



Sunday, 21st June, 2026

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A



Parish Priest: Rev Fr Ian McGinnity
Deacon: John Collins
Priest-in-Residence: Rev Fr Trevor Hird
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

Anointing of the Sick Mass: TBC
Baptisms: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 11:15am
Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Saturday after
9.15am Mass
Weddings: By Appointment
Reconciliation: Saturdays 9:30am
Children's Liturgy: The 1st & 3rd Sundays during
10am Mass (excluding school holidays)
Good Neighbour Group: Mary MacKillop Hall
every 1st & 3rd Friday at 10:00am

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

THE SICK: Keith Henson, Mark Ford, Kerry & Bruce Wright, Liliana Cugola, Andrew Halmarick, Joseph Keece, Sue Ferguson, Branko Cuzic, Thomas Cook, Helene Graham, Natalie De Maria, Peter Aw, Abraham Concepcion, Lilian Davidson, Delia Hipolito, Barbara Heaton, Mark Cheeseman, Edna Esmero, Lolita Linco. Ken Sunderland.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Frank Lacey (funeral this Friday, 26 June at 10.30am), Artyom Avedisyan, Lazaro Tani.

ANNIVERSARIES: Raphael Hendra Satyo, Gai Perosin, Roy Joseph.

REFLECTION

By Dianne Bergant CSA

The demands of discipleship can be very difficult. The strength that is needed to continue on the chosen path despite its hardships can come only from God. We live in a world that desperately needs to hear the call to conversion, but it is a world that is subject to the death that entered it through the sin of Adam. Those who answer the call of God may have to face the hostility of this world, because their values and their commitment to righteousness threaten its moorings. To commit oneself to the reign of God is to challenge the reign of the world, and this can make one very unpopular. In the midst of this suffering we can find strength in the promises of God, and we believe that God is faithful to these promises.

Only half of today's picture is bleak. The other half is radiant with hope. Paul assures us that the gracious gift that God offers us is far greater than the transgressions brought on by sin. This gracious gift is Jesus Christ himself. The gift exceeds anything for which we might have hoped. He is the comfort that will carry us through our disappointments. He is the strength that will enable us to endure the misunderstanding and hardship that come with discipleship.

We are called to acknowledge him before the world, and we are promised that if we do, he will acknowledge us before God. There is light even in the midst of darkness. There is hope even in the midst of suffering.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

If you give to the Planned Giving via weekly envelopes, new sets are now available from the table at the front of the Church. If you would like to contribute to the upkeep of the parish through the envelope contribution system, or via the credit card or direct debit method please contact the parish office.



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: Jer 20:10-13, Rom 5:12-15, Mt 10:26-33
Next Week's Readings: 2Kgs 4:8-11,14-16, Rom 6:3-4,8-11, Mt 10:37-42

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 not be able to attend your rostered Mass, please email the parish office: northrocks@parracatholic.org or phone 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.

20th & 21st June - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 5.30pm	Kath Patterson	Phil Trainor	Dawn Peat Georgette Rissmiller	Volunteer needed	Maria Bietola
Sunday 8am	John Murphy	Peter Bosci	Julie Elliott Caroline Thurairatnam	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Lorraine Murphy
Sunday 10am	Rosanne Vaughan	Ken Coorey	Tiana Fernandes	Miriam Chacty	Margaret Coakley

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sarah Cook, Sabena Peterson, Mary Cook

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Peter Bosci, John Lacey, Barbara Craft

COUNTER GROUP: 1st Sunday of the month

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Margaret Isaac & Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP: Vigil: Julie Hook; 8.00am Volunteer needed; 10.00am: Volunteer needed

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 3: John & Sue DeCourcy, Chris Poole, Mario Azzopardi

27th & 28th June - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday 5.30pm	Sue Hales	Phil Trainor	Kerry Saad Mary-Anne King	Miriam Chacty	Maria Bietola
Sunday 8am	John Murphy	Lorraine Murphy	Caroline Thurairatnam Tony Hughes	Trish Yates	Jim Kinsella
Sunday 10am	Rosanne Vaughan	Ken Coorey	Sarah Cook Danielle Dona	Thomas Sissons	Jecy Vaz

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Lorraine Murphy, Barbara Craft, Jim Kinsella

COUNTER GROUP: 1st Sunday of the month

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 6: Carol Coorey & Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP: Vigil: Lena Henson; 8.00am Volunteer needed; 10.00am: Marea Mooney

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP 4: Louis Kastoun, Paul Cook, Ryan Brown, Ejay Hwang

GOOD NEIGHBOUR GROUP

The Good Neighbour Group meets in the Parish Hall on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 10.00am for good company, Tai Chi, bingo and lunch, all for \$10. All are welcome to join including people outside the parish and non-Catholics. The next gathering is on Friday, 3rd July, so spread the word!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The annual Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father will be held next Sunday, 28 June. The collection, usually held around the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, supports the Pope's mission; which extends throughout the entire world from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace and brotherhood among peoples. Every offering – large or small – will support the Holy Father in his ministry and in his charitable activities in response to emergencies and needs around the world. Please donate generously.

CTK CONNECT BOOK CLUB

The CTK Connect Book Club will meet this Thursday June 25 at 10am in the Burton Centre to discuss 'The Jane Austen Remedy' by Ruth Wilson.



Please contact us for information or if transport is needed for any event: Terri 0407294332 email mthirschhorn@yahoo.com.au, Vivien 0413027507 email vivien.brewer@gmail.com or Marianne 0418641412 email dave.dwyer1@bigpond.com.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2026

In the parish of Christ the King, the sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on Thursday, 10th 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 grade Five and above are eligible to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

The program for preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation will commence with an information meeting for parents/guardians on **Wednesday, 22nd July commencing at 7.30pm** in Mary MacKillop Parish Hall, where the program will be explained and any questions answered.

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE OUT NOW!



The latest *Catholic Outlook* magazine is out now, keeping you connected with news and events across the Diocese of Parramatta. Inside this edition, you'll find: Celebrating 40 years as a Diocese, Catholic entrepreneurs providing hospitality and welcome, Giving thanks for our new Deacons, Hospitality in our Parishes ... and much more. Pick up a copy today or read online at catholicoutlook.org/e-edition.

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS 2026

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates (16+) interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday 29th August, 9.30am – 2.00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis day. A contribution of \$40 is suggested from the candidates. The Confirmation will take place on Tuesday 1st September at 7:30pm at the Cathedral. Enrolment forms and a copy of Baptismal Certificates should be sent to OFW before Monday 18th August. For more information, please contact ofw@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

PIETY STALL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you help by serving in the Piety Stall once every 4 weeks, especially after 10am Mass. Please phone the parish office on 9871 8710

Christ the King Primary



OPEN DAY

4 August
9:30am-10:30am

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2027

GIVE TO JRS FOODBANK

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Australia is supporting close to 200 families a week. All support from the parish would be greatly appreciated. To help keep everyone fed, we are asking parishioners to donate: Basmati rice; Cooking or olive oil; Long life milk; Deodorant; Men's shavers; Dried red lentils; Laundry detergent. These goods will be taken down to the JRS Centre each week for distribution to the needy.

EDUCATION MASS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE EXPO - 26 AUGUST

You are invited to attend the Education Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on Wednesday, 26 August from 10am to 12.30pm. Coinciding with the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Parramatta, Catholic Schools Diocese of Parramatta will also be celebrating 40 years of education in our school community as a system. The Social Justice Expo will take place immediately following the Mass. The Expo will highlight the local initiatives available from social justice agencies in the field of mission throughout the Diocese.

WORKSHOP WITH JOHN BURLAND - 8 JULY

CCD Parramatta invites you to a fun and interactive day with composer and musician, John Burland at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Seven Hills from 9.30am to 2.30pm on Wednesday, 8 July. Morning tea and lunch provided. Children welcome. RSVP to ccd@parracatholic.org.

EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT & SEMINAR - 14-28 JUNE

St Carlo Acutis created a website that compiled the details of every recorded Eucharistic miracle. The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition has since been made available for display in parishes throughout the world. St Patrick's Cathedral will be our first host parish from Sunday 14th to Sunday 28th June in the Cloister Hall. Guest Speaker: Fr Gerard Kelly will talk about *Biblical Roots of the Eucharist* on Saturday 27th June at 4pm in the Cloister Hall. RSVP to parracatholic.org/events/eucharistic-miracles-exhibit.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES 2026

The Sacrament of Confirmation (Yr 5 and above) on 9 September.
The Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Yr 3 and above) on 8 & 9 December.

TAP TO GIVE

Our Parish has Tap to Give devices 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 devices, located in the Church Foyer, enable us as a Parish to accept cashless donations which are automatically deposited into the bank.

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

DEFIBRILLATOR VIDEO: https://youtu.be/mE-ZIaE_9fw.

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.

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