

# CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

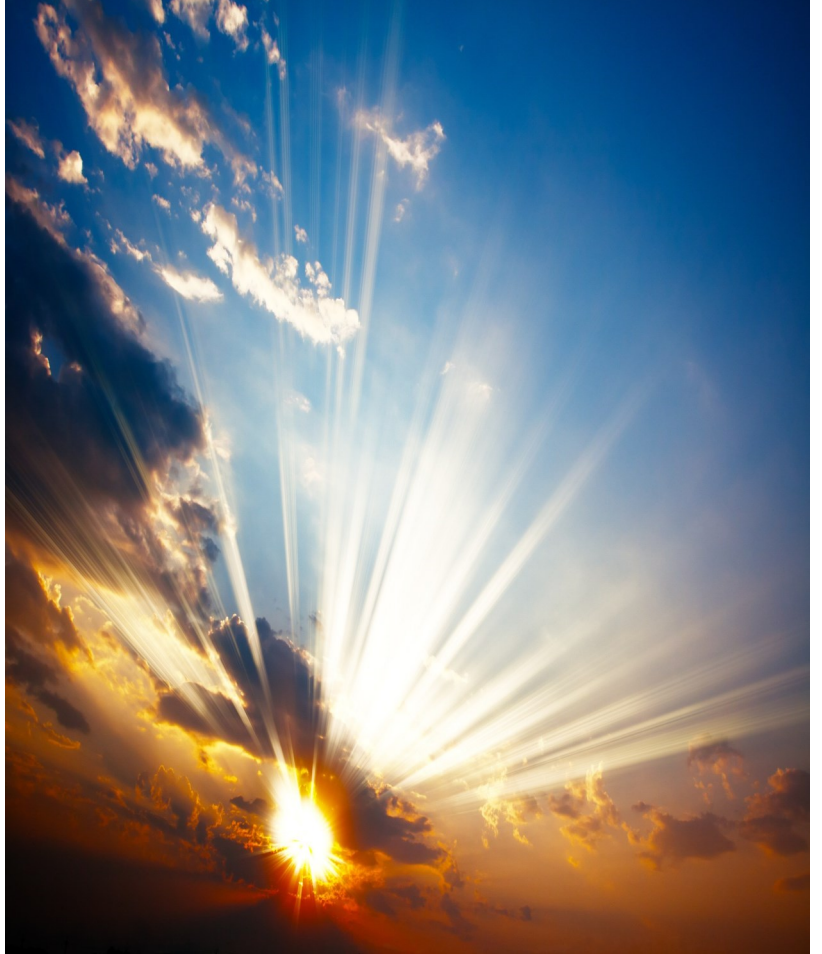
## NORTH ROCKS

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Fr. Ian McGinnity  
**Deacon :** Rev. Tony Hoban  
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**Baptisms** Monthly 2nd & 4th Sun  
**Weddings:** By Appointment  
**Reconciliation:** Sat 9.30 am & 4.30pm  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Sat 9.30am  
**Rosary:** Sat 8.30am, Tue 7pm  
**Children's Liturgy:** 10am Mass-During Term  
**Parish Services**  
**Sunday Masses:**  
6.00pm Saturday  
8.00 am Sunday  
10.00 am Sunday  
**Weekday Masses:**  
Tuesday 7.30 pm  
Wednesday 9.00 am  
Thursday 9.00 am  
Friday 9.15 am  
Saturday 9.00 am  
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SUNDAY 16 April 2017,  
YEAR A  
*Sunday of the  
RESURRECTION*



# He Is Risen!



### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 20th May 2017 at 9am Mass. IN YOUR MERCY, PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED:**

**THE SICK :** Fred Taouk, Stuart Grayson, Tony Hughes, Mary Magill, Simon Khoury, Stan Burgin, Fr George O'Mara ,Iris Baxter, Rosa Maria Santos and Fran Lewis.

### THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Damien Reynolds and Annita Paloni.

**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THE DEPARTED IN YOUR PRAYERS.** Peter Francis Murphy, Brian John Coorey, Karen Euhus , Mary Ribbons and Olga Gialanze

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Holy Week elicits from us a variety of emotions. From the exuberance of Palm Sunday and the joy of the institution of the Eucharist on Thursday to the sorrow of Good Friday and Our Lord's Passion and Death. Now we rejoice in the presence of our Risen Saviour who overcomes death and gives us all the hope of everlasting life.*

*The Easter season is a time of new beginnings. With this newness comes the responsibility to renew our commitment to the Risen Christ. The Lord declares "Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts" (Zech. 1:3). We must witness to Christ by our faith, by our actions. May we always be reminded of his great sacrifice for us and seek to serve Him more each day. St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo in North Africa, told his people at Easter time: "If we were silent about the joy that comes from the risen Jesus, the very stones of our cities would cry out. For we are Easter people and 'alleluia' is our song."*

*A big thank you to all who have helped plan and assisted in any way in the Holy Week liturgies which we have celebrated.*

*Wishing you a Holy and Spirit filled Easter.*

*Fr Ian T. McGinnity, P.P.*

*Deacon Tony Hoban*

**Reading for Easter Vigil**

Gen 1:1—2:2; Gen 22: 1-18; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 54: 5-14; Is 55: 1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ezeck 36:16-28 Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10

**Reading for Easter Sunday of the Resurrection**

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1Cor 5:6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24: 13-35

**April 15/16 —THE RESURRECTION of the LORD**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday 15 April</b> 6.00 pm <b>Holy Saturday</b>	Ken Boys roger Hook	Aubon Fernando	Rob Haddad Kerry Saad	Jeremy Thaman	John Lacey Nesli Nuguid	Dominic Wong
<b>Sunday 16 April</b> 8.00 am <b>The Resurrection of the Lord</b>	Stan Burgin John Murphy	Peter Bosci	Tony Hughes Dexter Tabeta	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Jui-May Lee Anne-Marie Makin Rosemary Wickham	Pauline Zhao and Mike Yates
<b>Sunday 15 April</b> 10.00 am <b>The Resurrection of the Lord</b>	Paul Malouf Michael Ng	Jose Jilesh	Ian McMaster Sam Safy	David Cook	Jennifer Alphone Leila Safy Natasha Todorov	Carla Manasan Darren So

**COUNTER Group 3**– Sam Bietola, Ken Abood, Roger Brewer, Cass Joyce

**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 4**— Anna Hunt, Barbara Haddad

**PIETY Group 3**– Robyn Bacon, Kim Fryer, Frances Gallagher

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 4**– Mark & Carmela corazza, Bernadette Ghalloub, Ramona Yammouni, Maria ellis, Mariana Tomasovic

**April 22/23 —Second Sunday of Easter**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday</b> 6.00 pm	Ken Boys Paul Rankin	Keith Henson	Zeina Chacty John Khoudair	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Lilia Nuguid	Isabelle Chacty
<b>Sunday</b> 8.00 am	Stan Burgin John Colman	Ken Coorey	Bev Johnson Marguerite Wong	Trish Yates	James McMaster Lorraine Murphy Gerianne Sadaya	Mike Yates
<b>Sunday</b> 10.00 am	Peter Elchaar Michael Nasr	David Collins	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Kathryn Gaudron	Diane Campbell Cheryl Collins Marea Mooney	Dominic Wong

**COUNTER Group 4**– Carl Lao, Peter Bellamy, John Hunt

**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 5**– Margaret Isaac, Barbara Haddad

**PIETY Group 4**– Lena Henson, dawn Muriti, Helen Templeman, Marea Mooney

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 2**– Connie Este and CTK School Mums Group 5

**SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBITION: ENDS 18 APRIL**

An exact replica of the famous Shroud of Turin will be exhibited in the Sacred Heart Chapel at St Patrick's Cathedral this Holy week. Open 7am - 6.00pm and entry is free.

**POSITIONS VACANT**

The Diocese of Parramatta is seeking applications for several positions including an Archives and Records Manager located in Parramatta. For further details, go to <https://parracatholic.org/employment/> Applications for these positions close on Monday 21 April 2017.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We welcome Miranda Atwood Mueller into the Catholic Church here at North Rocks, having been Baptised, Confirmed and received her 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. We congratulate her and thank her for undergoing the RCIA program and pray that she will continue to grow in her love of God within this community of faith. We also thank Rachel Elliott for being her sponsor and David and Cheryl Collins as well as the RCIA team at Castle Hill for facilitating her catechesis.

## CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

On **Monday, 17 April**, Easter Monday, Father Ian will celebrate Mass at 9 AM on this Easter public holiday.

On **Tuesday, 25 April**, Anzac Day, Father Ian will celebrate Mass at 9 AM. Please note that the evening mass at 7:30 PM normally scheduled on Tuesday, 25 April is cancelled for that Tuesday.

## EASTER OFFERINGS

Easter offerings are placed in a common fund which pays: Priest Salaries, Domestic needs of the presbytery, Housekeepers salary and contributes to the retirement plan for sick and aged priests. Please contribute as generously as you can.

## PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM- 1<sup>ST</sup> EUCHARIST

Enrolments closed for this program on Friday, 7 April. Parents who have children in the program are reminded that the liturgical enrolment ceremony will take place at all Sunday masses (Saturday 6 PM, Sunday 8 AM and 10 AM) on the weekend of the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April. It is essential that the candidates and their parents attend one of these masses and present their completed enrolment card during the ceremony. If for an important reason you are unable to attend, please contact the parish office before this weekend on Ph: 9871 8710.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE AT CTK

The CTK Parish Community is encouraged to donate items to help people living in the community and seeking asylum, and who access the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Foodbank Program.

The JRS Program needs your help with specific Food Items and Toiletries in the attached list. A specially marked container will be placed at the back of the Church in which you can drop off your donations. The CTK Social Justice group will collect these items and deliver them to the JRS office in Parramatta on your behalf.

If you need more details, please refer to the attachment or send an email to Jon at [jon.manasan@gmail.com](mailto:jon.manasan@gmail.com).

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Centred on the Gospel of Jesus,

Christ the King Church is a warm, welcoming community of faith.

We continue to strive to be open and to embrace diversity, as we love and grow in relationship to God and in service to one another.

## ALTAR SOCIETY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Altar society participate in the Liturgical life of our Parish in a meaningful way. They Clean and care for the altar space including maintaining altar candles, linens, vestments, etc. This visual ministry brings people together to change our worship space each liturgical season through the use of flowers, plants and fabrics. Many skills are needed to prepare and hang displays, arrange plants and flowers and care for and repair various fabrics. New volunteer members are needed for three to 4 hours once every nine weeks for flowers arrangements. Please contact Barbara Haddad on 0402 585 682 or the parish office on 9871 8712

## SHRINE TIME FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35: 23 APRIL

One Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for WYD 2018 in Panama. From 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by social gathering. Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary; See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life; and Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS. In the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.

## ALPHA IS COMING TO CTK - 1ST MAY @7PM

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore the basics of the Christian faith. Each session begins with a bite to eat and chance to meet up with others, followed by a short DVD and then discussion where participants are encouraged to ask questions and discuss their opinions freely. Bring along a friend and see what it's all about! For further information, contact Rachel Elliott at [relliottaus@gmail.com](mailto:relliottaus@gmail.com)

## BISHOP VINCENT'S FIRST EASTER MESSAGE

Bishop Vincent's first Easter message can be found at: [www.catholicoutlook.org](http://www.catholicoutlook.org)

In his first Easter message as the Bishop of Parramatta, Bishop Vincent shares with us "The Easter story does not end with Mary in grief. It tells us of her encounter with the Risen Lord who calls out her name and sends her out on a mission of proclaiming to others the Good News of the Resurrection."

Bishop Vincent and the Diocese of Parramatta wish you all a Happy Easter.

## "MY SOUL PROCLAIMS THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD": 6 MAY

Reflection Day for Women on Saturday 6 May 9.30 am – 3.00 pm at Mt Schoenstatt, Fairlight Rd Mulgoa.

Hosted by Sr Mary Louise Walsh.

Cost \$25 BYO lunch, tea & coffee provided. To register: [info@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:info@schoenstatt.org.au)



## **LIFTED LIVE! FEATURING STEVE ANGRISANO: 13 MAY**

Join Catholic Youth Parramatta for our first LIFTED Live! in 2017 at our new central venue in the Rooty Hill RSL. Last year, more than 400 young people were inspired by Catholic musician, singer, songwriter and storyteller Steve Angrisano. You can expect music, prayer, worship, adoration, drama, laughs and a great night as the LIFTED Band and Steve join forces in faith, formation and fun! \$5 entry fee to be inspired and upLIFTED for your ongoing ministry! From 7.00pm-10.00pm at Rooty Hill RSL, 55 Sherbrooke Rd, Rooty Hill. RSVP thru the **Catholic Youth Parramatta** Facebook event. Inquiries to James Camden, Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, tel (02) 8838 3428 or [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)

## **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION INTRODUCTION & RENEWAL DAY: 21 MAY**

Presentations, Introduction to Christian Meditation, two periods of meditation, Eucharistic Celebration and information exchange. BYO picnic lunch – tea & coffee provided. Arrive 10am for 10.30am, concludes about 3pm. Books & CDs for sale. St Benedict's Monastery is at 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, tel (02) 9653 1159. Self-catering accommodation may be available in the monastery guest house. Contact Br Terry 0438 282 318. Inquiries: Ann Bergman (02) 9498 2625, [anniebergman@hotmail.com](mailto:anniebergman@hotmail.com) or Ann Lomas (02) 9456 4775, [atlomas@bigpond.com](mailto:atlomas@bigpond.com)

## **PARISHES MAKING CONNECTIONS NSW CONFERENCE: 2 MAY**

Shane Dwyer, director of the National Centre for Evangelisation, keynotes this year's NSW Catholic Pastoral Conference. Includes presentations and networking with parishes and schools offering successful ministries with small faith groups and with youth engagement. For parishioners, school staff and clergy. Lidcombe, 10.00am-4.00pm, optional dinner. \$60 registration: [www.trybooking.com/PBCM](http://www.trybooking.com/PBCM) Endorsed by our Pastoral Planning Office. For inquiries and flyer: Greg Byrne tel 0427 918 568, [gregbyrne3@bigpond.com](mailto:gregbyrne3@bigpond.com)

## **THE SHRINE OF MT SCHOENSTATT – 'OASIS OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE': 21 MAY**

Come and experience a special day at The Shrine of Mt Schoenstatt – 'Oasis of Faith, Hope and Love' - 230 Fairlight Road Mulgoa for the Annual Marian Pilgrimage to be held on Sunday 21st May, 2017. The celebrations begin at 10am with Holy Mass at 10:30 am and Eucharistic Procession and Benediction from the valley to the Shrine at 2pm. There will be an alternative programme for the sick and elderly at the Shrine. This is an Outdoor event. Please bring your own chairs and picnic rugs. Food stalls available or bring your own lunch. For more details ring 02 4773 8338 or visit [www.schoenstatt.org.au](http://www.schoenstatt.org.au)

## **NEW TESTAMENT WORKSHOPS: 10, 12 & 13 MAY**

The internationally respected Scripture scholar Prof vanThan Nguyen SVD will be conducting three face-to-face workshops at The Broken Bay Institute which will be of practical interest to teachers, parishes and religious communities. Prof Nguyen is the Chair of Catholic Missiology at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and the Director of its widely respected Master of Divinity Program. He has published extensively in the areas of *New Testament Studies* and on *Spirituality in a Pluralistic Society*. Topics: Interpreting and Preaching the Gospel of Matthew (10 May), The Lukan Spirituality of Jesus (12 May) and Reading the Bible in the Context of World Christianity (13 May). For further information and to register: [www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/BBites](http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/BBites) Further details on **Catholic Youth Parramatta** Facebook Events. Inquiries to James Camden, Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, (02) 8838 3428 or [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)

### **CREDIT CARD AND DIRECT DEBIT**

Please inform the Parish Office on 9871 8710 or send an email of any changes to your credit card number/expiry date or direct debit account.

**Thank you for your ongoing support**

### **EMAIL ADDRESS**

If you have changed your email address or now have a email address, could you please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible. **Thank you**

### **ONLINE GIVING**

Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Please call the Parish Office for the BSB and Account number for the Parish or DWF Account.

### **BEQUESTS**

Many of us have a special connection to our parish, nurtured by years of faith-sharing, schooling, friendships and support.

A bequest to your parish, no matter how small, will help the faith community which has meant so much to you to continue its good works and its loving outreach. It is also a means by which you can plan a lasting gift for your parish which might not be possible in your lifetime.

In receiving a bequest, a parish may be able to use the gift to attend to much needed maintenance and improvements to the church and other Parish property or put the gift towards building a new church or refurbishing their existing one. These kinds of gifts help the Parish free up other income to use toward pastoral care programs.

*Have a Blessed Easter*