

Mind, Body & Soul Retreat

Mind, Body & Soul Retreat at Mt Schoenstatt for Mature Catholic Women who feel on the Fringe of the Church.

Facilitated by Andrea Dean.

Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa from 5pm on 22nd March to 2pm 24th March.

The cost is \$230, which includes two nights private, ensuite accommodation and all meals.

For more details or to book: manager@schoenstatt.org.au or phone Ann-Maree: 4773 8338.

24 hours of Adoration for the Lord

MT SCHOENSTATT SHRINE, 230 FAIRLIGHT ROAD, MULGOA.

Begins with Holy Mass at 6pm on Friday 29th March, finishing with Holy Mass at 5pm on Saturday 30th March. Each hour will have reflection and music presented by different groups and individuals. Every half hour the Shrine will be silent for prayer and reflection. Come for 1 hour or 24, no obligation for a particular time period. Enquires for groups or individuals: manager@schoenstatt.org.au or phone Ann-Maree: 02 4773 8338.

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

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Laudati Si' Lenten Group



A Laudati Si' Lenten discussion group will be held at St Madeleine's Parish, Kenthurst on each Sunday during Lent (March 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7 and 14). The group will be unpacking Pope Francis' 2015 environment encyclical Laudato Si' - Care for our Common Home. A group discussion for youth and all interested in learning more about the call to grow our green hearts. RSVP to Sue Martin on 0432 716 577.

Young Bereaved Spouses Support Group

The Young Bereaved Spouse (YBS) Support group offers monthly support to men and women whose spouse or partner has died. Age guideline of under 55 years old, whether a parent or not.

This group is held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **First Gathering for the year:** Tuesday 19th March **Venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta **Time:** 6.45pm for 7pm start to 9pm. **Cost:** \$5

Registration Essential: Contact Rita on 8843 2575 or email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

For Filipino and Interested Parishioners...

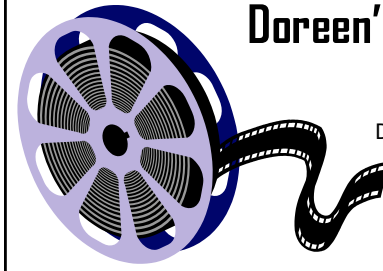
Major MUSICAL production, NOLI ME TANGERE, Parramatta Riverside Theatre. Based on the Philippines national novel by Jose Rizal. Low prices from \$35 so families can celebrate their culture together, March 29 - April 6. Song clips on Riverside Theatres website. Nice restaurants and parking nearby - a great night out! Stars Marcus Rivera, Pam Picart, and many others. Bookings easy: 8839 3399 or riversideparramatta.com.au

Fertility Awareness Evening: 19 March

Abnormalities in a woman's menstrual cycle can indicate underlying health issues. Hear about how irregularities to a normal cycle can be addressed and how an awareness of a regular cycle is a sign of good health. You're warmly welcomed to attend this free event. This topic is of interest to women of all ages.

For further information please contact Catherine on 02 8838 3460 or 0400 427 605.

Email catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or visit www.parralmf.org.au/nfs



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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

16TH & 17TH MARCH, 2019

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates the epiphanies of God, the ways in which God's divine presence is revealed. The first divine epiphany is the



manifestation of God as one who initiates a covenant, an intimate relationship with human beings. Not only does God initiate this agreement, but God also seals it with blood, making it official. Although we ritualise our relationship with God in a religious setting, the call to enter into the covenant can come in the ordinary events of life. The important thing to remember about this covenant is that God enters into our lives and initiates the relationship. No life is too simple; no life is too busy. Human history in all of its contours is the setting for the encounter with God.

The glory of God is revealed in the transfigured Jesus, the one who discussed his suffering and death with Moses and Elijah. Lent is a time for us to enter into this suffering, not merely through reflection, prayer and penance, but concretely, by sharing in the suffering of the body of Christ. We see this suffering all around us.

God is revealed through women and men who live lives of Christian commitment. In those whose integrity strengthens us, in those whose religious sentiments inspire us, in those whose endurance gives us confidence. God is revealed in those who get involved in bettering the lives of others. God is revealed in very ordinary ways, if we but open our eyes to see.

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

or

Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old.

Let not our enemies exult over us.

Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

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

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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...

Paul Grech (28/02), Marie Jones (28/02), Katie Sultana
Mass Intentions:

Christ Zahra, Our Lady, the souls in purgatory, the souls
of the faithfully departed

Anniversaries

Mario Vella (16/03/06), Fr George O'Mara (28/02/18), Car-
mela Napoli (02/03/77),

And for those who are sick...

Veronica McMahon (mother of Anne Marie Bosworth), Bill
Ross, Sr Marilyn Browne, 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.
- ♦ Intentions remain in The Net for four weeks.
Please contact the parish Office for further inclusion.

Bishop Vincent's Pastoral Letter

Bishop Vincent's pastoral letter to the people and clergy of
the Diocese of Parramatta can be found at: catholicout-
look.org/bishop-vincent's-pastoral-letter

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION FOR EASTER

WILL TAKE PLACE HERE AT CORPUS CHRISTI
ON TUESDAY 26TH MARCH AT 7PM.

Please note that there will not be the usual 7pm Mass
on that evening.

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

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.

Second Sunday of Lent

PROJECT COMPASSION Tati lives in the remote forest of Indo-
nesia. She is a mother of three who
was earning an income working in a
local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism
training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can
now afford to send her children to school. With new hope
and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty
for her family.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help
lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give
them hope to protect our common home.**

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please contact Marie at the Parish Office during office hours.

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

Easter Children's Choir

If any children would like to be part of the children's choir
for **Easter Sunday Mass at 9.30am**, contact Shanice Vella
on 0434 147 092 or Email svella22@parra.catholic.edu.au

LIVING THE GOSPEL God's voice from the cloud claims Jesus as
his Son, the Chosen One and then goes on
'Listen to him!' to instruct those present – and we, the
readers – to 'Listen to him!' For the disciples, this was a message
not to get carried away with their own ideas about the Messiah
but to listen to what Jesus was saying about the suffering he
must endure and to what he was saying about true discipleship.
Jesus tells us that to be a follower of his involves sacrifice, hard-
ship and often unpopularity. It is this message we must listen to
as much as the promise of salvation.

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 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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Open Night Tuesday 19th March, from 5pm – 8pm
Presentations at 5.15pm, 6.00pm and 6.45pm. Tours of the
College facilities. For further information: 4728 8100 or
visit www.mccarthyemuplains.catholic.edu.au

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.

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 during school
terms and would like to find out more about being a teach-
er 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!!

Safeguarding Superheroes

Thursday 28th March from 6.30pm – 9pm
Novotel Hotel, Norwest

Ensuring a safe environment for young people is an
essential requirement of any ministry initiative.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. The Diocese of
Parramatta is hosting an evening for 'on the ground' vol-
unteers who are predominantly present at activities or
ministries that involve young people. Let's build a network
of safeguarding officers for the future! More details at:
parracatholic.org/cyp-keeping-our-young-people-safe/

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