seminar on **"Becoming a Parish-in-Council"** to representatives of the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Dioceses of Broken Bay, Parramatta and Wollongong. We are truly blessed that our way of meeting together in discernment of our mission has gained interest across Sydney – and even beyond! Last week we had an expression of interest from Spain! We are confident that as a Parish we will have something very significant to offer the wider Church especially in light of the Final Document of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops approved by Pope Francis on Sunday 27 October. The document is still only available in Italian but should be translated into English very soon. For the Italian see <https://tinyurl.com/53f3ax5f>.

We may recall that recently our Diocese undertook its first external **Safeguarding Audit**, and that our Parish was one of the six parishes that participated in this. The Audit Report is now available at <https://tinyurl.com/3pb46wvj>.

The Report is very encouraging and the observations of our own Parish are very welcome. I invite you to have a read through it. It is a valuable demonstration of the ways by which we seek to make our community a safe place for all.

On 24 October, Pope Francis published a new encyclical, **Delixit Nos**, On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ – read it here <https://tinyurl.com/6znu4rcn>. It is a wonderful portrayal of the history and meaning of our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I encourage us all to read the document prayerfully.

We have introduced a **new style of liturgy for our Sunday 9am Mass** to ensure that this is focussed consistently on our children and families who are present. We have increased the participation of our children in a number of ways, using the Children's Lectionary for the Liturgy of the Word, praying the Eucharistic Prayer for Children and ensuring that our music is oriented to the context. We commenced last week, and it was wonderful to have the children so much part of our celebration.

We welcome **Benedict O'Meara as our new Junior Organ Scholar**. Benedict is in Year 10 at the Conservatorium High School but lives nearby in Roseville. We **thank Sophie Li** who has enjoyed the scholarship over the past year but now leaves us. However, **Ashley He will continue with us** for another twelve months with a Junior Organ Scholarship, and **Tim Li will continue as our Senior Organ Scholar** in 2025. Sadly, **Ruby Bron, our beautiful Senior Scholar will complete her term with us at the end of this year**. We thank her profoundly for the way in which she has gifted our liturgies with her wonderful voice. We are now seeking applications for a new Senior Choral Scholar for 2025, and we will have opportunity to thank Ruby more publicly for her time with us before the end of the year.

Very sadly, we **farewell from our parish community, Sunil and Nancy Karkera and their daughter Riya**. The Karkera's have been such a valued part of our parish family. They are now relocating overseas for some time. We are going to miss them enormously, and we express our deepest gratitude to them for the gift of their presence amongst us for a number of years. We keep them very much in our prayer and heart as they commence a new chapter in their lives.

We keep **Giselle Clark** very much in our prayer at this time. Giselle has been very unwell in hospital over these last couple of weeks. We pray that things may stabilise for her. Her husband Brent, and her family, are very much in our heart and prayer, too.

We have now entered the **month of November**, the month during which we traditionally remember our deceased. We have a number of ways available to us to do this: the purchase of a memorial candle, the recording of names in our Book of Remembrance, requesting a Mass to be offered specially for someone. Envelopes for such Masses are available in the church foyer. Please be mindful though that it is not possible to designate an actual day or time of such a Mass. The requests will be distributed amongst our priests, and they will offer the Mass as occasion permits.

This week's church flowers are generously sponsored
by **Ellen & Louis** in

gratitude to God

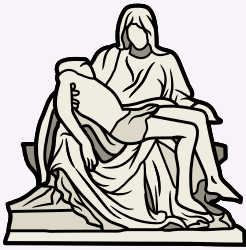
for his wisdom and love in answering
their prayers.



Also, through this November, we will conduct a **count of Mass Attendance** as we do in May each year. This will give us good statistics across a calendar year rather than just from one month in the year. Our Welcomers will take the tally during each Mass over the weekends in November.

Lastly, don't forget our **Parish-in-Council** on Sunday 10 November! This will be our last for the year. It provides us with a unique way to part of the conversation animating the life of our parish community.

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.*

IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER:

Our loved ones who have recently passed away:

Margaret Livermore; Valerie Caton; Leonora Bardetta.

Our loved ones who are sick:

Ying Leong Fong; Laila Haddad; Dilia Ng; Linda Yip; Lonnie Chu; Minnie Walshe; Maria Taylor; 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:

Paul Truc; Anthony Raffaele (father of Grace ann Raffaele); Sumita Chandra; Hilary & Isabel Coutinho.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jewish literature relates that a man once asked the famous Rabbi Hillel to sum up the 613 precepts of the Old Testament law while he stood on one leg (in other words: briefly!). Hillel replied: "What you hate for yourself, do not do to your neighbor. This is the whole law; the rest is commentary."

Separating himself from many of the religious leaders, who were bent on destroying Jesus, one scribe asked Jesus a similar question, but with refreshing sincerity: "Which commandment is the first of all?". While other scribes saw Jesus as a threat, this man saw in him an opportunity to learn. So he posed a simple question that expressed a concern embedded deep within every heart.

This scribe's question reflects a heart that was seeking to grasp, if possible, a single, simple, principle underlying the complexity of the law.

What foundational commandment can give meaning to all the smaller rules and regulations of religious life? Is there a key that can unlock the riddle of our lives and guide us through the complexity that is both around and within us? We all yearn for answers to these questions.

The command to love God and neighbor is not just an order or duty. After all, no one can love simply because he/she is told to do so! Ultimately, loving God is a privilege, a relationship that God initiates at our baptism and that grows as we accept God's words and open our hearts to experience his love. It grows as we align our wills with this greatest of commandments, making daily decisions to ask God to teach us how to love and obey him.

Jesus commissioned his disciples to do many things: preach the gospel, cure the sick, raise the dead, feed the hungry. But perhaps his most challenging command was to "love one another, even as I have loved you".

In order to love as Jesus loved, we need to be filled with his Spirit. Similarly, in order to love God as we are called, we need the Holy Spirit to lift us up and fill us with his love.

Isn't it encouraging to know that whenever you don't feel capable or strong enough to fulfill this dual calling, you can cry out to the Spirit for strength? Isn't it heartening that whenever you are in doubt as to how to love in a specific situation, you can ask the Spirit for wisdom, and he will give it to you?

God is always reaching out to us, and every time we turn to him, we can receive his love more deeply. The experience of his love then moves us to love him and to share this love with others. It is true that we have to decide to seek God and respond to him, but these decisions are meant to flow from the loving relationship that God wants with us, a relationship that grows as love is shared.

One way to build this relationship with God is in worshiping him. And we do this when we come together, as we have



**Deacon
Kevin Hale**

today, to celebrate the Eucharist. This is giving God our whole being, heart, mind, soul and strength.

For us, here at Chatswood, Worship is one of the five things we are encouraging every person to do as part of belonging to our parish. As you know we have mentioned over recent years the concept of, Worship, Connect, Serve, Give and Grow.

We encourage every person to come and worship, and actively participate, and share Eucharist together every Sunday. We also ask that you make this a true commitment in your lives, not just something we fit around other weekend activities. Make it something that comes first. It is indescribably rewarding to love as Jesus did. All the blessings of life in the kingdom of God—peace, joy, and fulfillment—flow into our hearts. But even more than these beautiful graces, we experience a closeness to Jesus himself that words cannot express. He fills our hearts with divine life and raises us up to his very own presence. It is truly a privilege to be “not far” from the kingdom of God!

MINISTRY CIRCLE: WORSHIPPING TOGETHER



Our Lady
OF DOLOURS



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Himig Sandiwa Choir enjoying coffee together after beautifully singing at 9am Mass!



MEMORIAL: SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

MEMORIAL
11 NOVEMBER

- Martin is famous for the story where, as a young Roman soldier, he encountered a beggar freezing in the cold. Martin took his own cloak, cut it in half with his sword, and gave half to the beggar. That night, he had a vision of Jesus wearing the half-cloak, saying, “Martin, who is still but a catechumen, has clothed me with this garment.”
- Martin is the patron saint of soldiers, beggars, and the poor.

Real Wednesday

for persecuted Christians

20 .11. 2024 | 07 PM

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.



- Martin didn't want to become a bishop and reportedly hid from those trying to appoint him. Legend says he hid in a barn full of geese, but their honking gave him away! He became the Bishop of Tours and served with humility and dedication. As bishop, Martin traveled extensively through his diocese, tirelessly preaching and converting people. He often destroyed pagan temples and rebuilt them as Christian churches
- Martin was one of the first people to be declared a saint without having been martyred. His life of holiness, service, and humility led to his canonization, making him a role model for non-martyrs.

OUR WEEK IN PICS



Congrats to Chatswood Vinnies on celebrating all their great work with the regional Mass!



Such a great night at Holy Wines Trivia – how good are these costumes!



BREATH

deeply rooted, deeply seated
a wellspring from my heart:

"You are True."

"You are Good."

"You are Beautiful."

how the stirrings of my heart change like Sydney's skies, day and night
with the sun hiding behind the clouds peeking,
in between leaves kissing,
rustling in the cold spring breeze,
from tall and humble trees
with strong roots grounded down the earth's mighty crust

as i walk on plain arid lands,
with heaps of peaks,
and lots of troughs,
like a lonely cloud i float and wander,
as i wonder and ponder
that all my desires, how small or grand they are,
for You, they all matter.

and now i want to be so brutally sincere
in putting out fires of fear
bringing forth the truth of my heart
which at times i choose to ignore
i choose to silence
in fear of exposing
the vulnerability of my desires
the exposition of my wretchedness
but out of the silence
when all i can hear
is the beating of my heart,
the scattered coughs of pilgrims here and there
the mechanical rhythmic beat of the fan up the ceiling,
and the creaking sound of the back door closing
when every knee bowed down
as i bask in your gaze and calming presence
meeting me wherever i am,
igniting fire to my imagination and senses
when my heart has been so frequently restless
though at times, i couldn't make sense of my own miseries
i find calm in who You truly are and Your infinite mysteries.

i take a deep breath...
the deepest one i could ever take,
and breathe beautifully,
intently, intensely,
lovingly,
beneath the cosmic sky
and distant starlights
for You're the one i've been longing for
all this time, all the days of my life.

deeply rooted, deeply seated
a wellspring from my heart:

"You are Truth."

"You are Goodness."

"You are Beauty."

"You are Love."

Hazel Soriano

REFLECTING ON THE IGNITE
CONFERENCE

Around the time I had started coming to this parish, many of my fellow Young Adults were hot off the heels of the 2023 Ignite Conference. On fire with the Holy Spirit, many spoke very excitedly about it for weeks afterwards. So when the 2024 Ignite Conference was announced, I said yes to God, and opened myself up for whatever it was He wanted me to experience there.

God did not disappoint.

In fact, nothing could have prepared me for just how extraordinary the 2024 Ignite Conference was!

To be immersed from morning to evening in liturgy, praise and worship, keynotes & workshops, and prayer, was a lifting and invigorating experience, made even more so by the immense number of young people present. You're never alone as a Catholic, and this proves it!

What stood out to me in particular, was the segment known as Kim's Couch. To hear three people share their story in an open, vulnerable way, shed light on the marvels that God works in every one of our lives, regardless of who we are, what we've done, or how we feel.

These powerful testimonials were shining examples of God's healing grace, and sent an outpouring of hope into every heart that heard those stories.

The speakers for the workshops and keynotes delivered excellent talks, and I greatly appreciated the wide range of topics available to enroll in, catering to personal interest.

There's something great for everyone at Ignite.

Looking forward to 2025!

Bryce Gonlin

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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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



RSVP FOR CATERING



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

Bettina Ignacio

bettina.ignacio@bbcatholic.org.au

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!



Playgroup this week: Isabelle, Abigail, and Gabriel were magical in their costumes, Baby Lisa was all smiles, brightening everyone's day. Justin grooved to "The Wheels on the Bus," making everyone join in.

Felicity showed off her creativity by building an impressive LEGO structure.

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

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YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD. The commandment to love God with all one's being is kept constantly before the Jewish people. It is recited daily in prayer; and, written on a small scroll, it is worn on their person and enshrined at the entrance to their homes. To observe this commandment our love must embrace the whole of creation, especially our fellow human beings made in God's image.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 37:22-23

**Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!**

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 and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. 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

Deut 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord with all your heart.

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The word of the Lord.

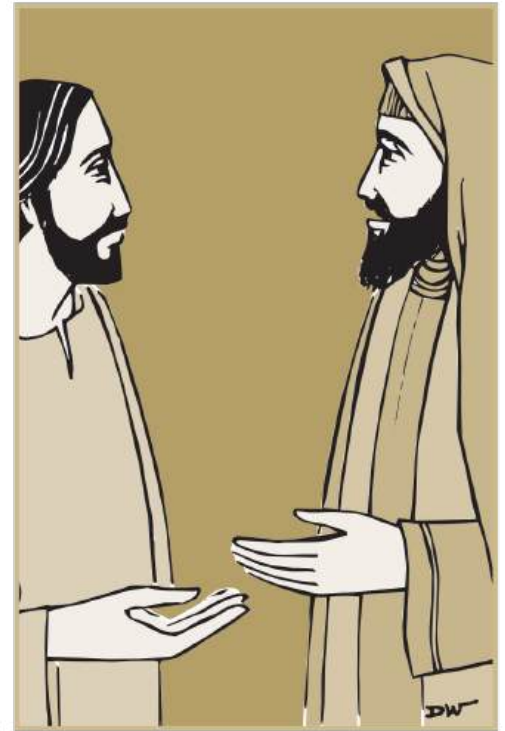
R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PS Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51. R. v. 2

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, / my rock, my fortress, my saviour. / My God is the rock where I take refuge; / my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. / The Lord is worthy of all praise: / when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! / Praised be the God who saves me. / he has given great victories to his king / and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**



SECOND READING

7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 12:28-34

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.

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

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. May these sacrificial offerings, O Lord, become for you a pure oblation, and for us a holy outpouring of your mercy. 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 15:11

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May the working of your power, O Lord, increase in us, we pray, so that, renewed by these heavenly Sacraments, we may be prepared by your gift for receiving what they promise. 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

'LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD'

Have you seen a touch plate, a *mezuzah*, on the door frame of a Jewish house or business, and at the entrance to interior rooms? Maybe you have seen the ritual of touching this when entering any of the rooms. Inside the *mezuzah* is a tiny scroll of parchment inscribed with verses from Deuteronomy 6:4-9 and 11:13-21. These verses contain the words of the *Shema* prayer and the command to 'inscribe them on the doorposts of your house'. In this ritual act of touching, the words of

the prayer are brought to mind and heart.

Our first reading today contains these verses from the *Shema* prayer: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.' It is a reminder of the covenant with God. In today's Gospel we hear these words again when Jesus is asked what is the greatest of the commandments: 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Then Jesus adds a second 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' All of the commandments are summarised in these two. These words were received well by the questioner and Jesus responds, 'you are not far from the kingdom of God'. As we take the words of these two commandments to heart, recalling them and living them, we too can hear Jesus say to us, 'you are not far from the kingdom of God'.

Dr Rosemary Canavan

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Last Chance to Register!



Don't miss out on participating in our fifth Parish-in-Council meeting, held next weekend, **Sunday 10 November**, and help to discern and shape the future of our parish.

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.



Presentation of the

ZOOM ROSARY

Blessed Virgin Mary

21 NOV 8:00 PM



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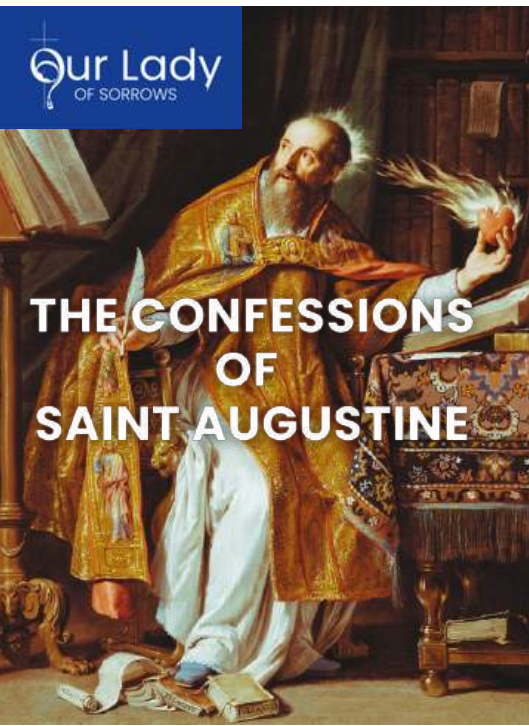
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FEAST: DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA MEMORIAL 9 NOVEMBER



- The Basilica of St. John Lateran is the oldest of the four major papal basilicas in Rome, even older than St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City!
- Inscribed on its facade are the words "Omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput," meaning "Mother and Head of all Churches in the City and the World." It is considered the spiritual "mother church" of all Catholic churches worldwide.
- The Lateran Basilica is actually the official cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, who is the pope. It's his ecclesiastical seat, which is why it's often referred to as the Pope's "home church."
- The basilica gets its name from the Laterani family, whose land was confiscated by Emperor Constantine and gifted to the Church for the construction of the basilica.
- Emperor Constantine commissioned and dedicated it in 324 AD, making it nearly 1,700 years old. It has been rebuilt multiple times due to fires and earthquakes, but it still stands as a testament to early Christianity.

MINISTRY CIRCLE: GROWING IN FAITH



THE CONFESSIONS OF SAINT AUGUSTINE



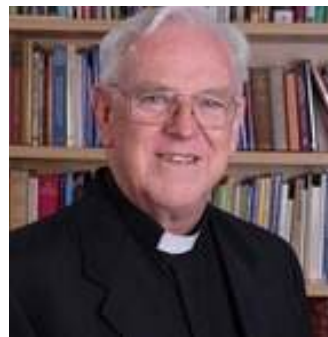
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3:30PM SAT. NOVEMBER 30



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.

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.

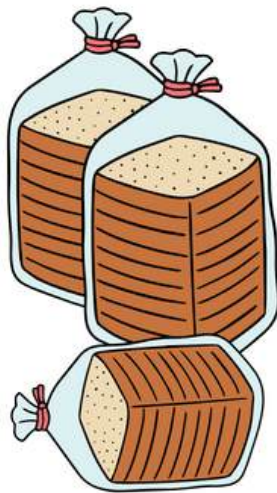
If you're available to lend a hand and share some warmth, please consider joining us.

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
- Irene M: 0426 262 567

Join us in spreading kindness and nourishing those in need!



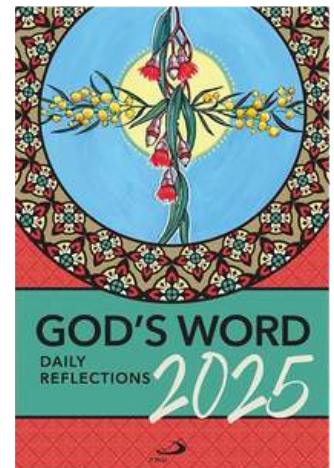
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- The Columban Religious Art calendars 2025 have arrived, price \$10.



OUR LADY OF SORROWS

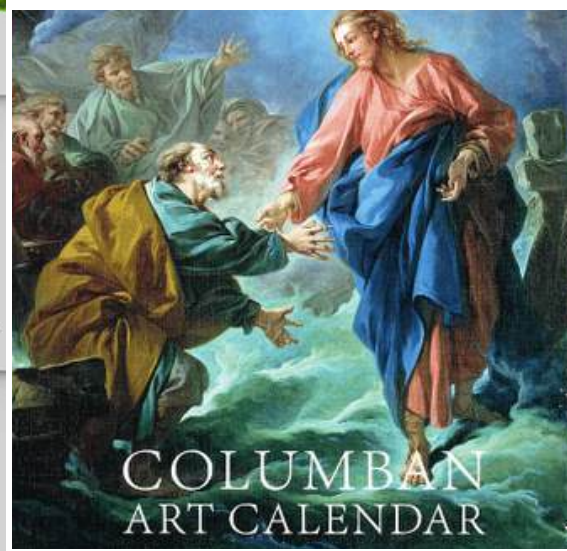
What is it?

We are starting a community vegetable garden on the Kirk St side of the church. If you enjoy gardening or just want fresh vegetables, we'd love you to join us.

Get in Touch:

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JOIN OUR KIRK ST COMMUNITY GARDEN



COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS



END OF YEAR MASS & DINNER

WEDNESDAY

4

DECEMBER

Mass: 6:30 PM
HARRINGTON HALL
94 Archer Street, Chatswood
(Parking available in St Pius X College)
Entrance via Ferguson Lane access **ONLY**
from Anderson Street **NOT** Archer Street
Please take your car out after mass

Dinner: 7:30 PM till late
Level 1, THAI NAAN RESTAURANT
230 Victoria Avenue, Chatswood
(opposite Baldry Street)

As the restaurant is BYO. You will need to bring your own alcohol. We will provide some wine and beers to get started. Nearest bottle shop is located at Vintage Cellars in Chatswood Chase entrance of Victoria Avenue open until 8pm

Body

COST: \$45PP (CASH ONLY) RSVP by 30/11/24

Peter: 0433 030 016 | Scott: 0406 512 425

THE POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER 2024

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



Lord, comfort the hearts of parents who have lost a child. Wrap them in Your gentle love, bring peace to their pain, and strengthen them with the hope of reunion in Your presence. Hold their precious child in Your embrace until they meet again. Amen.



SENIORS & GRANDPARENTS MELBOURNE CUP DRESS UP MORNING TEA

7 November 10am
Parish Magnificat room

Dress to impress play games and win a prize!



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7.30AM MORNING TEA

Please join us in the PEW garden for morning tea following 7.30am Mass this Sunday.
Jan H



FAMOUS CHINESE BIBLE QUOTE

應以全心、全意、全力愛他，並愛近人如自己，遠超過一切全燔祭和犧牲。
馬爾谷福音 12:33

To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.

Mark 12:33

Chatswood Chinese Catholic Association



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NEXT WEEK: CHURCH EVENTS, PRAYER, AND LITURGY

Monday
4 November

**Memorial:
Saint Charles
Borromeo**

- 11am OLOD Primary set up 10am
11:30am Chaplet of Divine Mercy,
Rosary (Cenacle, MMP).
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1pm Rosary.
- 1:30pm Organ practice SC.
- 4:30pm Organ Lesson BO.

Tuesday
5 November

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of
Divine Mercy.
- 10:30am Organ practice SC.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1pm Rosary.
- 2pm Organ practice OC.
- 3pm Mercy College info night.
- 7:00pm Filipino Choir.

Wednesday
6 November

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

Thursday
7 November

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

Friday
8 November

- 8:45am Morning Prayer.
- **9am Mass.**
- 9:30am Rosary and Chaplet of
Divine Mercy.
- 10:30am Funeral Leonora Bardetta.
- **12:30pm Mass.**
- 1pm Rosary.
- 3pm Organ Lesson BJ.
- 4pm Organ practice/lesson AH.
- 7pm Indonesian Choir.

Saturday
9 November

**Feast:
Dedication of the
Lateran Basilica**

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

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

Sunday Mass
10 November

**32nd 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.**

Rest & Wait
Sat 30 Nov 1-4pm
Lavender Bay, Sydney

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

with Trish Watts
& Mary Diggins

Rose Petal afternoon prayer

with St Thérèse

Through prayer and Adoration, enter into the way
of trust and love of Saint Thérèse of the Child
Jesus, and ask for Saint Thérèse's intercession by
individually addressing and writing letters to her.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

263 MONA VALE RD, ST IVES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

3:00-4:50 PM

AN AFTERNOON OF
PRAISE & WORSHIP | REFLECTION
WRITING PRAYER LETTER
TESTIMONY | ADORATION | NOVENA

FOLLOWED BY MASS AT 5PM

part of 50th
Anniversary
celebration
activities



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NEXT WEEK IN THE MEETING ROOMS

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| <p>Monday
4 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11am Cenacle Prayer (Magnificat). • 1:30pm Friends & Fellowship (St Paul). • 6pm PIC prep (Harrington Hall). |
| <p>Tuesday
5 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10am Bible Study (St Paul). • 3:45pm Atrium for 3-6, 6-9 & 9-12 year olds (Atrium). • 7pm Indonesian Legion of Mary (St Peter). • 7pm Journey into Truth (Magnificat, St Paul) set up 5:30pm. |
| <p>Wednesday
6 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30am English Lifestyle Conversations (Magnificat). • 6:30pm Indonesian instruments (Harrington Hall). • 6:30pm SEEK (St Paul). • 7pm Exploring the Faith (St Peter). |
| <p>Thursday
7 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10am Atrium for 3-6 year olds (Atrium). • 10am Seniors Morning Tea (Magnificat). • 1pm Playgroup (Magnificat) set up 12pm. • 6pm Altos choir practice (St Paul). |
| <p>Friday
8 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10am Meditation and Sharing (St Paul) set up 9:30am. • 6:30pm LIFE 2 (Magnificat). • 7pm PW Practice (Harrington Hall). • 7pm Online Zoom Meditation and Sharing. |
| <p>Saturday
9 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9am PIC prep (Harrington Hall). • 10am Music Lessons (St Paul). • 10:30am Legion of Mary Praesidium (Magnificat) set up 10am. • 11am MCAG (St Peter). |
| <p>Sunday Mass
10 November</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:15am Children's Choir (St Paul). • 9:30am Choir Practice (St Paul). • 10am Kids Baptism (St Peter). • 11am RCIA (St Peter). • 11:30am Parish-in-Council 5 (Harrington Hall). • 6:30pm Cornerstone & Keystone Youth (Magnificat, St Peter, St Paul) set up 4pm. |

In our faith, we do not seek answers;
we seek to be open to the questions that invite us
deeper to know God better,
and to love God fully.

Fr Ron Rolheiser

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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

GOSPEL REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- What would it mean to live each day as though love were the single, most important thing?
- In what ways do I rely on my own strength rather than inviting God to help me love more fully? Reflect on moments when love feels like a personal struggle. Are there areas where you could ask for God's help to expand your heart?
- How do I respond when others don't love back? Loving as Jesus taught includes enduring rejection or indifference. How can these moments help you understand God's patient love?

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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

"To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you."

C.S. Lewis

"Faith is not the absence of doubt; it is the presence of conviction."

Venerable Fulton Sheen

How do we know that Peter was a rich fisherman?

Because he had a net income.

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.