



Weekly Bulletin

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish

St. Michael's Church - 58 Orwell Street, South Blacktown. & St. Patrick's Church - 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown.

We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we worship

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

26TH SEPTEMBER 2021

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Mary Queen of the Family (MQOF) parish strives to live as a faithful and committed Catholic community, continuing to deepen in understanding the Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture of the Catholic Church and to grow as missionary disciples of Jesus Christ, evangelising and responding to the needs of the family in the Blacktown community and beyond.

LITURGY TIMES DURING LOCKDOWN VIA LIVE STREAM

Sunday Mass ~ 10.00am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 6.30pm - Holy Hour with the Saints, followed by Mass.

Friday 9.00am ~ Mass

Connect & Join Mass via the LIVE stream services below:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/blacktowncatholics>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCADZ045DPKz06ENW1Qurs2G3Q>

Twitch.tv: <https://www.twitch.tv/MQOFBlacktown>

4th Sunday of the month - Filipino Mass—LIVE streamed. 11.15am. For more information: www.filipinochaplaincy.org.au

RECONCILIATION

By request & appointment please call parish office.

Funerals & Anointing of the Sick by appointment.

Baptisms & Marriages

Postponed until further notice.

Sunday Connection



Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones.

In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy.

Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith.

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Parish Directory

St. Michael's Church - 58 Orwell Street, South Blacktown & St. Patrick's Church - 51-59 Allawah Street Blacktown.

Parish Office: At St. Patrick's Church. Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm
Telephone: 02 9622 1125 A/H: 02 8705 0830.
Website: www.mqofblacktown.org.au Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP.

Assistant Priests: Fr. John Paul Escarlan & Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

Deacon: John Cinya

Finance Officer: Sarah Damole Email: accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au

Secretaries: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri) & Gerald "Ged" Oblea (Mon & Tues)

Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Sacramental Coordinator: Gerald "Ged" Oblea. Mobile: 0422 724 008

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

Parish Assistant: Kaitlyn Vergano Catechist Coordinator: Sandra Baker

Youth Minister & Liturgy Coordinator: Blake Bano

Parish Pastoral Council: Chair: Cecil Fernandes; Asst Chair: Ruth Miranda; Secretary: Eva Cheetley
Members: Nathan Fernandes, Sidney Lazum, Phi Nguyen, Jude Miranda, Joseph Azzi, Ashley Azzi, Harlane Petersen, Fr. Regie Lavilla, Fr. John Paul Escarlan, Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, Deacon John Cinya.

Parish Schools:

St Michael's Primary:
P : 8869 6200 <https://www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

St Patrick's Primary:
P : 8869 6000 <https://www.stpatsblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

Nagle College:
P : 8887 4507 <https://www.nagleblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

Patrician Brothers College:
P : 8811 0300 <https://www.patsblacktown.nsw.edu.au>

Catholic Early Learning Centre (St Michael's) :
P : 8814 8406 <https://www.celcblacktownsth.catholic.edu.au>

Nursing Homes:

Opal Nursing Home (37 Kildare Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 9852 9600

Mulluana Retirement Village (61 Bungarribee Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 8822 2100

Catholic Healthcare St Hedwig Village Blacktown (140 Reservoir Rd, Blacktown 2148) P: 8822 9920

THE LITURGY TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR~B

ENTERANCE ANTIPHON: Dn 3:31,29,30,43,42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: NM 11:25-29

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 18:8. 10. 12-14. R. V.9

(R.) The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING: JAS 5:1-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: See Jn 17:17

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mk 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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DAILY READINGS

Monday 27th September: Zec 8:1-8 ; Lk 9:46-50.
Tuesday 28th September: Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56.
Wednesday 29th September: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12 ; Jn 1:47-51.
Thursday 30th September: Neh 8:1-12 ; Lk 10:1-12.
Friday 1st October: Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16 .
Saturday 2nd October: Ex 23:20-23; Mt 18:1-5. 10.
Sunday 3rd October: Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

FEAST DAYS

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST~ 27th September
SAINT WENCESLAUS, MARTYR & SAINT LAWRENCE RUIZ AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS ~28th September
SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS ~ 29th September
SAINT JEROME, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH ~ 30th September
SAINT THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH ~ 1st October
THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS ~ 2nd October

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS

CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY SON OF GOD

Article 4 "JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED"

Paragraph 2. JESUS DIED CRUCIFIED

I. THE TRIAL OF JESUS

Jews are not collectively responsible for Jesus' death

597 The historical complexity of Jesus' trial is apparent in the Gospel accounts. The personal sin of the participants (Judas, the Sanhedrin, Pilate) is known to God alone. Hence we cannot lay responsibility for the trial on the Jews in Jerusalem as a whole, despite the outcry of a manipulated crowd and the global reproaches contained in the apostles' calls to conversion after Pentecost.³⁶⁵ Jesus himself, in forgiving them on the cross, and Peter in following suit, both accept "the ignorance" of the Jews of Jerusalem and even of their leaders.³⁶⁶ Still less can we extend responsibility to other Jews of different times and places, based merely on the crowd's cry: "His blood be on us and on our children!", a formula for ratifying a judicial sentence.³⁶⁷ As the Church declared at the Second Vatican Council: . . . Neither all Jews indiscriminately at that time, nor Jews today, can be charged with the crimes committed during his Passion. . . the Jews should not be spoken of as rejected or accursed as if this followed from Holy Scripture.³⁶⁸

All sinners were the authors of Christ's Passion

598 In her Magisterial teaching of the faith and in the witness of her saints, the Church has never forgotten that "sinners were the authors and the ministers of all the sufferings that the divine Redeemer endured."³⁶⁹ Taking into account the fact that our sins affect Christ himself,³⁶⁹ The Church does not hesitate to impute to Christians the gravest responsibility for the torments inflicted upon Jesus, a responsibility with which they have all too often burdened the Jews alone: We must regard as guilty all those who continue to relapse into their sins. Since our sins made the Lord Christ suffer the torment of the cross, those who plunge themselves into disorders and crimes crucify the Son of God anew in their hearts (for he is in them) and hold him up to contempt. and it can be seen that our crime in this case is greater in us than in the Jews. As for them, according to the witness of the Apostle, "None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory." We, however, profess to know him. and when we deny him by our deeds, we in some way seem to lay violent hands on him.³⁹¹ Nor did demons crucify him; it is you who have crucified him and crucify him still, when you delight in your vices and sins.³⁹²

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Lino Alegro

RECENTLY DECEASED

Congressman Atty. Emil Ong; Reil Ian; Nelson Rubido

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Gregorio Bugnay

IN MEMORIAM

Candida Valencia Almarez; Eppie Pasigna; Carmencita; Primo Sarin
Eleuterio Uvero

SICK

Joel Uvero; Lourdes Domingo; Robert Vesey, Joan Clout, Laurie Grima,
D.J. Nelson, Angela Mikhael, Ike Lutaos.

Names submitted to Parish for the sick list will be published for 4 weeks at a time.

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to members who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving of the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125.



MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY
PARISH, BLACKTOWN



Welcome to the Family...



We are a welcoming parish... you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected by the Catholic Community of Mary, Queen of the Family. If you are not an active member of this Community, consider partaking in what we have to offer. We serve the Community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, youth and comfort to the sick and mourning. In addition to our spiritual and outreach organisations, perchance you have an interest in joining one of our many liturgical ministries such as: Minister of Holy Communion,

Reader/Commentator, Welcomer, Collectors, Minister of DVP/Power Point, Catechists etc. Volunteers are formally registered by filling out a *Join a Ministry* form that is then entered into the parish data system (*information supplied remains confidential*). These forms are available from the parish office or in the church foyer.

PARISH GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY GROUP



Contact: Richard Desa, richarddesa@bigpond.com
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Thursday, 7:30pm to 9:00 pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

HOLY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Charles Hyson, 0412 631 602, www.holyfamilyfellowship.com
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 2nd Saturday 6:30pm-9:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Tony Fernando, 0434 828 297
Meeting Time and Venue: Mondays & Tuesdays, 7:00pm-8:00pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS



Contact: Antoinette Mangion, 0414 735 943
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 3rd Monday of the month, 10:00 am at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

LEGION OF MARY ST MICHAEL'S



Contact: Max Rosario 0490 137 533 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Friday, 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

LEGION OF MARY ST PATRICK'S



Contact: Maurice Bru 0419 626 583 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, 7:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church. Juniors meet every Friday at 4:30pm.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS



Contact: Max Rosario, 0490 137 533
Meeting Time and Venue: Monday 9:30am-10:30am at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church. All are welcome!

MQOF SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP



Contact: Jude Besterwitch, 0435 588 309
Meeting Time and Venue: 2nd Sunday of every month, 12pm—2pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

ROSARY GROUP



Contact: Diane Zerafa, 0403 554 566
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday after the 8am Mass, at St Michael's church.

TEHILLAH COMMUNITY



Contact: Ash & Rozario Fernando, 0416 861 976 or 0412 195 916
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 2nd & 4th Saturday (school term) between 2pm & 4pm at the MPA, St Patrick's Church.

TRUE LIFE IN GOD PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Diane Zerafa, 0403 554 566
Meeting Time and Venue: 3:00pm every second Saturday of the month at St Michael's Church

YOUTH MINISTRY



Contact: Blake Bano
Blake@mqofblacktown.org.au
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Sunday from 4pm & 6:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

IMPORTANT COVID~19 UPDATE



As announced by the NSW Premier, Gladys Berejiklian, Greater Sydney, the Blue Mountains, Wollongong and Central Coast will extend its lockdown at least until midnight on Thursday 30th September 2021.

In light of this announcement public Masses, Church buildings are closed and other parish activities / meetings are postponed until further notice.

Dispensation from Mass

The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation remains in place (Canon 1247, Canons 85 and 87, and Catechism of the Catholic Church 2180-2188). Once the dispensation is lifted it will be communicated to our parishes, agencies and ministries.

**DUE TO COVID-19,
PUBLIC MASSES AND CHURCH
BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**CHURCHES ARE NOT BEING CLOSED.
BUILDINGS ARE BEING CLOSED.
YOU ARE THE CHURCH!
YOU ARE TO REMAIN OPEN.**



DIocese of
PARRAMATTA

PLEASE CHECK IN BEFORE ENTERING OUR PREMISES



We're helping keep our community COVID safe by recording contact details. It's easy to check in:

- 1 Scan QR Code with your smartphone camera or QR reader.
- 2 Follow the prompts on the Service NSW app or on the Service NSW webform.
- 3 Show a volunteer that you've signed in. We respect your privacy.



This QR Code is for Mary Queen of the Family Blacktown, located at 51- 59 Allawah Street, Blacktown

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism



Parents wishing to have their children baptised are to contact the parish office prior to attending a Baptism workshop.

The next workshop will be announced.

For more information please logon to our website:

<https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism>

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2021



In light of the extended lockdown due to COVID19, the decision has been made to postpone all sacramental programs until further notice.

Once restrictions have eased and things have settled down, we will plan some new dates. This will be communicated to you once this happens.

We apologies for any convenience this may cause.

If you have any questions, please call Gerald "Ged" Oblea, (Sacramental Coordinator) at the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or 0422 724 008 or email : sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au



The Parish is looking for volunteers to be part of our sacramental team to assist in the planning and facilitating of our parish sacramental process.

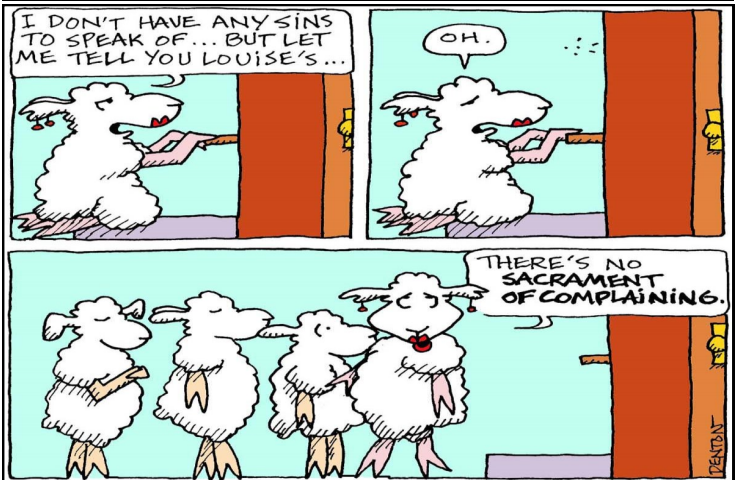
FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

Gerald "Ged" Oblea

(Parish Sacramental Coordinator)

0422 724 008 or ged@mqofblacktown.org.au

THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Are you jealous for my sake?"

Sheepish Question:

What personal change would help me quit going to the sacrament of complaining?



Sacramental Process for High School Students 2021

Due to the current public health orders we have decided to postpone the sacramental process for High School students until further notice.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

We are still taking expressions of interest for the sacramental process for high school students who wish to receive any of the following sacraments: Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

For more information contact our sacramental coordinator: Gerald "Ged" Oblea - sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au or 0422 724 008

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

YOUTH CORNER

MQOF YOUTH MINISTRY



Lockdown Events



Wednesday:

Holy Hour with the Saints
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Led by Fr. Regie MSP PP

Friday:

Rosary to Recovery
7pm - 7:45pm
Led by MQOF Youth

**Sunday:
1st & 3rd**

Social & Games Night
6:30pm - 7:30pm
MQOF on CYP Discord

**Sunday:
2nd & 4th**

Youth Bible Study
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Led by MQOF Youth



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MQOF Youth

GET INVOLVED WITH

MQOF YOUTH



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

All who have made their 1st Eucharist

Altar serving is a great way to put your faith into action during the Mass. Share your time and talents with the parish community and make some great friends! Training sessions run regularly throughout the year.



HELP OUT AT CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Word of God at your level

Breathe life into the weekly Gospel, through prayer, songs and other activities. Have fun and teach other young people about the Word of God with your family and friends.



JOIN THE YOUTH BAND

Musicians and Singers wanted

Your talent in music helps transform the Mass into a welcoming and inviting space. If you play an instrument or sing, come and join the Youth Band and use your talents to jam for Jesus.



VOLUNTEER AT A PARISH EVENT

All hands on deck

All year round the parish organises events not only to celebrate our faith but also to perform acts of service in our community. Generously offer your time and efforts towards one of these events and give our faith a face. All parish events are published in our weekly bulletin.



GIVE MINISTRY A GO

Offer your gifts and talents in service

Our parish ministries are always looking to grow. We can help to link you up with a ministry to use your gifts and talents. Together, we can live life to the full.

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT THE YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM AT MQOIFYOUTH@GMAIL.COM OR ON 9622 1125.

WE ARE WITH YOU!



"I am with you always" Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people.

The website parracatholic.org/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

PARISH SCHOOLS ENROLMENTS



PATRICIAN BROTHERS'
COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN



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YEAR 7 2022/2023

Enquiries on 8811 0300

<https://bit.ly/3zS6AhK>

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Fine young men *striving for personal excellence* centred in faith



St Patrick's Primary School

Are you looking for a primary school to enrol your child?

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2022. We would love to meet you and take you for a virtual tour of our beautiful school.



Don't Miss Out!

Enrolling Now
for
Kindergarten
2022

Download an enrolment application form from our school website

<https://www.stpatsblacktown.catholic.edu.au/Enrol-Now/How-to-enrol>

Follow us on

<https://www.facebook.com/stpatsprimaryblacktown>



St Patrick's Primary school

51-59 Allawah Street

Phone: 02 8869 6000

Email: stpatsblacktown@parra.catholic.edu.au



ENROLMENTS ARE BEING TAKEN

FOR KINDERGARTEN 2022 AT

ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

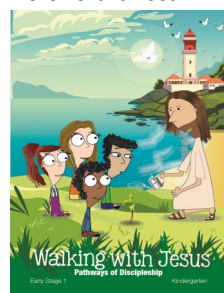
Ring 8869 6200 for information.

Download an enrolment package from our webpage

www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au

SRE LEARNING FROM HOME

Here is a direct link to our "Catholic SRE Learning from Home" materials for parish families:



<https://www.cress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/>

New Learning from Home lessons have been uploaded and are available for parents to access across NSW. These include user-friendly Click & Learn PowerPoints and home activity sheets.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

HOLY HOUR INTENTIONS

Our Priest will be leading Holy Hour with the Saints from 6.30pm on Wednesday evening. Parishioners will also be giving the opportunity to send in Mass intentions requested that will be mentioned during the holy hour. Mass intentions can either be emailed to the parish office or registered via our website. Once you reach our main page select the "Connect with Us" button, followed by Mass Intentions. Simply fill in the online form. Mass will also be celebrated and LIVE streamed on Friday mornings at 9.00am. We look forward to you joining and connecting with us.

BREAK OPEN THE WORD 2022



This book is designed for those who proclaim the Scriptures at Sunday Mass. The Readings are given in two translations: the Jerusalem and the NRSV for a comparison. For each Reading and the Psalm, there is a commentary which provides a brief background to the text and assists the reader to proclaim the text well.

A pronunciation guide is included, as well as a new section entitled "The Ministry of Reader". If you would like to order a copy please email or call the parish office. These \$25.00 each.

ETA end of October 2021.

BUILDING SAFE PARISHES TOGETHER

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team are currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout September and October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office at: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

To all the volunteers at Mary Queen of the Family Parish:

As you are aware, all those who work in child-related ministries by law need to undergo safeguarding training. While we had hoped this year to be able to have this training done on site, unfortunately due to the Covid situation this has become impossible. Consequently, we do encourage you, if you have access to a computer, to do the online course. To be enrolled in one of these courses you may go directly to the addresses listed above or contact the parish office and we will be able to help. As a lot of parishioners have been wonderful in accepting the invitation and consequently the previously advertised dates for zoom training are now full.

We have now scheduled some new training dates for the Mandatory Safeguarding Training. Zoom dates for Mandatory Safeguarding Training in November:

Module 1 - Introduction to Safeguarding: Tuesday 9th November at 9.30am or 2.00pm

Module 2 - Understanding Child Abuse and Reportable Conduct: Tuesday 16th November at 9.30am or 2.00pm

PALMS AUSTRALIA

All professions and trades are called to assist this mission.



Get Ready to Fly!



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Since 1961 Palms Australia has quietly prepared and supported

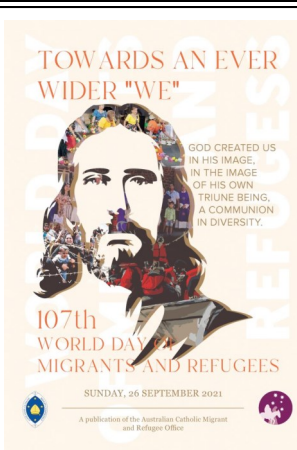
humble Catholics like you for mission. It's our response as church to calls from Australian and overseas communities to help bring opportunity to the poor.

Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul.

To be prepared for a 2022 placement [CLICK AND ENQUIRE HERE](#) by Friday October 29.

Visit palms.org.au Email palms@palms.org.au or call Christine on 02 9560 5333

MIGRANT & REFUGEE SUNDAY



On 26 September, the Catholic Church around the world celebrates the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (also known as Migrant and Refugee Sunday). Pope Francis invites us to work Towards an ever wider "we" and embrace the resilience and contribution of Migrants and Refugees to the church and society.

The "Diocesan Journey... Walking with Refugees" team invites you to a Virtual Diocesan Conversation with Refugees on 26 September from 3pm – 4.15pm. RSVP via www.bit.do/diocesan-refugee. Find more information and resources at migrants-refugees.va and acmro.catholic.org.au.

PLENARY COUNCIL

Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me' Mark 9:30-37 Our parishes in particular are challenged to renew the formation of children, young people and families who may not be strongly connected to the Church but who still have an 'instinct for the faith' which prompts them to seek the sacraments or engage in part with of the Church's life. . *(Instrumentum Laboris #133)*
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/

Diocese of Parramatta launches Plenary Council resource website

PlenaryCouncil2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...



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. The first assembly starts in October, so visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more.

POSITIONS VACANT



* Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta.

* Human Resources Manager – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta

* Accountant (General)/Analyst – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10pm Sunday 26 September

* Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10pm Monday 4 October.

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment



POSITION VACANT

Religious Education (RE) Teacher
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FOR REGULAR DONORS

We thank you for your financial support to our Parish, your regular and frequent contributions support us in our mission and nourish the parishioners.

New Set of Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for collection in the foyers of both churches. If your envelopes are not in the box please let us know by placing your name, address and envelope number on the registration form provided and we will get them to you as soon as possible.

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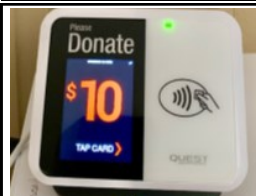
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The passing of collection plates by parishioners along the pews is now a thing of the past as most dioceses and churches have already decided to stop using it to help stop the spread of the virus.

The machine is set at \$10, to donate more than \$10 simply tap your credit card as many times as you like. It also accepts Apple Pay, Google Pay and Pay Wave. All contributions go to the maintenance and development of the Parish as does the second collection at weekend Masses.

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