

VINNIES WESTERN SYDNEY SOCIAL JUSTICE NIGHT: 31 JULY

You're invited to the second Social Justice Night of 2019! Come along to deepen your knowledge on refugees and people seeking asylum. We'll hear Rnita Dacho's experience of coming to Australia as a refugee and learn about alternatives to offshore detention, such as the community sponsorship program. It's a great night out to meet new people and brainstorm actions you can take, all while enjoying a shared meal. All young adults (18-30) are invited to join us for this free event with dinner provided. Please email parrayouth@vinnies.org.au if you have any questions. When: 6:30pm, Where: Mad Mex, 285 Church Street, Parramatta.

Where to register: <http://bit.ly/VinniesSJJuly> FB event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/305505063680939/>

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses for those who are interested in being Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion or Bringing Communion to the Sick and Dying. The course will be at the Institute for Mission (Downstairs Hall). NOTE: Introduction Session on 12 August is compulsory. Enrolments close on 5 August 2019. Please see your Parish Office for a form or for more information, contact 8838 3456 or ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org

CYP MUSIC MINISTRY MASTERCLASS: 3 AUGUST

CYP are hosting a Music Ministry Masterclass at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill on Saturday 3 August from 9.30am to 5pm. This is an invitation for musicians, worship leaders, youth and aspiring composers to gather and be formed in music ministry especially for the involvement and evangelisation of young people. Register now at <https://parracatholic.org/masterclass/>

CATHOLICCARE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM: 8 AUGUST – 19 SEPTEMBER

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is starting a bereavement support program for those whose spouse has died. The programme will be held weekly on Thursdays from 10am to 12midday from 8 August to 19 September at Mackillop Hall, Granville. An information session will be held on Thursday 1 August at 10am. For more information, call Rita at Solo Parent Services on 8843 2575.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION PILGRIM WALK: 15 AUGUST

The Annual Pilgrim Walk from the Shrine of the Holy Innocents, Kellyville to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta will be held on the Feast of the Assumption Thursday 15 August. Bishop Vincent Long will celebrate Mass at 12Noon before the pilgrimage begins. Anyone is welcome to begin walking from any point of the 14km walk. For more information, contact the parish office on 9629 2595.

IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM: 20 AUGUST

The Institute for Mission's Reflective Ministry Program – Component 2 starts on August 20. This is a great opportunity to enrich and enthuse those involved in the ministries of the Catholic communities. Go to ifm.org.au for more information and registration, or contact the IFM team on 9296 6369.

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

2019 FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR: 30 AUGUST

American Catholic Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers is the guest speaker at The Life, Family and Marriage Office's 2019 Faith in Marriage Seminar on Friday 30 August at St Paul's Catholic College Hall, Greystanes from 7.30pm. Free entry and a light supper will be served afterwards. Donations are welcome. Please register your attendance to 8838 3460 or lmf@parracatholic.org

CREDIT CARD AND DIRECT DEBIT CHANGES

Please inform the Parish Office on 9871 8710 or send an email to northrocks@parracatholic.org 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 an email address, could you please notify the Parish Office northrocks@parracatholic.org as soon as possible. **Thank you**

ONLINE GIVING Donations may also be made online via credit card: <https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/ChristTheKingParishNorthRocks>

If you wish to contribute via Direct Debit, please contact the Parish Office on 9871 8710 for the BSB and Account number for the Parish or Parramatta Catholic Foundation Account.

BEQUESTS (Please contact the Parish Office for further information)

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. These kinds of gifts help the Parish free up other income to use toward pastoral care programs.

CHRIST THE KING
NORTH ROCKS



Sunday 28th July, 2019
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C



GOSPEL REFLECTION

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The salutariness of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting that the situation will be cared for as God sees fit. It seems trite to say that God hears all prayer and sometimes the answer is 'No!' It is better to say that God respects the freedom of people and will seldom intervene to change the way events unfold. Still, prayer can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine solicitude is acknowledged.
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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.

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Ian McGinnity
Trainee Deacon: John Collins
Parish Secretary: Claudine Nallétamby
Parish Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9am - 4pm
Youth Coordinator: Adam Chioatto
Mob: 0423 077 677
Email: ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com

School Principal: Tony Hughes

School Phone: 8846 2700

School Web Site:

www.ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au

Baptisms: Each 2nd & 4th Sundays - 11:15am

Weddings: By Appointment

Reconciliation: Saturdays 9:30am & 4:30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturdays - 9:30am

Rosary: Saturdays - 8:30am

Children's Liturgy: 10am Mass - during School Terms only

Playgroup each Fridays: 10 - 11:30am - during School Terms only - Next meeting Friday 2nd August

Good Neighbour Group: Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am - Next meeting Thursday 8th August

PARISH SERVICES

Sunday Masses:

6pm Saturday
8am Sunday
10am Sunday

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 7:30pm
Wednesday 9am
Thursday 9am
Friday 9:15am
Saturday 9am

Parish Address:

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Phone: 9871 8710

Email: northrocks@parracatholic.org

Parish Website: <https://northrockscatholic.org.au/>

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on next Sat 17 Aug 2019 at 9am Mass.

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

THE SICK: Donald Mackay, Joe Frare, Patricia Blanning, Afifi Elchaar, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Rosa Michael (Aunt of Robert Haddad), Doreen Ulbrick, Fr Peter Toohey SC, Charlie Sant.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Judith Lum, Catherine Evans

DECEASED:

Tony, Soraya and Morrie Khalife, Yvonne Boulous, Phillip Boulous & All Souls.

This Week's Readings: Gen 18:20-32, Col 2:12-14, Lk 11:1-13
 Next Week's Readings: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5, 9-11, Lk 12:13-21
Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website: www.universalis.com

27th / 28th July - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	Ken Roys Paul Rankin	Ron Ruskin	Zeina Chacty Rob Haddad	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Frank Lah Lilia Nuguid Volunteer Required Please	Isabelle Chacty
Sunday 8am	Chris Brown John Murphy	David Collins	Bev Johnson Margaret Noonan	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Carmelita Khoo Jui-May Lee Cecilie McCarron Gerrienne Sadaya	Pauline Zhao
Sunday 10am	Graeme Gardiner Michael Nasr	Peter Hrast	Adam Chioatto Gerard Sadaya	Volunteer Required Please	Margaret Coakley Marea Mooney Leila Safy Dianne Vogt	Julia Hoban

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Erica Rheinberger - Coordinator, Sarah Garland - Preschool, Terri Hirschhorn - Yrs 2-3, Ilana Blazevic - Yrs 4-6

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: David Collins, Ken Coorey, Christine Kinsella, Lorraine Murphy

COUNTER GROUP 3: Sam Bietola, Roger Brewer, Cass Joyce

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Margaret Isaac, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP 2: Julie Hook, Sue Quigley, Jill Wulf

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 3: Clarry Barbera, Chris & Beverley Poole, Leo & Elizabeth Bautista, Ken Coorey

3rd / 4th August - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	George Germanos Roger Hook	Keith Henson	Jason Scanlon Inge Wienker	Volunteer Required Please	Maria Bietola Diane Campbell Sue DeCourcy Frank Lah	Dorothea Price
Sunday 8am	John Colman John Murphy	Peter Bosci	Julie Elliott Dexter Tabeta	Trish Yates	Carmelita Khoo Jim Kinsella Gerianne Sadaya Rosemary Wickham	Mike Yates
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Aubon Fernando	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Alik Orgun	Margaret Coakley Jamie Hoban Jenny Roddy Natasha Todorov	Volunteer Required Please

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sarah Cook: Coordinator, Lynette Kaddis: Pre-school, Terri Hirschhorn: Yr 2-3, Paula Mitchell: Yr 4-6

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Peter Bosci, Carmelita Khoo, Jim Kinsella, Rosemary Wickham

COUNTER GROUP 4: Carl Lao, Peter Bellamy, John Hunt

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 6: Carl Coorey, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP 3: Robyn Bacon, Kim Fryer, Frances Gallagher

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 4: CTK School Mums Group 4, Julie Bechara

PASTORAL ASSEMBLY AND PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT - This Sunday 28th July

The Parish Pastoral Council is inviting all interested parishioners, but particularly representatives from each of the ongoing ministries in our parish, to an assembly in MacKillop Parish Hall commencing at 11:15am to 1:30pm to share in a dialogue and give feedback concerning what is happening now and the future needs of our parish community. During this assembly the Finance Committee will also give an update on Parish finances. Parishioners are all welcome.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2019

Enrolment Masses this weekend

This weekend at all Masses there will be an enrolment ceremony for all the children (and their families) preparing to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will be conferred on Wednesday 4th September at 7:30pm. We welcome these families and pray for them leading up to this occasion. The following weekend parishioners will be invited to take an enrolment card and pray for the candidate's and their families. **Please note that all candidates and their parents are expected to attend**

the first session of the programme in the Mary Mackillop hall this Wednesday, 31 July at 7:30pm. It is essential that the children attend this meeting. If for some emergency reason the family cannot be present, please contact the parish office on 9871 8710 or via email: northrocks@parracatholic.org prior to the meeting.

THANK YOU FROM THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The North Rocks Conference of St Vincent de Paul would like to sincerely thank the Christ the King Parishioners who very generously donated to our 2019 Winter Appeal. If you missed the appeal and would like to make a donation, there are envelopes at the rear of the church. These can be placed in the Poor Box and we will send a tax receipt for donations over \$2. The money raised through this winter appeal will now assist us to continue our work providing the needy with food and help with living expenses.



FOODBANK - JRS COMMUNITY

The Foodbank provides food and groceries to many individuals and families every month. This is not the usual food donation service. JRS stocks shelves and fridges and allows the clients to choose their own groceries. The following toiletry items have been identified as in need. If you can contribute and provide some of these items, please place in the basket in the foyer.

- * Toothbrushes
- * Deodorant
- * Bar / Gel Soap
- * Nappies
- * Toothpaste
- * Razors
- * Shampoo and Conditioner
- * Pads

A member of the Social Justice group will collect them and pass on to JRS on behalf of our parish. These items make such a difference. Please help JRS accompany, serve and advocate refugee families. Thank you.

CHRIST THE KING YOUTH NEWS

For all youth news and updates on upcoming events, find us on Facebook@CTKLifeTeenYouth For more information, please contact Adam Chioatto on 0423 077 677 or ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com Our Theme for Term 3 is, "Who do you say that I am?" Come along to squires to find out more about these topics and what our challenges are.

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC
2	2nd Aug	Our Tribes - belonging
3	9th Aug	Different - Why Christians are
4	16th Aug	Who am I? (*challenge)
5	23rd Aug	Social, midterm chill
6	30th Aug	The male & female brain

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