



Sunday 20th September, 2020
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
Year A



Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Ian McGinnity
Trainee Deacon: John Collins
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www.ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au

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

Weddings: By Appointment

Reconciliation: Saturdays 9:30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: **Suspended until further notice**

Rosary: **Suspended until further notice**

Children's Liturgy: **Suspended until further notice**

Good Neighbour Group: Mary MacKillop Hall

every 2nd Thursday at 10am - **Suspended until further notice**

PARISH SERVICES

Sunday Masses:

ONLINE REGISTRATION before each Friday

5.30pm

<https://northrockscatholicparish.eventbrite.com.au/>

5.30pm Saturday

8am Sunday

10am Sunday

Weekday Masses:

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 to be confirmed.

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

THE SICK: Jenny Commisso Smith, Ita Martin, Margaret Martin, Jessica Campbell, Mary Magill, Joe Frare, Afifi Elchaar, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sheridan Kelly, Maria Vecellio Segate, Fr John Langtry.

ANNIVERSARIES:

DECEASED: Letty Yberra, Rodney Jayatilaka, Raymond Wehbe, Beniamino Cutrone, Jimmy Cutrone, Carmelina Cutrone, Guiseppina Cutrone, George Cutrone Jr & All Souls.

REFLECTION

Dianne Bergant CSA

Our attention shifts slightly in these last Sundays of Ordinary Time. We turn from concentration on the character and responsibilities of discipleship to reflection on the import of the end of time. As we move toward the close of the liturgical year, we are invited to consider the final coming of Christ and the last judgment.

The thought of judgment is enough to strike fear in the hearts of many. We sometimes experience tension between the idea of divine justice, which requires that the good be adequately rewarded and the evil be appropriately punished, and that of the mercy of God, which we hope will be generously extended to us. As seen in the readings for this Sunday, the justice of God does not conform to the standards of human justice. It is incomprehensible, because its foundation is mercy. While we might find consolation in this view of divine judgment when it is directed toward us, our hearts do not always seem to be generous enough to rejoice in the mercy extended to others. It is almost as if we feel that we have been cheated in some way, if God is merciful to others. However, divine mercy can work in us to abolish our pettiness and indignation and replace it with generosity of heart. We are called to conduct ourselves with this kind of generosity, this kind of love, this kind of mercy.



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: Is 55:6-9, Phil 1:20-24, 27, Mt 20:1-16

Next Week's Readings: Ez 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11, Matt 21:28-32

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

TO OUR MINISTERS OF THE PARISH

With an increase in Mass attendance, the request for Ministers has recommenced.

Those involved will be once again be notified when they are rostered to assist. Should you be rostered and feel you are not ready to return to Mass, please email the parish office: northrocks@parracatholic.org or ph 9871 8710 or indicate on the roster through Ministry Scheduling, that a volunteer is required. A replacement can then be organised on your behalf.

Thank you for your ongoing participation in these important ministries.

19th / 20th September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	One Eucharistic Minister Required	COVID Safety Warden
Saturday 5.30pm	Sam Bietola Volunteer Required Please	Lance Parker	Zeina Chacty Inge Weinker	Veronica Chacty	Sue DeCourcy	Volunteer Required Please
Sunday 8am	Chris Brown John Murphy	Aubon Fernando	Tony Hughes Reader Required Please	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Gerianne Sadaya	Brian Euhus Chris & Jim Kinsella John & Linda Murphy
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar Graeme Gardiner	Peter Hrast	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Alik Orgun	Minister Required Please	Roseanne Vaughan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Suspended until further notice

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Mario Azzopardi, Carmelita Khoo, Jim Kinsella, Minister Required Please

COUNTER GROUP: Suspended until further notice

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 2: Gillian Mobbs, Lanny Carter

PIETY GROUP: Suspended until further notice

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

26th / 27th September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	One Eucharistic Minister Required	COVID Safety Warden
Saturday 5.30pm	George Germanos Roger Hook	Minister Required Please	John DeCourcy Kerry Saad	Volunteer Required Please	Maria Bietola	Volunteer Required Please
Sunday 8am	John Colman Volunteer Required Please	Peter Bosci	Julie Elliott Bev Johnson	Trish Yates	Gerianne Sadaya	Brian Euhus Chris & Jim Kinsella John & Linda Murphy
Sunday 10am	Michael Nasr Michael Ng	Ken Coorey	Rob Haddad Reader Required Please	Volunteer Required Please	Marea Mooney	Roseanne Vaughan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Suspended until further notice

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Peter Bosci, Chris Kinsella, John Lacey, Minister Required Please

COUNTER GROUP: Suspended until further notice

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 3: Maria Bietola, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP: Suspended until further notice

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 4: Louis Kastoun, Paul Cook, Brian Euhus, Ken Coorey



Please
**WEAR
A FACE
MASK**

Help stop
the spread
of COVID-19

WEEKDAY MASSES

Parishioners attending all weekday Masses are required to complete their details on the registration form provided in the church foyer.

To remain compliant, those who register on the sign-in sheet, please ensure individual (not family) names and contact numbers are recorded.

Wednesday to Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (note Friday Mass starts at 9:15am)

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SUNDAY MASSES

• Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil

• Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Do I need to make a reservation for weekend Mass? Yes ✓

The maximum number of people allowed inside a place of worship is 100 persons per Mass. It is still a NSW government requirement to register all attendees to assist in contact tracing should it be required. Therefore the Eventbrite website will now only allow 100 parishioners to register to attend their chosen Mass. Be sure to reserve your place early to not miss out. <https://northrockscatholicparish.eventbrite.com.au>

All reservations must be made before Friday 5:30pm.

Ministries have recommenced but some parishioners may not be available this weekend, so volunteers may be required for certain ministries. Please email the parish office: northrocks@parracatholic.org or ph 9871 8710 after reserving a place at your selected Mass, if you are able to assist. Thank you for your patience.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION 2020

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a prerequisite for First Eucharist (for children in Year 3 and above). Thank you to the families that participated in the initial parent information evening last Wednesday via Zoom. The next step for registration will be via our parish website. Due to NBN access difficulties experienced this week, this is currently not available. Once this is ready and online, an email will be sent to all families who have contacted the parish, expressing their inclusion in the program.

We apologise for the inconvenience this has caused.



JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE REUSABLE SHOPPING BAG APPEAL THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made a wonderful contribution in recent weeks generously donating shopping bags to be used for grocery items. These items have been delivered to people from Arrupe within 24 hours of pickup.

CHRIST THE KING SQUIRES YOUTH GROUP

We are wrapping up Term 3 this Friday 18th and next Friday 25th, which are full steam ahead. **Term 4** kicking off Friday October 16th where students in Year 5 and above will be invited to join Squires. All welcome every Friday

during the school term 7:30 - 9pm in the St Mary MacKillop Hall. For more youth news and updates, contact Adam Chioatto on 0423 077 677 or ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com



WATCH FOUND

A white watch was left behind in the church last weekend. If you have been running late for your appointments this week because you are missing your watch, please contact the parish office on 9871.8710 or northrocks@parracatholic.org to confirm that we have your watch.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, contact Patrice Moriarty 0409 399 505 - JRS amelia.savage@jrs.org.au

NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

NSW Chief Health Officer Dr Kerry Chant said, "Places of worship will have to find alternatives to practices that might spread the virus like singing, sharing books and even passing around the collection plate to reduce infection risks. Communal singing and chanting should not occur because of the high risk of transmission of the virus."

Therefore only pre-recorded music will be provided during Mass.



DIocese OF PARRAMATTA CELEBRATES THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Diocese of Parramatta is celebrating the Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October) by creating a video to be released on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. We invite all parishioners to be involved. Send your photograph, video, art or poetry of your favourite nature spot in the Diocese to comms@parracatholic.org by 25 September. Details can be found at <https://www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice/>

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE SEPTEMBER EDITION

Look out for copies of the next edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine in the Church foyer. Catholic Outlook is an A4 magazine published quarterly with a focus on Catholic faith formation, spirituality and a look at what is happening across the agencies and ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta.

WELCOME TO THE WELL

The Diocese of Parramatta proudly announces its latest initiative – The Well. In what can be described as ‘Netflix for Catholics’, The Well is a new online platform that provides free, ‘on-demand’ inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Check it out at www.thewell.org.au

PASTORAL PLANNING PLENARY COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS: 12 – 24 SEPTEMBER

You are invited to join with others online to be informed about the next steps for the Plenary Council 2020. You will experience how to use a simple guide to animate your local community to engage with the Thematic Writing Papers, and to develop Good News Stories in the spirit of Plenary. Please register for one of the following sessions:

* Saturday 19 September at 2.30pm: <https://tinyurl.com/plenary19september>

* Monday 21 September at 7pm: <https://tinyurl.com/plenary21september>

* Thursday 24 September at 7pm: <https://tinyurl.com/plenary24september>

SATURDAY SESSIONS: 19 SEPTEMBER

Please join with others as we create community online to share and grow faith, every Saturday from 11am - 12pm with Saturday Sessions. Listen to the pre-recorded presentation about a topic of faith before Saturday 11am and then join an online group discussion via Zoom from 11am. Register in advance for this meeting to receive the links for the presentation and meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/saturdaysessions19Sep> After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about the presentation for this week and a link to join the meeting.

A Mission of Justice and Mercy: Becoming a Church for Mission 2030 - Fr Frank Brennan SJ

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

During Include A Charity Week (7 – 13 September), we invite you – after providing for your loved ones – to consider leaving a Gift in your Will to our Parish, or a ministry in our Diocese. Legacy gifts advance Christian works of faith, hope and charity for future generations. For information on remembering the Church in your Will, visit www.yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills

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. -

Parishioners who wish to make a donation to the parish, can access the facility on the front page of the Parish website by clicking “Donate Now” on the top right-hand side of the page or donating directly to <https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/ChristTheKingParishNorthRocks> via Credit Card. Should you wish to make a donation via direct debit, please use the following details:

BSB: 067-950

Account Number: 00000479

Account Name: North Rocks Catholic Church

FIRST COLLECTION:

If you would like to contribute towards the support of the priests, please use the following details:

BSB 067-950

Account No. 00004265

Account Name: Parramatta Diocesan Clergy

Reference Number: 6027

Thank you to everyone in the continual support of the parish and the clergy of the Diocese of Parramatta.

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**

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.