



Sunday, 3rd July, 2022

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year C



Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Ian McGinnity
Deacon: John Collins
Parish Secretary: Frances Gallagher
Parish Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9am - 3pm

School Principal: Tony Hughes
School Phone: 8846 2700
School Web Site:
www.ctknorthrocks.catholic.edu.au
Baptisms: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 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: Every 1st & 3rd Sunday during 10am Mass
Good Neighbours Group: Mary MacKillop Hall every 2nd Thursday at 10am p: - **Suspended until further notice**

PARISH SERVICES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 8.00am
Sunday 10.00am

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9:15am
Saturday 9.00am

Parish Address:

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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: Ingrid Wulf, Warren Johnson, Natalie De Maria, Peter Reiter, Anna Lucia, Marlisa & Peter, Eric Vaughan, Margaret McCaffrey, Jenny Commisso Smith, Mimi Jayatilaka, Sandra Neill, Helene Graham, Abraham Concepcion, Patrick Wheeler, Margaret Martin, Sonia Merchant, Jui-May Lee, Oliver Ofiana, Bev McAppion, Pat McAppion, Delia Hipolito, Edna Esmero, Ace Sortisas, Tina Coorey.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Una Coughlan (Ire), Fr Kevin O'Grady.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill Costello, Doreen Ulbrick.

DECEASED: Members of the Theo, Neo, Archer & Curtis Families.

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

Although the gospel is a report of ministerial commissioning, it contains elements of discipleship in general. Most obvious is the disciples' dependence on Jesus. They are not independent missionaries; they are followers. Furthermore, there is a communal dimension of discipleship. While there is certainly a personal relationship between Jesus and each disciple, discipleship itself is not a singular privilege that one hugs to oneself to the exclusion of others.

Disciples minister to the needs of others, whatever those needs may be and with whatever abilities the disciple may possess. There are various kinds of healing: a friendly smile, a word of gratitude, a soothing touch. We can teach the lessons of life in classrooms, in playrooms, in kitchens, in boardrooms. There are many ways that we can cast out the demons that hold our world by the throat; demons of poverty and oppression, demons of addiction and slavery, demons of disdain and neglect, demons of hatred and violence. If they are not cast out by us, then by whom?

The life of discipleship is not an unmixed blessing. Because disciples are marked by the sign of the cross, they must expect suffering. Because they do not live according to the standards of the world, disciples will be judged as fools. Some of them will be subjected to even greater suffering. Still, the disciple proclaims that true fulfilment is only found in God! In reality, it is the world that is upside down, not the life of discipleship. And it is the cross that sets things right.



PETER'S PENCE LEAVING COLLECTION TODAY

The Peter's Pence collection is traditionally taken up throughout Catholic parishes around the time of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. The 2022 collection will take place today as you leave the church. This collection helps provide the Holy Father with funds for emergency assistance to those in need.

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 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12,17-20

Next Week's Readings: Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

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.

2nd & 3rd July - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 5.30pm	Darren Mobbs	Keith Henson	Inge Wienker Sue Veling	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola
Sunday 8am	Christine Kinsella	Jim Kinsella	Bev Johnson John DeCourcy	Trish Yates	Veronica Raic
Sunday 10am	Rosanne Vaughan	Peter Hrast	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Alik Orgun	Jenny Roddy

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: School holidays. No Children's Liturgy

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Jim Kinsella, Anne-Marie Makin, Ken Coorey

COUNTER GROUP: Ron Ruskin, Keith Henson, John Lenehan, John Coakley

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Margaret Isaac, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP: Volunteer please

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 6: Estela Li, Luke Peterson, Ellen Vaughan, Brian Euhus

9th & 10th July - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 5.30pm	Julie Hook	Sue DeCourcy	Georgette Rissmiller Zeina Chacty	Veronica Chacty	Gillian Mobbs
Sunday 8am	Christine Kinsella	Peter Bosci	Danielle Dona Julie Elliott	Volunteer Needed	Rosemary Wickham
Sunday 10am	Peter Elchaar	Aubon Fernando	Sarah Cook Sam Safy	Alik Orgun	Marea Mooney

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: School holidays. No Children's Liturgy

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Peter Bosci, John Lacey, Rosemary Wickham

COUNTER GROUP: Counting is on the 1st Sunday of the month

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Carol Coorey, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP: Volunteer please

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 1: CTK School Mums, Julie Bechara

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY AND NAIDOC WEEK

Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. This year's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday focuses on the theme "The Harvest is Plentiful, but the labourers are few" (Matthew 9:37). It also marks the start of National NAIDOC Week. You can find more information and resources at natsicc.org.au/2022-atsi-sunday.html.

CTK PARISH BIGGEST MORNING TEA THANK YOU

A big THANK YOU to all who participated in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea last Sunday. To Sarah Cook, who instigated and organised the function, to those who donated the delicious food, Peter Elchaar and his coffee cart, the helpers on the day, and especially to those who donated the \$1400 at the morning tea as well as the \$2230 online donations, altogether totalling \$3628. A magnificent effort for a very worthy cause.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred in our parish on Wednesday, 21st September commencing at 7.30pm. In accord with Parramatta Diocesan policy we will conduct a parish-based, family centred, school supported method of preparation for the children to receive this sacrament.

A pre-requisite of children being confirmed is that they have already received First Holy Communion. Children who have been baptised in Eastern Rite (Uniate Churches, e.g. Maronite, Melchite, Ukrainian, Chaldean etc.) may have already been confirmed at Baptism and do not need to participate in this programme if this is the case.

Children in **Year Five and above** are eligible to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

The program for preparation will commence with an information meeting for parents/guardians on Wednesday, 27th July commencing at 7.30pm in the Church, where the program will be explained and any questions answered.

This is a significant step in your child's journey of faith. It is vital that parents/guardians attend this meeting.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned giving envelopes for the 2022/2023 financial year are now available for collection from the church foyer. If you would like to contribute to the upkeep of the parish through the envelope contribution system, please complete the white 'Planned Giving / Credit Card / Debit Authorisation' card that can be found in the church foyer and drop it into the 'Parish Communications Box' beside the inner central doors. A packet of envelopes can then be collected on the following weekend from the church.

MEETING TO HELP ORGANISE BELATED CTK PARISH GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

A meeting beginning at 7:30pm will be held in the CTK school staffroom on Wednesday 20th July for interested parishioners to organise a belated Parish Golden Jubilee celebration which will take place on Saturday 19th November, on the feast of Christ the King, at which Bishop Vincent will preside. Please contact the parish office if you would like to attend.

SUGGESTION BOX

To help our Parish Council to continue to serve our community, we would like to invite you to place any suggestions you might have into the Parish Communication Box at the back of the church (to the left of the main entrance). Suggestions might include ideas about building our community, youth initiatives, ways to help serve parishioners, social justice ideas and anything you can do to help the parish. All suggestions will be looked at and considered although may not be achievable immediately. Please include your name and number so that we can contact you should we need to.

SUNDAY NIGHT SESSIONS

A series of presentations, seminars, workshops, discussions and stories designed to invite adults (young and old) to grow and develop in their faith. Each session begins at 7.00pm and finishes at 8.30pm and is held in the CTK Parish Hall or Church. Sessions are designed to provide an opportunity for participants to ask questions, share thoughts and ideas and learn new stuff. The aim of the sessions is to further develop a community of mature inquisitive Catholics at Christ the King. Everyone 16 and over is welcome to participate.

Sunday Night Sessions are to be held on the 2nd Sunday of the month from February to November. A Gold Coin Donation to assist with the cost of coffee, tea and biscuits is welcome. The next session on the 10th July on *The History of the St Vincent de Paul Society & The Works of the Society in Today's World* is presented by Rosemary Wickham and Tom Peat. The August 14th session is on *Laudato Si': Care for the Earth, Care for the Poor* and is to be presented by Sue Martin from EcoJesuit. Details to follow.

For more information or if you want to assist with organizing these sessions contact Deacon John through the parish office or via email john.collins@parracatholic.org.

DIACONATE ORDINATION

Seminarian Jack El Khazzi, who had a pastoral placement with us some years ago, is to be ordained to the diaconate (transitional, prior to priesthood) at Saint Bernadette's, Castle Hill on Saturday, 23 July at 5pm by Bishop Vincent. Please keep Jack in your prayers as he prepares for this significant step in his vocation.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES 2022

On 21 of September we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 5 and above).

On 13 and 14 of December we will celebrate the Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Year 3 and above).

UNUSED LAPTOPS AND MACBOOKS NEEDED

Do you have an unused laptop (up to 5 years old) or a Macbook (up to 7 years old), computer, desktop or chromebook that you don't need? Through the Jesuit Refugee Service, these devices directly help refugees and people seeking asylum or accessing employment, education and training opportunities. The devices can be left in the church foyer or parish office for collection by a volunteer of JRS. It would assist greatly if you could wipe your machine and remove passwords before dropping them off.

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK

The Winter Edition of Catholic Outlook is now available. Free copies of this publication can be found on the tables in the church foyer. Take one home with you today.



FREE LECTURE - THE OUTSIDER POPE: WHERE IS FRANCIS LEADING OUR CHURCH?

Tuesday 5 July 7.30pm at the Novotel Parramatta, 350 Church St Parramatta. Vatican correspondent from The Tablet magazine, author and speaker Christopher Lamb will present a free lecture reflecting on Pope Francis' battle to renew the Church, and Pope Francis as a human being. RSVP essential by 2 July to mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org.

SUPPORT MASS FOR YOU AT HOME

Many people who are isolated or don't have internet rely on Mass for You at Home. The Catholic Mass is broadcast free-to-air each Sunday morning on Channel 10 at 6am.

TAP TO GIVE

Our Parish 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.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.