

DIOCESAN FORUM RESOURCES

You are invited to view the resources from the recent Diocesan Forum at www.parracatholic.org/forum2019. Read the address from Bishop Vincent Long, materials prepared for the forum, data collated from the forum and images from the day. There will be further opportunities to engage in deanery and diocesan initiatives following the Forum as we continue to go out into the deep to become the community Christ calls us to be.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:

The National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published *Listen to what the Spirit is saying*, the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process. Access the report at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports

CATHOLICCARE BLACKTOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD AID VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home. If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other's lives in this way, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP RCIA WORKSHOP: 5 OCTOBER

The Office for Worship is holding a full-day workshop for those already involved or wishing to get involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Saturday 5 October at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown from 9am to 4.30pm. Registration is \$10 and includes lunch, tea and coffee. RSVP by 1 October. To RSVP and for catering purposes, please contact the Office for Worship team on Ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org or 8838 3457.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES BAULKHAM HILLS SOUTH GOLDEN JUBILEE: 12 – 13 OCTOBER

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Baulkham Hills South is celebrating its Golden Jubilee (1969-2019). Celebrations will commence with Mass at 6pm on 12 October, followed by a social gathering at 7pm. Bishop Vincent will celebrate the Golden Jubilee Mass at 9.30am on 13 October with a luncheon to follow. For more information, or to assist, contact Louise in the OLOL office on louise@parishofbaulkhamhills.org.au or Bernie on bryall@ioeys.org or 049 925 404.

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: 27 OCTOBER

All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass and Lunch on Sunday 27 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. A light lunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 02 8838 3460 or email lmf@parracatholic.org.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL, PERTH: 7 – 11 DECEMBER 2019

Time is running out to register to join Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta at ACYF19 in Perth. ACYF19 is a biennial national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Bishops of Australia. If you are a school student that missed out on being selected, you can register to join a diocesan small group with a guardian. Free twin-share hotel accommodation is still available, but for a limited time. For more information and to register visit www.catholicyouthparramatta.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 22nd September, 2019
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C



Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Ian McGinness
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 - **Last meeting this term - Friday 27th September**

Good Neighbour Group: Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am - Next meeting Thursday 3rd October

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:

10 Statham Ave, North Rocks NSW 2151

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 November 2019 at 9am Mass.

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

THE SICK: Elisabeth Nietlispach, Ian McMaster, Joe Frare, Patricia Blanning, Afifi Elchaar, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Ellen Conway RSM, Carmen Bonnici, Ron Raftery, Cass Joyce, Brian Delaney.

ANNIVERSARIES: Craig Pearce, Fr Eric Burton, Charlie Moussa, Miriam Thornton, John Peat, Patricia Mervin.

DECEASED: YT Hsu, Deanna Hsu, Robert Moussa, Simon Khoury & All Souls.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In commercial terms the Catholic Church is asset rich and cash poor. Many established churches through good planning and generosity have a large plant on decent real estate, but I don't know a diocese, religious order, parish or Church agency that does not need to carefully look at its cash flow. We rely on your goodness to keep going each year. Our real estate is often our only collateral for our borrowing; always done to improve the services we can render the People of God. The greatest thing going for the Catholic Church, however, is you, Christ's faithful people who witness day in and day out to the power of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. We are also asset rich in terms of the quality of the women and men – lay, professed and ordained – who selflessly serve the Church and the world. When we are attacked for the land and buildings we have it's always good to remember some facts about our Catholic family's commitment to the poor: outside the United Nations and governments, Catholicism is the largest provider of education, health, welfare, personal assistance and Third World development in the world; we have the largest and lowest-paid charitable workforce of any international group; we have been trying to serve God, not money, for two thousand years; and from the earliest Christians to this very day, some Catholics have loved and served the poor so faithfully, that they die with them, and for them. Where all of this is concerned, we are our own worst enemies. False humility has meant we have not sufficiently celebrated what Grace has done in and through us in regards to poverty and the world's poor. None of this excuses us from the direct challenges in today's Gospel. We all know how seductive money is and how quickly greed can throw our moral and spiritual compasses off course. In moral theology, however, intention is critical and even money, seductive as it is, can be, and is, put to good service in Christ's kingdom. It's always a question of where the heart is.

By not publicly acknowledging the service done in our name and with our assistance, we do the Church and ourselves an injustice. When we fail to explain the number of times and places Christians clearly put Jesus ahead of money we allow the Church's critics to have the last word, as though it was the only word on the subject. May this Eucharist, this meal of Christ's poor, assist us to be detached from anything that masters our deepest desires away from Christ and keeps us from serving his kingdom of justice, development and peace for all people everywhere.
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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.

This Week's Readings: Am 8:4-7, 1 Tm 2:1-8, Lk 16:1-13 Next Week's Readings: Am 6:1. 4-7, 1 Tm 6:11-16, Lk 16:19-31
 Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website: www.universalis.com

21st September / 22nd September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	Sam Bietola Roger Hook	Lance Parker	Dawn Peat Volunteer Required Please	Veronica Chacty	John Lacey Frank Lah Gillian Mobbs Lillia Nuguid	Isabelle Chacty
Sunday 8am	John Colman Volunteer Required Please	David Collins	Tony Hughes Bev Johnson	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Ken Coorey Volunteer Required Please Carmelita Khoo Anne-Marie Makin	Pauline Zhao
Sunday 10am	Graeme Gardiner Michael Ng	Peter Hrast	Volunteer Required Please John DeCourcy	Volunteer Required Please	Diane Campbell Cate Joseph Jenny Roddy Gerianne Sadaya	Julia Hoban

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sarah Cook - Coordinator, Mary Cook - Preschool, Sarah Garland - Yrs 2 & 3, **Volunteer Required Please** - Yrs 4 - 6

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: David Collins, Ken Coorey, Carmelita Khoo, Anne-Marie Makin

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

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 4: Anna Hunt, Barbara Haddad

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

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 5: Mark & Carmela Corazza, Angela Lee, Jecy Vaz, Mariana Tomasovic

28th September / 29th September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	Sam Bietola Paul Rankin	Phil Trainor	Kerry Saad Volunteer Required Please	Volunteer Required Please	Maria Bietola Volunteer Required Please Lilia Nuguid Nesli Nuguid	Thea Price
Sunday 8am	John Colman John Murphy	Jim Kinsella	Bev Johnson Carmelita Khoo	Trish Yates	Chris Kinsella Jui-May Lee Lorraine Murphy Gerianne Sadaya	Mike Yates
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar Michael Nasr	Peter Hrast	Sam Safy Volunteer Required Please	Jamie Hoban	Margaret Coakley Marea Mooney Leila Safy Natasha Todorov	Julia Hoban

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: No Childrens Liturgy during School Holidays

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Aubon Fernando, Jose Jilesh, Jim Kinsella, Lorraine Murphy

COUNTER GROUP 5: Noel White, Joe Vitetta, John Murphy

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Margaret Isaac, Barbara Haddad

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

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 6: Estela Li, Myrna Santiago, Ellen Vaughan, Brian Euhus

SPRING FAIR 2020?

Parents, friends and parishioners are invited to a meeting in the school staff room this Tuesday 24th September 7.30pm to discuss and decide the feasibility of having another Spring Fair in 2020. Come and share your thoughts, ideas and suggestions or just listen and be part of the decision.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation enrolment ceremony takes place at all the Masses this weekend. We formally welcome these candidates and their families as they present their enrolment cards to Fr Chris today. Next weekend, we will invite parishioners to take home an enrolment card and pray for these families.



CHANGE IN MONEY COLLECTION

Please note that a change has occurred for when the collections take place during Mass. The first Collection now occurs after the Homily. The Second Collection occurs after the offertory. Support from our parishioners would be appreciated. Thank you.

NO COMMUNION SERVICES

Due to Fr Ian's absence, please note there will not be any Communion Service this Tuesday 24th September and next Tuesday 1st October at 7:30pm. Communion services will continue by Graham Lum this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday whilst Father Ian is away.



DATE	TOPIC
Fri 27th Sept	End of Term Party

CHRIST THE KING - YOUTH NEWS

For all youth news and updates on upcoming events, find us on [Facebook@CTKLifeTeenYouth](https://www.facebook.com/CTKLifeTeenYouth). For more information, please contact Adam Chioatto on 0423 077 677 or ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com. Come along to squires to find out more about these topics and what our challenges are.

PARRAMATTA CATHOLIC FOUNDATION GIFTS IN WILLS CAMPAIGN

What Will Be Your Legacy of Faith, Hope and Charity? During Include A Charity Week, we invite you – after providing for your loved ones – to consider leaving Gift in your Will to our Parish, or a ministry in Parramatta Diocese. Legacy gifts advance Christian works of faith, hope and charity for future generations. For information on remembering the Church in your Will: yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills



WHAT WILL BE YOUR LEGACY OF
FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY?

FIND OUT MORE

2020 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR - ONLY \$10

The Columban Art Calendar is a beautiful, iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. 2020 marks the 98th edition. Great idea for an early Christmas gift. Calendars available in church foyer. Please complete calendar envelope and place in parish communications box.



GERMAN CATHEDRALS AND OBERAMMERGAU PILGRIMAGE 2020

Fr Chris Dixon is leading a pilgrimage titled "German Cathedral Pilgrimage and the Passion Play at Oberammergau", for 13 days leaving 25th August 2020 and returning 6th September 2020. For more information and further details, contact Fr Chris at annangrove@hotmail.com



THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME

October 4th - 20th: 1880 Hall, Surry Hills

Artes Christi presents Victor Hugo's famous story. Funds raised will support "Aid to the Church in Need" - Sri Lankan Appeal. For more information: www.theword.org.au