

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
Chatswood Catholic Parish



27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
6 October 2019 – Year C/1



- 5 October @ 6.30pm – Community Dinner debut
- 13 October @ 11.30am - OzRosary

Church - Cnr Kirk & Archer Sts,
Chatswood
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THE BROKEN BAY BIBLE CONFERENCE: theme is “The Holy Spirit through the Pages of Scripture” and will be held on Friday – Saturday October 11th & 12th. Cost is \$44 for one day and \$88 for two days. There will be people from our parish attending and we will have a parish table together. Contact Tania on 8379 1629 faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au for information and to register.

MASS TIME PUBLIC HOLIDAY MON 7 OCTOBER:

We had formerly cancelled the 12.15pm Mass on public holidays. The 12.15pm Mass is the only Mass on Mondays, so we want to confirm that this Mass will be on as usual on Monday Oct 7th.

The Parish Office will be closed on this public holiday. If your matter is urgent, please call on the after-hours emergency mobile number: 0434 607 163.

COMMUNITY DINNERS: This week we have had our first Community Dinner, and we extend the invitation to anyone to join us each Saturday night at 6.30pm in Harrington Hall. There are invitation flyers in the church which you can use to invite someone who you think might want to share a meal in good company. We acknowledge the many volunteers from our parish, from OLD, Mercy and St Pius X Colleges, and the support of the NSW Government Community Building grants and Camp Australia.

NOVEMBER MASSES: November is the month of praying for people we love who have died, launched by All Saints Day on Friday November 1st and All Souls Day on Saturday November 2nd. We will celebrate additional Masses on these days. All Saints Day Masses Friday Nov 1st 9am and 12.15pm. All Souls Day Masses 7pm Friday Nov 1st (vigil), Saturday Nov 2nd 7am and 9am. Note that the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday Nov 2nd is the vigil of the Sunday, not an All Souls Day Mass. A remembrance book for writing the names of people who have died will be in the foyer of the church in the coming weeks.

People often like to have a Mass offered for their deceased relatives and friends during November. Next weekend we will be hearing from a representative of Aid to the Church in Need who will provide us with envelopes which will allow you to make an offering for a Mass which will be celebrated by a priest in a persecuted country in the Middle East or Africa where that income can be used to support struggling Christians.

WITHIN OUR PARISH

HSC HANGS

Come hang out with us in the Magnificat Room each Monday from 3.30pm – 5pm during September & October.

Music, meditation and mateship. Chill out and relax with friends while taking a break from preparing for the HSC. Just turn up.



Good luck to all the students preparing for the HSC.

Baptism:

Daniella Cara Dela Cruz



WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Maria Chen, Maria Chunak Lee

Sick: Monica Cotter, Rose Medina, Jeff Thomas, Albert Boudville, Janis Slater, Josephine Scriabella, Pritika Rau, Julie Tang, Monica Wong, Louis Nortje, Tristan Worledge, William Wise, Alex Noble



OZROSARY53 – SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER 2019

Please join us in praying the ROSARY on Sunday 13 October (Fatima Day) at 11.30am in the forecourt of the church (weather permitting), otherwise we will have the rosary in the church. Our prayers will be joined with the prayers of thousands around Australia and the world as part of the OzRosary53 and Global Public Square Rosary projects. Intentions of the rosary are protection of the country and her people, priests and religious, sanctity of life and marriage, the consecration of Australia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and for Australia to live out it's calling as the Great Southland of the Holy Spirit. (Marian Catholic Action Group)

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD @ 7:30AM MASS

We have a vacancy at the 7:30am mass (2nd Sunday) to fill. If you are interested in proclaiming the Word of God at this mass, contact Charmaine Wan (charmainewan@gmail.com or 0416 048 400). Training will be provided to new readers.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

If you have requested Planned Giving envelopes and you are yet to receive them, please email amelia.lee@bbccatholic.org.au

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

Monday

3.30pm HSC Hangout in Magnificat
2pm Children's Rosary in the Church
7pm Indonesian Legion of Mary in St Peter

Tuesday

9.30am Bible discussion in St Paul
12noon Social Justice Committee in St Paul
6.30pm Acclaim Spiritual Ministry in Magnificat
6.45pm Filipino Chaplaincy Choir practice in church
7pm PPC in St Peter

Wednesday

7pm MenAlive Group. Topic: Abortion Law in NSW
7pm Indonesian Music practice in the Church

Thursday

6.30pm English Conversations Club in St Paul
7pm Faith Enrichment Group in St Peter
7pm Adoration & Confession in the Church

Friday

10am Meditation: "Living in the Now" in St Paul
7.30pm Home Rosary at 45 Park Rd, Naremburn

Saturday

9.45am Chinese RCIA in St Paul
11am Bible Discussion in St Paul
2pm Outdoor Rosary on forecourt
4pm Infant Baptism Preparation in Magnificat
6.30pm Community Dinner in Harrington Hall
7pm Korean Bible Class in St Paul

Sunday

11.30am OzRosary on forecourt

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available every Thursday night from 7 – 8pm, and every Saturday morning from 9.30am – 10.30am. It is a wonderful way to admit to God our sin, and to receive his mercy and peace. You can also make an appointment to see Fr John or Fr Jim at other times as needed.

OUTDOOR ROSARY

Saturday, 12th October at 2pm on the forecourt of Our Lady of Dolours Church. Help is needed to set up so if you are free, please be there by 1.30pm. Please bring a small plate to share for afternoon tea. Let us hope that we will have a good turn out on this occasion. Do let your friends know about it. Any queries, please contact mariephilip2@optusnet.com.au

Coming Event for the Catechist Ministry

The Catechist Meeting for Term 4 will be happening on the 28th October 2019 in the Magnificat Meeting Room from 10am – 12noon. We will have morning tea from 9.30am. See you there! Please RSVP to Maricel by emailing maricel.malapira@bbccatholic.org.au or phoning 9410 9029.



It is the assistance given by one Christian (the spiritual director) to another to assist in the receiver's (directee's) spiritual growth. Spiritual Direction is an intentional helping relationship, similar in some ways to counselling, but distinct from it. It is also different from the mutual sharing of friends or colleagues. Spiritual Direction is for people who want to grow in their relationship with God.

Although Spiritual Direction is often seen as the domain of clergy and religious, lay people are increasingly both the receivers and the givers of spiritual direction, and we would like to provide this opportunity for our parishioners to take up spiritual direction.

On **Sunday October 27** three experienced Spiritual Directors will come to our parish to present a one hour introduction to spiritual direction and they will

be available to take appointments from people who want to take up this opportunity.

This gathering will be at 11.30am in the Magnificat meeting room.

In Spiritual Direction, the spiritual director's focus is on listening to the directee's experience of prayer and assisting them to discern God's presence in their experience. The directee takes responsibility for their prayer and their spiritual life, and the director is a companion to them, wholly at the service of the directee's agenda. Spiritual Direction is completely confidential. Sessions are usually monthly for one hour, and usually cost around \$70 per hour. There is a cost because it is the Spiritual Director's profession and they incur their own costs for their ongoing formation. *There is no cost for the information session.*

For people who want to grow their relationship with God

Please RSVP to Fr Jim jim.mckeeon@bbcatholic.org.au or Gail Gill gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au

In October 2020, The Catholic Church in Australia will gather for the first Plenary Council to be held since the Second Vatican Council. More than 222,000 people contributed a total of 17,457 submissions during the first stage of preparation for the Australian Plenary Council. The data gathered has been organised into six themes:

- * MISSIONARY & EVANGELISING
- * HUMBLE, HEALING & MERCIFUL
- * JOYFUL, HOPE-FILLED & SERVANT COMMUNITY
- * OPEN TO CONVERSION, RENEWAL & REFORM
- * HUMBLE, HEALING & MERCIFUL CHURCH
- * PRAYERFUL & EUCHARISTIC

Parishes across Australia are now invited to engage in a process of communal discernment on each of the six themes over the next six months. Responses need to be summarised in 1000 characters and can be forwarded to the writing groups for development into thematic papers for the first session of the Plenary Council in October 2020.

DISCERNMENT PHASE



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is:



During October, our focus at Chatswood will be on the theme of Missionary and Evangelising. If you would like to be part of a listening and discernment group, please come to the Magnificat room on:

Sunday 20 October from 11.30am to 1pm

The process of listening and discernment is drawn from the Ignatian tradition and will involve prayerful individual silent reflection, sharing, listening and further reflection. It will not be a time for robust discussion. If you would like to be part of this group, **please RSVP to Gail gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au** so that I can get pre-reading material to you before the group gathers.

PLEASE VISIT WWW.PLENARYCOUNCIL.CATHOLIC.ORG.AU

Go to the **THEMES** tab for details on each of the reports and the members of each of the Writing Groups and how to contact them.

Go to the **RESOURCES** tab for the reports and discernment process in English, Chinese, Tagalog, Korean and seven other languages.

Children's Ministries



First Communion Congratulations

Congratulations to the 100 children and their families in our parish who received the

sacrament of First Holy Communion over the past few weeks at our parish Masses and at the special First Communion Mass on Sunday 22 September at 12.30pm.

In the lead up to First communion, along with their weekly sessions the children participated in a retreat as part of their preparation. During the retreat the children pondered the meaning behind some of the key actions (gestures) and prayers performed by the priest over the bread and wine at Mass. They also participated in a guided meditation on the Kingdom of God and their place in it.

Thank you to the parents and carers who helped guide the children through their preparation, with a special mention to all the parent facilitators of the group sessions for offering their gifts to make this time a time of blessing for everyone involved.

Our **gam Family Mass** is a family and child-friendly liturgy oriented to families with young children. This Mass is central to our mission of empowering parents in their role of bringing their children into relationship with God through their connection to the parish community.

There are many ways you and your child can get involved in this Mass.

- Join the Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Sing in the Children's Choir
- Children from Year 3 and up can join the Prayer Reading Roster

But the best way to begin is to just turn up, see how everything unfolds and come and join us!

For more information on any of these activities, contact Angela at the Parish Office.



Once a year, we run a preparation program for children between the ages of 6 and 12 who would like to be baptised.

This program includes the parents and child attending preparation sessions together in a small group with other children and families.

Our next Kids' Baptism Program will begin on **Sunday 27 October 2019.**

To find out more or to enrol your child

Go the parish website:

<http://www.chatswood.dbb.org.au/>

From the home page:

- Click on **Sacraments**
- Click on **Baptism**
- Click on **Kids Baptism**
- Click on **Kids Baptism Program Dates**

Please print and read this file so that you know all the dates and events for the Kids Baptism program

When you are ready to enrol;

- Click on **Kids Baptism Enrolment Form**
- Please print and complete this form then email it to angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au

*If you would like to discuss baptism for your child, please contact **Angela at the Parish Office.***

Children's Ministries

Year Four Class Mass

The Catholic community of Chatswood invites **Year Four children** and their families to a special Mass for Year Four at the

9am Family Mass
Sunday 20 October 2019

A family-friendly celebration at
Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church
94 Archer St Chatswood

The Year Four children will receive a special blessing followed by **morning tea** in the school playground.

Please bring a plate to share.
All welcome!

Special Children's Rosary
Monday 7 October 2019



This Monday 7 October is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. In honour of this special day we would like to invite children of all ages and a parent or carer to a very special Children's Rosary Prayer gathering in our Church. Details are;

Date: Monday 7 October

Time: 2-3pm

If you want to know more about this special event please contact Pressy at:
pressy.braganza@bbcatholic.org.au



The Children's Atrium

*Of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
is such a place*

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a beautiful child centred ministry that we have been providing for here at Our Lady of Dolours' since August 2007.

In this Ministry, children come to spend time with God in a specially prepared room called the Atrium. The program is run in three age groups and each room is prepared for them based on their stage of development and their religious needs and capacities at each stage. The age groups and times available for children to come to the Children's Atrium at Chatswood are;

- 3-6 year olds: Mondays 10am-11.30am
Mondays 3.45-5.30pm
Tuesdays 3.45-5.30pm
Fridays 10am-11.30am
- 6-9 year olds: Mondays 3.45-5.30pm
Tuesdays 3.45-5.30pm
- 9-12 year olds: Mondays 3.45-5.30pm
Tuesdays 3.45-5.30pm

Our Atrium sessions for Term Two will begin on **Monday 21 October 2019.**

To find out more watch this video
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MwO_CWLKwOE&t=23s
and contact Angela or Rose at:
[old.childrens.atrium@gmail.com](mailto:old.childrens atrium@gmail.com)



THURSDAY NIGHT ADORATION

Over the coming weeks, Sam French (seminarian), will begin promoting Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday evenings from 7pm-8pm in the Church.

Amidst the cacophony of distractions in our noisy world it is often difficult to even have a single moment of silence to centre ourselves and to orient our heart and mind towards God. But it is a well-known spiritual reality that God's voice speaks loudest in the midst of silence. This fact is attested to in Scripture, the lives of the Saints, and the Church's own rich liturgical tradition.

The psalmist tells us: "Be still, and know that I am God" (Ps 46:10). In a similar vein, Mother Teresa famously said: "When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now." It is for these reasons that from the earliest centuries, the practice of Eucharistic adoration has been practiced in the Church, reaching its height in the Middle Ages. This tradition is still often practiced in monasteries, convents, and seminaries, but has also started becoming increasingly popular in parishes in recent years.

Eucharistic Adoration is a wonderful opportunity to simply sit in the presence of Jesus. It provides a quiet atmosphere to open your heart to God, and to offer Him all your prayers, works, joys, and sufferings. It is a powerful source of grace, and wonderful way of growing in faith and love for Christ.

On Thursday nights, the doors of the Church will be opened to the public, the lights turned down, and candles lit up. This prayerful experience is open to all people, from any faith background, as an opportunity to encounter the risen Jesus in the Eucharist. We look forward to seeing you there.

WEEKEND PARKING

We thought it would be timely to remind parishioners and visitors about weekend parking for our Masses. Our parking facilities are:

- 1) Parish Meeting Rooms (Corner of Kirk and Archer Streets) – Entry via Kirk Street
- 2) Kirk Street Car Park – Entry via Kirk Street – Please observe the Entry and Exit Signs
- 3) St Pius X School Playground – Entry via Kirk Street (top of street on the left) or Ferguson Lane (coming from Anderson Street).

- 4) Parish Office Staff Car Park – entry via driveway off Archer Street. This carpark is reserved for Disabled or Elderly drivers or family of elderly parishioners.

On the majority of occasions, these parking facilities are more than sufficient for each mass. In the event of a special occasion, where there is not enough parking, we apologise. We can only suggest that people park in the Chatswood Chase parking area which has a 3-hour time limit.

When using our church parking facilities, we ask that drivers exercise extreme care. This includes:

- Observing the 5 KPH Speed Limit on all occasions.
- Being alert for pedestrians and young children.
- Following standard parking rules with regards to distance from the next car and straightness of parking.



IN THE CINEMAS

Recently, a number of parishioners from

Chatswood Parish went to see a limited release screening of the recent film **Unplanned**. The movie tells the highly emotional story of the young Abby Johnson, an abortion clinic director, who is forever transformed after actually witnessing for herself an ultrasound guided abortion.

In her college years, Abby began working at Planned Parenthood - the largest abortion provider in the US - with the desire to help women in need. The film tracks Abby's transformation from relative ignorance to acute awareness of the sanctity of life before birth. The movie largely avoids philosophical arguments for or against abortion, and instead focuses on the powerful emotional awakening of Abby - who would later convert to the Catholic faith.

The film also takes the audience on a journey into the sinister internal operations of sexual health providers like Planned Parenthood, who rely heavily upon the promotion of abortions to sustain their economic operation and growth.

Unplanned, is clearly a faith-based production crafted for its intended audience, namely, those who are already pro-life. Nevertheless, the film still captures the pain which surrounds the subject of abortion, and effectively serves as a challenge for those on the other side of the argument.

Sam French

THE TEEN CHOIR has had a busy month in September; singing at their usual 2nd Sunday mass as well as the 1st Holy Communion mass on 22 September and last Sunday too. The choir is coming together and it's wonderful to see the teens leading in an active role at our masses. The choir meets on the 1st Sundays at 10:15am in the parish meeting room to practice the hymns they will sing at the 9am mass every 2nd Sunday. We welcome students in Years 7 to 10 to join us - to sing or play an instrument. If you would like more information, contact Charmaine Wan charmainewan@gmail.com or 0416 048 400.

To kick-off the start of the spring school holidays, the Teen Group together with Fr Jim, Sam (the Seminarian) and Sean spent the afternoon at Climbfit, an indoor rock-climbing centre in St Leonards. Time seemed to fly by as the teens scaled to new heights, many for the first time. After a hard day's climb, the day was capped off with frappes and tea at Starbucks on the way home. The day proved to be a fun and active way for the teen group to invite along new friends and to get to know each other in a comfortable social setting. All in all, it was a fantastic day out.

The Teen Group meet every 2nd Sunday after the 9am mass in the parish meeting rooms. Our next meeting is on 13 October where we have a fun activity planned – Virtual Reality. If you are in Years 7 to 10, come and join us for fun, fellowship and spiritual development. Contact Adrian Brannan Adrian.brannan@bbccatholic.org.au for more information.



WITHIN OUR DIOCESE

THE STOLEN CHILDREN OF TIMOR

Thousands of children were taken from East Timor from 1975 onwards, rupturing families and adding to the terrible toll of human suffering endured by the Timorese people. Since independence, there have been moves to re-unite families. Pat Burgess, who is closely connected to the ground-breaking CAVR Report, will present insights into the progress of this important work.

When: Thursday 10th October 2019 from 5-6:30pm
Where: Sisters of St Joseph, Alexandra Avenue, Croydon.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT



You are all invited to hear Fr Ray Sanchez CP talk on Today's Church and Passionist Family Groups on Wednesday 13 November commencing with Mass at 10.00am at St Anthony in the Fields Church, 46 Myoora Road, Terrey Hills.

Fr Ray has had wide experience with the Passionist Family Group Movement (PFGM) and giving Parish Missions. The PFGM is a great way to be with fellow parishioners and get to know them in relaxed and informal ways. Come along and hear more about Passionist Family Groups. A shared lunch will follow the talk. Everyone is welcome! Please bring a plate to share.

For those unable to attend during the day, Father Ray's talk will be repeated that evening at 7.00pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Centre, 9 Currie Street, Forestville.

TWILIGHT TALKS

Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites you to Twilight Talks. Join Young Adults (18+) from around the Diocese to connect, share a meal, pray and be nourished by inspiring speakers.



Our last Twilight Talks of the year will welcome our Diocesan Administrator, Fr David Ranson as he speaks on The Holy Spirit, Discernment & Discipleship. You will not want to miss this one!

Date: Tuesday 15 October
Time: 6:30pm – 9:00pm
Venue: Hotel Pennant Hills, 352 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

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 - 9am 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.)

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 7pm-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 9410 9000 (at least 1 month before requested Mass)

SUNDAY MASS READINGS:

Entrance: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

1st Reading: Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4 The just will live by faithfulness.

Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

2nd Reading: 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14 Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

Gospel: Lk 17:5-9 If you had faith!

READINGS FOR WEEK DAYS:

MON: Jonah 1:1 – 2:1, 11; Lk 10:25-37
Our Lady of the Rosary

TUES: Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42

WEDS: Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:1-4

THURS: Malachi 3:13-20; Lk 11:15-26

FRI: Joel 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26

SAT: Joel 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

		5/6 Oct	12/13 Oct
Vigil	5.30pm	Fr Jim	Fr Jim
Sun	7.30am	Fr Jim	Bishop David
	9.00am	Fr Jim	Fr Jim
	10.30am	Fr John	Fr John
	5.30pm	Fr John	Fr John

	5.30 pm Saturday	7.30 am Sunday	9 am Sunday	10.30 am Sunday	5.30 pm Sunday
Week 2 12 & 13 October	Junior Server: Welton Ang Jenevieve Liem Kasy Tabalon Kody Tabalon Senior Server: Sam French Joseph Liem	Senior Server: John Russell	Junior Server: Joshua Borg Breah Gunaratnam Clare Guo Viviana Leung Senior Server: Braiden Gunaratnam John Wang Gabriel Yi	Junior Server: Francis Fabela Angelee Manalese Rosebelle Sunjaya Senior Server: Mariah Manalese Shayne Patangan David Sunjaya Kaila Vergara	Junior Server: Andrew Kim Margaret Kim Beniz Macapagal Jade Jimenez Jewel Jimenez Senior Server: Fernanda Carrillo James Godfrey Elizabeth Jung

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*.