

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:	Weekday Masses:
6.00pm Saturday	Tuesday 7.30 pm
8.00 am Sunday	Wednesday 9.00 am
10.00 am Sunday	Thursday 9.00 am
	Friday 9.15 am
	Saturday 9.00 am
Parish Address:	
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SUNDAY 7 May 2017,
YEAR A
Fourth Sunday of



Gospel Reflection

This is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' and a particular focus taken today is leadership. Which voices do we follow? Why do we follow these voices and not others? Authentic leadership is rooted in authority, and authentic authority is the ability to author or bring life to birth. Genuine authority cherishes, guards and encourages the best in life; it provides rest and refreshment; it guides our steps; it nourishes us; it leads us to God. Peter is an example of authentic authority: he proclaims the truth, even if others find it hard to hear; he denounces error, even when this places him in jeopardy; he calls for a change of heart, even when it makes great demands.

Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is gentle and familiar, like the true shepherd; it has won the confidence of those who follow, as did the true shepherd; it is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others, as was Jesus. Authentic leadership is willing to forgo its own needs and to deny its own interests in favour of the needs and interests of others.

Heavy demands are placed on those who follow authentic leadership. Those who follow the Good Shepherd must follow him in the dark valleys as well as to the refreshing streams. They must be willing to relinquish some of their own plans and self-determination and entrust themselves to his leadership. They must never forget that they are following a shepherd who has paid the ultimate price on their behalf.

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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:

Msgr Eugene Harley (pp of Mosman) Jalil Chacty, Maureen Vierboom

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THE DEPARTED IN YOUR PRAYERS.

William Lum, Catherine Young

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.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL) ON PENTECOST SUNDAY (3RD/4TH JUNE)



Youth and Adults who are bilingual are invited to translate and read the General Intercessions at the weekend Masses for Pentecost Sunday in a language other than English.

The prayer/s (in English) will be provided to you via email in the week leading up to Pentecost.

If you are fortunate enough to be bilingual and would like to be involved in this way in the Pentecost Sunday liturgies, please email Erica at rheinberger.eric@gmail.com with your name, contact details and Mass time you will be attending on Pentecost Sunday.

Reading for 6/7 May—Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1Pet 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10

Reading for 13/14 May—Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 6:1-7; 1Pet 2:4-9; Jn 14: 1-12

May 6/7 —Fourth Sunday of Easter

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
Saturday 6.00 pm	Ken Boys George Germanos	Aubon Fernando	Jennifer Alphonse John DeCourcy	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Sue DeCourcy	Thea Price
Sunday 8.00 am	John Colman Christine Kinsella	Peter Bosci	Tony Hughes Margaret Noonan		Cheryl Collins James Kinsella Jenny Roddy	Toby Shi
Sunday 10.00 am	Peter Elchaar Michael Nasr	David Collins	Julia Hoban Ian McMaster	Kathryn Gaudron	Diane Campbell Camilla Portela Rosemary Wickham	Carla Manasan Darren So

COUNTER Group 6- Robert Wallace, Peter Bosci

ALTAR SOCIETY Group 6— Carol Coorey, Barbara Haddad

PIETY Group 2- Julie Hook, Sue Quigley, Jill Wulf

CHURCH CLEANING Group 1- Connie Este & CTK School Mums Group 1

May 13/14 —Fifth Sunday of Easter

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
Saturday 6.00 pm	Roger Hook Paul Rankin	Keith Henson	Rob Haddad Inge Wienker	Jeremy Thaman	Sue Decourcy Nesli Nuguid	Dorothea Price
Sunday 8.00 am	John Colman John Murphy	Jose Jilesh	Tony Hughes Rhoda Patrick	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Jui-May Lee Anne-Marie Makin Lorraine Murphy	Pauline Zhao
Sunday 10.00 am	Peter Elchaar Paul Malouf	Ken Coorey	Jennifer Alphonse Sam Safy	David Cook	Annette Hoban Leila Safy Natasha Todorov	Julia Hoban

COUNTER Group 7- Tony Clancy– John Lacey

ALTAR SOCIETY Group 7- Ada Cheung


PIETY Group 3- Robyn Bacon, Kim Fryer, Frances Gallagher

CHURCH CLEANING Group 2- Frances Gallagher, Rosemaree Maroon, Paul cook, Marlene Galea

WATCH THIS SPACE

**CTKLIGHT TERM 2.
FOOD. FELLOWSHIP. FAITH.**


**FRIDAY EVENINGS. 7PM. CTK HALL
BE THERE.**

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COMMUNION OF SAINTS

CTK Alive | Years 9 – 12 | Sundays during Term 2
7pm – 8:30pm



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DWF— COLLECTION DUE—21 MAY

The DWF Appeal provides funds for social initiatives and community benefit including **CatholicCare Social Services, Ephpheta and Blacktown Neighbour Aid** to mention just a few.

Gifts over \$2 to the Diocesan Works Fund are tax deductible. Please give generously!

Our quota for this appeal is **\$ 7367.00—Please help us to reach our target before the end of financial year.**

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM- 1ST EUCHARIST

This weekend parishioners are invited to take an enrolment card of the First communion Candidates and pray for the child and his/her family during the program. The first session of catechesis will take place on Wednesday 17 May in the MacKillop Hall at 7:30pm.

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

THE CONTEMPLATIVE BOOK CLUB

The Contemplative Book Club will resume meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 10.00am.

The book for 2017 is by a Benedictine Mark O'Keefe OSB on The Way of Transformation –

Saint Teresa of Avila on the Foundation and Fruit of Prayer. For further information kindly contact Lorraine Murphy ocds on 0407 691 576.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

This Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. In his Letter for this Day, Pope Francis asks each of us to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. If each person who reads this offers one small prayer, it will make a difference.

<https://nrvc.net/publication/1419/article/3746>

CONCERT: 13 MAY

Thinking of a gift for mum for Mother's day? Why not take her to a music concert at your local Cathedral?

Enjoy the pastoral sounds of a string ensemble, sacred music featuring the Cathedral's magnificent Pipe Organ, and an assortment of musical treasures. End the afternoon with a cup of tea and some sweet and savoury delights. Bring mum. Bring the whole family. Tickets: \$20 per Adult, \$15 Concession. \$5 per Child (12 years and under) available from the St Patrick's Cathedral office. From 3pm on Saturday May 13 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

OPEN LETTER TO THE BISHOPS OF AUSTRALIA

Catholics for Renewal has drafted a letter in consultation with many Catholics strongly committed to the teachings of Jesus and their Church. People of the Church, including our bishops, have been distressed by the increasing failings of our Church, particularly in the context of the evidence before the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Australian Catholics are invited to consider and sign the Open Letter to the Bishops of Australia. The Open Letter provides an opportunity, consistent with the Church's Code of Canon Law, for the faithful - lay people, religious, priests, all members of the Church - to seek renewal of the Church. The Open Letter may be signed and read online www.catholicsforrenewal.org/open-letter, or by hard copy in the foyer after Sunday Mass. Parishioners are also invited to attend an extraordinary meeting on the 1 June at 7:30 pm in the MacKillop Hall to discuss the ways in which we can, as a parish, show God's compassion by reaching out to the survivors of sexual abuse: those within our community or those beyond.

FATHER ERIC BURTON UPDATE

Due to aspiration (swallowing) difficulties Father Eric has been placed on a special diet. It is important for his welfare to keep to this diet. Could parishioners, who kindly visit him, please refrain from bringing him gifts of food and drink which may be detrimental to his health.

MACKILLOP HALL RENOVATIONS

After months of consultation the finalised plans for the renovation of our parish hall can be seen in the church foyer. These plans have been certified by a private certifying company to meet building code requirements and the committee is awaiting quotes from building companies before beginning the long-awaited renovations.

REGIONAL CATECHISTS MASS

On Tuesday, 23 May at 7:30 PM Christ the King Parish, North Rocks will host the regional Mass for Catholic special religious education teachers in our state schools. All are welcome to this celebration and acknowledgement of our hard-working catechists.

DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS

The Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta has made the following appointments:

Rev Robert William, currently Assistant Priest at Holy Trinity Granville and Holy Family Granville East as Parish Priest of St Matthew's Windsor from 1 June, 2017 for six years.

Rev Luis Fernando Montano, currently Parish Priest of St Monica's North Parramatta, as Parish Priest of St Bernadette's Parish Castle Hill from 17 July, 2017 for six years.

On 2 May, 2017 Rev Luis Fernando Montano was incardinated into the Diocese of Parramatta leaving the Foreign Missions Society of Mexico or Guadalupe Missionaries.



LIFTED LEADERSHIP SEMINAR 2017: JUNE 3 AND 4
Catholic Youth Parramatta is hosting

a weekend of formation, training and sharing for aspiring and active leaders from parishes and schools between the ages of Year 11 and 30 years of age – “Develop, Grow, Inspire for Mission” at the funky Atura Hotel, 32 Cricketers Arms Rd, Prospect. The program begins at 10am on Saturday and includes a conference dinner with Bishop Vincent. It continues on Sunday and concludes with a Parish Mass in the evening. There is a heavily discounted registration cost of \$50 for all meals but we are limited to 70 participants. Register through James Camden, Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, 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 or Ann Lomas (02) 9456 4775, atlomas@bigpond.com



PARISHES MAKING CONNECTIONS NSW MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

In his Post-Synodal Apostolic Exortation on “Love in the Family” our Holy Father calls on all Christians to encourage further enrichment in love in our Marriages as a means to build our Christian Communities.

Marriage Encounter is an enrichment experience. There is a Marriage Encounter weekend on at the Carmelite Retreat Centre at Varroville on 19th to 23rd May. We encourage all married couples to attend There are brochures at the back of the church. For more information contact Adrian & Janet Sullivan on 0400 963 011

“KINGSMEN” have scheduled their next get together this **Tuesday 9th May** at Baulkham hills sports club from **7pm**.

Come along and meet like minded fathers of our community and share a meal and drink in a relaxed and casual environment.

For more information please contact Peter or just come along on the night, bring a mate with you for a greater experience.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Peter Elchaar JP- KingsMen- 0408 678 922

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

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

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.