

Palm Sunday Procession: 14th April

The annual Palm Sunday procession is on again. Process with Bishop Vincent from Parramatta Town Hall to St Patrick's Cathedral for a World Youth Day Mass and Event on Palm Sunday. Starting at 5:20pm. Register at: parracatholic.org/cyp

Good Friday Night Walk: 19th April

Join over 1,500 youth and young adults on Good Friday from 10pm on one of two overnight 'routes of reflection' from either Guildford Parish or Blacktown Parish, through five parishes to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Registrations are mandatory. More details at: parracatholic.org/cyp

Our Lady of the Nativity Catholic Community, Lawson Celebrates 90 Years

Saturday 6th April...

"Back to Lawson 90th Anniversary Ball" from 6pm. Tickets \$45 per person, contact Mary McKenna 0439 267 691.

Sunday 7th April...

Bishop Vincent will concelebrate Mass at 10am for the 90th Anniversary of the Consecration of Our Lady of the Nativity Church.

Priests, religious, ex-students, boarders, teachers and past parishioners are all welcome. Following Mass, a morning tea and photographic history display will be held in the School Hall.

Enquiries parish office (Wed, Thurs, Fri) 02 4759 1034 or olon3@bigpond.com

Positions Vacant

Diocese of Parramatta...

- * Web developer/programmer
 - * Pastoral Planning Officer
 - * Risk Officer
 - * Project Manager
 - * Parish Secretary – Merrylands Parish
- More details at: parracatholic.org/employment
- * Transition Housing Worker - CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains
- More details at: ccss.org.au



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Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions

Sunday 28th April

St Nicholas of Myra, Penrith

- * Blessing of the Divine mercy Image
- * Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- * Stations of the Cross
- * Homily and Benediction
- * Reconciliation until 4pm
- * Afternoon tea 4.15pm – 5.15pm
- * Divine Mercy Mass at 6pm

Communion to the Sick at Blacktown Hospital

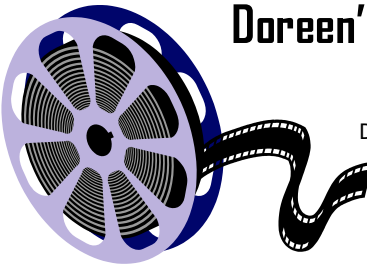
We urgently require people to take Holy Communion to patients in Blacktown Hospital on Sundays. Volunteers are currently rostered on every second month. Distribution of Communion takes about 2 to 3 hours. Security checks required and carpark access available. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who can help with this important ministry please contact Deacon George Bryan at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish Blacktown either via the parish office or at George.Bryan@parracatholic.org

Volunteers Urgently Needed for Visiting Residents of Aged Care Facility

Are you interested in visiting an elderly person in a nursing home who has no or very few visitors? This service is organised through CatholicCare. You would visit on average once every two weeks with CatholicCare providing training and other support. After talking with you about your interests, we will match you with a resident in a nursing home within approximately 10km of your home. The visit is entirely within the nursing home - you do not take the person on outings or shopping etc. For details contact Deb Woolcott on 0418114055 or deb.woolcott@ccss.org.au

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 further information visit stpatscathedral.com.au/music <<https://stpatscathedral.com.au/music/>> or contact the Music Director, Bernard Kirkpatrick on 0430 431 884.



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

30TH & 31ST MARCH, 2019

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

In the midst of Lent we are given a moment for rejoicing, Laetare Sunday. All of the readings provide us with reasons for rejoicing. The overarching theme is



the prodigal goodness of God. The responsorial psalm sets the context for the reflections. The other readings show how needy people were showered with divine favour. Even in the midst of this rejoicing, we find a challenge. We must undergo a change of heart if we are to rejoice in God.

The goodness of God is strikingly portrayed in the radically new image of father. This is a God who allows us to follow our own dreams, who is partial to no one, who faithfully and patiently waits for us to return, who gently corrects our misperceptions. God longs to be reconciled with us even more than we long to be reconciled with God.

The challenges placed before us set out some of the conditions required if we are to be a new creation. We are called to a profound and total reconciliation, first with God and then with each other. Christ was identified with sin so that we might be identified with God's righteousness. Reconciliation requires that we be open to giving and receiving forgiveness. It requires that we both remember and forget. We must always remember the causes of alienation, so that we not succumb to them again. However, we must forget the resentment that we felt so that we not allow it to influence our lives.

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Responsorial Psalm

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

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

When the Gospel of the Man Born Blind is read:

Cf. Jn 9:11,38: The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

or

When the Gospel of the Prodigal Son is read:

Lk 15:32: You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

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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Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200
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Xavier College – ph 4777 0900
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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...

Dora Lesseps-Fonseca (28/03), Paul Trevaskis (*Margaret
Blair's dear Dad* – 19/03/19), Paul Grech (28/02), Marie Jones
(28/02), Katie Sultana

Mass Intentions:

Christ Zahra, Charlie Saliba

Anniversaries

Juana Fernandez (13/03), Ignacia Fernandez (25/03), Rocco
Valore (18/03/17), Salvatore Cavallaro (27/03/18), Leo Val-
ore (12/01/18), Sheila Tavares (25/03), Rita Saliba (14/03/08),
Joseph Kallarackal (15/03/91), Mario Vella (16/03/06)

And for those who are sick...

Noah Macalinao, Veronica McMahon, Bill Ross, Sr Meri-
lyn 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.*

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.

Stations of the Cross...

Celebrated during Lent each
Friday at 7.00pm, in the Church.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Thursday 18th April - 7.30pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper

A beautiful celebration of the origins of our Eucharist.

Friday 19th April - 10.00am

The Stations of the Cross

Friday 19th April - 3.00pm

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

This moving ceremony honours the
great sacrifice of Christ.

Saturday 20th April - 7.00pm

(Note not 6.00pm)

The Easter Vigil

This is the highlight of the Church year when we celebrate the
greatest hope ever given to humanity.

Sunday 21st April - 7.30am & 9.30am

Masses of Easter Morning

A continuation of the celebration of resurrection when the new
Easter light and Easter water of Baptism are used to help give a
blessing of renewal.

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Corpus Christi Facebook Page...

Our parish Facebook page is now up and running at
www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiParishCranebrook

Ministry Roster for Easter...

If you are able to assist in volunteering in the ministries for
the Easter Liturgies, please put your name on the list in the
foyer. Thank you!

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

Holy Thursday Collection

The money raised from the collection at the Holy Thursday
Mass will be used to support the charitable works of the St
Vincent de Paul Society.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Michaela is a 21-year-old trainee at
Purple House, a dialysis center in the
Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease.
With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to
build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new
outlook for the chronically ill.

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

Lives change when we all give 100%.

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visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by
phoning 1800 024 413.

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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