OUR LADY OF DOLOURS Chatswood Catholic Parish











Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE 24 November 2019 – Year C/1

November

- 24 Nov 9am Year 6 Class Mass
- 24 Nov 5.30pm Mass Farewell to Adrian Brannan (BBQ after)
- ❖ 30 Nov Working Bee

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Bernadette Ho

Welcome Bishop Anthony. This weekend we welcome Bishop Anthony Randazzo, our recently installed Bishop of Broken Bay Diocese. Bishop Anthony is celebrating one Mass in each of the 5 deaneries of the diocese (we are the North Shore Deanery containing the 6 parishes from Wahroonga to Lower North Shore), and we are delighted to host him as he celebrates this weekend's 9am Mass and joins us for morning tea afterwards.

Church Sound System: Monday and Tuesday this week we will have 'movement and noise' in the Church as we work on installing more speakers for our sound system. Mass will go ahead as usual on these days but please be patient as we work on improving the sound in our Church.

"Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts." (Matthew 5:16) We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are... using our gifts for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of the faithful. Please call Fr Jim McKeon in the Parish office on 9410 9000 for further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Diocese of Broken Bay Filipino Chaplaincy Christmas Novena Masses: We will have Christmas Novena Dawn Masses at Our Lady of Dolours Church from December 16 through until December 24, beginning at 5.30am. Fellowship and light refreshments follow after each of these masses.

Inquiries: Roberto.corpuz@bbcatholic.org.au

Our Community Dinners are now up and running. People have been asking "Who are they for? Do you have to be homeless?". No! This is a meal which builds community for parishioners and non-parishioners alike. Everyone is welcome – homeless people included! The target audience is people who eat alone and would like a community to share a meal with. We as the parish can be the centre of that community and reach out to others as Jesus reached out to people on the margins, so couples and families are welcome too because having a mix of people creates that big family, community feel. So, come and join us this Saturday or any Saturday 6.30pm – 7.30pm in Harrington Hall (the far side of OLD School playground, which you can also access via Ferguson Lane). Thanks to our 4 teams of volunteers who have cooked and served some lovely meals so far.

Ellen Sunjaya's funeral will be this Wednesday 27 November @ 11am in our Church.

WITHIN OUR PARISH

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE WORLD DATES FOR 2020

In 2018 our parish focussed on Our Relationship with Each Other and in this year Our Relationship with God from our Parish Vision Statement. Next year, our focus will move to Our Relationship with the World. Our parish will partner with Sydney Alliance, whom we worked with last July to provide the Table Talk on Changing the Conversation about People Seeking Asylum.

If you are interested in the next step of this conversation, you are invited to be part of introductory training in *Catholic Social Teaching and Community Organising* led by David Barrow, Lead organiser of Sydney Alliance. The training will cover, the Catholic tradition of community organising for the common good, how to bring people together across diversity and practical training on the one-to-one meeting. The conversations that build relationships for action within our parish and beyond.

Do join us if you have an interest in building strong relationships in our parish, or if you want to see Sydney live up to its potential with affordable and safe housing, employment, renewable energy and being a city of welcome for people seeking asylum.

TUESDAY 21 JANUARY 3 - 5PM & 6.30 - 9PM MAGNIFICAT ROOM

Contact Gail for further information 9410 9021 or gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au
Sydney Alliance website
www.sydneyalliance.org.au/

FAITH FORM

The Marian Catholic Action Group is holding a "faith forum" on Sunday December 8th at 2pm in the Magnificat Room to hear & watch on DVD a priest's testimony around the topic of Our Lady's apparitions at Medjugorje & his radical conversion back to the Catholic faith. A couple of parishioners, who have recently returned from a pilgrimage there, will also be available to share their experiences. So come along & join us for a fascinating afternoon & enjoy some delicious scones with jam & cream.

The devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on Saturday 30 November will be cancelled. Apologies to those who attend this devotion regularly.



PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS!

How to do this? Let the Piety Stall help you!

- Send a nativity-themed Christmas card. Packs of 8 cards available at \$4.00 each. Loose cards from \$2.00 each.
- Give your child a nativity ornament to hang on your Christmas tree. From \$4 each.
- Display a nativity scene in your home. Cardboard pop-ups at \$1.50. Place an all-in-one very cute nativity set in your child's room – from \$8.00 each.
- Give a gift that lasts all year long. Columban religious art calendars, available at \$9.00 each; God's Word daily readings and reflections at \$15 each; Catholic Study Bibles at \$55 each. (These gifts are already available at the Piety Stall)

O.L.D. CHURCH POOR BOXES

The St Vincent de Paul Society's Poor Boxes are located at the 4 entrances to the Church. Over the last twelve months, the average weekly collection from



the boxes was around \$63. Perhaps this might be increased if any loose change in pockets and purses, however small, could find its way to the boxes. Vinnies is aware of the calls made on parishioners to give to the many special collections throughout the year and is particularly appreciative of the amounts donated to the Christmas and Winter Appeals. Money collected by the Society is utilised to assist:

- ✓ in providing food, clothing, furniture and whitegoods for those in need;
- ✓ victims of domestic violence;
- ✓ students in developing countries; and
- ✓ twin Vinnies Conferences in Indonesia and Thailand.



The Bible Group, in collaboration with the Pauline Book Centre, Strathfield are having a pre-Christmas sale of a wide selection of books suitable for both children &

adults. They will be displayed in the foyer after the morning Masses on December 1st.

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Ellen Sunjaya, Kerrie Bass, Corazon De Borja

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Sick: Helen Shortall, Rose Medina



PARISH WORKING BEE 30 NOVEMBER 2019

Our pre-Christmas Working Bee will be on Saturday 30 November from 9am to 12 noon. Our goal is to have as many of our committed parishioners available to help us get the church and grounds sparkling ready for the Christmas celebrations. A list of tasks is set out below. If you can make it on the day to help out, please give some thought to what tasks you would like to get involved in. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

TASK

- Clean the spots and dirt off the Church Forecourt
- Tennis Court Car Park Trim Bushes, clean up branches and other rubbish and sweep car park
- Paint the Fan Conduit the colour of the wall it crosses
- Gardening Trim Bushes along Kirk St Side of the Church below window level and plant new Gardenias near front of Kirk St side of the Church
- Clean Pews
- Clean ledges on side walls of church (after painting done)
- Clean Church windows (internal and external)
- Clean window sills after windows cleaned
- Weed spraying around church and office grounds
- Patch holes in Trancept Pews
- Remove wax
- Sort out books in library
- Clean drains
- Sand back and re-stain Forecourt seats
- Assemble the indoor nativity scene
- Assemble the outdoor nativity scene
- Realign the pews in the Transepts and move one row from South side to north side

THURSDAY NIGHT ADORATION: A Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament will be held in the Church every Thursday night from 7pm-8pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring your prayers, joys, and sufferings to God in a quiet and intimate encounter. This prayerful practice is a tradition that stretches back to the earliest years of the Church, and the Saints throughout the centuries have testified to this prayer's power to transform the heart. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be made available in the Church during this time.

Baptisms:

Sophia Masigan, Liam Jack & Clara Freitas



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT O.L.D.

Monday

7pm Indonesian Legion of Mary in St Peter Tuesday

9.30am Bible discussion in St Paul 6pm Parish Finance Committee in St Peter 6.45pm Filipino Chaplaincy Choir practice in church Wednesday

7pm Midnight Choir practice in Church 7pm MenAlive Topic "Gandhi & Christians" in St Paul Thursday

6.3opm English Conversations Club in St Paul 7pm Adoration & Confession in the Church 7pm Faith Enrichment Group in St Peter Friday

10am OLD Primary End of Year Mass
10am Meditation in St Paul, Topic; Christ-Truth
7.30pm Home Rosary 10 Alpha Road, Willoughby
Saturday – Parish Working Bee
9.45am Chinese RCIA in St Paul
11am Bible Discussion in St Paul
4pm Chinese RCIA in Magnificat
6.30pm Community Dinner in Harrington Hall
Sunday

10.15am Teen Choir music practice in St Paul



FAREWELL ADRIAN

Adrian Brannan has served Chatswood Parish as Youth Ministry Coordinator for the past 7 years and has been a lifelong member of our

parish. Adrian will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up a new position with Coffs Harbour Catholic Parish where he will lead youth ministry in both the parish and school, drawing from his extensive experience in both parish and school youth ministry here.

We will have two opportunities to farewell Adrian. Firstly, the **5.30pm Mass this Sunday Nov 24**th where students from Mercy College and St Pius X College will be joining us. There will be a BBQ and time to speak with Adrian afterwards. Then, for young adults who have been part of the Acclaim youth ministry over the past decade there will be a dinner following the **5.30pm Mass on Sunday Dec 22**nd. Please RSVP to

jim.mckeon@bbcatholic.org.au for this meal.

A reminder that Advent begins next weekend 1st December 2019.

WITHIN OUR DIOCESE

Walk with Christ Sunday 24 November at 2.30pm. A group of parishioners from OLD will meet at the corner of Pitt Street & Martin Place at 2.15pm for 2.30pm start under the banner of Our Lady of Sorrows.

PARISH MASS & DEVOTIONS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday – Monday 12.15pm, Tuesday & Wednesday 9am, Thursday 9am & 12.15pm, Friday 9am

Saturday - 9am and 5.30pm (Vigil)

Sunday - 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

Filipino Mass (in English) 12noon; 1st Sun of month Indonesian Mass; 7pm; 3rd Sun of month Family Mass - gam each Sunday

Children's Choir at 9am Family Mass on the 3rd

Sunday of the month (Please arrive at 8.30am for setup and practice.)

Teen Choir at 9am Family Mass on 2nd Sunday of the month.

Kids' Word - Children's Liturgy of the Word for ages 3-6 & 6-10. Meet in Church at 9am every 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays. (Except long weekends & school holidays.)

Youth Mass - 5.30pm each Sunday

Reconciliation - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday & 7pm-8pm each Thursday. Any time by request.

Morning Prayer - 8.45am Monday to Saturday

Rosary - 9.30am Monday to Saturday;

Cenacle - each Monday at 11.30am

Exposition - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday

Adoration: Thursday after 9am mass. Ends with Divine Mercy Chaplet. Also, on Thursdays 7-8pm.

Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Saturday 10.00am with Benediction 10.30am

Anointing of the Sick - 3rd Thursday of month at 12.15pm weekday Mass, before surgery or medical treatment, or by request.

Baptisms - Go to our website to book or contact Bernadette Ho. (details on front page)

Weddings - Contact the parish secretary. For a Marriage/Anniversary Blessing at a Saturday/ Sunday Mass contact Nicole in the Parish Office on 94109000 (at least 1 month before requested Mass)

SUNDAY MASS READINGS:

Entrance: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

1st Reading: 2 Sam 5:1-3 They anointed David king of

Responsorial Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

2nd Reading: Col 1:12-20 He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Gospel: Lk 23:35-43 Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

READINGS FOR WEEK DAYS:

MON: Dan 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

TUES: Dan 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

WEDS: Dan 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

THURS: Dan 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28

FRI: Dan 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

SAT: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

St Andrew

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil	5.30pm	2 <u>3/24 Nov</u> Fr John	30 Nov/1 Dec Fr Jim
Sun	7.30am	Bishop David	Bishop David (K)
	9.00am	Fr Jim(K)	Fr Jim
	10.30am	Fr John(K)	Fr John
	5.30pm	Fr Jim	Fr John

	5.30 pm Saturday	7.30 am Sunday	9 am Sunday	10.30 am Sunday	5.30 pm Sunday
Week 1	Junior Server:	Senior Server:	Junior Server:	Junior Server:	Junior Server:
30 Nov & 1	Isabella Ho	Bernard Ryan	Joshua Borg	Breah Gunaratnam	Eda Chiou
December	James Ho		Angelo Fernando	Rosebelle Sunjaya	McKayla Tan
	Genevieve Ho		Clare Guo	Laureen Talao	Thiik
			Viviana Leung		
	Senior Server:			Senior Server:	Senior Server:
	Catherine Ho		Senior Server:	Elizabeth Jung	Fernanda Carrillo
	Mike Kilkeary		Stephanie Ho	James Godfrey	Sam French
	j		John Wang	Braiden Gunaratnam	
			Gabriel Yi		

Working in a child-related ministry in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

Paid and volunteer workers who have direct face to face contact with children (under 18 years) are required by law to obtain a Working with Children Check number. Please note though exemptions may apply in some cases. The Parish is the employer of the paid or volunteer worker and therefore is required by law to verify the Working with Children Check number. All paid or volunteer workers engaged in a child-related role must have a clear Working with Children Check to work in a child-related ministry. This disclosure references the legislation, Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012.