

CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

NORTH ROCKS



20 May 2018
PENTECOST SUNDAY
YEAR B



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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
Children's Liturgy: 10am Mass-During Term
Playgroup: Fri 9.30 to 11.30
During School Term

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 18th August 2018 at 9am Mass.**

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED:

THE SICK: Fr. Eric Burton, Dorothea Ellis, Sylvette Marsh, Scarlet Paisley, Doreen Ulbrick, Mary Magill, Tim Coakley, Stan Burgin and Effie Christodoulou.

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Catherine Young Joseph Dinh Han; Giuse Nguyen Van Nu; Tony, Soraya and Morrie Khalife; Phillip and Yvonne Boulous; Tony Boulous; Lorna Stephens and John and Maree George.

PLEASE REMEMBER RECENTLY DECEASED:

Jenn-Shin Peter Lee (father of Jui-May Lee) and Rosemary Marshall.

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.

Gospel Reflection

Pentecost brings the Easter season to a close, celebrating the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. The plan of salvation has been brought to its conclusion. The Risen Lord is exalted in his rightful place next to God and has sent his own 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 excitement.

If this has all really happened, why does our world look the same? Why is there so much religious and ethnic rivalry? Why do we continue to make distinctions between Jew and Gentile, slave and free, woman and man, distinctions that favour one at the expense of the other? Why is there so little peace, or comfort, or solace? Why do we refuse to forgive or to be reconciled? Is Pentecost merely a feast that we celebrate in red vestments? Has the face of the earth really been renewed?

The answer is yes! Resoundingly, yes! The Spirit has been poured forth and works wonders wherever human hearts are open to its prompting. 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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FATHER IAN'S ANNUAL LEAVE—NO WEEKDAY MASSES ADVANCED NOTICE

Father Ian will be taking annual holidays from 3 June returning to the parish on 3 July. He has been able to organise supply priests for the weekend (Saturday morning and Sunday masses) but has been unable to secure a priest for the weekday Mass timetable. Communion services will be arranged for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Tuesday evening Masses have been cancelled during the month of June.

This week's Reading 20 May 2018 PENTECOST Sunday
Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:1-13; Mark 16:15-20

Next week's Reading 27 May THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
Deut. 4:32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28: 16-20

Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website www.universalis.com

20 May— PENTECOST SUNDAY

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
Saturday 19 May 6.00 pm	Sam Bietola Roger Hook	Phil Trainor	John Khoudair Dawn Peat	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Gerianne Sadaya	Isabelle Chacty
SUNDAY 20 May 8.00 am	Christine Kinsella John Murphy	David Collins	Julie Elliott Bev Johnson	Jo-Anne Castaneda	James kinsella Jui-May Lee Anne-Marie Makin	Pauline Zhao
SUNDAY 20 May 10.00 am	Graeme Gardner Michael Nasr	John Colman	Ian McMaster Sam Safy	David Cook	Diane Campbell Cate Joseph Cecilie McCarron	Carla Manasan Darren So

COUNTER Group 4- Carl Lao, Peter Bellamy, John Hunt

ALTAR SOCIETY Group 6- Carol Coorey, Barbara Haddad

PIETY Group 4- Lena Henson, Dawn Muriti

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

27 May—THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
SATURDAY 26 May 6.00 pm	Roger Hook Paul Rankin	Keith Henson	Ke5rry Saad Gerard Sadaya	Jeremy Thaman	Frank Lah Lilia Nuguid	Dorothea Price
SUNDAY 27 May 8.00 am	Christine Kinsella John Murphy	Peter Bosci	Tony Hughes Bev Johnson	Trish Yates	Mario Azzopardi Jui-May Lee Lorraine Murphy	Mike Yates
SUNDAY 27 May 10 am	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Peter Hrast	Stephen Doyle Ian McMaster	Jamie Hoban	Margaret CoOakley Jenny Roddy Natalasha Todorov	Julia Hoban

COUNTER Group 5- Noel White, Joe Vitetta, John Murphy

ALTAR SOCIETY Group 7- Ada Cheung

PIETY Group 1- Maria Bietola, Tony and Catherine Hughes, Mary Magill

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

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. All people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" Find out more at: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

DIACONAL CANDIDATE PASTORAL PLACEMENT

The Diocese has appointed a candidate for the permanent diaconate to do a part-time pastoral placement in our parish. His name is John Collins PhD, a lecturer in Practical and Pastoral theology at the Catholic Institute of Sydney with a vast amount of experience in various ministries of the Church over the years. He is married to Dr Sandra Carroll a lecturer at the Australian Catholic University in religious education. They have 2 grown-up boys. John will reveal a little bit more about himself in the weeks and months ahead. John and Sandra will be attending the 10 AM Mass and we welcome them both to our community.

NORTHERN DEANERY PASTORAL COUNCIL

The new Northern Deanery Pastoral Council will be meeting this coming Wednesday evening at 7:30 PM in the Mary MacKillop Hall. News from this council will be reported to our deanery parish communities in the future.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Christ the King Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Wednesday, 30 May in the CTK school staffroom.

RESERVE THE DATE

Bishop Vincent has accepted the invitation to celebrate mass with our community on the vigil of the feast of Christ the King, Saturday, 24 November 2018 beginning at 6 PM with a social event to be held in the hall after Mass. More details will come later.

ACU SHORT COURSE ON DEATH AND CATHOLIC FUNERALS DURING JULY

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a public Short Course "From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals" at Strathfield on 4 Wednesday evenings in July. Experienced priests (including Fr Peter Williams) and funeral directors will discuss how they care for the dead and for those who grieve. There will be an opportunity to prepare a Catholic funeral for yourself or a loved one. Register at: www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses or 02 9701 4751 for more information.

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI: 3 JUNE

Santa Sophia Catholic College invites everyone to come celebrate the great feast of Corpus Christi. 3 June at Santa Sophia Catholic College, Schofields. Lunch from 12pm and 2pm Eucharistic Procession with Fr Warren Edwards. RSVP Daryl 0407 406 668 or dcastellino@parra.catholic.edu.au



CONGRATULATION

The Parish community congratulate The Bion, Fiorelli and Savage families and their relatives and friends who are present

today for the Baptism of their children Leonardo, Khloe and Francesca. May God blessings be with you and guide you throughout your life. Congratulation to the families on this holy occasion.

REMINDER—SPRING FAIR MEETING

Next Spring Fair Meeting on Tuesday, **June 12 at 7.30pm in the CTK Staffroom**. Please send through any questions you may have, areas you'd like to address in the upcoming meeting and any messages you'd like added to school and parish bulletins or our Facebook page. Looking forward to seeing you all. Rita Milic

BISHOP VINCENT LONG

You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', the Edmund Rice Retreat and Conference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 16th June 2018. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00 am. For further information contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST



On the weekend of **2/3 June**, the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ, 57 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 and their families 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 initially to the first Communicants down the centre aisle. Special Ministers of Holy Communion will then distribute Communion to other family members and parishioners at the side aisles & centre 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.

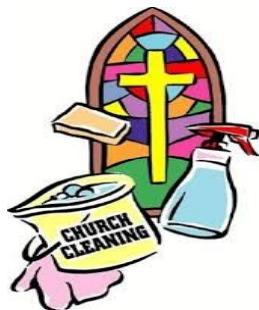
CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Extra volunteers are needed to help clean the Church. You will be rostered once every six weeks. Every week a group of dedicated Church Cleaning Volunteers meets to dust, vacuuming and care for the interior of the church to

ensure that our sanctuary and adjoining areas are kept in pristine condition. It is a great Ministry working "behind the scenes" but their work does not go unrecognised by the majority of people who benefit from their sacrifices. If you would like to volunteer, **please contact the Parish Office or call Brian Euhus on 9873 5603**

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 7 JUNE

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite YOUTH (age 18-35) to join us for Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, 7 June at 7:00 pm. Join us also for the pizza at 8:00pm, Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP: Sr Paula by 1st June, e-mail: vocationscsfn@gmail.com mob: 0449 656 406



FORMATION 2018

Formation 2018 presented by 'Live Christ Share Christ' at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta have been holding monthly formation talks for the past eighteen months. Topics have included: Sacraments, An Introduction & Overview of the Gospel of Mark, The Temptation of Jesus (Mark) and weekly Lenten reflections. Our speakers are clergy from the Diocese of Parramatta and other special guests. Sessions alternate from Friday nights to Saturday afternoons in the Cathedral Hall. If you would like to be included on our mailing list for upcoming talks, please email Pat, Parish Secretary on secretary@stpatscathedral.com.au.

TAIZE RETREAT AND PRAYER: 27 MAY

Br Ghislain from the Taize Community in France will be visiting Sydney and Bathurst in May. For young adults: St Mary's Catholic Church, Miller St, North Sydney - half day prayer/workshop 10am-3pm. Call: Carmen (02) 6334 6407

TAIZE RETREAT AND PRAYER: 25 - 26 MAY

Br Ghislain from the Taize Community in France will be visiting Sydney and Bathurst in May. Bathurst - Two-day retreat at St Joseph's Conference Centre, Perthville (Bathurst), on Friday 25 May - Saturday 26 May. Contact and information: Carmen Ph: (02) 6334 6407 or Email: taizeretreatbathurst@gmail.com

YOUNGER WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP

This support group gathers monthly for men and women widowed under 60. **Next Gathering: Tuesday 15th May** Time: 7pm -9pm **Venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta **Cost:** \$5 Registration essential: Contact Rita on 8843 2575

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 - GROUP LEADERS

In January 2019 an anticipated 200 pilgrims from the Diocese of Parramatta will be on their journey to WYD in Panama via Mexico to be with Pope Francis and the youth of the world. Here's your chance to contribute and enjoy the formation, training and friendship that comes with being a WYD Group Leader! Read about the responsibilities and apply today for a life changing experience shared with young people at www.parrawyd.org or contact James Camden, Director of Catholic Youth Parramatta - jcamden@parra.catholic.org.au

CTK LIGHT YOUTH GROUP CHANGE OF TIME

Due to conflicting times with another group using the Parish Hall, CTK Light Youth Group will now be held between **7:30pm - 9:00pm** on Fridays during the school term. We will return on the 6th April looking at the topic *Divine Mercy*. CTK LIGHT is open to all young people in years 6-10. Come and celebrate life with us!

ANNUAL SEMINAR - MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Each year CatholicCare Solo Parent Services hosts a Information Seminar to help people understand the process of Marriage Annulments in the Catholic Church. The evening is open to anyone who is interested. **Venue:** St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta (on site parking via Victoria Rd). **Date:** Wednesday 16th May **Time:** 7pm – 9pm. **Registration Essential:** PH: 8843 2575 or Email: soloparentservices@ccss.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 Catholic Foundation Appeal.

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.