



# CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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**Baptisms** Monthly 2nd & 4th Sun  
**Weddings:** By Appointment  
**Reconciliation:** Sat 9.30 am & 4.30pm  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Sat 9.30am  
**Rosary:** Sat 8.30am  
**Children's Liturgy:** 10am Mass-During School Term  
**Playgroup:** Fri 9.30 to 11.30 During School Term  
 Parish Services  
**Sunday Masses:** **Weekday Masses:**  
 6.00pm Saturday Tuesday 7.30 pm  
 8.00 am Sunday Wednesday 9.00 am  
 10.00 am Sunday Thursday 9.00 am  
 Friday 9.15 am  
 Saturday 9.00 am  
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**27 January 2019**  
*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR C*



**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**  
 The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 16th February 2019 at 9am Mass.**

**IN YOUR MERCY, PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED:**  
**THE SICK :** Sr Venera Nicolosi OSU, Patrick Wheeler, Sylvette Marsh, Doreen Ulbrick, Delphine Ferreira, Avedis (Charlie) Qasabian, Jan & Stan Burgin.

**THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
 Stephen Tamone, Mary Ann Hagerty

**ANNIVERSARIES:**  
 Marie & Leslie Carey, Annie Lum  
 Filomena Rodi, Stephen Wong, & Elvira Goodwin

**DECEASED:** Edridges Sequeira, Erlic De Noronha, Guise Nguyen Van Nu, All Souls

## *Gospel Reflection*

In both the reading from Nehemiah and the Gospel passage, we see the dynamic power of the word of God. Paul's teaching originated as oral proclamation, and like the texts read by Ezra the priest and the one interpreted by Jesus himself, it was first proclaimed aloud. Only later were these proclamations written and handed down from one community to another, from one generation to the next.

The word of God elicits various responses. In the first reading, the people cried out in response: 'Amen, amen! So be it! We hear and we will obey!' From the verses contained in today's gospel, we do not know how those who heard Jesus' interpretation reacted to it. We do know that both audiences listened intently to the sacred words of Scripture. Can we do less? Are we eager to obey? Do we view the law as a treasure, as life-giving? Have we learned to live with each other as members of one body, each member being important and contributing to the total health of the entire body?

Both Ezra and Jesus proclaimed the word of God within the context of a liturgical celebration, a setting similar to the ones wherein most people today hear God's word proclaimed. According to the teaching of Vatican II, the liturgy is described as the source and summit of our lives, and the liturgy of the word is an essential part of that celebration. With the people of Ezra, we are invited to respond: 'Amen, amen! Thanks be to God!' © Dianne Bergant CSS

### **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 Reading: 3rd Sun Ord Time Year C– Neh 8:2-6, 8-10; 1Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21**

**Next week's Reading: 4th Sun Ord Time Year C– Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13 Lk 4:21-30**

**Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website [www.universalis.com](http://www.universalis.com)**

**26/27 January— 3rd Sun Ord Time**

	<b>Welcomer</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Computer Operator</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	<b>Musician</b>
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Ken Boys George Germanos	Ron Ruskin	John DeCourcy Georgette Rissmiller	Veronica Chacty	Maria Bietola Sue DeCourcy Frank Lah Gillian Mobbs	Isabelle Chacty
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	Chris Brown John Murphy	John Colman	Tony Hughes Rhoda Patrick	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Jui-May Lee Cecilie McCarron Anne-Marie Makin Rosemary Wickham	Pauline Zhao
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Graeme Gardner Michael Nasr	Peter Hrast	Sarah Cook Stephen Doyle	Jamie Hoban	Margaret Coakley Leila Safy John Collins Diane Campbell	Therese Davies

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Ken Coorey, Aubon Fernando, John Lacey, Rosemary Wickham

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

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 6:** Barbara Haddad, Carol Coorey

**PIETY Group 4–** Lena Henson, Dawn Muriti, Helen Templeman and Marea Mooney

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 1–** CTK School Mums Grp 1 and Julie Bechara

**2/3 February— 4th Sun Ord Time**

	<b>Welcomer</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Computer Operator</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	<b>Musician</b>
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Sam Bietola Roger Hook	Keith Henson	Dawn Peat Inge Wienker	Sitara Thaman	Peter Blyth Nesli Nuguid Lilia Nuguid	Dorothea Price
<b>Sunday 8.00 am</b>	John Colman John Murphy	Ken Coorey	Bev Johnson Dexter Tabet	Trish Yates	Carmelita Khoo James Kinsella Anne-Marie Makin Gerianne Sadaya	Mike Yates
<b>Sunday 10.00 am</b>	Peter Elchaar Michael Ng	Aubon Fernando	Julia Hoban Stephen Doyle	Jamie Hoban	Cate Joseph Marea Mooney Natasha Todorov Dianne Vogt	Darren So Wea Yeung

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** Ken Coorey, Carmelita Khoo, James Kinsella, Anne-Marie Makin.

**COUNTER GROUP 6:** Robert Wallace, Peter Bosci

**ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 7:** Ada Cheung

**PIETY Group 1–** Maria Bietola, Tony and Catherine Hughes, Mary Magill

**CHURCH CLEANING Group 2–** Frances Gallagher, Rosemarie Maroon, Paul Cook & Helena Rouman

**CREDIT CARD AND DIRECT DEBIT**

Please inform the Parish Office on 9871 8710 or send an email 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 a email address, could you please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible. **Thank you**

**ONLINE GIVING**

Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Please call the Parish Office for the BSB and Account number for the Parish or Parramatta Catholic Foundation Account.

**BEQUESTS**

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 or put the gift towards building a new church or refurbishing their existing one. These kinds of gifts help the Parish free up other income to use toward pastoral care programs.

## **YOUTH UPDATE!**

The Youth Ministry is excited to announce that there will be 2 Youth Groups this year.

For years 6 to 8 we continue under the new name of **Squires**, and we will meet on Friday nights (during the school term) commencing Friday, February 8th 7:30 pm the theme is Basics. Join us.

For years 9 to 12 we are launching **Knights**, this will be held after every Sunday 10 am Mass (during the school term) commencing Sunday, 3rd 11 am– 1:30pm the theme is Broken.

Watch this space for more news and youth activities. Any questions feel free to contact Adam via email [ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com](mailto:ctk.nr.ym@gmail.com) or Mob:0423 077 677

## **GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations to Dr Peter and Margaret AW who celebrate 50 years of marriage this Saturday, 26 January. Peter and Margaret have been parishioners of Christ the King for 45 years and have 4 children, two of whom are religious sisters with the Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, a Catholic order of Benedictine nuns, often known as the Tyburn Nuns.

## **CATECHISTS—SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS APPEAL**

We are 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 2019. 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 394 332 or Cate Joseph on 0409 397 888

## **CTK PLAYGROUP**

Playgroup resumes for 2019 on **Friday 8th February**, 10am - 11.30am in the Mary McKillop Hall. All children aged 0-5 and their carers are welcome. Contact [ctkplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:ctkplaygroup@gmail.com) for more information. Hope to see you there!

## **WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA**

The Diocese's World Youth Day 2019 will take place 15 January to 1 February 2019. The Diocese of Parramatta has 171 pilgrims attending. Please remember pray for the pilgrims. Follow the pilgrim's progress online at [parrawyd.org](http://parrawyd.org)

The largest youth event of the Church, World Youth Day will be broadcast LIVE on Shalom World Television from January 22 to 27. Shalom World's live coverage from Panama will be featured in English and Spanish during January 22 -27, 2019 on Shalom World website: [shalomworld.org/wyd](http://shalomworld.org/wyd)

Catholic Youth Parramatta and the St Patrick's Cathedral Community invite families, friends and supporters of the Panama pilgrims to WYD2019 IN-SYNC. Sunday 27 January, 6pm Mass followed by food, music and original video footage from pilgrims in Panama. 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. RSVP by 22 January, Fr Paul Roberts [connect@ifm.org.au](mailto:connect@ifm.org.au) or 9296 6369.

## **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2019 YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!**

Christ the King Parish Pastoral Council is looking for new members as some current members have resigned after many years of service and we are grateful for their commitment to our community. The Parish Pastoral Council is a group of people, called from and by the community, to foster with the Parish Priest the building up of the Body of Christ and the actualisation of God's Kingdom in our parish of Christ the King. It is a ministry on behalf of and to the parish community enabling members of the community to become aware of their gifts, creativity and needs, and encouraging them to put these into action to build up the community. The Council meets bimonthly and assists the Pastor to set goals and priorities. Any parishioner, over the age of 18 years, is welcome to apply to be a member of the Council. If you are interested in joining the Parish Pastoral Council, please contact Fr Ian personally or via email: [northrocks@parracatholic.org](mailto:northrocks@parracatholic.org). If you require further information, please feel free to speak to current or past Parish Pastoral Council members.

## **INAUGURAL RED MASS:**

The Diocese of Parramatta will celebrate an Inaugural Red Mass on Wednesday, 13 February 2019 at 7:30 pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. All welcome. The Red Mass has a long tradition dating back to the 13th century. Refreshments will be served following the Red Mass. For more information please contact [events@stpatscathedral.com.au](mailto:events@stpatscathedral.com.au) or by phone 8839 8411.

## **POSITIONS VACANT**

Parish Office Manager (Part-Time) – Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes More details at:

[www.olqp.org.au](http://www.olqp.org.au)

Head of Social Services Operations – CatholicCare Social Services More details at: [www.ccss.org.au](http://www.ccss.org.au)

## **TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR PLENARY COUNCIL 2020**

Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019. YOUR voice matters! Make a personal submission now or join a small group. Our question is for everyone: “What you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?” To make a submission or to find out more visit: <https://parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/>

## **ST. PATRICK’S GIFT SHOP**

St Patrick’s Cathedral, Parramatta is bringing Christmas cheer by opening an on-site gift shop. Opening hours will be 10am – 3pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday. For more information visit: <https://stpatscathedral.com.au/>

## **WALK THE CAMINO PORTUGUÉS**

Walk the Camino Portugués. Catholic Mission are holding 17-day Pilgrimages: Lisbon, Fatima, Porto, Santiago de Compostela. Two pilgrimages: May 2019 and June 2019. Small group led by Sr Veronica OP, (0451 387 906). See <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/get-involved/immersions/camino-portugues>

## **NAPPA CONFERENCE 2019**

The NAPPA Conference will be held on Tuesday 26 February 2019. You can register via this link: [www.nappa2019.wixsite.com/conference](http://www.nappa2019.wixsite.com/conference) or contact Tanya Quinn on 02 8838 3441.

## **GRIEF TO GRACE – HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE [www.griefftograce.org](http://www.griefftograce.org)**

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26 – 31 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing [info@griefftograceaus.org.au](mailto:info@griefftograceaus.org.au) or phone 0478599241.

## **CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL: 15-17 FEBRUARY**

Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Parramatta is holding a “Restoring Reverence” event. From Friday 15 – Sunday 17 February at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 7 Grantham Road, Seven Hills. Further information can be obtained on 0404 093 118 or 0425 607 227. Entry by donation, Children’s Ministry available, coffee and tea provided, BYO lunch.

## **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM: 21 FEBRUARY - 16 MAY**

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is commencing a Bereavement Support Program for men or women whose spouse or partner have died. The program will be run at Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair (5 Todd Row, St Clair) on Thursdays fortnightly from 10am to 12 midday in the Pioneers Room of the Parish, commencing 21 February to 16 May. To secure a place on this program please ring the Parish on 02 9670 8222 or email to [stclair@parracatholic.org](mailto:stclair@parracatholic.org)

## **ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE: 22 FEBRUARY**

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, will be the principal celebrant for the Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate of Roque Dias, John Cinya, Thong Nguyen and Roderick Pirotta on Friday 22 February at 7.00pm. The ordination will take place at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Parramatta. Refreshments to follow.

## **HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 7 FEBRUARY**

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth cordially invite youth (ages 18-35) to join us for Holy Hour for Vocations. Thursday 7 February from 7:00pm. Join us also for a meal at 8:00pm. Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. RSVP to Sr Paula via [vocationscsfn@gmail.com](mailto:vocationscsfn@gmail.com) or 0449 656 406.

## **COUNCIL FOR AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC WOMEN: 22-24 FEBRUARY**

The Council for Australian Catholic Women warmly invite you to join us on 22-24 February in Adelaide for our 2019 Colloquium. Everyone is welcome to attend the Colloquium and we hope women from across Australia will attend this important event. Details at [cacwcolloquium.org.au](http://cacwcolloquium.org.au).