

Change of Name McCarthy Catholic College to Penola Catholic College as of 2020

From the beginning of the 2020 new school year, McCarthy Catholic College will be known as Penola Catholic College Emu Plains. This transition is due to, McCarthy Catholic Trade Training Centre becoming part of the CathWest Innovation College from 2020, which will have a campus at McCarthy Emu Plains and Loyola, Mt Druitt. The College community welcomes this news as a significant step celebrating Australia's first saint starting a school in Penola to enable education to be accessed by children and adults.

Penola Catholic College will continue to serve students from Year 7 to Year 12. Penola Catholic College name recognises the strength that this proud learning community draws from values and example of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

The history of the College and the McCarthy name will continue to be recognised and acknowledged in a variety of ways at Penola Catholic College, as well as at the McCarthy campus of CathWest Innovation College.

We are looking forward to walking in the footsteps of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop as we continue this exciting journey as Penola Catholic College in 2020.

Ms T Cairns
Principal Leader

Pastoral Formation Day...

*What do Catholics believe about sacraments of healing?
How do Catholics celebrate reconciliation?
How do Catholics care for the sick?
Viaticum and Communion to the Sick.*

This formation day is for pastoral care workers, clergy, hospital chaplains, lay ministers, parishioners and all those who care for the sick.

Presenters will be Dr Jason McFarland and Very Rev Peter Williams. To be held at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown on **Saturday 16th November**. Time: 9am start (registration from 8.30am) and 4.45pm finish.

Registration fee is \$60 per person. Fee covers morning & afternoon tea, a light lunch and a handbook on Communion to the sick. **Please register by 12th November, 2019.**

For more information contact CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au or phone 9701 4751 or visit: www.acu.edu.au/pastoral_formation_days



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Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session 4

You are invited to the fourth of six sessions in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather and discern the Plenary Council 2020 National Themes for Discernment.

This session on *'Humble, Healing and Merciful'* will be held on **Wednesday 6th November from 6.30pm to 9pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown.**

Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session 5

You are invited to the fifth of the six sessions in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather and discern the Plenary Council 2020 National Themes for Discernment.

This session on *'Joy, Hope-filled and Servant Community'* will be held on **Thursday 14th November from 6.30pm to 9pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown.**

To RSVP, please contact tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441.

Reflection Day for Women

Preparing our hearts for Advent - Reflection Day for Women.

On **Saturday 23rd November** from 9.30am - 3.00 pm. Mt Schoenstatt, Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Facilitator: Sr Mary Louise. Cost \$25 BYO own lunch. Tea & coffee provided. Take some time out for prayer and reflection!

To register: info@schoenstatt.org.au or phone: 4773 8338.

Greystanes Parish Craft Market—OLQP Parish

is holding its popular Craft Market event on **Saturday 16th November** from 8am-2pm at Camilleri Hall 198 Old Prospect Rd, Greystanes. Featuring 40 stalls selling handmade goods. A great day out for the whole family with a raffle, Devonshire tea, face painting and a BBQ serving breakfast and lunch. Proceeds go to Diabetes NSW & ACT.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival


Time is running out to register to join Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta at ACYF19 in Perth from **7th—11th December**. ACYF19 is a biennial national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Bishops of Australia. If you are a school student that missed out on being selected, you can register to join a diocesan small group with a guardian. Free twin-share hotel accommodation is still available, but for a limited time. For more information or to register visit: www.catholicyouthparramatta.org



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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.



Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator.

Entrance Antiphon

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.
or
Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father,
so whoever feeds on me shall have life because of me, says the Lord.

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
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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.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November

Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East
That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.



Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer

Recently Deceased:

John Harvey (*Sue Follan's dear Dad - 11/10/19*), George Pilley (*Michael Lyons's brother in law - 04/10/19*)

And for those who are sick:

Lorraine Camilleri, Joan Schneider, Eleanor Albertyn, Vincenzo Galluzzo

- ◇ 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.

Memorial Mass for those Bereaved by Suicide

CatholicCare Western Sydney and Blue Mountains together with the Diocese of Parramatta invite those bereaved by suicide to a Mass to honour loved ones who have taken their lives. Mass will be celebrated on **19th November** at St Oliver Plunkett Church, 35 Wigram Street, Harris Park. 6:45pm for 7pm start. RSVP 14th November by phoning 8843 2575 or rita.chater@ccss.org.au

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November Book of Remembrance...

You are welcome to give names of those to be remembered during Masses in the November Book of Remembrance.

November Offering envelopes are available at both entrances of the church. Please print the names of people clearly on the envelope and then either place the envelope in the collection plate or drop it into the Parish Office during office hours.

The Parish Book of Remembrance will be updated each week and displayed.

Please understand that with the number of loved ones especially remembered in November, we will focus any public mention of names at Masses on current losses and where there is a first anniversary of loss.

Please note that the names will not be carried over from last year. Only names that are passed on to us this year will be included.

First Eucharist Photos...

Photos for children who recently received the Sacrament of First Eucharist (Communion), are available to be collected from the parish office during office hours.

Columban Calendars....

If you would like to place an order for 2020 Columban Art Calendars, please put your details and quantity required on the sheet in the foyer. Cost \$10 each. Thank you!

National Prayer Campaign for Drought

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national - and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

Catholic Outlook is back...

At the request of Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Catholic Outlook will be back from Sunday 1st December. The revised Catholic Outlook will be published quarterly as an A4 magazine with a focus on Catholic faith formation, spirituality and a look at what is happening across the agencies and ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta.

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Parish Working Bee



A working bee will take place on **Saturday 23rd November from 8.30am to 1pm** to prepare the grounds for Christmas.

People are asked to bring equipment to clean the gardens, prune the shrubs and sweep the paved areas.

Access to the Church

The Parish Finance Committee is seeking comments on what the issues are that people have when accessing the church.

Please place your comments in the parish suggestion box in the main foyer area.

Youth Group 2020 - Children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Acting on a suggestion received, the Parish Pastoral Council will be starting a youth group for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 in February 2020, to be held on the last Saturday of each month after 6:00pm Mass at the same time as Corpus Christi 2749 meets. The new youth group will be based on making the teachings of Christ relevant today for the children, via fun activities. It will also interact with Corpus Christi 2749 during meal times, buddy sessions and special joint events. We hope to see as many youth as possible take advantage of this excellent upcoming programme.

Please spread the word to as many parents as possible who have children who may like to come and see what it's all about, have some fun and meet new friends in a wonderful environment under adult supervision. Volunteers to assist would be appreciated.

Enquiries: Call Cathy Richmond on 0412 916 788.

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Corpus Christi 2749... Our parish Youth Group
meets once a month either on a Friday night or immediately after the Vigil Mass in the Parish Meeting Room. 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 7 and above under adult supervision. If you would like to find out more about our Youth Group or when our next meeting is, please contact Denise Caffrey on 0409 558 553.

'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...
Corpus Christi conference welcomes enquiries from parishioners who wish to know more about conference activities. Phone 1300VINNIES for assistance.
The Net is available on the Corpus Christi website each week. Please visit www.corpuschristi.org.au/news

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New Ministry Roster

A huge thank you to all who have supported our parish during 2019 by way of the various Liturgical Ministries. **Your care and commitment to our parish community is truly appreciated!**

We are about to get our information together to prepare a new Roster to cover the period 1st/2nd February to 27th/28th June, 2020. Would all those who are involved in rostered Ministries please check your diaries and let Marie know by either phone or email **prior to Tuesday 3rd December** of any non-availability during that period.

Green Sunday

Following on from a recent suggestion in the Suggestion Box around sustainability and our Parish impact on the environment, the PPC are pleased to announce that we will be celebrating our first Green Sunday shortly. Green Sunday will be a chance for us to reflect on the precious gift God has given us that is our Planet and the resources it houses. The date of Green Sunday will be scheduled and notified via The Net and on our Facebook page. We would like to invite any Parishioners who may like to be involved with this initiative to put forward any ideas they have to celebrate this liturgy via the Suggestion Box. If you would like more information on Green Sunday, please feel free to ask any of the members of the PPC.

Diocesan Music Workshop

The Office for Worship is conducting a Music Workshop for musicians and liturgy planners on **Wednesday 13th November**, 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. Supper will be provided.

Topics covered: Choosing appropriate hymns for Mass & What to sing at Mass and why.

RSVP by 8th November by phoning Anne on 8838 3456 or anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org

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