



Sunday 7th November, 2021

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B



Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Ian McGinnity
Deacon: John Collins
Parish Secretary: Claudine Nallétamby
Parish Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9am - 4pm

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

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

Rosary: **Suspended until further notice**

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

Good Neighbours Group: Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am - **Suspended until further notice**

PARISH SERVICES

Sunday Masses:

REGISTRATION via SERVICE NSW QR Code located outside Church doors

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 8am

Sunday 10am

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: Jovito Gatpatan, Margaret McCaffrey, Fiona Kyle, Sandra Neill, Delia Hipolito, Edna Esmero, Mimi Jayatilaka, Bev McAppion, Pat McAppion, Ace Sortisas, Oliver Ofiana, Jui-May Lee, Tony Basha, Tina Coorey, Jenny Commisso Smith, Margaret Martin, Jessica Campbell, Mary Magill, Daniele Donu, Patrick Wheeler, Sonia Merchant, Abraham Concepcion.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Deacon Owen Rogers and all on our November Parish list and all the Holy Souls.

REFLECTION

Dianne Bergant CSA

The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models. Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him. It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows, individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members. Their generosity is religiously inspired, and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity. God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of flour and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for reward. They carry out their responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.



HSC CYP LIVESTREAM THIS SUNDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

The annual HSC commences this week. Year 12 students, their families and supporters across the Diocese are invited to share in a LIFTED experience on Sunday 7 November at 8pm with Bishop Vincent. It will include a blessing, music and numerous messages of support from other students, parish priests and Catholic Youth Parramatta. Tune in at <https://www.facebook.com/catholicyouthparr>

PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH HSC STUDENTS

Lord, you have loved me into life and I thank you.

In this exam period, give me a calm heart and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold me in the palm of your hand. Bless me with keen understanding and a retentive memory. Give me the ability to grasp things correctly, and express myself clearly. Help me to look beyond this time of exams and see clearly whatever you are calling me to be in life. Show me my gifts and talents and help me to have the courage to use them to love others, to give you glory and to leave this world a better place. Amen.

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: 1 Kgs 17:10-16, Heb 9:24-28, Mk 12:38-44
 Next Week's Readings: Dn 12:1-3, Heb 10:11-14, 18, Mk 13:24-32

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

TO OUR MINISTERS OF THE PARISH

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.

6th / 7th November - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Ministers	COVID Safety Warden
Saturday 5.30pm	George Germanos Roger Hook	Keith Henson	Inge Wienker John DeCourcy	Veronica Chacty Jonathan Sleiman Jacob Sleiman	Jim Kinsella Lilia Nuguid	George Germanos Roger Hook
Sunday 8am	John Murphy Welcomer Required Please	Aubon Fernando	Julie Elliott Tony Hughes	Trish Yates	John Lacey Veronica Raic	Chris & Jim Kinsella John & Linda Murphy
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Acolyte Required Please	Sarah Cook Sam Safy	Computer Operator Required Please	Chris Kinsella Leila Safy	Rosanne Vaughan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Suspended until further notice

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Suspended until further notice

COUNTER GROUP: Suspended until further notice

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 7: Ada Cheung

PIETY GROUP: Suspended until further notice

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

13th / 14th November - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Ministers	COVID Safety Warden
Saturday 5.30pm	Sam Bietola George Germanos	Peter Hrast	Zeina Chacty Inge Wienker	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Gillian Mobbs	George Germanos Roger Hook
Sunday 8am	John Murphy Welcomer Required Please	Peter Bosci	John DeCourcy Julie Elliott	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Rosemary Wickham Veronica Raic	Chris & Jim Kinsella John & Linda Murphy
Sunday 10am	Graeme Gardiner Michael Nasr	Ken Coorey	Dawn Peat Danielle Dona	Swedel Fernandes Tiana Fernandes	Margaret Coakley Chris Kinsella	Rosanne Vaughan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Suspended until further notice

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Suspended until further notice

COUNTER GROUP: Suspended until further notice

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 8: Nat Bertie

PIETY GROUP: Suspended until further notice

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



Please
**WEAR
A FACE
MASK**

Help stop
the spread
of COVID-19

CHRIST THE KING PARISH MASSES

- Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil
- Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

The maximum number of people allowed inside our place of worship is

120 persons per Mass.

NEW COVID RESTRICTIONS

Masses have recommenced being celebrated here at Christ the King Parish. Face masks are now mandatory at all indoor venues and the social distancing rule of 1 person per 4 square metres is now in force. Therefore a maximum attendance of 120 persons will be allowed in our Church. No singing is allowed. Can we please request for everyone to register via the Service NSW QR Code app, bring along a face mask to wear before entering the church and continue to utilise the sanitiser provided. The Christ the King parish QR Code is located on the windows of the church for parishioners to scan and register themselves and any dependents before entering. It will be important for those who use the Service NSW app to show the wardens at the door the green tick on your phone as you enter and to remember to check out after you leave Mass. The wardens will be counting the number of attendees to ensure we don't go over 120 and manually register anyone who does not register via the QR Code. For more information on downloading the Services NSW app - <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/service-nsw-mobile-app>

NOVEMBER MASSES

St Ambrose preached, *"We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayer into the house of the Lord."* For this reason, parishioners are invited to put the names of their loved ones on the card provided on the table near the sanctuary and place on the commemorative wall during the month of November. The daily Mass will be held for their intentions. Envelopes are available to commemorate the memory of your loved one at Mass and their name will be placed in the Parish Memorial Book. Only recently deceased persons will be listed in the bulletin during the month of November.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2021

This week younger members of our parish community will be receiving the Sacrament of confirmation on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening.

Let us pray for these young people that they will allow God's Spirit to move in their lives and that they will participate in the life of the Church as disciples of Jesus.



CTK CUPPA & CONNECTION VIA ZOOM

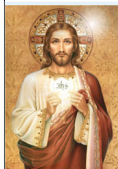
This Tuesday 9th November - 10:30am & Thursday 11th November - 3pm

The CTK Cuppa & Connection will continue the virtual morning and afternoon tea next week for all of our parishioners to grab a cuppa and connect with each other for a chat. Many parishioners have been enjoying "seeing each other". It

would be wonderful for those especially still a little apprehensive to return to the church to join in. Come and say "hello". Check your schedules and join in one or both chats. A Zoom invite will be received via email or please contact the parish office on 9871.8710 or via email: northrocks@parracatholic.org to receive the link.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING - SATURDAY 20TH & SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

The Parish celebrates its feast day in two weeks. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, sadly we are unable to celebrate this day as we might like but we will celebrate this special occasion with Mass, coffee and cake shared afterwards, with social distancing rules applying. Come and enjoy friendly conversation and refreshments. **Bring along a friend.**



FUNDRAISER FOR JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE (JRS) PLANT & GIFTWARES SALE - SATURDAY 20TH & SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

A fundraiser for JRS will be held after every Mass. JRS advocates and provides assistance to refugees, many of whom receive little to no assistance from the Australian government. They usually can't return to their home country for safety reasons and are reliant on organisations such as JRS to help provide life's necessities. Many are dealing with past trauma and physical and/or mental health issues. We will be selling many plants and giftware. **Please come and support if you can and get in early with a great Christmas gift!**



EFTPOS available.

INSTALLATION OF NEW TV MONITORS IN CHURCH

Thank You

Many thanks to Tony Chacty, Brian Cho and Robert Haddad for their assistance in installing new TV monitors in the church to replace the existing ones that had malfunctioned on

Thursday evening. With a lot of physical effort, it was achieved successfully. Operators of the AV system should remember to turn off the TV screens after use and turn the power off at the switch in the back sacristy to preserve these monitors. Thanks also to Jim Kinsella for upgrading the laptop in the church so that it functions efficiently.

POSITIONS VACANT:

- Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta
- Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

‘THE WELL’ OFFERS SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT DURING LOCKDOWN

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese’s ‘on demand’ streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Explore with Catholic Youth Parramatta the importance of honouring the holy men and women who have gone before us as we commemorate All Saints’ Day. Visit www.thewell.org.au today.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA LAUNCHES PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. Beyond the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more as we move into a time of prayer, reflection, maturation and development.

INVITATIONS ARE OPEN TO JOIN THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv is inviting parishioners across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains to apply for membership to the Diocesan Pastoral Council. If you feel called to serve in this way or know someone in your parish that would be a wonderful candidate, apply today by visiting parracatholic.org/diocesan-pastoral-council/. Applications close Monday 15 November.

UPDATE: SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

During lockdown, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) and House of Welcome (HoW) cannot receive physical food and toiletry donations. However, many refugee families are still relying on their foodbanks or the provision of food vouchers. In this difficult time, please support JRS and HoW with a cash donation if you can. Find more information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

TAP TO GIVE

Our Parish now has a Tap to Give device to make it easier for our faith family to give an offertory gift to help sustain our liturgical, sacramental, pastoral and charitable ministries.

Our Tap to Give device, located in the Church Foyer, enables us as a Parish to accept cashless donations which are automatically deposited into our bank. Our Tap to Give device has been pre-set with a gift amount of \$10.

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.bpoin.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.