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Message from our Priest

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

It has been one month now since I arrived to your parish to begin my appointment as your third parish priest. I can certainly say that I am grateful for this humbling and amazing opportunity to continue my Catholic faith and priestly ministry with you. I am also looking forward for the coming years, God willing, serving God through you.

Bishop Vincent celebrates this weekend's Vigil Mass with the Rite of my Installation as your 3rd Parish Priest. During this Holy Mass, the Bishop has asked me to renew the promises I have made during my priestly ordination last September 13, 2013. Kindly keep me in your prayers that I will faithfully fulfil all these promises I have renewed during the Mass. In addition, I wish to wholeheartedly express my sincerest gratitude to all of you for making this momentous event extra special.

On this weekend, we also welcome our brothers and sisters from the Ephpheta Centre for Deaf and **Moments of Mercy** Hard of hearing people who will be joining our 9:30am Mass on every third Sunday of the month. I have known them since I was a seminarian, and I was appointed in 2014 as the part time chaplain for Catholic Deaf Community in our Diocese. I am sure that you will also make feel them welcome in our parish as they actively participate during our Eucharistic celebrations.

St Paul the Apostle; pray for us!

May God bless our parish always!

Father John Paul

To find out more about the the Ephpheta Centre please visit www.ephpheta.org.au/home

Please pray for our sick

Heavenly Father, We pray that you will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. We ask you to have compassion on all who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their painful circumstances. May they know that you are always with them, especially through difficult times. Amen

Helen Alam, Maroun Ayoub, Helene Barker, Renata Beck, Elly Bejma, Bridget Boldt, Gabrielle Boldt, Danielle Brown, Paul & Veronica Brown, John Buggy, Vicente Calonia, Christine Coorey, Camarillo Cossid, Emmy Cox, Gary Cullen, Francis D'Abrera, Gus DelVillar, Tracy Derugo, Helen Dillon, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Adam Duncum, Lara Duncum, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Christine Lin Yew Fai, Nick Galea, Christian Grant, Molly Griffith, Kevin Herft, Steven Hitchings. Anthony Jannuzzi, David Joseph, Branko Justic, Joe Justic, Fred Krastek, Karen and Lucas Le Huray, Carolyn Martin, Ely Mathew, Leanne Maree McInerney, Rhiannon McInerney-Robertson, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess Micallef, Annie Newton, Iranie Perumal, Silvi Perumal, Honor Rosario, Kenneth Del Rosario, Mark Ryder, Alison Samuels, John Trost, Pelenatete Tuaimau, Karl Wagner.



Please pray for ... May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace. Amen

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Lourdes Zaballa, Dex Habito, Charlie Micallef, Jim Rowan, Brian Baker, Charles & Josephine Clayton, Kerry and Ron Cini, Vicky Mifsud, Saverio and Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Leon Chalker, Maggie Simpliciano, Annette Herft, Andrew Busuttil, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Wasley and Madeleine Adolphe, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Patricia Minahan, Lena Pereira, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Geraldine Senewiratne, Frank Borg, Mary and John Ford, John Ford Junior, Donald Ramage, Andy and Maureen Haddad, Thelma Nalliah, Richard Cassin, Julia and Michael Sherman, George Khodeir, Priscilla Bennett, Siobhain Power, Frederick de Silva, Nancy Radocchia, Andrew Scott, Tom Dennis, Ludie Irrullbandra, Maria Di Marzo, Joseph Ebejer, Leone Minahan, Joanna Luz Ococa, Jim Lynch, Billy Leonard, Bea Therese, Jyrika D'Cruz, Arch Askew, John Bush, Nazeer Rasheed, Christopher Oxby, George White, Marcel and Claire Maya, Paul, Angelique, Claude and Myriam Jumeau, Sally Lowe, Louis Saliba, Elizabeth Kenny.

Weekend Mass times

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am and 5:00pm

Weekday Mass times

Monday to Friday 9.10am | Saturday 9.10am (Rosary is prayed at 8:40 am before each of these Masses)

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month Baptism bookings only via our website

Masses that are livestreamed to Facebook: Mon-Sat 9.10am (school Masses excluded) Sun 9:30am

> Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help Prayed every Wednesday morning straight after Mass. Thursday Cenacles Held in Marian Chapel every

Thursday morning after Mass. Divine Mercy Chaplet Every Friday 3:30pm in the Marian Chapel. All welcome to attend and

join in solemn and intimate prayer. 24 hour adoration Held the first Friday through to Saturday morning every month.

Do not fear either struggles of the soul or any temptations, because I am supporting you; if only you are willing to fight, know that the victory is always on your side. Know that by fighting bravely you give Me great glory and amass merits for yourself. Temptation gives you a chance to show Me your fidelity. (Diary 1560)

Prayer for Vocations

Finding our vocation in life is like finding a buried treasure. We will do whatever we have to in order to be able to possess it. Finding the treasure is a gift, possessing it is our vocation.

Catholic Weekly

Website also has a wide range o news, articles and information: https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/

 The charity feeding Sydney PNG Cardinal Ribat visits Sydney Fr Chris de Sousa: My vocation Tasmanian education woes

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Important update and changes to Mass times

As announced in last weekend's bulletin please note the following updates to the timing and livestreaming of our parish Masses:

Effective immediately

- Daily Rosary continues unchanged at 8:40am Monday to Saturday, however will not be livestreamed.
- School will be in attendance (noting that school Masses are typically on a Friday during school terms). Saturday morning Mass will be celebrated at 9:10am instead of 9:00am (and will be livestreamed).
- This is to align with the same time as all our weekday Masses. Most importantly will give everyone the appropriate time needed to silently and spiritually prepare for Mass especially after praying of the Holy Rosary.

Effective August 2023

 Commencing 3rd August, weeknight Mass will be reintroduced on Thursdays. Adoration will occur at 6:00pm with prayers and intentions for our parish youth and vocations, followed by Mass at 7:00pm .

If you are physically able to attend Mass, please come and join us, as our fellow parishioners would love to see you, and above all so that you are able to physically encounter our Lord Jesus Christ fully present in the Holy Eucharist.

Thank you Judy !!

As we enter our Church, we are always greeted with an array of colour and splendour, even if it's the middle of winter! This has only been possible from the labour of love thanks to the tireless efforts of volunteer gardeners. This weekend we extend our sincerest thanks and appreciation to Judy Hince, who for over 12 years Judy has generously volunteered her time in maintaining garden beds to the front and side of the Church. Judy has decided that it's now time to put to rest her garden tools and gloves. We have been blessed by Judy's hard work and as a grateful parish community we say thank you and God bless you. As you walk past our gardens, please remember to keep in mind the wonderful work of our gardeners. Judy is one of a small number of gardeners who are all volunteers and we are always keen to gratefully accept any assistance. If you have any spare time, and interested in maintaining our gardens as part of a team, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Your stories matter! Send your submissions to the first Diocesan Synod before 31 July

Our Diocesan Synod is calling you to share stories and have conversations at your parish, with a friend, or with family, about how we can walk together to become the Church that Christ calls us to be. The success of the Synod relies on your participation. Your submissions will inform the development of the agenda for the Synod, from 12-15 October 2023, which will gather clergy, consecrated and laity to discuss important matters relating to the life and mission of the Church. Applications to be a member at the Synod are now open. Apply to be a member or make a submission before 31 July: https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/

Bishop Vincent also wants to hear from families and households across our Diocese. Your stories will inform the direction of our local Church into the future through what is known as a Synod. Synods are transformative experiences that lead to renewal in the Church's life. The success of the Synod relies on your participation. Families and households are encouraged to participate at home using resources found here: https://parracatholic.org/synod2023 resources/ with copies available on the table as you enter the Church.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at https://officeforworship.org.au/

Our Lady of the Angels Rouse Hill Parish Family Fiesta: Sunday 6th August

Celebrations are at 1 Wellgate Avenue, North Kellyville and commence with 11am Mass followed by a procession. Entertainment, Rides, Petting Zoo and International Food from 1pm with a fireworks display to finish at 6pm. This is a wonderful event for all the family!

Upcoming Feast Days

20th Saint Apollinaris | 21st Saint Lawrence of Brindisi | 22nd Saint Mary Magdalene | 24th Saint Charbel Makhlouf

Safeguarding Training — NOTICE OF FINAL TRAINING SESSION

Safeguarding Training is a way of "ensuring children and vulnerable adults under our care are safe, protected and enabled to flourish". It is a requirement that volunteers across our ministries complete this training in order to perform and continue in their role. This is a Diocesan directive and necessary in order to fulfill just some of the obligations across all parishes to ensure appropriate efforts are being made in this area. A big thank you to everyone who has responded and completed their Mandatory Safeguarding Training.

If you have not already started this training, it is imperative to commence as a matter of priority.

For those unable to complete training on a computer, or prefer to do it as a group, a face to face session is being held in the Father David Scott Parish Centre as follows: Saturday 22nd July 12:00pm to 4:45pm (Covers all three mandatory modules)

You will need to register by emailing safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org and include your full name, parish and choice of session. There are no computers, and there is nothing to bring with you on the day, and light refreshments will be provided.

If you do not have access to a computer or email to register, please phone the parish office on 9639 6516. For any gueries or clarification in respect of any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.



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Monday to Friday Morning Mass at 9:10am will continue to be livestreamed, except where students from St Paul the Apostle Primary