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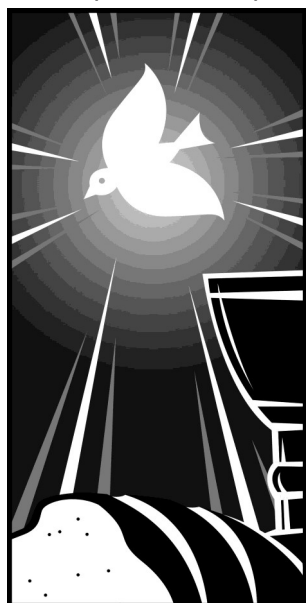
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**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME - YEAR B**

**25TH & 26TH AUGUST,  
2018**

## *Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS*

The decisions called for in today's readings are life decisions. The people at the time of Joshua had to decide which god they would worship. The disciples of Jesus had to decide if he was the one who would fulfill their messianic expectations. We have life decisions to make as well. How will we choose?



The choices we make determine the character of our union with God. God called us out of the slavery of sin and protected us throughout the journey of our lives. Jesus walked with us through the challenges of life and performed wonders for us. Why should we look elsewhere? Because we face new challenges. The new demands placed on us may be so great, or the commitment required of us may be so demanding that we feel that we can no longer walk with him. The church may be changing in ways we do not appreciate, or it may not be changing in the ways we believe it should, and so we may feel that we can walk with him no longer.

If we decide to commit ourselves, we will enter into a union with God that is deeper than anything we have previously known. However, this union will be based on faith. We may understand no more than we did in the past, things may be no more to our liking. But, 'to whom shall we go?' Jesus is God's holy one; he has the words of eternal life.

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:  
you have the words of everlasting life.  
Alleluia!

### **Communion Antiphon**

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;  
you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.  
or  
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
has eternal life, says the Lord, and I will raise him up on the last day.

### **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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### **SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:**

**Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200**  
(Principal - Mr Paul Devlin)

**Xavier College – ph 4777 0900**  
(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

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.

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

*Universal – The Treasure of Families*



That any far-reaching decisions of economists  
and politicians may protect the family as one of  
the treasures of humanity.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS  
WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE  
LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9.10AM.

### Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer;

*Recently Deceased...*

George Pirotta

*Mass Intentions:*

Sarah Sacol, Maria Supena, Dionesio Supena, Bernado  
Supena, Tony Zahra (18/08/03), Olinda Ornelas, Grahame  
Dawson, Brent Downes, Sam & Vicky Borg, Joseph & Jose-  
phine Gauci, Dioscoro Sampaga Snr, Anthony Azzopardi,

*Anniversaries:*

Liliane Ducasse (23/08/04), James William Sinnett (20/08/81),  
Bernard Maloney (12/08/13), Fermin Sampaga, Brian Norman  
Panitz, Frank Puleio

*And for those who are sick...*

Benita Azores, Jayden Maloney, Angelo Vella, Eugena Je-  
rome, Marie Martin (Hooton), Joan Schneider Hooton, Kevin  
McCormack.

◇ If you would like a family member or friend's name to be in-  
cluded in the sick list, please gain permission from that per-  
son before you make the request to the parish team.

◇ Prayer intentions remain in The Net for 4 weeks.  
Please contact the parish Office for further inclusion.



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### Plenary 2020 Information & Training Sessions

Plenary 2020 is the name given to a process initiated by  
the Australian Bishops who are inviting people to engage  
in listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of  
the Catholic Church in Australia ahead of a Plenary  
Council in 2020. Significantly, a process such as this has  
not happened in Australia since 1937. Our voices are  
needed and we are invited to engage with family, friends  
and colleagues in this time of renewal.

Information and Training Sessions have already been  
held. There is a growing interest in Plenary 2020, and so  
we are now repeating these earlier sessions.

All parishioners are invited as the sessions assist with  
both a parish level response as well as helping individuals  
share the Plenary invitation with friends and family. Our  
next upcoming Information and Training Sessions are as  
follows -

- Thursday 20th September 2018 from 7pm to 9.30pm,  
Parramatta Cathedral Hall (1 Marist Pl Parramatta)
- Saturday 29th September 2018 from 10am to 12.30pm,  
St Thomas Aquinas Springwood School Hall  
(168 Hawkesbury Rd, Springwood)
- Saturday 29th September 2018 from 2pm to 4.30pm,  
Emu Plains School Hall (17 Troy St, Emu Plains)

**\*\*Light refreshments will be provided at all sessions\*\***

The following people will greatly benefit from attending a  
session:

All parishioners, Clergy, Parish staff, council members, minis-  
try co-ordinators, Parish volunteers, Ethnic community repre-  
sentatives, Chaplains, Community group representatives.

We strongly encourage all to participate in one of the  
above sessions and to invite others to attend. Please RSVP  
to Marisa [marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org](mailto:marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org) with your  
preferred session date, time and parish.

### Social Justice Sunday...

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 30th September.  
This year the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement  
is titled: 'A Place to Call Home: making a home for every-  
one in our land'. The statement challenges us all to con-  
front Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaf-  
fordable housing. For further details about the Social Jus-  
tice Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice  
Council website: [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

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## Vinnies Winter Sleepout

Greg Hall will be representing the Cranebrook conference at the vinnies sleep out to be held on the 30th August. The aim is to raise a minimum of \$500 so the sleep out can meet their target of \$100,000.

If anyone would like to donate or support Greg, go to <https://nswvinniescommunitysleepout.gofundraise.com.au/page/GregHall> or make any donations to the vinnies box in the main foyer area.

*This weekend collection buckets will be placed at the doors after each Mass for anyone who may wish to donate to the community sleep out.*

THE MONEY COLLECTED FROM THE BUCKETS AND VINNIES BOX WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN THE SLEEP OUT AND THE DROUGHT RELIEF FUND.



*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...

A reminder to parents that the second group session for First Eucharist will take place this week.

Sessions will start on 29th August for the Wednesday group, 30th August for the Thursday group & 1st September for the Saturday group. If you are unable to attend your assigned session, please contact Marie at the Parish Office to arrange attending another group.

## Final Preparation for First Eucharist

The final preparation for the children will take place on Friday 7th September, 3.30pm - 5pm 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 are:

- ♦ Saturday 8th September during 6pm Mass.
- ♦ Sunday 9th September during 9.30am Mass.
- ♦ Sunday 16th September during 9.30am Mass & at 11.30am.

**Parish Ministries...** If at any time a member of the parish is seeking some involvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encouraged to contact the Parish Office.

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## Corpus Christi Youth Group

### Calling All Youth in Years 6-12

Join us for a Youth Mass in the Chapel on

**Friday 31st August at 7:30pm.**

We will be gathering afterwards for games and worship through music. Come along and meet our Youth Leaders and other members of Youth in our parish. \$5 for pizza and refreshments. Youth Group will conclude at 9:30pm.

For more information please contact Denise Caffrey on 0409 558 553.

## Children's Liturgy Workshop

**WEDNESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30PM – 9PM**

**Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.**

To register email [ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org](mailto:ingrid.vergano@parracatholic.org) or phone 8838 3456.

*This is an important evening for all who assist with Children's Liturgy in their parish.*

## Bishop's Collection for Retired & Sick Clergy



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 \$205,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution.

**This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held on the 1st/2nd September.**

A third collection will be held on this weekend at each Mass. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope.

**Appeal envelopes are available this 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](http://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](mailto:csf@parracatholic.org) with your details so receipts can be sent, which we usually do in January.

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- Fund the delivery of water and animal feed by partner organisations
- Organise social events for rural communities to come together and find support

Donations can be made by calling 13 18 12,

[www.vinnies.org.au/drought](http://www.vinnies.org.au/drought) or at any local Vinnies Shop.

## A Special Year of Youth Event in the Mountains

We're inviting all young adults working and living in and around the Blue Mountains for an afternoon to connect. This Year of Youth, we're striving to create more opportunities for young people to experience the joy of the faith. Join us on **Saturday 1st September from 3:00pm to 6:00pm at St Canice's Church, Katoomba**. Follow Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information or contact Qwayne Guevara, Local Engagement Leader at [qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org](mailto:qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org).

## Position Vacant...

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is seeking a Nurse to attend World Youth Day 2019 in Panama. *The role will be responsible for encouraging and coordinating healthy practices and the preliminary identification and assessment of medical, health and wellbeing needs of pilgrims.* More information at: [www.parra.catholic.edu.au/positions-vacant](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/positions-vacant)

## Catholic Men's Conference

*What is Courage? What is commitment?  
How do we build authentic relationships?*

**Saturday 1st September at  
Dooleys Catholic Club, Lidcombe.**

*A collaborative of men from Brothersoul (Schoenstatt Men), menALIVE, The Catenian Association, Knights of the Southern Cross, The Men of St Joseph & Catholic Men's Fellowship.*

More details: [www.sydneycatholicmen.com/conference](http://www.sydneycatholicmen.com/conference) or Norm Reavell on 0438 5515 441. Registration: \$60

## Bringing the Old Testament to Life

*Great themes that influenced Jesus and his spirituality*

**TUESDAY 28 AUGUST AT 6.45PM FOR 7PM START**

**INSTITUTE FOR MISSION, 1-5 MARION STREET, BLACKTOWN**

Led by Dr Laurie Woods - this is one of the sessions of the Reflective Ministry Program that we specially open up for wider attendance. You are welcome to register and bring a friend or family member of any faith background.

The cost is free, donations accepted. **RSVPs are essential:** email [connect@ifm.org.au](mailto:connect@ifm.org.au) or call Charbel on 9296 6369.

## Reflection Day for Women



*Join us in celebrating Our Lady's Birthday*

**Saturday 8th September from 9.30am - 3.00pm**

**Mt Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Rd Mulgoa**

The day will be hosted by Sr Mary Louise Walsh. The cost is \$25 / BYO lunch - tea & coffee provided. Register by 4th September at [info@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:info@schoenstatt.org.au) or phone 4773 8338.

## Lawn and Garden Services...

### Help CatholicCare to Help Disabled Workers

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains (CatholicCare) is the diocesan social services organisation. Our Mamre Garden Services employed disabled people in a lawn and garden service lawns for both residential and commercial clients. The team of workers is supervised by our Garden Crew Supervisor. Each job is quoted separately and you will not be disappointed with the quality of the work. For more information, please contact 02 8843 2500 or visit our website [www.ccss.org.au](http://www.ccss.org.au)

## RCIA: How it can grow your Parish's Faith Life

Wednesday 12 September - Part 1

Wednesday 19 September - Part 2

To be held at the IFM, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown from 7.00-9.00. To register contact the Office For Worship: [in-grid.vergano@parracatholic.org](mailto:in-grid.vergano@parracatholic.org) or 02 8838 3456.

## Save the Date - Liturgy Conference 2018

Date: 10 November 2018. Keynote Speaker: Fr Peter Williams Vicar General from the Diocese of Parramatta. Workshops (still to be finalised): Singing the Psalms, RCIA ritual & symbols, Training Junior Altar Servers and Music and Prayer in the Classroom. To register your interest go to [parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/](http://parracatholic.org/liturgyconference2018/) Tickets: On sale soon (we'll let you know when).



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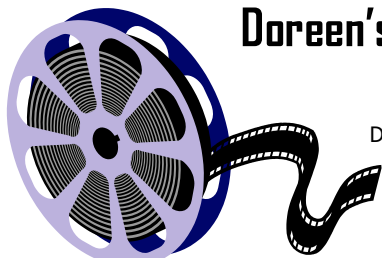
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