



# Sunday 16th of February, 2020

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Year A



**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](mailto:ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com)

**School Principal:** Tony Hughes

**School Phone:** 8846 2700

**School Web Site:**

[www.ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au)

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

**Weddings:** By Appointment

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

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

**Rosary:** Saturdays - 8:30am

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

**Good Neighbour Group:** Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am - **Next meeting Thursday 20th February 2020.**

#### PARISH SERVICES

**Sunday Masses:**

5.30pm 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](mailto:northrocks@parracatholic.org)

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

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be next Sat 16th of May 2020 at 9am Mass.

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

**THE SICK:** Mary Magill, Joe Frare, Afifi Elchaar, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Johnene Giacomelli, Ray Wehbe, Antony Abdallah, Angelina Abdallah, Sienna Abdallah, Veronique Sakr.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Faye Donaldson, Zenon Adamski, Raymond Isaac, Avedis Leon Qasabian, Giovanni Bietola, Hugh Snaith, Eileen Murphy, Marguerite Wong, Grace Fedrigo.

**DECEASED:** Tony Khalife, Soraya Khalife, Morrie Kahlife, Yvonne Boulous, Phillip Boulous, Charlie Karam, Leila Karam, John George, Maree George & All Souls.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus continues to instruct the disciples in the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. The readings for today focus our attention on the nature of true wisdom. It is this true wisdom which prompts us to choose the right course of action. It is true wisdom that directs us in our interpretation of the law.

The longer we live, the more we realise that life experiences open up for us a series of choices. With these choices we chart the path that we will take. Circumstances might be thrust on us, but we can still make choices about how we will deal with them. Obedient people do what they are told; wise people choose what good they will do. True wisdom calls us to choose life and whatever enhances life. If we are truly wise, we will come to realise that what was acceptable and life-enhancing in one situation may not be appropriate in another. Life is fluid, and our thinking and acting must be flexible enough to adapt when necessary.

True wisdom, which comes to us through the Spirit, will enrich us with insight into life in ways we never thought possible. We will realise where and how we fit into the vast and interrelated ecosystems of the universe, and we will be overawed with the majesty and intricacy of its workings. We will understand once and for all that the value of anything is determined by its capacity to enrich life, and we will commit ourselves to and cherish every manifestation of that life. Dianne Bergant CSA



#### 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: Sir 15:15-20, 1 Cor 2:6-10, Mt 5:17-37    Next Week's Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18, 1 Cor 3:16-23, Mt 5:38-48  
**Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website: [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)**

**15th / 16th February - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
<b>Saturday 5.30pm</b>	Roger Hook Paul Rankin	Phil Trainor	John Khoudair Inge Wienker	Veronica Chacty	Frank Lah Gillian Mobbs	Thea Price
<b>Sunday 8am</b>	Chris Brown Christine Kinsella	David Collins	Bev Johnson Rhoda Patrick	Trish Yates	Mario Azzopardi Jui-May Lee	Mike Yates
<b>Sunday 10am</b>	Michael Nasr Michael Ng	Peter Hrast	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Alik Orgun	Jamie Hoban Jenny Roddy	Darren So Wea Yeung Ruth Jilesh Nick Said

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Erica Rheinberger - Coordinator, Sarah Garland - Pre-school, Caroline Elchaar - Yr 2-3, Terri Hirschhorn - Yr 4-6

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Mario Azzopardi, David Collins, Ken Coorey, Rosemary Wickham

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

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 7:** Ada Cheung

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

**CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 2:** Frances Gallagher, Rosemarie Maroon, Paul Cook, Helena Roumanos

**22nd / 23rd February - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
<b>Saturday 5.30pm</b>	Sam Bietola Ken Boys	Keith Henson	John DeCourcy Sue Veling	<b>Volunteer Required Please</b>	Maria Bietola Sue DeCourcy	Thea Price
<b>Sunday 8am</b>	John Colman John Murphy	Peter Bosci	Julie Elliott Dexter Tabeta	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Carmelita Khoo Chris Kinsella	Pauline Chen
<b>Sunday 10am</b>	Peter Elchaar Graeme Gardiner	Ken Coorey	Sarah Cook Stephen Doyle	<b>Volunteer Required Please</b>	Margaret Coakley Marea Mooney	Adam Chioatto

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Erica Rheinberger - Coordinator, Mary Cook - Pre-school, Aileen Baines - Yr 2-3, Sarah Garland - Yr 4-6

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Peter Bosci, Carmelita Khoo, Chris Kinsella, Jim Kinsella

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

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 8:** Reyna Mendes, Barbara Haddad

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

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

**26th February - Ash Wednesday**

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musicians
<b>9am Mass</b>	Roger Hook	Phil Trainor	Dawn Peat Gerard Sadaya	<b>Volunteer Required Please</b>	Adam Chioatto Frank Lah	<b>Volunteer Required Please</b>
<b>7.30pm Mass</b>	Sam Bietola	Ron Ruskin	Ken Coorey	Alik Orgun	Maria Bietola	Dominic Wong

## CATECHISTS - COMMISSIONING & SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS APPEAL

Next Saturday at the Vigil Mass, we will commission our Catechists for the new school year. We thank them for continuing in this important ministry or volunteering for the first time. We are still looking for volunteers from North Rocks Parish to teach Scripture at North Rocks Public School on Tuesday mornings and Carlingford West Public School on Wednesday mornings. The volunteers are required either to teach classes or assist with teaching classes in 2020. 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 or Terri Hirschhorn on 0407 294 332.



### BAPTISM WELCOME

We welcome the Moses family, Adam & Mary-Anne with their son Norman. We also welcome the Paisley family, Aidan & Lisa and their daughter Allegra. May Norman and Allegra's baptisms be a happy and a memorable occasion and may God continue to bless their parents in this special step that they have taken to proclaim and support their children in the Christian faith.

## PLENARY 2020 – DISCERNMENT THEME - "PRAYER AND EUCHARIST"

### SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY - MARY MACKILLOP HALL

Everyone is invited to attend the first Plenary 2020 meeting for the year, commencing at 11.15am in the parish hall. For catering purposes, please place your name on the clipboard located in the church foyer and come along and enjoy the morning with your fellow parishioners.

### LENTEN PROGRAM 2020

The season of Lent commences on Ash Wednesday 26th February and concludes on Easter Sunday 12th April. It is a time for spiritual renewal, repentance and reflection. The program that will be used this year is provided by the Diocese of Wollongong entitled "Grace". This Lenten program includes short daily reflections in addition to the longer-form Sunday Gospel reflections, spiritual direction, Gospel readings, responsorial psalms, prayers and reflection questions. This program is also perfect for individuals who cannot attend a Lenten group. If you wish to form a group or join a group, please contact the parish office on 9871.8710 or via email: [northrocks@parracatholic.org](mailto:northrocks@parracatholic.org) or place your details on the clipboard in the church foyer.



DATE	TOPIC
Fri 21st Feb	What do you meme?
Fri 28th Feb	Followers
Fri 6th Mar	1000 words / No comment
Fri 13th Mar	What's in a name?
Fri 20th Mar	Like friends
Fri 27th Mar	To the ends of the earth
Fri 3rd Apr	Wrap up / chill out

### CHRIST THE KING - YOUTH NEWS

Come along to squires to find out more about these topics and what our challenges are. The theme for this term is: "Image and Likeness". Mark these dates in your schedules and join in.

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](mailto:ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com)

### FORMATION OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

#### FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

St Patrick's cathedral invites you to the Formation of the Gospel of John. The presenter is Fr Robert Bossini. Commencing at 7.30pm in the Cloister Function Room, - 1 Marist Place, Parramatta.

## OPEN DAY FOR 2021 ENROLMENTS - CHRIST THE KING PRIMARY

### FRIDAY 6TH MARCH

#### 9AM - 10:45AM

The community of the Christ the King parish invites parents, friends, neighbours and their families to join us for a Liturgy, morning tea and visit of our learning areas. Year 6 will offer guided tours for families looking to enrol in 2021. Enrolment packages will be available on the day.

For all enquiries: [northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au) or contact Mr Hughes: 0432 056 959

CHRIST THE KING  
NORTH ROCKS



### PARISH JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Four committees have been formed and need participants to become involved in this important celebration. **Sign-up sheets are now available in the church foyer to register your interest.** We are seeking people for the following groups: Social, Historical, Public Relations/Marketing and Future Evangelisation. Please contact the parish office via email: [northrocks@parracatholic.org](mailto:northrocks@parracatholic.org) or on 9871.8710 if you require any further information.



## **CATHOLICCARE FAMILY SPIRIT INFORMATION EVENING: 18 FEBRUARY**

Can you picture yourself as a foster carer? Family Spirit is looking for compassionate people who can provide security and comfort to children in need. To find out more, please join us for an information night on Tuesday 18 February, 6pm to 8:30pm at Marist 180, 36 First Avenue, Blacktown. A light meal will be served. To secure your place call 13 18 19 or email [connect@familyspirit.org](mailto:connect@familyspirit.org)

## **ASH WEDNESDAY PROJECT COMPASSION DIOCESE LAUNCH: 26 FEBRUARY**

Please join us for the launch of Caritas Australia's Project Compassion in the Diocese on Ash Wednesday, 26 February, at St Patrick's Cathedral. Mass will be held at 7.30pm, with the launch to follow. International Speaker, Florida Senis Rafer will be joining us. Hear her story and ask her questions about the life-changing program she works on in the Philippines. To RSVP by 19 February, contact [marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org](mailto:marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org) or call 8838 3461.

## **INSTITUTE FOR MISSION THEMES OF FAITH: STARTING MARCH 2**

The Themes of Faith program invites participants to share conversation and reflection in small groups. Each group is accompanied by a mentor with a focus on different key life/faith theme each time. Sessions, arranged in two blocks of 5 Monday evenings, start on 2 March. To register, visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/tof> and for more information, contact Donnie or Fr Paul on (02) 9296 6369 or [donnie.velasco@ifm.org.au](mailto:donnie.velasco@ifm.org.au) or [paul.roberts@ifm.org.au](mailto:paul.roberts@ifm.org.au)

## **RELIQS OF ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX AND PARENTS LOUIS & ZELIE MARTIN TO VISIT: 4 MARCH**

### **St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta**

The relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux will visit Australia on a four-month pilgrimage with her parents, Saints Louis and Zélie Martin. The relics will arrive in the St Patrick's Cathedral at 9.30pm on Wednesday March 4 for overnight veneration. Early morning Mass on Thursday March 5 will be moved to the earlier time of 6.15am.

## **CATHOLICCARE BLACKTOWN NEIGHBOUR 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](mailto:deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au).

## **INSTITUTE FOR MISSION REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM: STARTING MARCH 10**

If you are serving in any ministry or hoping to get involved, this program gatherings will nurture your relationship with God and further equip your purpose and serving! Sessions start on Tuesday 10 March and will run every Tuesday night for twelve weeks. To register, please visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry> or for more information, contact Sr Grace on (02) 9296 6369 or [grace.roclawska@ifm.org.au](mailto:grace.roclawska@ifm.org.au)

## **NATIONAL BIENNIAL LITURGY CONFERENCE: 12 – 14 MARCH**

The Diocese of Parramatta is hosting the National Biennial Liturgy Conference, an Australian gathering of liturgy representatives, pastoral ministers, catechists, musicians, educators and all who are interested in liturgy. The Conference, to be held at Novotel Sydney Parramatta from 12 to 14 March, will include an excellent variety of workshops whilst focusing on fostering and forming the people of God at prayer. For more information, contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456.

## **OFFICE FOR WORSHIP LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES**

The Office for Worship's Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be held again next year, commencing early February 2020. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3456 or [anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org)

## **CREDIT CARD AND DIRECT DEBIT CHANGES**

Please inform the Parish Office on 9871 8710 or send an email to [northrocks@parracatholic.org](mailto: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](mailto: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*

*2020 Open Day (for 2021 enrolments)*

*9.00-10.45am Friday, 6th March*



*Liturgy,  
Morning tea,  
visiting learning areas  
and guided tours by*



*our Year 6 students for families enrolling for 2021.*

## *The Community of Christ the King North Rocks*

invites parents, friends, neighbours and their families to join us for a Liturgy, morning tea and a visit of our Learning Areas.

Year 6 Students will be offering guided tours for families looking to enrol for 2021.

Enrolment packages will be available on the day.

*When: Friday, 6th March  
Liturgy begins at 9:00am*

*Where: 2 Statham Avenue, North Rocks.*

Come along and join us for an  
Introduction to Our School

Enquiries to: [northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:northrocks@parra.catholic.edu.au) or contact Mr Hughes on 0432 056 959 to make an enquiry or book a tour

