

# CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

## NORTH ROCKS



05 August 2018  
*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary*  
 Time  
 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 :** Nicole Capper, Afifi Elchaar, John Peat, Fr. Eric Burton, Dorothea Ellis, Sylvette Marsh, Doreen Ulbrick, Mary Magill, Tim Coakley, Stan Burgin and Dave Vaughan.

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:**

Giuse Nguyen Van Nu, Valerie Atkinson, Santana Bietola, Kit & George Clewys and Peg, Bill Scully, Simon Koury, Katie and Michael Saad and Cecilia Newman.

**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Fr Paul Ryan (former P.P. of Strathfield and long time Philosophy Professor at Springwood and Manly), Br Charles Aquilina FMS and Valerie Atkinson.

### *Gospel Reflection*

In many ways the Exodus story of the bread from heaven is very similar to last Sunday's accounts. However, the focus today is not divine prodigality shown through the overabundance of food, but total dependence on God. The bread comes from heaven, not merely because the food seems to come down from the sky, but because it comes from God. The restriction about collecting it was meant to emphasise this point. Our survival is in God's hands, not ours. Jesus insists that he is the true bread from heaven; he is the real basis of our survival. The people followed him because they saw him as a source of bread; they did not realise that he is really the source of life. If we fill ourselves with all that the world provides as nourishment we will still hunger. Only faith in Jesus can satisfy our deepest hungers, and we will not be able to survive apart from him.

Acceptance of Jesus as the source of our life and the very nourishment of our spirits effects a total transformation in us. We will no longer be content to live with full bellies but empty minds. We will put aside our old selves steeped in ignorance and self-interest and put on a new self, created in his image. Having fed on the bread from heaven, we will be mysteriously transformed into it. The spirit of our minds will be renewed by his teaching. As a result, we will be able to launch out into a way of living that witnesses to our new understanding, our new life.

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### **SUPPORT VINNIES WINTER SLEEPOUT**

Vinnies Western Sydney Community Sleepout is happening on Thursday 30 August at Western Sydney University's Parramatta Campus. Rachel Elliott is representing North Rocks Vinnies Conference at this event to raise awareness and funds for the homeless in our local community. Vinnies Western Sydney have set up a fundraising page and you can log on to support Rachel at <https://nswvinniescommunitysleepout.gofundraise.com.au/page/RachelElliott4>.

Over 105,000 Australians experience homelessness each night. Half of these people are women and a quarter are young people under the age of 18. Your generous support of the Vinnies Sleepout can help to break the cycle of homelessness. Thanks for your support!

**This week's Reading: Eighteenth Sunday in Ord. Time**  
Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Ephesians 4;17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

**Next week's Reading– Nineteenth Sunday in Ord. Time**  
Kings 19: 4-8; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)

### 05 August—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4 August 6.00 pm	Ken Boys Paul Rankin	Lance Parker	Georgette Rissmiller Inge Wienker	Sitara Thaman	Maria Bietola Ilana Blazevic Sue DeCourcy Gillian Mobbs	Dorothea Price
<b>SUNDAY</b> 5 August 8.00 am	John Colman John Murphy	Aubon Fernando	John DeCourcy Dexter Tabeta	Trish Yates	Cheryl Collins Christine Kinsella James Kinsella Rosemary Wickham	Mike Yates
<b>SUNDAY</b> 5 August 10.00 am	Graeme Gardner Michael Nasr	David Collins	Ian McMaster Sam SAFY	Jamie Hoban	Lisa Hoban Cate Joseph Natasha Todorov Dianne Vogt	Darren So

**COUNTER Group 1-** Ron Ruskin, Eric Olson, Michael NG, Graeme Gardiner

**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 8-** Reyna Mendes, Barbara Haddad

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

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 6–** Estela Li, Myrna Santiago, Ellen Vaughan, Brian Euhus

### 12 August — Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>SATURDAY</b> 11 August 6.00 pm	Sam Bietola Ken Boys	Phil Trainor	Rob Haddad Kerry Saad	Veronica Chacty	Sue DeCourcy Jamie Hoban Frank Lah Nesli Nuguid	Isabelle Chacty
<b>SUNDAY</b> 12 August 8.00 am	John Colman John Murphy	Ken Coorey	Margaret Noonan Rhoda Patrick	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Jui-May Lee Cecilie McCarron Lorraine Murphy Gerianne Sadaya	Pauline Zhao
<b>SUNDAY</b> 12 August 10 am	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Peter Bosci	John DeCourcy Julia Hoban	Kathryn Gaudron	Diane Campbell Margaret Coakley Cate Joseph Leila Safy	Dominic Wong

**COUNTER Group 2–** Keith Henson, John Colman, John Lenehan, George Isaacs

**ALTAR SOCIETY Group 9-** Leni Adan

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

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 1–** CTK School Mums Group 1

**PLEASE TAKE A FLYER OF THE SPRING FAIR AND PROMOTE THIS COMMUNITY EVENT.**

Consider giving your time to assist in making the day a success by volunteering to help with this major fundraising for the School and the Parish.

## MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST TO THE SICK

The parish urgently requires more ministers to share communion with the sick and housebound who cannot join us for the Eucharist on Sunday. Normally Communion is distributed after the 8 AM Mass on Sunday mornings. If you are already a minister of the Eucharist could you consider joining the roster to share the Lord with our parishioners on Sunday mornings? Please contact the parish office if you can assist. If you are not a minister of the Eucharist perhaps you would like to undertake the ministry course described above to equip people for this invaluable ministry. This is a very valuable but simple Ministry within our parish of practical charity. Please consider this call and if you wish to learn more about it from those who already do the ministry please see Fr Ian or contact the parish office.

## SPRING FAIR NEWS

An update on the Parish Spring Fair will be given at all masses this weekend. As this is the major fundraiser for the parish/ school this year your assistance is greatly appreciated. The next meeting of the Spring Fair committee will take place on Tuesday, 7 August at 7:30 PM in the CTK school staffroom.

## CONCERT AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, PARRAMATTA: 17 AUGUST

Sydney Philharmonia - Chamber Singers: TALBOT Path of Miracles - Tickets via [www.sydneyphilharmonia.com.au](http://www.sydneyphilharmonia.com.au) –

## MIGRANT AND REFUGEE WEEK: 20 - 26 AUGUST



Pope Francis has chosen as the theme for the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees,

'Welcoming, protecting, promoting, and integrating migrants and refugees'. We are challenged by the message of the Holy Father to consider how we can welcome, protect, promote and integrate migrants and refugees in our own Australian context. For more information please visit: [parracatholic.org/socialjustice](http://parracatholic.org/socialjustice)

## BAPTISM WELCOME

Christ the King Parish community welcome the Pierce family today and their request to have their child Jordan baptised next week.

We look forward to supporting you and your child in the journey of Christian commitment through the Sacrament of Baptism and hope it is strengthened by prayer, love and service to each other in daily life. Congratulations and best wishes.



## PLENARY 2020 INFORMATION AND CONSULTATION SESSIONS

Plenary 2020 is the name given to a process initiated by the Australian Bishops who are inviting people to engage in listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia ahead of a Plenary Council in 2020. Significantly, a process such as this has not happened in Australia since 1937. Our voices are needed and we are invited to engage with family, friends and colleagues in this time of renewal.

Our Diocese is holding information and training sessions to offer participants a broad understanding of what Plenary 2020 is all about and how we can participate. Furthermore resources and training will be offered to equip participants with the confidence and tools they need to engage others in Plenary 2020.

You are invited to attend the last of the sessions this Sunday, 5 August 2018 - 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm Institute for Mission (1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown)

CTK Parish will be having two consultation sessions on Sun 21 October Midday to 3pm and Wed 7 November 7-10pm. Please mark one of these times in your diary. More information will be given in future weeks.

## DAY-TIME ECONFERENCE - THEME ABOUT THE CHURCH—HOSTED BY THE IFM

Our yearly hosting of an eConference has become a popular and enjoyable option. Date: **Wed 8 August 2018** Time: 10:00 am – 2:45 pm

Venue: Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown 2148—Cost: Free, donations accepted

Note again - RSVPs are essential: Click here to register or email [connect@ifm.org.au](mailto:connect@ifm.org.au) or call Charbel on 9296 6369

## IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM

This enjoyable program aims to enrich those involved in service/ministry of Catholic communities – excellent chance for learning and further shaping of faith and purpose. Ten Tuesday evenings and two Saturday mornings are spread out across August 18 to Dec 1 – presenters' inputs, journaling and application to ministry – group size about 35. See [ifm.org.au](http://ifm.org.au) or call the IFM team 9296 6369

## ACYMC 2018

Early-bird registration for the Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta on behalf of the Australian Catholic Bishops is now open at [www.acymc.org.au](http://www.acymc.org.au). The event will host up to 500 adult delegates who are engaged in ministry with young people in parishes, schools, agencies and ministries of the Catholic Church. Rooty Hill RSL, September 21-23.

Contact James Camden, Director, Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information (02) 8838 3428 or [james.camden@parracatholic.org](mailto:james.camden@parracatholic.org)

## PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the parish finance committee this Thursday evening, 9 August 7:30pm in the presbytery.

## CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

volunteers are needed to help clean the Church. You will be rostered once every six weeks. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office or call Brian Euhus on **9873 5603**

## AV OPERATORS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- 6PM MASS

We are currently looking for volunteers from parishioners with basic knowledge of PowerPoint to assist in slide operations at Mass and to work together with the musician on roster. For further enquiries, please contact the Parish Office or Darren So—Email: soejd@hotmail.com—Mobile: 0410 416 063

## JOB SEEKING—CASUAL TRAINEE ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT

If you're studying or recently graduated from accounting and looking to get your foot in the door in finance, the Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Development Fund is looking for a casual Trainee Assistant Accountant with an immediate start. For more information contact [ddffinance@parraddf.org.au](mailto:ddffinance@parraddf.org.au)

### **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.**

### **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 new 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.

## SAVE THE DATE - LITURGY CONFERENCE 2018

Date: 10 November 2018. Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter Williams Vicar General from the Diocese of Parramatta. Workshops (still to be finalised): Singing the Psalms, RCIA ritual & symbols, Training Junior Altar Servers and Music and Prayer in the Classroom. To register your interest go to: [parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/](http://parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/) Tickets: On sale soon (we'll let you know when).

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER 17-19 AUGUST

A marriage enrichment experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! Date: 17-19 August at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings online at [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au) or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0400 963 011 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com)

## CREATING A SAFE CHURCH: 31 AUGUST - 1 SEP

The Diocese of Parramatta is co-hosting two days of presentations by Fr Hans Zollner SJ addressing the most significant issues facing the Catholic Church today with respect to harmful behaviour, including the theological and spiritual implications arising from the abuse crisis and their impact on victims and survivors, together with members of the Church. Fr Hans is regarded as one of the leading ecclesiastical experts in the field of safeguarding of minors and on areas concerning sexual abuse both in the Roman Catholic Church and beyond. More information and registration via [parracatholic.org/safechurch](http://parracatholic.org/safechurch)

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: 19 AUGUST

The next Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Day at St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia is on Sunday 19 August. Arrival is 10am for 10:30am. Presentations, Meditation and Mass. BYO picnic lunch, tea and coffee provided. Books and DVDs available for purchase. Registration on arrival. Voluntary Donation to the monks. Day closes around 3pm. Accommodation may be available at the monastery guest house ring: Br Terry 0438 282 318. Enquires: Ann Lomas 9653 2637

## VOCATION WEEKEND FOR MEN (18-35yrs)

### 24-26th AUGUST 2018

Live the Gospel! Build the Kingdom! Share the Joy! Change the world with us!

The Capuchin Friars are inviting single Catholic men who are interested in exploring a possible vocation to the priesthood/religious life to come for a discernment retreat weekend. Begins 7:30pm Friday and concludes 4pm Sunday at 98 Catherine St, Leichhardt. There will be Mass on Saturday and Sunday, Adoration, quiet prayer, talks, confession available and quiet time. Come and reflect on God's will in your life, and these amazing ways of making a gift of self for the glory of God and in service of His Kingdom. The cost is free/optional donation but you must register by 20th August.

Contact Father Thomas: [vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au](mailto:vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au) or 0432 362 052. <https://www.capuchin.org.au>