

Office for Worship
Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses
The Office for Worship's Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be held again next year, commencing early February 2020. If you are interested or would like more information, contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3456 or anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org.

Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session
You are invited to attend a Plenary Council 2020 Listening and Discernment session on 6th February from 10.30am to 1pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. At this session, you will have the opportunity to select and explore one of the six Themes for Discernment. Morning tea provided. To RSVP, please contact tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org.

Position Vacant
Mount Schoenstatt Retreat Centre
Our busy retreat centre is looking for a casual cook with experience and passion, to provide wholesome, fulfilling and tasty meals. Casual work shifts, 8am to 2pm plus occasional afternoons & evenings. Must be available 7 days a week. Four-week roster given in advance. You will need your own transport as there is no public transport access to our location. Please forward your resume along with an application letter, outlining why you would like to work in our kitchen, noting your cooking strengths. If you would like further details or have any questions, please contact Ann-Maree (Mon-Fri) 02 4773 8338

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services
 **Bereavement Support Program** CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is commencing a 7 session Bereavement Support Program at St. Michael's Parish, Baulkham Hills for men or women whose spouse or partner have died. It will be held weekly on **Thursdays from 10am - 12pm, beginning 13th February to 26th March.** There will be an Information session and Overview of the Program for anyone interested in attending on **Thursday 6th February from 10am -11am.** For more information and to register call Rita on 8843 2575 email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au



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Neighbour Aid Volunteers
Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home. If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other's lives in this way, contact Deb Woolcott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolcott@ccss.org.au.

LIFTED Live featuring Gen Bryant
Youth, young adults and families are invited to 'alive and brilliant' at CYP's LIFTED 2020 Launch on **Thursday 13th February at WEST HQ, Rooty Hill from 7.30pm to 10pm.** Live music, worship and plans unveiled for young people and acclaimed Catholic singer-songwriter from Melbourne Gen Bryant on-stage. Register your interest now at <https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/>

Institute for Mission
✠ **Themes of Faith**
The Themes of Faith program invites participants to share conversation and reflection in small groups. Each group is accompanied by a mentor with a focus on different key life/faith theme each time. Sessions, arranged in two blocks of 5 Monday evenings, start on **2nd March.** To register, visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/tof> and for more information, contact Donnie or Fr Paul on (02) 9296 6369 or donnie.velasco@ifm.org.au or paul.roberts@ifm.org.au

✠ **Reflective Ministry Program**
If you are serving in any ministry or hoping to get involved, this program gatherings will nurture your relationship with God and further equip your purpose and serving! Sessions start on **Tuesday 10th March** and will run every Tuesday night for twelve weeks. To register, please visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry> or for more information, contact Sr Grace on (02) 9296 6369 or grace.roclawska@ifm.org.au.

Positions Vacant:
* Volunteers - Mamre Creche - CatholicCare
* Office Manager Tribunal of the Catholic Church (NSW & ACT), Parramatta Diocese. **Applications close 3rd February**
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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - YR A
1ST & 2ND FEBRUARY, 2020

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

Traditionally this is the fortieth day of Christmas. Though the Christmas season closed with the Epiphany, the Presentation brings us back to some of the Christmas themes. The feast is on the edge, a kind of hinge between the seasons of Christmas and Lent.

The temple is not merely a building where believers gather to worship God. It is sacred because it is the dwelling place of God on earth. Therefore, the coming of God to the temple was always a time of great anticipation and excitement. It promised blessing and rejoicing.



The first reading declares that God will come to the temple in might and power. This coming will be terrifying. The sacred precincts have been desecrated and so God will come to purify it with fire and lye. This picture of purification is modified by the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews where we see that the purging and refinement are accomplished in the self-sacrifice of Christ.

It took the eyes of the old man and the faith of an old woman to recognise that the Lord had indeed come into the temple. Ritually, it was the child who was redeemed. In fact, it is the world that will be redeemed by this child. He is the light that shines in the darkness of the world; he will enlighten all people, Jew and Gentile alike. This feast shares the theme of universality so prominent on the feast of the Epiphany. The king of glory opens the portals for the entire universe to enter.

Entrance Antiphon
Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Responsorial Psalm
(R.) Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
This is the light of revelation to the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon
My eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

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 February

Listen to the Migrants' Cries



We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers
and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking,
may be heard and considered.

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer

◇ 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 for Recently Deceased, Anniversaries and for
those who are sick will remain in The Net for 4 weeks.
Please contact the parish Office for further inclusion.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
WILL BE CELEBRATED DURING LENT EACH
FRIDAY AT 7.00PM IN THE CHURCH.

Parish Lenten Group

If anyone is interested in attending a Parish Lenten Group
please place your name on the list in the foyer.

There are the options of

THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 7PM
OR

FRIDAY MORNINGS AFTER MASS.

Please note that the groups will only go ahead
if we have enough numbers.

Australian Church Bushfire Response

Thank you for your support of the Vinnies Bushfire
Appeal during the Australia Day weekend.

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Australia is currently facing an unprecedented bushfire
crisis in many parts of the country, including within the
Diocese of Parramatta. We are urged to pray constantly
for those affected, for those fighting the fires and for an
end to the bushfires.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WEEKDAY MASSES
WILL RESUME THIS WEEK.

Tuesday (4th February) at 7pm
Wednesday – Friday (5th – 7th February) at 9.10am.

Call for Church Cleaners

We are in need of some volunteers to join the roster.

It will require an hour of your time every 4 weeks on a
Saturday morning.

If you are able to join a cleaning team or would like more
information, please contact the parish office.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday 26th February is Ash Wednesday.

Masses will be held here at our parish at

9.30AM & 7.00PM.

Please note not 9.10am as normal,
as school children will be attending.

World Day of the Sick Mass: 11th February

A Mass for the World Day of the Sick will be celebrated
in the Diocese of Parramatta on

TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

AT

MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY PARISH,
ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BLACKTOWN
AT 10.30AM.

The Mass will include the Sacramental Rite of Anointing
of the Sick and Prayers for Healing.

Please RSVP to Marisa VanderHout by 31st January on
8838 3460 or marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org to
assist with seating and catering.

Youth Group 2020 - Children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Acting on a suggestion received, the Parish Pastoral Council
will be starting a youth group for children in Years 3, 4,
5 and 6 in February 2020, to be held on the last Saturday of
each month after 6:00pm Mass at the same time as Corpus
Christi 2749 meets. The new youth group will be based on
making the teachings of Christ relevant today for the children,
via fun activities. It will also interact with Corpus Christi 2749
during meal times, buddy sessions and special joint events. We
hope to see as many youth as possible take advantage of this
excellent upcoming programme. Please spread the word to as
many parents as possible who have children who may like to
come and see what it's all about, have some fun and meet new
friends in a wonderful environment under adult supervision. Volunteers to assist
would be appreciated.

Enquiries: Call Cathy Richmond on 0412 916 788.

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children who may like to come and see what it's all about, have
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We will need a name to call this Youth Group.
So we are encouraging parents to have Think Tank
sessions with their children and submit suggestions
prior to our first evening on Saturday 29th February.
Email your suggestions to cranebrook@parracatholic.org

Baptism Preparation Team Volunteers



We are looking to expand this team and are asking
anyone who is interested to please contact the Parish Office.
Baptism Preparation takes place on the last Sunday of the month after
9.30am Mass from January to October.

We are hoping to have enough people to create a roster so
that the commitment is reduced to a few times a year.

Corpus Christi 2749... Our parish Youth Group

meets once a month either on a Friday night or immediately after the Vigil Mass in the Parish Meeting Room. 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 7 and above under adult supervision. If you would like to find out more about our Youth
Group or when our next meeting is, please contact Denise Caffrey on 0409 558 553.

'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.

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

A MEETING FOR ALL CATECHISTS
WILL TAKE PLACE ON
FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY AT 10AM
IN THE PARISH OFFICE.

Children & Sacraments for 2020



Letters have been issued through the neighbourhood
via the **current YEAR 4** in our six local schools
welcoming parents to enrol their children in the
next round 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.

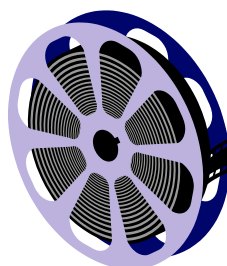
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WILL TAKE PLACE ON
WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY, 2019
AT 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH.



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