



GOSFORD PARISH

*The Communities of St Patrick's East Gosford,
St Francis of Assisi Somersby & Holy Trinity Spencer
Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the
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REMINDERS FROM POPE FRANCIS TO LIVE IN HOPE THIS YEAR

On New Year's Day, Pope Francis announced that the year 2020 will be one of "peace as a journey of hope." He asked that we begin the year with gratitude and praise. These statements were made before anyone knew that the coronavirus pandemic was going to make it difficult to find hope and inner peace. Pope Francis did not know that people were going to need to find new ways to be grateful and praise God in the midst of the virus's disruption. If 2020/21 needs anything, it is hope.

I recently heard someone refer to the saying "hindsight is 20/20" in relation to the year 2020. He suggested that when we look back over this past year, we are going to see the glory of the Lord in more than we can see now. We will see the hope and peace that God has given us this year. With all the change in our lives and in the world, we must remember the things that have not changed: God's love for us, his power, and faithfulness to his promises. We continue to be his beloved sons and daughters, called to live in love of him and each other.

The Lord is making himself known. We may look at this time as a sacred time that we will not get back. Try to spend time reflecting on how God has made himself known to you so far this year.

Pope Francis shared a message that we need to reclaim in 2020 and beyond. He said, "The future does have a name, and its name is Hope. Feeling hopeful does not mean to be optimistically naïve and ignore the tragedy humanity is facing. Hope is the virtue of a heart that doesn't lock itself into darkness, that doesn't dwell on the past, does not simply get by in the present, but is able to see a tomorrow."

What are ways we can be hopeful, even as we continue to face uncertainty? One way is to reflect on Scripture. In Romans 8:24-25, we read, "For in hope we were saved. Now hope that sees for itself is not hope. For who hopes for what one sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait with endurance." So far in this year, there are times we do not see the glory of God amidst the struggles, cancellations and changing plans. But, like in Romans, we must hope for what we cannot see. That is the confidence we have in God. Spend some time reading, reflecting and asking God to reveal his hope to you. Think of where you find hope and opportunities you can provide hope for others.

Pope Francis reminds us that hope has a name, and it is Jesus Christ. The opening sentence of the 2019 Apostolic Exhortation to young people and to the entire people of

"They were as sheep without a shepherd."



Put your *Hope* in God!  Psalm 42 : 5

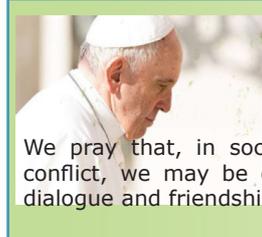
God, titled *Christus Vivit (Christ Lives!)*, reads, "Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life."

We, the Church, need to hope for what is not seen and look to tomorrow optimistically. Our hope is Jesus Christ. God is for us and with us. In hope we are saved!

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."(Romans 15:13)

extract from article in *RESOURCES*

<https://www.unleashthegospel.org/2020/08/reminders-from-pope-francis-to-live-in-hope-this-year/>



POPE FRANCIS' JULY 2021 INTENTION
Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"

DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

BB35
CELEBRATING 35 YEARS
DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY



THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH & THE FAMILY 2021



BLESSED FRANCIS JORDAN SDS

"Where the Ego has been thrown away – when it is gone, love, endurance and fidelity are so easy..."

MM Letters 1900/08/09



ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD

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MASSES LIVE STREAMED

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC44NSRmeB1mg_EKIJUFJpvg/live

GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Mon: 9:00am **Wed:** 11:30am **Fri:** 12:00pm

Tue: 9:00am **Thu:** 9:00am **Sat:** 9:00am

WEEKEND MASSES

GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Sun: 9:30 am

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2wxD3YvfeQ>

Pope Francis' prayer to Virgin Mary for protection from coronavirus



Click on the image above to see the video.

ROSARY EVERY NIGHT AT 9:00 PM

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC44NSRmeB1mg_EKIJUFJpvg/live

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL, IS CLOSED DUE TO COVID LOCKDOWN

ST PATRICK'S GROUPS MEETINGS

Cancer Prayer Group

Craft Group

Grief & Loss Support

MenAlive

Prayers for Christian Unity

Prayer Group DVDs

Prayer Group & Bible Discussion

Bible Study - Monday night

Youth Group

Salvatorian Collaborators

Women's Faith Circle

Children, Yrs 5 & 6

Family Group

NOTE:

ALL ADVERTISED ACTIVITIES ARE SUBJECT TO ANY GOVERNMENT COVID RULINGS AND THEREFORE WILL BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED IF "STAY AT HOME" OR "LOCKDOWN" RULES ARE IN PLACE.

POSTPONED UNTIL AFTER COVID LOCKDOWN.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP STANDARDS LEADERSHIP, MONITORING & IMPROVEMENT

STANDARD 1 – COMMITTED LEADERSHIP, GOVERNANCE & CULTURE

Key Elements of Standard 1:

- † A Commitment to Safeguarding
- † Promoting a Safeguarding Culture
- † Safeguarding Policies
- † Code of Conduct

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER HILARY POPE



IF YOU SEE ANY ACTIVITIES INVOLVING CHILDREN OR VULNERABLE ADULTS THAT CONCERNS YOU, PLEASE EMAIL HILARY POPE, OUR SAFEGUARDING OFFICER AT HILARY.P1@OPTUSNET.COM.AU.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW OR DOWNLOAD](#)

[OUR DIOCESAN COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING](#)



*Christmas
in July*

ZOOM PARTY

Join us for an evening of Christmassy fun
with the community of St Patrick's
from the comfort and safety of your own home!

SATURDAY 24 JULY 2021
7 - 8PM
VIA ZOOM

Including 'Kahoot' trivia, music & fun conversations
Prizes for best dressed and best decorations

Follow the event on the Parish Facebook page for all the details
or go to our Zoom event from 6:45pm on the night.

This is a parish social and we want to reach out to those who are lonely, stuck at home and would like a lift.

7pm Saturday 24 July.

Follow the Facebook link to find all the details. Don't forget to click "going" to keep up to date with all the information.

Facebook Registration Link – <https://fb.me/e/3zqkRb05j>

Zoom Meeting Link

(note only active from 6:45 pm on Saturday night.)

<https://bbcatholic.zoom.us/j/93806854524?pwd=M2VadGJhZDZjWHBhKyswUjJPO1dSUT09>



Fr Greg has recorded a video this week and put it up on YouTube. So, you can see his smiling face, by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xkunVGDnTIM>

LIVE STREAMING

We hope you are all taking advantage of our live-streaming of Masses, and our rosary of an evening. We are trying our best to provide for your needs wherever we are able. A reminder that our YouTube link is as follows, and please feel free to share it with others:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC44NSRmeB1mg_EKIJUFjpvq/live

MASS INTENTIONS

Regarding the Masses you have asked for in remembrance of your loved ones please know that they are being allocated at the first available Mass but as we aren't celebrating as many in each week, they are taking a little longer to be offered and we ask for your understanding.

EVERY BIT HELPS

Lastly please find below the parish's bank account details for direct deposit of your giving to support both the parish which, like everyone else, has ongoing financial commitments including now the support of our clergy 's living as there are no 1st Collections. When depositing please use the reference of either your planned giving number, e.g., '2001', or if you don't have one then, '2nd Collection' or '1st Collection'. We really do need your support.

Account: Gosford Parish Church Account

BSB 062 784

Account: 4238001

Or, you may consider giving via a direct debit monthly.

Click the following link to access and complete the relevant authorities which will be effective each 3rd Monday of the month.

Thank you again to all those who have continued their financial support, and in the words of Luke [6:38]

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

We look forward so much to seeing you all again.

PLANNED GIVING

COMMENCING THE 2021/22 FINANCIAL YEAR

Firstly thank you to all the loyal and generous parishioners currently supporting the parish via planned giving envelopes placed on the plate, or via monthly deductions. Your support is very much appreciated and we look forward to your continuing stewardship. Sadly your parish's giving suffered during COVID, as it did for many others, and we look forward to bouncing back so that we may continue with our programmes into the future.

Don't forget, whilst giving to the parish isn't tax deductible, giving to the CWF is and also assists the parish in meeting its quota so if you would like to have CWF envelopes included in your package of envelopes [or directed monthly], please just complete that section of the application.

NEW ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND

And can be picked up from inside the foyer. Tax receipts for those giving into tax deductible charities are now available from the Foyer as soon as the church is allowed to opened again. If you have an urgent need for your receipts please contact the parish office.

Please find on [Page 9](#), an application to join our planned giving programme [envelopes or monthly deductions] which we invite anyone who isn't yet giving in this way to complete and return to the Parish at your earliest convenience.

NEW RCIA PROGRAM

Anybody interested in, or know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic please contact the Parish Office to register your interest in joining the RCIA program.

Office Phone # 4325-1042.

COVID UPDATE - MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ANTHONY RANDAZZO

Friday 9 July 2021



As you are aware the COVID outbreak in Sydney has necessitated the extension of the current Stay at Home order for the Greater Sydney Area, including Central Coast, Blue Mountains and Wollongong through to at least 11:59pm Friday 16 July 2021, as well as a tightening of the conditions of the order.

With the announcement of the continuation of the Stay at Home Order, I ask that all our churches in Diocese of Broken Bay remain closed. The obligation for the faithful to participate in Sunday Mass (can.1247) remains lifted for the people of Broken Bay for the duration of this Stay at Home Order. I will review the situation as we approach 16 July or if the stay at home order is lifted earlier. Weddings are not permitted to take place, and funerals will be limited to 10 people from 11 July, including the celebrant.

I would encourage you to continue or resume livestreaming the Mass where possible. As advised last weekend, the NSW Chief Medical Officer has recommended limited singing. I am therefore proposing that where possible, you would encourage the presence of one or two cantors at Masses that may be live-streamed from our parishes during this time of lockdown. The cantors should be spaced 3 meters away from each other, and other people. Cantors may remove their face mask while singing. Please exercise your usual discretion if you choose to involve cantors, and ensure they are at ease to participate given the current situation.

If you are unable to live stream your own Masses, I encourage you to promote the live stream from our Cathedral on Sunday mornings at 9.30am as well as weekdays at 7.00am. Mass for You at Home is also readily available, which last weekend was celebrated by our very own Fr Chima Ofor.

Additionally, as you may be aware, access to hospitals and aged care facilities has been significantly reduced. Please check with the specific restrictions that relate to the facilities you work with. In most cases, only Priests are permitted to respond to requests to administer the Sacraments for end-of-life patients. Volunteer Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are not permitted in most facilities at this time.

Our Parish Catechist coordinators have been informed that SRE will not take place in week 1, term 3. The Department has asked for our support in that we do not place any requests on schools during the first week of term 3, as they re-establish home schooling systems. Alison Newell has noted that CCD is currently working on new *Learning from Home* lessons in the event that the lockdown goes beyond the first week of school. They may be unable to have direct virtual access to students, but PowerPoint *Learning from Home* lessons are straightforward and user-friendly

for children and parents. We know from last year that the *Learning from Home* resources were used by many families and schools right across NSW. We are negotiating with the Department of Education to advise parents through school websites that SRE lessons are available, should that become necessary.

Please also note that from Monday 12 July, it is mandatory for all offices in NSW to check-in all visitors and staff using a QR code. Although Churches, when they re-open, will not be held to this mandatory ruling, our parish offices must have a QR code. The QR code must be unique and should not be the same as the church QR code.

Finally, it is important to stress the importance of adhering to the conditions and the spirit of the Stay at Home order. We should not only be encouraging people to reduce their movements within the community, we should be modelling this with our parishioners, volunteers and staff.

I continue to hold you all in my prayer, asking that the Lord may keep us all safe during this troubling and unsettling time.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
+Anthony

SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS MONTH UPDATE 1:

September is Safeguarding Awareness Month (7 weeks to away). This is an annual diocesan initiative. The month focuses on raising awareness about current Safeguarding practices in communities across Broken Bay. It is also an opportunity to engage with scheduled events and celebrate local initiatives. Two initial events to diarise include:

1. 1 September 2021 - Liturgy of Lament, 7.00pm, OLOR Cathedral, Waitara celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo
2. 12 September 2021 - Australian Catholic Church Safeguarding Sunday Mass, local event, initiative by the Australian catholic Bishops Conference (resources will be made available)

AN INVITATION TO YOU

Our Parish Catechist team, invite parishioners to join our Ministry, in a teaching capacity to replace a team member who has left the Parish area.

For Year 6 @12.10 pm
Wednesday at Point Clare.

I look forward to hearing from Parishioners available for this commitment.

All inquiries please call
Raelene 0499 995 292.



PLEASE CONSIDER FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

If you wish to donate to our Parish, you can donate direct to our Bank Account.

When you do so please indicate in the "Reference" the purpose for the donation.

Bank Account Name
St Patrick's Catholic Parish
BSB: 062 784
Account Number: 4238001





SMARTLOVING FERTILITY

An online course for learning how to manage fertility naturally in context of the Catholic faith. Based on the

Sympto-Thermal method, the course incorporates a unique blend of scientific insights, relationship frameworks and Catholic Theology.

From 16 July - 31 August you can register for the course at 50% off to celebrate Natural Fertility Awareness Week.

www.smartloving.org/fertility



WHAT TO DO IN LOCKDOWN

We've got something special for you all this week at St Pat's! To keep us busy for (hopefully) our last week in lockdown, we've got a challenge for you.

So spend some time with Jesus this coming week, learn something new about our amazing faith, connect with a friend virtually or and develop your prayer life! We can't wait to see what you guys get up to! Let's #stayhome together :

See Pages 10 and 11 for some good old fashioned fun and spend time with your kids, or even just have fun.



FREE COUNSELLING SERVICES AT ST PATRICK'S.

NEXT AVAILABLE - AUGUST, 2021

Professional Counsellors offer a caring approach to a range of issues, including:

- Depression and or anxiety
- Grief and loses
- Parenting Support
- Relationship - couple and family issues

Provided with a faith-based perspective in mind.

Extensive experience from clinically trained professionals.

Free, fully confidential and available to parishioners.

- Adolescents
- Adults
- Couples and families

To register please contact the Parish Office.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING 2021

"They were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other Apostles, Brothers - what then must we do?" Acts 2:37

The National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2021 will be launched online on Saturday 31 July. Join a diocesan group with your Bishop, or with your Men's Ministry/Parish group or individually.

Three sessions will be provided online, along with reflection questions for group discussion or individual reflection.

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

Program: Available from Saturday 31 July 2021



SALVATORIAN FORMATION DONATION CODE.

If you would like to support future Salvatorian priests please go to the link. Just scan with your QR Code Reader on your phone.

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=FHE9UKNMLYLQA



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

PS 53:6,8

See, I have God for my help.

The Lord sustains my soul.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

FIRST READING

JER 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.

And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 22. R. V.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort.

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

EPH 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

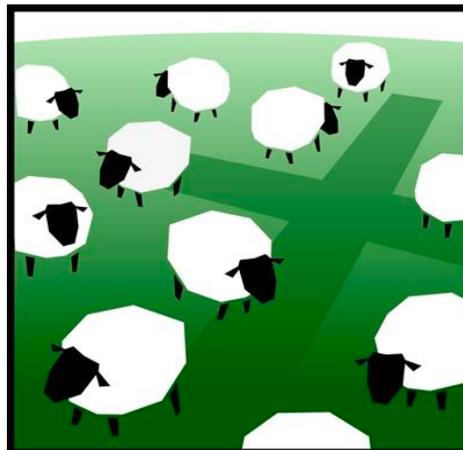
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JN 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!



GOSPEL

MK 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

PS 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY

BY DIANNE BERGANT CSA

The reading from Jeremiah begins with an indictment of the monarchy and an oracle of judgment and ends with an oracle of salvation promising a renewal of the royal house of David. Jeremiah contrasts the notions of scattering and gathering in his development of the shepherd theme, a familiar theme that highlighted the responsibility the leaders had for guiding and safeguarding the people. The leaders had not only neglected the people of God, they actually misled them, causing them to be scattered (exile). However, God will gather them together and bring them back home where they will live in peace. God will then raise up a new royal shepherd, a righteous leader who will govern the nation wisely and justly.

The responsorial psalm is one of the most familiar and best loved psalms of the entire psalter. It paints vivid pictures of a carefree existence, peaceful rest, and abundant fruitfulness. God is characterised as a shepherd who attends to both the physical and the spiritual needs of each individual sheep. With a shepherd's rod and staff, God wards off whatever threatens the flock. God is also a host who prepares a lavish banquet for guests. This banquet affords nourishment as well as public witness to God's high regard for the psalmist, who will continue to enjoy God's favour in God's house. The psalmist has been under the loving guidance of the Lord and will remain there forever.

The epistle speaks of the union, accomplished in Christ, between two different groups of people. Previously the Ephesians had been far off from faith; now, through the blood of Christ, they have been joined to other believers. Christ is their peace; in Christ they are now one people. The 'dividing wall of enmity' might refer to the barrier that kept non-Jewish people out of designated precincts of the temple. It could refer to cultic regulations which forbade association with people who did not belong to the community. Or it could be an allusion to the entire law which set the Israelites apart from all others. Through the blood of the cross, Christ has broken down this wall of division.

The gospel paints a picture of success. Either the ministry of the apostles was quite effective, or Jesus' fame had spread abroad, or both, for the people came in such numbers that the missionaries withdrew from the crowds. The desert was not only a place of escape, it reminded the people of the formative period of their past, when in the desert God entered into covenant with them. A return to the desert was often a time of recommitment. Their departure did not deter the crowds; they followed them. Jesus was moved by the plight of the people, whom he saw as sheep without a shepherd. He knew that they followed him so eagerly because they were bereft of strong and dependable leadership. And so he began to teach them.

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New Theology Review (1997-2003), Teaching Theology and Religion (2003-2005), and Chicago Studies (2003-2009). She has taught and lectured in many places in the United States and abroad and has written numerous books, articles and chapters in books.

THIS WEEK

Thu St Mary Magdalene

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

1st: 2 Kg 4:42-44

2nd: Eph 4:1-6

Gospel: Jn 6:1-15

YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Bernadette Humphries, Maura Garvey, Allan Hoole, Arthur Holland, Maree Nolan, Carlos Llenado, Jim Dibben, William Parkhouse, Anne Holohan, Brent Senger, Oliver Senger, Christopher Michael Graham, Nancy Fitzgerald, Angela Gibbs, Peter Allman, Peter Gloss, Pat Lowe, Maria Keissellis, Pam O'Malley-Jones, Megan McGowan, Judith Wennerbom, Marie O'Donovan, Frank McGuinness.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Maria Del Sagrario Gomez De Las Heras Alonso, Trish Arnell, Christopher Lucey, Rita Agius, Marie Stokes, Tereso Ave Jr, Theresia Edwin, Elaine Arthur, Jim Reilly, Liliana Walter.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Josephine Comensoli, Boleslaw Then, Rodney Spencer, Andrew Murphy, John & Eva Smith, Sr Marie Paul Chanel, Maria Dabski, Eric Fitzgibbon, Ines Bembo, Marget Richter, Elaine Murphy, Angelina Comensoli, Thomas

Dodd, Irena & Jan Tomporowski, Tim Garnsey, Magdalen McZoffa Then, Stephen & Edward Blow, Angelo & Josephine Vella, Paddy Holohan.

REMEMBRANCES:

Joseph Vaz, Ronald Freeman, Fariba Ghazi, Mary Jane Buhagiar, Glenn Mills, Friquet Family, Mr Sammut, Foss family members, For all the Souls of the Vaz family, Kevin Boland, Fariba Ghazi, Mary Anne Dwyer, Gary Bell, John & Doris Bourke, Effie Fernandes, Marjorie Caves, Joh Van Yzendoorn..

CONDOLENCES:

Our sincere condolences to all those who have recently lost family members or friends. May their souls rest in the peace and glory of our Lord.



Date	Mass	Intention	Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 10/07	9:00am Gosford	'HOLY SOULS'	Thu 15/07	9:00am Gosford	+ Remembrance RONALD FREEMAN
Sat 10/07	4:30pm Spencer 2nd Sunday of Mth		Fri 16/07	12:00pm Gosford	+Anniversary BOLESLOW THEN
Sat 10/07	5:00pm Gosford		Sat 17/07	9:00am Gosford	+ Remembrance JOSEPH VAZ
Sat 10/07	5:30pm Somersby			4:30pm Spencer 2nd Sunday of Mth	
Sun 11/07	7:30am Gosford		Sat 17/07	5:00pm Gosford	
Sun 11/07	9:30am Gosford	+ Anniversary SR MARIE PAUL CHANEL	Sat 17/07	5:30pm Gosford	
Sun 11/07	6:00pm Gosford		Sun 18/07	7:30am Gosford	
Mon 12/07	9:00am Gosford	+ Anniversary RODNEY SPENCE	Sun 18/07	9:30am Gosford	+ Anniversary JOSEPHINE COMENSOLI
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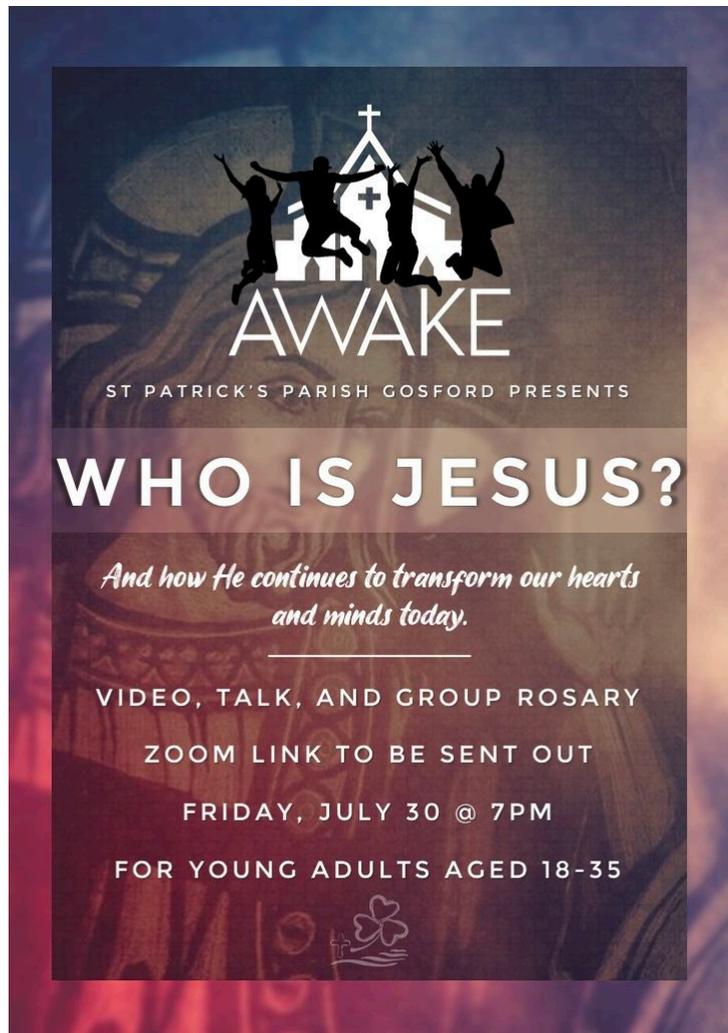
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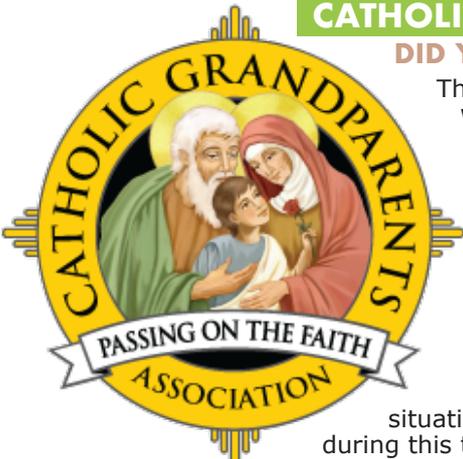


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CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION



DID YOU KNOW?

There is a Catholic Grandparents Association! Originating in Ireland, this is now a worldwide movement that seeks to support the vocation and ministry of grandparents.

More information can be found here: <http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org/>

FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY – 25 JULY 2021

Don't forget to celebrate the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on Sunday 25 July! This day has a special significance considering our current situation. It is the elderly members of our communities who are particularly vulnerable during this time of lockdown and the presence of COVID-19 in our community.

Resources developed by the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life were sent out in a recent BBNeighbourhoods. If you missed this, you can find links to the resources here.

In light of the current closure of churches, a print copy of the prayer card with the Prayer for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will no longer be distributed.

However, a digital copy can be found here:
<http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org/>



The Lost Sheep

THE WORD

The apostles returned and told Jesus everything. He said to them, "Let us go off by ourselves where we will be alone and you can rest." So they started out in a boat for a lonely place. People saw them leave and they ran ahead by land. When Jesus got out of the boat, he saw the crowd and he was filled with pity for they were like sheep without a shepherd.

Jer 23:1-6 | Ps 22 | Eph 2:13-18 | Mk 6:30-34

FAMILY FOCUS

Shepherds for the flock.

The Lord promises Jeremiah to raise up shepherds for the flock. These are leaders in the Church anointed for the holy purpose of serving, protecting, and nurturing us in the faith. In the history of the Church, these courageous men and women often gave their lives in service to their 'flock'.

Talk About it: Have you ever thought about becoming a priest or religious brother or sister?

PRAYER SPACE

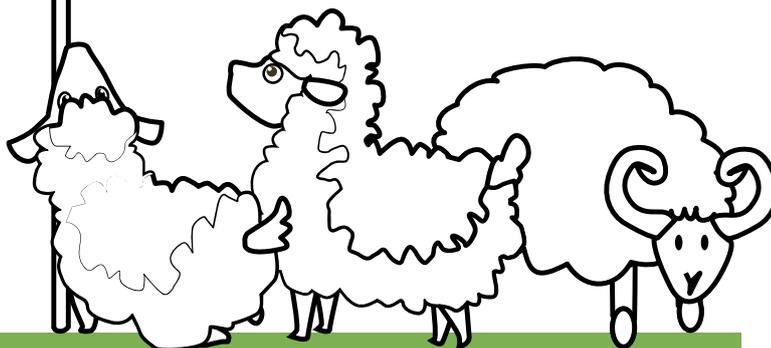
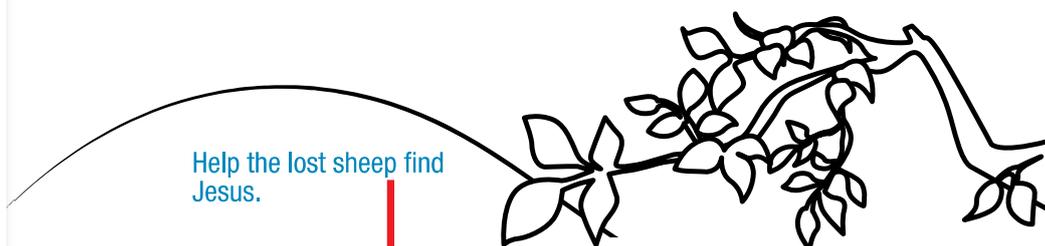
Symbol: Shepherd



Lord God, you promise us shepherds to lead your people. Give us a deep love for the priests, sisters and brothers you have blessed us with. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW?

Mary Magdalene is depicted in icons holding a red egg. While telling the disbelieving Emperor Tiberius about the Gospel, she took the egg he was holding, and said "Christ is Risen!" The egg turned blood red. Tiberius released her and had Pontius Pilate removed to Gaul.



Abundance

THE WORD

A large crowd followed Jesus. He asked Philip, "Where can we buy enough food to feed these people?" Philip answered, "It would take more than two hundred silver coins to buy enough bread." Then Andrew said, "There is a boy here who has five loaves and two fish, but it will not be enough." Jesus took the bread and fish, gave thanks to God and gave it to them. When they were all full, the disciples gathered the scraps and filled twelve baskets.

Kn 4:42-44 | Ps 144 | Eph 4:1-6 | Jn 6:1-15

FAMILY FOCUS

Abundance. When God promises to provide, he provides in lavish abundance until we are fully satisfied. But we have to trust in him. This can be difficult as it takes great faith. Yet faith in God's providence brings true freedom – the freedom to take risks and follow in his footsteps.

Talk about it: How does God provide for you in your life?

PRAYER SPACE



Symbol: Fish

Lord God,
You provide for us in so many ways. Teach us to trust in you and to turn to you in need.
Amen.

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

The practice of pausing at meal times to give thanks to God is a way of acknowledging the divine source of all our life sustaining gifts. As many a family will attest, this brief interaction with God and one another is a sure way of strengthening the bond of faith and family.



Jesus is not only concerned about people's spiritual life – he cares about our physical needs too. Using the code, decipher the words of the people when they saw Jesus perform this miracle.

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