



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
Chatswood Catholic Parish

15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

12 July 2020 – Year A/2

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
WE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased:

Noeleen Smith (Bishop David's sister) and Stephen Brodie

Deceased Anniversary:

Valma Shortall

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When you are booking your ticket for the weekend masses, please go directly to our website www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood and click on 'Mass Times & Bookings'. Do not click on any old links which have been in previous bulletins. These links do not work. Remember, put down ALL names and contact details for ALL attendees at mass; not just your name when booking 2,3 or 4 tickets.

Weekday Mass Times: Monday – 12.15pm, Tuesday – 9am, Wednesday – 9am & 12.15pm with Adoration between, Thursday – 9am, Friday – 9am & Saturday – 9am.

Booking for Mass: We are able to have up to 150 people at each of our masses. Yes, you do still need to book for weekend masses but no, you do not need to book for weekday masses.

Romans: While the gospels narrate the events of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, it is New Testament letters which often explain the meaning of Jesus' life, death and resurrection to people who live long after they have taken place. St Paul's letters make up the majority of the New Testament apart from the gospels, and his Letter to the Romans is considered to be his most systematic and mature teaching.

Romans chapter 8 is such a significant chapter that the Church presents it to us as our second reading at Mass over 5 Sundays, so I'm going to be preaching from this chapter. The second reading at Mass doesn't thematically fit with the gospel and first reading in Ordinary Time, which do link, so any attempt to include all three readings in a homily is bit of a stretch. You may well have heard homilies on the gospel passages for these weeks in years past, so I invite you to something new. I'll put these homilies on YouTube (<https://youtu.be/MZUTpbf69LE>) as well as giving them at Mass over the coming weeks. So, come, take a deep dive into this fascinating chapter in which Paul outlines his theology of life in the Holy Spirit through which we live in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Take the time to read this chapter, in its entirety, slowly, meditatively. Ponder any words or phrases which stand out for you. – Fr Jim

Young Adults Dinner: As social distancing restrictions gradually ease, we can now recommence our monthly dinner for young adults 18+ in our parish. Come join at a local venue, TBC, after Sunday night Mass next Sunday July 19th. It will also be an opportunity to meet our newly appointed seminarian Aldrin Valdehueza.

Congratulations!

to Matthew Cross and Gessika
Innocent who were married in our church this week.

WITHIN OUR PARISH

INDONESIAN MASS

The Indonesian community will resume celebrating Mass [from 19 July 2020](#), 3rd Sunday of the month. To attend Mass, please register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/111578408022>

SCHOOL REFERENCES

Throughout the year people contact the parish office seeking a parish priest's reference for enrolment into a Catholic School. In 2020, Fr Jim invites parents seeking a reference to attend a Parent Connect Gathering which will develop the partnership of parish, family and school in the project of teaching Catholic faith to children in both primary school and high school. **Our next gathering for the year is on 8th August 2020, 10-11am in the Magnificat Room** (Cnr Kirk and Archer Streets). To RSVP, please book online through the parish website bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood under the schools tab. For more information, please contact Bernadette on 9410 9031 or email bernadette.ho@bbcatholic.org.au



Taking the Gospel to the World

BE THERE FOR ME - CCD RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

In a few weeks, most Catechists will return to classes in public schools, sharing the Gospel message of love, service and hope. Some are unable to return at this time, so parishes are looking for relief catechists to fill in. CCD has developed a short recruitment video as part of the campaign: *Be There for Me*. Please click this youtube link <https://youtu.be/IONdRTBJwxc>

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Eucharistic Adoration has been moved to every Wednesday (excluding public holidays or in the event of a funeral) following the 9am Mass and will conclude at approximately 12 noon. To ensure that there are always some people present during this time, we need to formulate a roster and would ask parishioners to register on the form in the foyer of the church stating the period that they will be present. It is imperative that they include contact details so we can contact them should there be a last-minute cancellation of the adoration. We are blessed to be able to spend time with Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament and it is sincerely hoped that many parishioners will respond to this opportunity. Please advise us on 0466 961 240 if on any occasion you will not be able to be present during your nominated time.

The *Catholic Weekly* newspaper is back this weekend 11th/12th July. It is available in the church foyer at \$2 a copy. Please leave payment in the box above the newspaper holder.



Baby Luka Curac at his baptism in Our Lady of Dolours Church in June.

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

There are still a large number of new 2020-2021 planned giving envelopes in the main foyer of the Church. Thank you for collecting them this way as it saves a considerable amount on postage costs for the parish. **If you would prefer to give through credit card, please email Nicole on nicole.gorman@bbcatholic.org.au who can send you out a form to set this up.** Thank you.



WITHIN OUR DIOCESE

Position Vacant - Facilities & WHS Officer, Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

The Chancery of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay is recruiting for the role of **Facilities & WHS Officer**. This is a full time, one year fixed term role based at Pennant Hills.

The Facilities & WHS Officer provides facilities management and expertise in maintaining Diocesan assets as well as assisting with the coordination and management of Chancery and Parish WHS responsibilities.

For the full advertisement see the **Positions Vacant** page of the Diocesan website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>



THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING FOR 2020 is now being offered as an online program for registered participants. This modified program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with reflection questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program offers flexibility so that you may participate individually or gather with others from your parish/diocese or men's ministry group.

Aim: To inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world.

Cost: FREE

Registration: www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

NIGHT OF HOPE VIRTUAL EVENT

Steubenville Conferences have a free virtual event for adults to come together as Church.

Dr Scott Hahn will be the keynote speaker and he will speak about Hope to Die, Hope to Rise: Cultivating Eucharistic Amazement.

The evening will be hosted by Sr Miriam James Heidland, SOLT and Bob Rice. Fr Dave Pivonka will lead Eucharist Adoration. The live event will also allow for Q&A.

Date: Monday 20 July

Time: 8.30am (AEST)

Venue: Online

Register here

<https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/night-of-hope/>

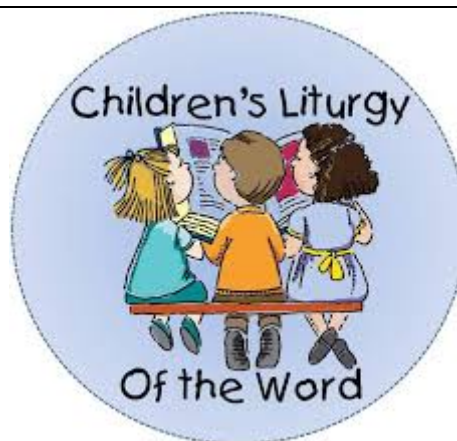
LUNCHTIME EXAMEN

Making time in our day for prayer and reflection is an important way to bring Jesus into our busy days. Pausing in the middle of the day with a lunchtime Examen is a great way to do this.

A six-session prayer series created by Loyola Press is available to stop, pray and reflect for 8-9 minutes in the presence of God. The first session gives a brief introduction to what the Examen is, how to use it and the benefits of it.

This series is led by Jim Manney, author of A Simple, Life-Changing Prayer: Discovering the Power of St Ignatius Loyola's Examen.

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/the-examen/lunchtime-examen/>



Resumes at 9am Mass

We are delighted to announce that from **Sunday 26 July**, we will again be offering Children's Liturgy of the Word during our 9am Mass.

Families with children who would like to attend, please listen out for the children to be invited by the priest at the beginning of Mass.

Our wonderful parent volunteers have all been updated on operating in a COVID safe way as well as undergoing required child safeguarding training.

If you would like to know more about our Children's Liturgy program, please contact our Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator Branka Posa at: branka_111@hotmail.com

Or Angela at the Parish Office on angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au or 9410 9033.

REMEMBER TO REGISTER, OR UPDATE YOUR PARISH REGISTRATION WITH US

Parish Registration Process

The registration process is easy. Just download the Parish Registration form from the parish website www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood, click on the orange box 'Parish Registration Details'. You may return it to the parish office by mail, email or in person.

Why is a Parish Registration important?

Parish registration is important because it helps us to serve you, improve communicate and provide information to you! For example, your registration will allow us to access your sacramental records, to issue letters on your behalf, verifying you're an active parishioner in connection to Baptism, Communion, Confirmation or Marriage. Being registered will ensure you receive an electronic copy of the weekly parish bulletin.

Updates and Changes

For those already registered, it would be great to know if you have:

- Changed address in recent years
- Welcomed a new child to the family
- Pledged for planned giving donations

THE PARISH LIBRARY: We are refreshing the parish library which is in an alcove on the left-hand side of the church. Bishop David Walker has donated several boxes of books which has given us the opportunity to sort out the existing books and to put some new material (including some older and classic writings) on the shelves.

We are in the process of sorting the books into new categories:

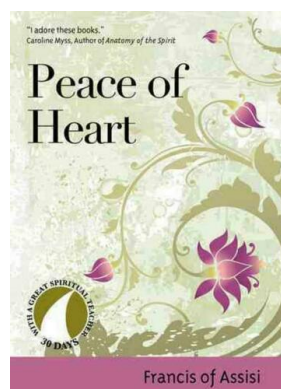
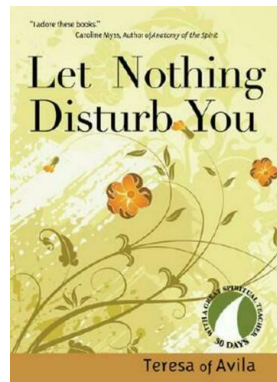
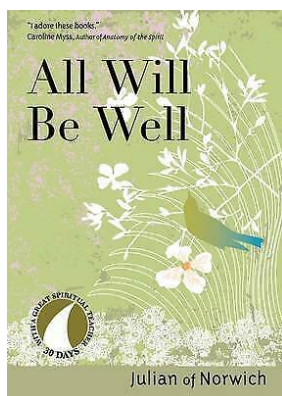
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Come and have a look and around and borrow a book or two, writing your name and the book details in the borrowing book.

Have you read a good book from the parish library? Write a 100-word summary / review and send it to jim.mckee@bbcatholic.org.au to promote it to others.

Parish Library: From time to time we will feature books from our parish library. This week we offer you these four small books, each of which contains 30 excerpts from the great spiritual writers St Teresa of Avila, St Francis of Assisi, St Francis de Sales and Julian of Norwich. They are on the “Classic Spiritual Writers” shelf. To borrow them simply write your name in exercise book in the library.

Parish Library: Two thousand years ago Jesus of Nazareth walked across the Galilee, gathering followers to establish what he called the 'Kingdom of God'. The revolutionary movement he launched was so threatening to the established order that he was captured, tortured, and executed as a state criminal. Within decades after his shameful death, his followers would call him God.



Balancing the Jesus of the Gospels against historical sources, author Reza Aslan describes a complex figure: a man of peace who exhorted his followers to arm themselves; an exorcist and faith healer who urged his disciples to keep his identity secret; and the seditious King of the Jews, whose promise of liberation from Rome went unfulfilled in his lifetime. Aslan explores why the early Church preferred to promulgate an image of Jesus as a peaceful spiritual teacher rather than a politically conscious revolutionary, and grapples with the riddle of how Jesus understood himself.

This is a thought-provoking, elegantly written biography with the pulse of a fast-paced novel, and a singularly brilliant portrait of a man, a time and the birth of a religion.

Look for it on the “Scripture and Jesus” shelf.

