# **IFM Reflective Ministry Program**

The Institute for Mission's **Reflective Ministry Program - Component 2** starts on 20th August.

This is a great opportunity to enrich and enthuse those involved in the ministries of the Catholic communities. Go to ifm.org.au for more information and registration, or contact the IFM team on 02 9296 6369.

# Thursday 20th August from 7pm Diocesan Ministry Centre, 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown

Are you looking for a healthy, natural and effective method to manage your fertility? Learn how to identify the best time to achieve or postpone pregnancy. For information and to register contact Catherine on 8838 3460, 0400 427 605 or catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org

# 2019 Faith in Marriage Seminar: 30 August

American Catholic Deacon Finite and Mar-is the guest speaker at The Life, Family and Marriage Office's 2019 Faith in Marriage Seminar on Friday 30 August at St Paul's Catholic College Hall, Greystanes from 7.30pm. Free entry and a light supper will be served afterwards. Donations are welcome. Please register your attendance to 02 8838 3460 or lmf@parracatholic.org

# Campion College Australia Book Fair

The Library at Campion College Australia will be holding a To register, please visit parracatholic.org/conventcrawl. book fair with a large number of second-hand books for For inquiries contact qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org sale on Saturday 31st August from 10am-3pm at Campion \_ College, 8-14 Austin Woodbury Plc, Old Toongabbie. Inquiries 9896 9307 or email k.vanaardt@campion.edu.au

# Volunteer Overseas -

# The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, East Timor & Solomon Islands. Applications close 15th October. Send us an inquiry - www.cagliero.org.au



# **Discovering Global Mission**

PALMS MEET AND GREET Sunday September 1st at 10:30am The Heritage Terrace Café, Westfield Penrith How can our skills create better opportunities for disadvantaged people? Communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to buil local capacity.

These assignments are not quick fixes. Find out how Blue Mountains couple Lukas and Kristina increased and expanded services for people with disabili-Natural Fertility Services Information Evening ties in Dili, Timor Leste, and how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required. www.palms.org.au

# **Reflection Day for Women – 7th September**

Mount Schoenstatt, Mulgoa, is hosting a reflection a day for women on Saturday 7th September from 9.30am to 3pm. Sr M Isabell Naumann will speak on the theme 'give me the living water, that I may

never thirst again.' \$25 per person and BYO lunch. To RSVP American Catholic Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers by 4 September, please contact 02 4773 8338 or info@schoenstatt.org.au

# **CYP** Convent Crawl: 7th September

Catholic Youth Parramatta are organising a 'Convent Crawl' - an opportunity for young women to experience a day-long journey glimpsing the life of consecrated women. Join CYP as they visit four religious communities across the Diocese of Parramatta. Saturday 7th September from 6am to 8.30pm.

# Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying Ongoing Formation SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 9.30AM – 2PM **INSTITUTE FOR MISSION, BLACKTOWN**

The Office for Worship is organising a formation day for We are seeking volunteers for January 2020 departure, those already involved in the ministry, Ministers of Communion to the Sick and the Dying. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. RSVP by 10 September. To RSVP, please contact the Office for Worship team on anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org or 8838 3456.



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# **TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C**

# **Reflection by Diane Bergant CSA**

As disciples we commit ourselves to values and principles that are not always cherished by others. We can be misunderstood for our beliefs, even ridiculed. Our lives may be a reproach to those who do not share our aspirations. There



may be times when we must stand in opposition to others. All of this tends to alienate us. It could even place us at enmity with those whom we love. Yet, if we are genuinely committed, we realise that there is also a price to pay if we are not faithful. It is very difficult to live with ourselves when we disregard our deepest convictions and ignore the promptings of God that we experience within ourselves. As difficult as a life of faith may be, we know that it is the only way to live in this world.

Faced with the cost of discipleship we are brought to the realisation that, by ourselves, we do not have the necessary resources. We need assistance. Like Jeremiah, we might find that this aid will come from places we may have never expected. The real support and assistance that we get is from Jesus who came to set the world and our hearts on fire. Paul assures us that there is a vast throng cheering us on as we run the race of discipleship. They are not merely spectators; they have already run or are still running their own race. We are not alone in our commitment, in our struggle. There are many witnesses, many examples for us to follow.

# **Entrance Antiphon**

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**Responsorial Psalm** (R.) Lord, come to my aid!

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia! **Communion Antiphon** With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption. I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

# 17TH & 18TH AUGUST, 2019

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 7.30am & 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday 7.00pm Adoration & Rosary Tuesday at 6.30pm Wednesday 9.10am Thursday 9.10am Friday 9.10am

> RECONCILIATION Saturday 5.15pm — 5.50pm or by appointment

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We, the people of Corpus Christi, seek to grow in living a Christ-centred mission, sharing our gifts to foster welcome, justice and community in today's world.



#### A very warm welcome to anyone who is new to the parish.

So that we can get to know who you are, it would be great if you would please fill out a Census Card available in the foyer.

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# **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August**



Families, Schools of Human Growth That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

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# Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer

**Recently Deceased:** Giuseppa Galea (15/07/2019)

# Mass Intentions:

Helen Bonnici, Angelo Cavallo (16/07/79)

#### Anniversaries:

Benita Azores (24/08/18), Hilda Henrisson (14/08), Rodolfo Sison (08/08/18), Fermin Sampaga, George Pirotta (15/08/18), Bibiana Zahra (22/07/17)

#### And for those who are sick:

Eleanor Albertyn, Vincenzo Galluzzo, Noelene Nadalini

- ◊ If you would like a family member or friend's name to be included in the sick list, please gain permission from that person before you make the request to the parish team.
- ◊ Intentions remain in The Net for 4 weeks. Please contact the parish Office for further inclusion.

# **Plenary Council 2020**

The National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published Listen to what the Spirit is saying, the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process. Access the report at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports

# **Bishop's Annual Appeal for Retired and Sick Priests**

The Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta assists in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese, and an annual appeal, The Bishop's *Collection for Retired and Sick Clergy*, is held on Father's Day each year to support the Foundation. It is hoped to raise \$200,000 each year through this appeal.

Last year, through your generosity we reached the target with donations totalling \$195,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution. This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held on the weekend of August 31st - September 1st.

Appeal envelopes will be available next week for those who will not be here on the Father's Day weekend.

If you wish you can make online contributions at csfparra.org.au using your credit card or direct transfer via eft to BSB 067 950 and Account No 001691 in the name of the CSF with reference your name, and send e-mail to csf@parracatholic.org with your details so receipts can be sent, which we usually do in January.

# Holy Spirit Seminary Open Day "Come and See Dav"

at Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park on 18th August This is a whole-day event, inspired by Our Lord's invitation to the two disciples of John the Baptist to "Come and see", found in the Gospel of John.

Open Day provides single men open to a priestly vocation with the opportunity to experience seminary life, beginning with Holy Mass at St Oliver's Parish Church at 10am, followed by talks, a tour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and dinner with Bishop Vincent.

RSVP essential. Please contact Fr John Paul Escarlan via johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org or 0420 310 771



# **Parish Census**

The Parish Pastoral Council is looking to plan new ministries and activities for our parishioners. To do that, we need up to date information.

So, we are going to hold a

# Parish Census this weekend, 17th-18th August and next weekend, 24th-25th August.

Census forms will be distributed at all Masses. We ask that First Eucharist Group Sessions will start on 21st August for you please fill them in, giving as much detail as you can. the Wednesday group, 22nd August for the Thursday Adults over the age of 18 living with parents may fill out a group & 24th August for the Saturday group. If you are separate form. All information you provide will be kept unable to attend your session, please contact Marie at the strictly confidential. Parish Office to arrange attending a different group.

Enquiries: Fr Chris or any Parish Pastoral Council Member.

# The Parish Pastoral Council invites parishioners to submit suggestions in any of the following ways:

- Person to person with a Parish Pastoral Council Member
- Email to corpuschristippc@gmail.com, a direct email address to the Secretary of the Parish Pastoral Council
- Letter mailed or hand delivered addressed to: The Secretary, Parish Pastoral Council Corpus Christi Parish

PO Box 21, Cranebrook NSW 2749

Suggestion Box, located in the foyer of the Church. Please remember to include your name and contact number in case we need to contact you for any clarification or update.

# Parish Gardening Roster

Just a reminder to the people who have agreed to look after a section of the gardens around the church and parish grounds... can you please inspect your area for weeds.

If access is needed to work on the garden area please contact the parish office to arrange for the gate to be opened to gain access to the area.

If you require access outside of parish office hours you are ing school terms and would like to find out more about welcome to contact Fr Chris on his mobile, 0415 505 594. being a teacher or helper please contact the Parish Office.

# Corpus Christi 2749... Our parish Youth Group

meets on the last Saturday of every month in the Parish Meeting Room immediately after Mass. It is a great place to meet other youth from the Parish, have some fun and share a meal. All activities are open to youth in Year 5 and above under adult supervision.

'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group... Meet on the last Friday of every month in the Meeting Room after morning Mass. Come along and enjoy the company. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are very welcome !!! For more information, please contact the parish office.

Corpus Christi St Vincent de Paul...

The Net is available on the Corpus Christi website each week. Please visit www.corpuschristi.org.au/news

# THIS SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR ADVERTISING. FOR MORE DETAILS





Please keep in your prayers the children of our parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Eucharist. May their families be great models of faith for them during this important time.

# **First Eucharist Preparation Groups...**

# **Final Preparation for First Eucharist**

The final preparation for the children will take place on Friday 6th September from 3.30pm - 5.00pm in the school hall. It is really important that all children attend as it will be their only practice as a group.

# **Dates for First Eucharist this year are:**

- Saturday 14th September during 6pm Mass
- Sunday 15th September during 9.30am Mass
- Saturday 21st September during 6pm Mass
- Sunday 22nd September during 9.30am Mass
- Saturday 28th September during 6pm Mass

#### **CATECHISTS AND CATECHIST HELPERS NEEDED** Are you willing to share your faith journey? Whether you are young, middle-aged or retired, at uni or a shift worker we need you!!!



Corpus Christi conference welcomes enquiries from parishioners who wish to know more about conference activities. Phone 1300VINNIES for assistance.