

Caroline Chisholm College Open Night

Monday 11th March from 5.30pm-7.30pm

2020 Enrolments for Girls Years 7-12

- * Tours of the College from 5.30pm.
 - * Principal's Information Sessions at 6pm & 7pm.
- For further information contact the College on 4737 5500 or visit www.ccclenmorepark.nsw.edu.au

McCarthy Catholic College

Enrolments are now open for 2020.

Open Night Tuesday 19th March, from 5pm – 8pm

- * Meet the Principal, staff and student leaders
 - * Tours of the College facilities
 - * Enrolment packages available
 - * Presentations at 5.15pm, 6.00pm and 6.45pm
- For further information contact the College on 4728 8100 or visit www.mccarthyemuplains.catholic.edu.au

The Gospel of Luke... with Dr Laurie Woods

The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in the Diocese of Parramatta has engaged Dr Laurie Woods to present on the Gospel of St Luke.

Venue: IFM Marion St Blacktown

Time: 10am - 2pm

Dates: Fridays March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12

All are welcome. BYO lunch.

Please register with Maree on 02 8838 3486

Join St Patrick's Cathedral Choir

St Patrick's Cathedral Choir, Parramatta is recruiting singers! This is an exciting opportunity to join a group of highly talented musicians. Choral scholarships are also available to singers who demonstrate advanced vocal skills and musical leadership qualities. For information visit www.stpatricks cathedral.com.au/musicministry/index.htm or contact Music Director, Bernard Kirkpatrick: 0430 431 884.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan and Israel, escorted by Father Peter Blayney, Parish Priest, St Patrick's Guildford, 30th October - 13th November 2019. For details please contact the Parish Secretary on 9632 2672 or patricksguildford@bigpond.com or Olive Tree Travel on 03 8488 9696.



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Saint Nicolas Festa Committee

Maltese Spring Fete

The traditional 'Maltese Spring Fete' organised by the Saint Nicholas Fests Committee will be held on Sunday 10th March at the Good Shepherd Parish Hall, 130-136 Hyatt Road, Plumpton (opposite the shopping centre). Entertainment by The Heartbeats commencing at 1.30pm. Entry and parking is free for everyone and plenty of food and drinks will be available for purchase. Free paddle pop ice creams for all the kids. Everyone is welcome. All under cover.

For more information please contact Emmanuel Vella on 0405 677 064.

Affordable Housing Assembly

THURSDAY 14TH MARCH AT 6.PM

You are invited to join 2000 leaders and citizens at Sydney Town Hall to stand together for the common good. Together we will be seeking clear, concrete commitments on affordable housing, household energy and rental reform from both state and federal politicians. Parramatta Diocese Social Justice Office, Vinnies NSW Sydney Alliance and the Everybody's Home Campaign are jointly hosting the Assembly. Register now at <https://register.eventarc.com/41575/march-2019-assembly>

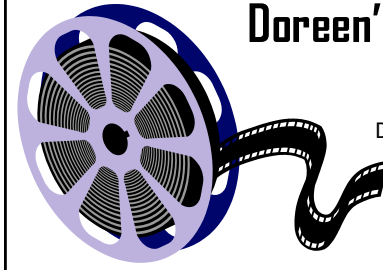
Conversation with Dr Austen Ivereigh

Wednesday 20th March at

St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta.

You are invited to a public conversation between papal biographer & UK Catholic journalist Dr Austen Ivereigh and Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv as they discuss Pope Francis and becoming a humble, listening and learning Church. RSVP by 13th March to Br Mark O'Connor: mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org

Palms Australia... is the leader in matching experienced, skilled Australians with community development projects in Asia, Africa and the Pacific. We provide training and support, a basic living allowance, return airfares, and a comprehensive insurance policy. Discover more on Thursday 21st March from 5.30pm – 7pm at Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney. For more information please call 9560 5333.



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EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

2ND & 3RD MARCH, 2019

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

A Greek word for an actor is *hypokritēs*, and Jesus often uses it in a disparaging way. How often have we heard the sad, sometimes angry, remark by someone let down by a person they trusted: 'It was all a big act'. Eventually, the true



character of the dishonest or manipulative person is revealed. All the acting in the world will not forever suppress what is bound to overflow from the heart.

This takes us to the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus pronounces a blessing on 'the pure in heart, for they will see God'. This does not describe those who are ritually or sexually pure, but those who, at the core of their being, are not actors. There is no duplicity or camouflage, no lie or deception clouding the heart. Because of this, Jesus says they are well prepared to see God because they do not have the great plank of acting in their eye.

Of course, we already see God in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, so that we can pray with the clear-sighted Richard, Bishop of Chichester in 1253: 'O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly and follow thee more nearly, day by day.'

We could pause for a moment and resolve to make that prayer with a pure heart. Then, when we grace-fully share Christ's resurrection life in Heavenly Glory, in the embrace of Divine Love we shall truly see the Triune God face-to-face!

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord became my protector.
He brought me out to a place of freedom;
he saved me because he delighted in me.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me,
sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

or

Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, 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

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 March



Recognition of the
Right of Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those
who are persecuted, feel that they are close to
Christ and have their rights respected.

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...

Katie Sultana, Anthony Cassar

Mass Intentions:

Jovito Juinio jr, Maria Aquilina, Our Lady, the souls in
purgatory

Anniversaries

Fr George O'Mara (28/02/18)

And for those who are sick...

Bill Ross, 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 four weeks.
Please contact the parish Office for further inclusion.

Bishop's Lenten Appeal

Many thanks to all who donated so generously to the Bish-
op's Lenten Appeal last weekend.

The total amount raised by our parish was \$3781.60.
The Ephpheta Centre, supported by the Parramatta Catho-
lic Foundation, gives hope, compassion, connectivity and
care to the deaf and hard of hearing.
Your kind-hearted support will provide chaplaincy and
pastoral care for the vulnerable and isolated, in homes,
hospitals, prison and aged-care facilities. You can still be a
channel of hope and give generously via the Appeal envel-
opes or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal.

Ash Wednesday Masses

WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH IS ASH WEDNESDAY.

Masses will be held here at our parish at
9.30AM

(Please note not 9.10am as normal as school
children will be attending)
& 7.00PM.

Stations of the Cross

will be celebrated during Lent each
Friday at 7.00pm in the Church.

Fr Chris is looking for six families to lead Stations of the
Cross (*one family each week*). If you would like to participate
please add your name to the list in the Sacristy.

Special Prayers for Sacrament Children



Please keep in your prayers the children of our
parish who are preparing for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Remember also their families and our
Sacrament leaders who encourage the children
on their journey.

Time is Running Out for Plenary Council
Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on 6th March.
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/](https://parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/)

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or direct debit;
- ♦ or if you would like to join the Planned Giving Pro-
gramme.

Your gift to Planned Giving does help cover the running of
your parish and also contributes towards outreach in our
parish community and beyond.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ALREADY MEMBERS OF OUR PLANNED
GIVING ENVELOPE PROGRAM, ENVELOPES FOR APRIL –
OCTOBER WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER NEXT WEEKEND.

Parish Ministries...

If at any time a member of the parish is seeking some in-
volvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encour-
aged to contact the Parish Office.

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 each week dur-
ing school terms and would like to find out
more about being a teacher or helper please
contact the Parish Office.

Vacancies are at the following schools:

- Year 6 at Samuel Terry Thursdays 12.50pm – 1.20pm
- Kindergarten at Henry Fulton Thursdays 11.30am – 12pm

Whether you are young, middle-aged or retired, at univer-
sity or a shift worker **we need you!!**

Corpus Christi 1249... 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 6 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.

Kneelers available in Foyer...

As you are aware, the kneeler pads are available for you to use them if you choose. They are all located in the main foyer and under the Holy Oils Cabinet.
For safety, we ask that you please take the kneeler back to the storage box at the end of Mass.

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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OF THE CHURCH AND PARISH OFFICE GROUNDS AS YOUR
FAMILY OR INDIVIDUAL GARDEN?

If you are able to assist our parish in this regard, kindly
write your name and contact details on the sign
on sheet provided in the foyer or you may speak
to Fr. Chris.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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 our parish RCIA program.
If you would like to find out more about this program
please contact the Parish Office.

Corpus Christi Primary School

Enrolments open for Kindergarten 2020
at our Twilight Tour on
Tuesday 5th March between 5pm – 7pm.

- * Take a tour and see our learning spaces
- * Staff will be available to answer questions
- * Enrolment information available

If you are unable to attend please contact our Enrolment
Secretary, Mrs Paton after 5th March on 4726 2200.
Enrolments close 31st May, 2019.

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