

# CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

## NORTH ROCKS

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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 4 June 2017,  
 YEAR A  
**PENTECOST  
 SUNDAY**



### *Gospel Reflection*

Pentecost celebrates the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. It brings the Easter season to its conclusion. The Risen Lord has been exalted to his rightful place next to God and he has sent his Spirit to fill the earth with God's power. The world is charged with divine energy; it needs but a spark to ignite it with life and with excitement. This vitality explodes into the extraordinary. Tongues are loosed and speech overflows its linguistic constraints; charismatic gifts flood the valleys of human habitation; barred doors are burst open and frightened hearts are calmed. The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world.

Once again we gather together for one reason, only to discover that God has gathered us for another. Through the Spirit of God, we are reconciled to each other and then together we spend ourselves for the common good. Through the Spirit of God the world is renewed, the community is revitalised, and we come to know the mysterious yet all pervasive peace of Christ.

The Spirit has been poured forth and works wonders wherever human hearts are open to its promptings. The earth is renewed each time rivalries are resolved, distinctions are recognised as merely expressions of diversity, peace is restored, comfort and solace are offered, and forgiveness is granted. We are immersed in the vigour of the Spirit of God. All we have to do is open ourselves to it and the reign of God will be born in our midst.

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#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 19th August 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:**

Simon Nasa (Funeral CTK 11am Tuesday 6 June), Patricia Hardman, Angela Mancuso, Kevin Saul,

**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THE DEPARTED IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

Neil O'Hara, Guiseppina, Carmelina, Beniamino, Jimmy Cutrone and George Cutrone Jnr, Peter and Esse Capsanis

#### **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.

**PENTECOST  
 SUNDAY  
 CELEBRATION**

#### **BBQ THIS SUNDAY**

Many Christians celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in worship activities on Pentecost, or as it is sometimes called, Whitsunday. This name is said to arise from the

ancient practice of newly baptised individuals wearing white robes during this time.

Please join us after the 10am mass to celebrate the birthday of the Church. We will be holding a "Morning tea" and BBQ sausage sizzle for "lunch." All welcome. Come and join in the festivities!.

**Reading for 3/4 June– PENTECOST Sunday**

Vigil: Genesis 11-19; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2: 1-11; Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

**Reading 10/11 June—The Most Holy Trinity**

Ex 34: 4-6, 8-9; 2Cor 13: 11-13; Jn

**June 3/4 —PENTECOST Sunday**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Sam Bietola Paul Rankin	Keith Henson	Sue Veling Inge Wienker	Veronica Chacty	John Lacey Frank Lah	Isabelle chacty
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	John Colman John Murphy	Aubon Fernando	Bev Johnson Margaret Noonan	Jo-Anne Castaneda	James Kinsella Anne-Marie Makin Jenny Roddy	Pauline Zhao
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Peter Elchaar Mark Rea	David Collins	Stephen Doyle Sam Safy	David Cook	Annette Hoban Camilla Portela Leila Safy	Carla Manasan Darren So

**COUNTER Group 3-** Sam Bietola, Ken Abood, Roger Brewer, Cass Joyce**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 1—** Leslie Bosci, Gloria Blackwood**PIETY Group 2-** Julie Hook, Sue Quigley, Jill Wulf**CHURCH CLEANING Group 5-** Connie Este and CTK School Mums Group 5**June 10/11 —The Most Holy Trinity**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Ken Boys George Germanos	Jose Jilesh	Rob Haddad Dawn Peat	Jeremy Thaman	Diane Campbell Nesli Nuguid	Dorothea Price
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	Christine Kinsella John Murphy	Ken Coorey	Tony Hughes Rhoda Patrick	Trish Yates	Jennifer Alphonse James Kinsella Jui-May Lee	Mike Yates
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Paul Malouf Michael Nasr	Peter Bosci	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Kathryn Gaudron	Marea Mooney Gerianne Sadaya Natasha Todorov	Dominic Wong

**COUNTER Group 4-** Carl Lao, Peter Bellamy, John Hunt**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 2-** Barbara Haddad**PIETY Group 3-** Robyn Bacon, Kim Fryer, Frances Gallagher**CHURCH CLEANING Group 6-** Helen Templeman, Dawn Muriti, Ellen Vaughan, Brian Euhus**SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST**

On the weekend, of **17/18 June**, the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ, approx 50 young members of our parish community will be initiated into the ongoing life of the Church by receiving the Eucharist for the first time. This will occur at the 3 parish Masses - Sat 6pm, Sun 8am and 10 am. It is important that the parish is part of this celebration and a reminder to us all that they are being initiated into the ongoing sacramental life of the parish at Sunday Mass, not a once in a lifetime event. It is an occasion for the parish community to minister to them in our parish liturgy. It's a time for the whole assembly to welcome these children to the table of the Lord.

Whilst there may be some inconvenience to the regular worshipping community (e.g. parking & seating positions) the joy of welcoming them will hopefully outweigh this. The children will sit in the centre 2 blocks of Christ the King Church. The pews reserved will have the children's' names on them. Ushers will be at all Masses to assist. Communion will be distributed to the first Communicants and families down the centre aisle. Special Ministers of Holy Communion will distribute Communion to other family members and parishioners at the side aisles & rear of the Church. Your cooperation is appreciated on this weekend. The school gates will be opened to allow access to the Church from parking in Burradoo Cl and Bowral St.

## **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING RESCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST AT 7.30 PM**

Due to unforeseen circumstances the extraordinary meeting scheduled for 7:30 pm Thursday, 1 June 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 particularly in the light of the evidence presented before the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse had to be postponed.

The new date for this meeting is Wednesday 16 August in a venue to be announced.

We are sorry for the inconvenience.

Fr. Ian McGinnity p.p.

### **JRS FOODBANK DRIVE.**

Thank you for your ongoing support to the CTK-JRS Foodbank drive! Every single item is making a big difference and is very much appreciated! Please standby for more updates this weekend in all the Masses. To help facilitate collection and pick-up of donations, the Social Justice team requests that all donations be brought on the last weekend of June.

### **CTK SOCIAL JUSTICE**

We are a bunch of energetic and driven individuals who provide opportunities for the Parish to help other communities by inspiring others to action, facilitating outreach activities and creating linkages to social justice initiatives. If you want to now more about it, please don't hesitate to email us at [jon.manasan@gmail.com](mailto:jon.manasan@gmail.com) and we'll get back to you.

### **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL (ACYF)**

Early-bird registration has now opened for the largest gathering of young Catholics since World Youth Day Sydney in 2008!

Bishop Vincent & Catholic Youth Parramatta invite young people from Year 9 to 30 years of age to celebrate the young heart of the Church, with 15,000 others, at this year's triennial ACYF being hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney (December 7-9) at Sydney Olympic Park.

Here's how to register: Student in our Catholic System – speak to your REC Student in State School System – contact Catholic Youth Parramatta

Over 18 years of age – register as an individual

Visit [www.acyf.org.au](http://www.acyf.org.au) now to secure the \$250 early bird rate before August. For all enquiries contact Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta, James Camden, 02 8838 3428, [jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au)

### **THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD: 30 JUN**

Hear Rebekah Rojcewicz, highly experienced leader in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd from the US, speak over dinner on 'The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – A Gift to the Church at this Time'. Cost: \$60 per person. From 6.30pm at North Ryde RSL, cnr Magdala & Pittwater Rds, North Ryde. To book: <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=256587>. For more information: [cgsaust.org.au](http://cgsaust.org.au)

## **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.

### **FATHER IAN'S ANNUAL LEAVE-NO WEEKDAY MASSES**

Father Ian will be taking annual holidays from 4 July returning to the parish on 1 August. He has been able to organise supply priests for the weekend Sunday masses but has been unable to secure a priest for the weekday Mass timetable. This is the reality of the shortage of priests in our Diocese and Fr Ian has been advised by the Vicar for Clergy to organise alternative arrangements. Communion services will be arranged for these times. Acolytes or special ministers of the Eucharist will be rostered on during this period to conduct these services. Could Acolytes or Special ministers the Eucharist please alert the parish office if they are available to assist during this time that Fr Ian is away.

### **A WEEKEND FOR ENGAGED COUPLES: 9-11 JUNE**

Time for Us to Prepare our Hearts for Marriage - A weekend for Engaged Couples from 9-11 June. These weekends aim to complement pre-marriage courses to allow engaged couples to prepare their hearts so that they may give a total, free and faithful "YES" to their future spouses and contribute towards a fruitful marriage. The inputs and times of prayer and silent reflection will foster the preparation of your heart so that you may be a gift to your spouse and receive your spouse as a gift. Investment: \$200pp. For more information : Sr M Julie Brcar ISSM, 0408728334, [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com)

### **VOLUNTEER ENGLISH TEACHER - CATHOLIC CARE SOCIAL SERVICES**

For many years now we have been conducting English language classes for Refugee women at Mamre House Orchard Hills - The classes are held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10am to 2pm during school terms. These classes are possible because of the generous help of volunteer English teachers. At present we urgently need a volunteer teacher to come on Tuesdays or alternatively to be on our relief list to fill in when required. A teaching qualification is an advantage but not essential. A Working With Children Check is required. For further information Ph. Sr Janet Woods on 0418 690 487.

### **SHRINE TIME FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35: 25 JUNE**

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.

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 Rd, Mulgoa.

**DWF**

The quota for this Appeal is **\$7367.00**—The amount raised last two weeks is **\$5727.35**

A shortfall of **\$1639.65** Please donate as generously as you are able. **Donations of over \$2.00 to the DWF are tax deductible**, so this is a good opportunity to avail yourself of this concession before the end of financial year.

### **BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to the following infants who were baptised last Sunday: Poppy Isabelle Baker, Buddy George Martin and Chelsea Barbara Hanna. Please join us in praying for these children and their family. May the Holy Spirit be with them and guide them as they grow in to this faith.

### **2017 CAMINO PILGRIMAGE & EUROPEAN TOUR**

**Friday 15 September - Sunday 8 October 2017**

*'I am the Way (Camino), the Truth and the Life'*. John 14:6

Rome - Assisi - Barcelona - Montserrat - Camino

Pilgrimage - Santiago - Madrid - Toledo

Plan to join us for a reasonably priced experience in

Christian pilgrimage,

as we experience some of the most treasured places of our heritage and story.

Fully escorted, small group, quality accommodation, private transfers, many meals included.

Visit: [www.caminowalk.com.au](http://www.caminowalk.com.au) or call Paul (Tour Leader) 0412 850 883

#### **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.

# kingsmen

"KingsMen" have scheduled their next get together to **Tuesday 6th June** at Baulkham Hills sports club at **7.00 pm**. Come along and meet like minded fathers of our community and share a meal and drink in a relaxed and casual environment. Invite a friend for a greater experience.

For more information please contact Peter or just come along on the night. Looking forward to seeing you there. Peter Elchaar JP, 0408 678 922

### **SEMINAR - DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM**

Each year Solo Parent Services offer a Seminar for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding on how the Legal system works. Questions addressed on the night include: How to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with Lawyers so as to minimize your legal fees, how to protect your rights regarding family assets and Estates/Wills. **This seminar will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Venue:** 38 Prince St, Blacktown (cnr First Ave). **Presenter:** Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor) **Time:** 6.45pm for a 7pm Start to 9pm.

**Registration Essential:** Contact Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

### **YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! 18-35**

Are you looking for something worthwhile to invest in? CTK Youth is looking for young adults like you to be a witness to the Gospel! All that's required to get started is a willingness to spend quality time with our wonderful young teens only three hours a week! If you are interested, please contact Brad on 0434 938 312

### **MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE**

**247 ST ANDREWS ROAD, VARROVILLE, NSW, 2566**

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'Saturday day retreat

### **"A BALANCED LIFE" Jun 9 – Jun 11**

Presenter: Fr. Greg Homeming, OCD

Cost: \$230 (concessions apply to pensioners/students and unemployed)

We often feel overwhelmed by the demands and circumstances of life, not knowing what to do or where to turn.

### **THE LIGHT OF HOPE AND PEACE June 16 – 18**

Cost: \$230 (concessions apply to pensioners/students and unemployed)

Presenters: John Charadia & Fr. Greg Burke, OCD

### **MINDFULNESS AND 'PRAYING ALWAYS'**

**June 23 – 25**

Cost: \$230 (concessions apply to pensioners/students and unemployed)

Presenter: Fr. Paul Chandler, O. Carm

Can I practice "mindfulness" in a Christian way?