

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The "Listening and Discernment" phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

CHIME IN FOR THE BELLS OF ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

The Bells of St Patrick's Cathedral Appeal offers a rare opportunity to create history and donate a bell that commemorates a loved one, or honours your family name, organisation or community group. As a Benefactor, you'll also have the privilege of naming your bell in honour of a revered Catholic Saint and helping make the dream of a peal of bells for St Patrick's Cathedral become a reality. For further information, visit yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/bellsappeal

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 bryvall@ioeys.org or 0419 925 404. Broken Bay Bible Conference: 11 – 12 October

CAMPION COLLEGE THEATRE SOCIETY PRODUCTION: 12 – 13 OCTOBER

Campion College Theatre Society's end of year production will be held on 12 and 13 October from 6.30pm at Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral, 40-46 Alice St, Harris Park. The society will perform both Peter Pan and Animal Farm in a double feature. Tickets are \$20 adults, \$15 concessions. To purchase tickets, please visit <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=551659&>

SPRINGWOOD CHURCH CENTENARY: 19 OCTOBER

St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood, is celebrating the centenary of the opening of its second church (corner Macquarie and Hawkesbury Roads, Springwood) on Saturday 19 October. If you attended Mass or school at this site, you are warmly invited to wander in for a memory walk between 12noon and 2pm. For more information, please contact the parish office on 02 4754 1052.

BLACKTOWN LEGION OF MARY ROSARY PROCESSION: 26 OCTOBER

The Legion of Mary Blacktown Comitium is celebrating the Month of the Holy Rosary with a Rosary Procession on 26 October. The procession will start at Alpha Park, Blacktown at 12.30pm and will process from 1pm to St Patrick's Church, Blacktown. Benediction will close the event at 2.30pm.

CYP LIFTED LIVE IN THE FORECOURT: 26 OCTOBER

Join Catholic Youth Parramatta, Bishop Vincent and over 1000 other youth and young adults as they celebrate the feast of St John Paul II during LIFTED Live in Forecourt at the St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct on Saturday 26 October from 7-10pm. There will be live music, food stalls, rides and entertainment. \$5 entry on arrival. For more information, visit <https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/>

ST PHILOMENA MASS AND DEVOTIONS: 9 NOVEMBER

Mass and Devotions for St Philomena will be held on Saturday 9 November at St John Vianney Parish, Doonside. Mass will be held at 12Midday, with confession from 11.30am. Please bring a snack to share. For further information, contact Libby Peoples on 0423 154 463 or epeoples9@gmail.com.

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 6th October, 2019
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C



GOSPEL REFLECTION

In our struggles to be faithful disciples, we frequently must endure periods when we feel abandoned by God. When we have been intent on serving God with genuine devotion, such times are particularly trying, for one would expect that God would not withdraw consolations. When this happens, the broken heart and the strained spirit cry out to God in complaint: How long? Why? We have all been worn down by life, tempted to give up, too weary to go on.

Faith in God is a gift for which we pray. It enables us to accomplish marvellous feats; with it we can move mountains. As unprofitable servants, we do not earn it; we have no right to claim it as our own. We are the ones from whom faithful service will be expected. We will be sent to plough the fields and tend the sheep. We will be called to serve at table.

The faith that is ours has been mediated to us through the community. We have heard about God and about Jesus from others, from our parents and families, from our teachers and those who preach, from those with whom we work and play. Faith comes from God, but through the mediation of the community. Timothy received faith from his mother and grandmother. It was strengthened in him through the imposition of Paul's hands and through his preaching of the word of God. Furthermore, what Paul taught had first been handed down to him from those who preceded him.

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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 18th October**
Good Neighbour Group: Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am - **Next meeting Thursday 7th November**

PARISH SERVICES

Sunday Masses:	Weekday Masses:
6pm Saturday	Tuesday 7:30pm
8am Sunday	Wednesday 9am
10am Sunday	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 16 November 2019 at 9am Mass.

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

THE SICK: Elisabeth Nietispach, Joe Frare, Afifi Elchaar, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patricia Blanning, Ian McMaster, Edna Beck.

ANNIVERSARIES: Craig Pearce, Fr Eric Burton, Charlie Moussa, Miriam Thornton.

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

This Week's Readings: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4, 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14, Lk 17:5-10 Next Week's Readings: 2 Kgs 5:14-17, 2 Tm 2:8-13, Lk 17:11-19

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

5th / 6th October - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	Ken Boys George Germanos	Peter Hrast	John Khoudair Sue Veling	Veronica Chacty	Cecilie McCarron Gillian Mobbs Nesli Nuguid Volunteer Required Please	Isabelle Chacty
Sunday 8am	John Colman Volunteer Required Please	David Collins	Tony Hughes Margaret Noonan	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Ken Coorey Chris Kinsella John Lacey Gerianne Sadaya	Pauline Chen
Sunday 10am	Graeme Gardiner Michael Ng	Jose Jilesh	Stephen Doyle Sam Safy	Alik Orgun	Margaret Coakley Cate Joseph Jenny Roddy Leila Safy	Dominic Wong

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: No Childrens Liturgy during School Holidays

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: David Collins, Ken Coorey, Chris Kinsella, John Lacey

COUNTER GROUP 6: Robert Wallace, Peter Bosci

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 6: Carol Coorey, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP 4: Lena Henson, Dawn Muriti, Helen Templeman, Marea Mooney

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 1: CTK School Mums Group 1, Julie Bechara

12th / 13th October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
Saturday 6pm	Sam Bietola Roger Hook	Peter Hrast	Rob Haddad Volunteer Required Please	Volunteer Required Please	Maria Bietola Frank Lah Gillian Mobbs Lilia Nuguid	Thea Price
Sunday 8am	John Colman Chris Kinsella	Peter Bosci	Tony Hughes Bev Johnson	Trish Yates	Carmelita Khoo Jui-May Lee Anne-Marie Makin Lorraine Murphy	Mike Yates
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar Graeme Gardiner	Jose Jilesh	Sarah Cook Sam Safy	Volunteer Required Please	Jennifer Alphonse Marea Mooney Natasha Todorov Cecilie McCarron	Dominic Wong

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: No Childrens Liturgy during School Holidays

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Peter Bosci, Carmelita Khoo, Anne-Marie Makin, Lorraine Murphy

COUNTER GROUP 7: Tony Clancy, John Lacey

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 7: Ada Cheung

PIETY GROUP 1: Maria Bietola, Mary Magill, Ellen Vaughan

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 2: Frances Gallagher, Rosemaree Maroon, Paul Cook, Helena Roumanus

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

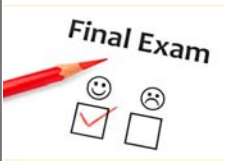
Due to a breakage and leak in a church water pipe, the church building currently has no water facilities. Therefore the church bathrooms are closed. We ask parishioners to please use the bathroom facilities in Mary MacKillop Hall this weekend. Tradespersons will be rectifying the situation next Tuesday and all should be back to normal next weekend. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

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.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION 2019

Parents are reminded that the first session for parents and children will take place on **Wednesday 23rd of October** commencing at 7.30pm in Mary MacKillop Hall.



**HSC YOUTH MASS
SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER - 10AM**

We will be celebrating and praying with and for all the students who will be completing Year 12 and undertaking the Higher School Certificate in the coming weeks. In solidarity with these students, we invite you to wear your Year 12 jersey.

BAPTISM WELCOME

We welcome the Drain family, Luke & Marcia with their daughter Josephine. We also welcome the Prior family, Ashley & Bianca and their daughter Aria. We also welcome the Ryan family, Mark & Nicole and their daughter Sophie. May Josephine, Aria and Sophie's baptisms be a happy and a memorable occasion and may God continue to bless them all in this special step that they have taken to proclaim and support their children in the Christian faith.



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.



**ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS
SUNDAY 27TH 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



**CASTLE HILL'S GIANT BOOK FAIR
Friday - Sunday 11th - 13th October: 9am
Oakhill College**

60,000+ Books - Fiction & Non-Fiction, CDs, DVDs, Computer Games
All at a fraction of retail prices. Make a purchase and support a worthy cause at the same time.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020
Thursday 17th October 2019
6:30pm - 9:00pm**

First Session: Missionary and Evangelising

You are invited to attend any or all of the six sessions to gather and discern the Plenary 2020 National Themes for Discernment. Each session held will be focusing on one of the six themes. These sessions are being held at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. RSVP to tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org

