



# 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  
**Children's Liturgy:** 10am Mass-During School Term  
**Playgroup:** Fri 10.00 to 11.30 During School 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  
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17th February 2019  
*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 YEAR C



## Gospel Reflection

Paul teaches us that, united to Christ through faith and in baptism, we are united in his death and resurrection. With Christ we die to sin; with him we rise to a new life. We cannot wait to see proof of our transformation before we change our actions. The proof is in the lives we live in faith. To deny that we have died and been raised is to deny the resurrection of Christ. Paul insists that they cannot be separated. The challenge is to live in and out of this faith.

Both Jeremiah and Jesus introduce us to such a way of living. It is a way of paradox, a way that moves us beyond the self-centred standards of the world. The poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those who are persecuted are really the ones who are blessed. The victims of our social and economic systems, those who have been ravaged by war or have been made vulnerable by life itself are the ones who, if they place their trust in God, will be blessed in the end. They may appear to be the outcasts of this world, but, if they are filled with faith, they will inherit heaven. The wealth of this world and its pleasures are not the blessings that we might think they are. They can blind us to the real values of life and prevent us from dying to the world and living resurrected lives in Christ.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 18 May 2019 at 9am Mass.**

### IN YOUR MERCY, PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED:

**THE SICK :** Daniele Donu, Sr Venera Nicolosi OSU, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh, Doreen Ulbrick, Delphine Ferreira, , Jan & Stan Burgin.

### THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Carmel Szabo (Funeral CTK Church 11am Thurs 21 Feb), Avedis (Charlie) Qasabian, Br Joseph Byrne FSP, Sr. Elizabeth (Bonaventure) Woods CHF (Holy Faith Sisters, New Zealand, Australia and Ireland, Jack Papallo (Lena Hanson's Uncle), and Sr. Margaret Armstrong. IBVM

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Marguerite and Stephen Wong, Filomena Rodi, Dorie Stanton, Grace Fedrigo, Faye Donaldson, May an Peter Evans, Nguyen Van NU, Nguyen Van Toan, Jimmy, Carmelina, Giuseppina, Beniamino, Cutrone and George Cutrone Jnr, Bill Costello and All Souls.

### 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.

**This week's Reading: 6th Sun Ord Time Year C– Jeremiah 17: 5-8; 1Cor 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26**

**Next week's Reading: 7th Sun Ord Time Year C– 1Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38**

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

### 16/17 February— 6th Sun Ord Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Sam Bietola George Germanos	Keith Henson	Rob Haddad John Khoudair	Sitara Thaman	Sue DeCourcy Frank Lah Lilia Nuguid Nesli Nuguid	Dorothea Price
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	Chris Brown John Murphy	David Collins	Julie Elliott Bev Johnson	Trish Yates	Mario Azzopardi Jui-May Lee Gerianne Sadaya Rosemary Wickham	Mike Yates
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Jamie Hoban	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Volunteer Required	Jennifer Alphonse Margaret Coakley Cecilie McCarron Natasha Todorov	Darren So Wea Yeung

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Mario Azzopardi, David Collins, James Kinsella, Rosemary Wickham

**COUNTER GROUP 1:** Ron Ruskin, Eric Olson, Michael NG, Graeme Gardiner.

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 9:** Leni Adan

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

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 4–** CTK School Mums Group 4, Julie Bechara.

### 23/24 February— 7th Sun Ord Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Ken Boys Roger Hook	Peter Hrast	Zeina Chacty John Khoudair		Maria Bietola Diane Campbell Sue DeCourcy Gillian Mobbs	Isabelle Chacty
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	John Murphy	Jose Jilesh	Tony Hughes Dexter Tabeta	Jo-Anne Castaneda	John Lacey Jui-May Lee Lorraine Murphy Gerianne Sadaya	Pauline Zhao
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Graeme Gardner Michael Nasr	John Colman	Youth Representative	Jamie Hoban	Margaret Coakley Cate Joseph Jenny Roddy Rosemary Wickham	Julia Hoban

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Aubon Fernando, Jose Jilesh, John Lacey, Lorraine Murphy

**COUNTER GROUP 2:** Keith Henson, John Colman, John Lenehan, George Isaacs

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 1:** Leslie Bosci, Gillian Mobbs

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

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 5–** Mark and Carmela Corazza, Angela ILee, Jecy Vaz, Mariana Tomasovic

### TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019. YOUR voice matters! Make a personal submission now or join a small group. Our question is for everyone: “What you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?” To make a submission or to find out more visit: <https://parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/>

## **THE BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL - IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY 23 & SUNDAY 24 FEBRUARY**

The theme for the Appeal is **'Bring Hope This Lent'**. **Our quota for this appeal is \$ 7465.30**

Funds raised will support The Ephpheta Centre – a ministry which gives hope, compassion, connectivity and care to the deaf and hard of hearing. The Appeal will also support chaplaincy and pastoral care for the vulnerable and isolated - in homes, hospitals, prison and aged-care facilities - including people who are deaf or hard of hearing, migrants, asylum seekers and refugees.

Please be a channel of hope and give generously via the Appeal envelopes which will be provided on that weekend or online at [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal).

Please use the New Parramatta Catholic Foundation Appeal Envelopes

### **CTK SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN**

We welcome the new kindergarten children and their families to the 10 am Mass this weekend. Particularly those new to the Parish and those who do not live in our parochial area. For those who reside in our Parish we hope to see you regularly amongst our great Eucharistic community! The children can attend the Children's Liturgy at the beginning of Mass in the MacKillop Hall. A BBQ will take place after Mass and we thank all who have organised and prepared for this.

### **CATECHISTS—SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS APPEAL**

This weekend at the 10am we will commission our Catechists for the New School Year. We thank them for either continuing in this ministry or volunteering for the first time.

We are still hoping for more volunteers to teach Scripture classes or assist with Scripture classes at North Rocks Public School on Tuesday mornings and Carlingford West Public School on Wednesday mornings.

There is some information about being a Catechist at the back of the Church for your perusal – leaflets from the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine about being a Catechist, copies of the Student Activity Books and Teacher's Handbooks and details about courses that are being held this year.

If you are interested in becoming part of this rewarding Ministry or would like some further information, please contact the Parish Office on 9871 8710, Terri Hirschhorn on 0407 294 332 or Cate Joseph on 0409 397 888

### **NORTHERN DEANERY FAMILY PICNIC DAY**

Parishioners are warmly invited to attend a gathering of all the parishes in our Northern Deanery for a family picnic on Sunday, 17 March from 10 AM to 4 PM at Madeline Sophie parish, 28 Annangrove Road, Kenthurst. Youth groups are especially invited to be involved and entertainment and activities will be arranged for children and young people. Due to the possibility of fire restrictions it is suggested rather than a barbecue, people provide their own food and beverages to eat and drink. This activity is being organised by the Northern Deanery Pastoral Council to build fraternity between parishes in our Deanery your support in this initiative would be greatly appreciated. Kenthurst is a wonderful environment for a picnic.

### **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The initial meeting for the Parish Pastoral Council for 2019 will take place this Wednesday, 20 February beginning at 7:15 PM in CTK School staffroom. The invitation is still extended to parishioners to consider seriously becoming a member of Pastoral Council. Please contact Fr Ian if you are interested.

### **STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED**

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group, is held on the last Tuesday of each month for men and women who would like support following a separation or divorce.

First Gathering for the Year: 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 Venue: 13 Buller St, North Parramatta . Time: 7pm – 9pm. Cost: \$5.00. Registration: Call Rita Ph. 8843 2575 or email [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au) Flyer on Parish Notice Board.

### **COMMUNION TO THE SICK AT BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL**

We urgently require people to take Holy Communion to patients in Blacktown Hospital on Sundays. Volunteers are currently rostered on every second month (6 times annually). Distribution of Communion takes about 2 to 3 hours. Security checks required and carpark access available. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who can help with this important ministry please contact Deacon George Bryan at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish Blacktown either via the parish office or via at [George.Bryan@parracatholic.org](mailto:George.Bryan@parracatholic.org)

### **LENTEN PRAYER GROUPS**

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent on 6 March. As we have done in the past, small groups will be arranged to reflect on the scriptures during the Lenten season using the Wollongong program with its theme of "Trust". If you would like to host or facilitate a small group please contact the parish office on 9871 8710 or [northrocks@parracatholic.org](mailto:northrocks@parracatholic.org) so we can advertise this amongst the community and provide the booklets and other resources. This is a great opportunity for spiritual renewal.

## **ENROLMENTS—CHRIST THE KING PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Christ the King Primary school currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2020. For further enrolment information, please contact the school office on 8846 2700 during school hours. Our Open day will be held on Friday 8th March between 9.00—11.00 am. We look forward to welcoming you to our School Community.

## **GOOD NEIGHBOUR AND PLAYGROUP**

Playgroup will meet again on Friday 22nd February 10am -11.30am in Mary Mackillop hall. New members welcome.

Good Neighbours will meet in Mary Mackillop hall on Thursday 21st February 10am -1.00pm. All welcome.

## **IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM**

Are you serving in and through Catholic communities? The Reflective Ministry program offered by the Institute for Mission is a great opportunity to learn and explore ideas of pastoral theology to benefit you and those you serve - and it's now open for registration. Visit [www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry](http://www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry) for more information and to register online or call 02 9296 6369 to talk to our friendly team.

## **COUNCIL FOR AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC WOMEN: 22-24 FEBRUARY**

The Council for Australian Catholic Women warmly invite you to join us on 22-24 February in Adelaide for our 2019 Colloquium. Everyone is welcome to attend the Colloquium and we hope women from across Australia will attend this important event. Details at [cacwcolloquium.org.au](http://cacwcolloquium.org.au).

## **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**

Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan and Israel, escorted by Father Peter Blayney, Parish Priest, St Patrick's Guildford, 30 October – 13 November 2019. Organised by Olive Tree Travel (Melbourne). For details of itinerary, cost etc., please contact the Parish Secretary, Guildford, on 9632 2672 or [patricksguilford@bigpond.com](mailto:patricksguilford@bigpond.com) or Olive Tree Travel on 03 8488 9696.

## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: 26-28 APRIL**

This is 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! **26-28 April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Bookings at [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au) or Adrian and Janet Sullivan on 0490 774 419 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com)**

## **RETREAT: MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE**

**“Laudato Si, mi’ Signore—*A prayerful and interactive encounter with creation.***

March 2- Presenter: Fr Michael Dyer— Cost: \$30

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW, 2566

Concessions apply to all retreats. Phone: 02 8795 3400—Email: [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com)—

[www.carmeliteretreats.com.au](http://www.carmeliteretreats.com.au)

Pick-ups from Minto train station at 930am and 1000am.—(please remember to bring your own lunch).

## **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 Parramatta Catholic Foundation 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.