

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses from February to May for those interested in being Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick, Senior Servers and Acolytes. They are offered at two locations and are free.

Diocesan Assembly Centre: 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown
Mondays at 7pm

- * 18th February: Compulsory Introduction Session.
- * 25th February & 4th March: Ministers of the Word.
- * 18th & 25th March: Ministers of Communion.
- * 1st April: Communion to the Sick & Dying.*
- * 8th April: Safe Ministry Training
- * 29th April & 6th May: Altar Servers & Acolytes.**

OR

St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith: Parish Meeting Rm 1
Thursdays at 7pm

- * 21st February: Compulsory Introduction Session.
- * 28th February & 7th March: Ministers of the Word.
- * 21st & 28th March: Ministers of Communion.
- * 4th April: Communion to the Sick & Dying.*
- * 11th April: Safe Ministry Training
- * 2nd & 9th May: Altar Servers & Acolytes.**

** If you wish to complete Communion to the Sick & Dying, it is compulsory to attend the Ministers of Communion Session first.

** If you wish to become an Adult Altar Server or Acolyte, you must attend all sessions.

Deadline for enrolments: 4th February. Download an enrolment form at: www.instituteformission.com.au

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Parramatta is holding a "Restoring Reverence" event. From Friday 15 - Sunday 17 February at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 7 Grantham Road, Seven Hills. For further information call 0404 093 118 or 0425 607 227. Entry by donation, Children's Ministry available, coffee and tea provided, BYO lunch..

Position Vacant

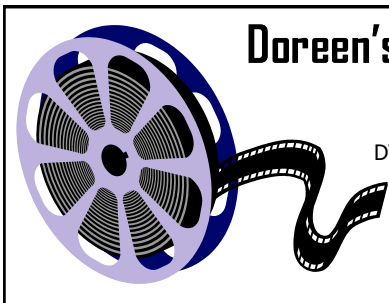
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Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Greystanes
More details at: www.olqp.org.au
- Head of Social Services Operations - CatholicCare Social Services
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Reflective Ministry 2019

A program to enrich and enthuse those involved in the ministries of Catholic Communities

Component 1:

Tuesdays 12th, 19th & 26th February; 5th, 12th, 19th March; 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th May; 4th June and Saturday 15th June

- * Foundations of spirituality for life in faith
- * Personal, pastoral and theological perceptions
- * Interpersonal communication skills for ministry

Component 2:

Tuesdays 20th, 27th August; 3rd, 10th, 17th September, 15th, 22nd, 29th October; 5th, 12th, 19th November and Saturday 23rd November

- * Biblical background and the application of scripture
- * Pastoral ministry and mission
- * Strategies and priorities for ministry and mission today

You have the option of doing Component 1 only; doing both components consecutively or do Component 1 now and Component 2 another year.

Register now for a February start of Component 1.

For more information please call Sr Grace on 9296 6369, email connect@ifm.org.au or visit ifm.org.au

Bereavement Support Program



CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is commencing a Bereavement Support Program for men or women whose spouse or partner have died. The program will be run at Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair (5 Todd Row, St Clair) on Thursdays fortnightly from 10am to 12 midday in the Pioneers Room of the Parish, commencing 21 February to 16 May. To secure a place on this program please ring the Parish on 02 9670 8222 or email to stclair@parracatholic.org

NAPPA Conference 2019

The NAPPA Conference will be held on Tuesday 26th February 2019. Register via www.nappa2019.wixsite.com/conference or contact Tanya Quinn on 02 8838 3441.

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

26TH & 27TH JANUARY, 2019

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

In both the reading from Nehemiah and the Gospel passage, we see the dynamic power of the word of God. Paul's teaching originated as oral proclamation, and like the texts read by Ezra the priest and the one interpreted by Jesus himself, it was first proclaimed aloud. Only later were these proclamations written and handed down from one community to another, from one generation to the next.



The word of God elicits various responses. In the first reading, the people cried out in response: 'Amen, amen! So be it! We hear and we will obey!' From the verses contained in today's gospel, we do not know how those who heard Jesus' interpretation reacted to it. We do know that both audiences listened intently to the sacred words of Scripture. Can we do less? Are we eager to obey? Do we view the law as a treasure, as life-giving? Have we learned to live with each other as members of one body, each member being important and contributing to the total health of the entire body?

Both Ezra and Jesus proclaimed the word of God within the context of a liturgical celebration, a setting similar to the ones wherein most people today hear God's word proclaimed. According to the teaching of Vatican II, the liturgy is described as the source and summit of our lives, and the liturgy of the word is an essential part of that celebration. With the people of Ezra, we are invited to respond: 'Amen, amen! Thanks be to God!'

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

or

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

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 - Mrs Sarah O'Rourke)

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 January



Young people and the example of Mary
That young people, especially in Latin America,
follow the example of Mary and respond
to the call of the Lord to communicate
the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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...

Angelo Vella (15/01/19), John Hooton (12/01/19), Mary Egan (17/01/19)

Mass Intentions:

All the deceased souls

Anniversaries:

Caroline Sinnett (22/01), Natasha Lyneham (25th anniv)

And for those who are sick...

Sr Merilyn Browne, Kevin McCormack

♦ 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.

Dear Friends,

A warm welcome back to everyone for 2019!!!

We hope you had a good break and we look forward to another year of working together as a community in our parish of Corpus Christi.

The Parish Office is now back to its regular days of Tuesday - Friday. Office hours are 9am - 3.30pm.

The Parish Team.

Sincere Thanks...

On behalf of our immediate and extended families, we wish to say a heartfelt thank you to Father Chris for offering Mass on Sunday morning and to the faith community of Corpus Christi Cranebrook for their words of condolence, their thoughts and prayers at the loss of my elder brother John Hooton (10-08-1935 to 12-01-2019). May his soul and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.

Phil Hooton

Catholic Mission Appeal...

Thank you to all parishioners for supporting the recent Catholic Mission Parish Appeal. Your generous support of the appeal for Myanmar raised a total amount of \$2563.65.

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.

Children & Sacraments - 2019

Letters have been issued through the neighbourhood via the current YEAR 3 in the six schools welcoming parents with children in the next lot of Sacrament programs. You may have a friend or neighbour wanting to nurture his/her child in our Church's life of the Sacraments who need information.

THE 'PARENT ONLY' MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON
WEDNESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, 2019
AT 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH.

Time is Running Out for Plenary Council 2020

Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019. YOUR voice matters! Make a personal submission now or join a small group. Our question is for everyone: *"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"* To make a submission or find out more visit: <https://parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/>

A PARISH MEETING AND SMALL GROUPS WILL TAKE PLACE
IN THE SCHOOL HALL NEXT
SATURDAY 2ND FEBRUARY FROM 2PM - 3.30PM.
EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
A SIGN ON SHEET IS AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER.

Catechist News... Are you able to help???

The Catechist Team is currently in need of volunteers to teach in our government schools in 2019.

If you can spare about an hour (including preparation time) each week during school terms and would like to find out more about being a teacher or helper please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed...



One of the most rewarding ways we can share our faith and be part of the weekend liturgies is by taking the young children and sharing with them your ideas about the readings and/or the feast day messages. Please consider becoming part of the team as we need people to fill the roster. Children's Liturgy is on during the school terms at 6pm and 9.30am Masses. We try to keep your rostered times to a maximum of 3 each term. If you can see yourself being part of this ministry please contact the Parish Office.

Follow our pilgrims attending World Youth Day Panama!

The Diocese's World Youth Day 2019 will take place from 15th January to 1st February 2019.

The Diocese of Parramatta has 171 pilgrims attending. Please remember to pray for the pilgrims. Follow the pilgrim's progress online at parrawyd.org

Corpus Christi Collective

Our Parish Youth Group next meets on

SATURDAY 2ND FEBRUARY AFTER 6PM MASS.

The theme for this gathering is

Mini WYD2019.

If you are in Year 6 or above and would like to join please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Have you been thinking about growing in your faith?

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

Are you Baptised and would like to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation?

If you are ready to take these steps in your faith journey, we invite you to take part in the RCIA program here in our Parish.

The sessions focus on the teachings of the Church, prayer, scripture reading, questioning and worshipping. Together with our RCIA team, made up of fellow parishioners, we will help you to continue to develop a living and dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ. Guidance and support will be provided in your spiritual journey. The final step of the journey will be to receive the grace given in the Sacraments.

No immediate commitment is required at the time of initial enquiry.

If you would like to find out more about being a part of the RCIA program please contact the Parish Office.

World Youth Day 'In-Sync' Here in the Diocese!

Welcome to come and be in union of spirit with our World Youth Day pilgrims in Panama: Australia Day weekend

6PM MASS ON SUNDAY NIGHT 27TH JANUARY AT


ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL -

Plus typical WYD strumming and drumming, energy and international flavour - video footage of our pilgrims and sending of video responses to them - past pilgrim stories and celebration.

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Fr Paul Roberts and the In-Sync team via email;

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