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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YR C

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

City Life for True Lovers

'Love one another as I have loved you.' You may think that Our Lord's extravagant extreme of love in voluntarily undergoing death for us, is something

no human being could ever measure up to.



But actually, something like this happens whenever a mother or father sits by the bedside of a child suffering the terrible pain of a chronic illness or traumatic accident and, perhaps, even facing the prospect of death. Such a parent will invariably say 'I would rather suffer and die than see my child suffer and die.' It is the same with a person seeing their much loved life partner in a similar situation.

Each of us, usually to a lesser degree and in less fraught circumstances, has the opportunity to absorb, to some extent, the sufferings of others. We are thus given the possibility of fulfilling the command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

The effect of this sort of loving will be realised at the end of history, not in a garden of Paradise, but as in a wonderful City where all tears will be wiped from our eyes.

We could pause for a moment on our way to

that future City, resolving to be alert to opportunities to fulfil our Lord's command: 'Love one another as I have loved you.'

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

For faith-filled young people

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

14TH & 15TH MAY 2022

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm
Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

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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)

Parish News

Planned Giving...

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The Net

If you know of anyone who is not receiving The Net via email and they would like to, please ask them to email the Parish Office.

Advertising in The Net...

Are you interested in advertising your business in The Net??? Or know anyone who might be??? Ads run for 12 months for a cost of \$350. There is also the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis.

As we are not printing hard copies of The Net, your business will be advertised on our website.

At present, readership of *The Net* on our website is around 1000 people per week for forty-eight weeks of the year.

To ensure good exposure, we still only accept no more than twelve businesses for advertising. For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office during office hours.



Please keep in your prayers the children of our parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Eucharist. May their families be great models of faith for them during this important time.

New Ministry Roster for 2022

IF ANYONE WHO HAS TAKEN A BREAK FROM THE MINISTRY ROSTER WOULD LIKE TO RESUME VOLUNTEERING PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE TELEPHONE IS STILL **NOT WORKING PROPERLY**.

We have an interim phone to which the office number has been diverted. However, there is no answering service on this phone so you cannot leave a message.

You are welcome to email at parishteam@corpuschristi.org.au



ALTHOUGH RESTRICTIONS HAVE NOW BEEN EASED, COVID-19 IS STILL IN THE COMMUNITY. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE CARE WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS.

EVEN THOUGH FACE MASKS ARE NO LONGER MANDATORY PLEASE FEEL WELCOME TO CONTINUE WEARING ONE.

Call for Church Cleaners

Could you please contact Marie at the Parish Office if A couple of people have come off the cleaning roster due to personal reasons. We thank them for their commitment and care over the past years. We are in need now for some volunteers to join the roster. It requires an hour of your time every 4 weeks on a Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. If you are able to join a cleaning team or would like more information, please 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 2022.

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

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

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

Recently Deceased:

Charlie Caruana (28/03/22)

Anniversaries:

James Vella (02/05), Margaret Vella (11/05), Maryann Azzopardi (14/05/16), Malcolm Bryant.

For those who are sick:

Rosa Pronesti, David Wakeling, Don Reid, Peter Sinnett, Eleanor Albertyn, Kevin and Mary O'Connor

Corpus Christi Website & Facebook

Please visit our website or Facebook page for up to date Parish and diocesan news.

Website:

www.corpuschristi.org.au

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiParishCranebrook

'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group...

Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after 9.10am Mass.

Come along, share some stories and enjoy the company. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are welcome!!! If you would like some more information, please contact the Parish Office.

The Parish Pastoral Council invites parishioners to submit suggestions in any of the following ways:

- Person to person with a Parish Pastoral Council Member
- Email to corpuschristippc@gmail.com, a direct email address to the Secretary of the Parish Pastoral Council
- Letter mailed or hand delivered addressed to: The Secretary, Parish Pastoral Council Corpus Christi Parish PO Box 21, Cranebrook NSW 2749

Suggestion Box, located in the foyer of the Church. Please remember to include your name and contact number in case we need to contact you for any clarification or update.

Diocesan News

LIFTED Live Featuring Gen Bryant Friday May 20, 7:30-10pm WEST HQ, Rooty Hill

Youth, young adults and families are invited to join enrolling now for 2023. Catholic Youth Parramatta for a Holy Spirit inspired night To learn more please contact your local Catholic school or of praise and worship

Register at https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/

Youth Ministry Leadership Pathway

A new pathway for leadership in youth ministry is here! Duc In Altum is an initiative of Catholic Youth Parramatta designed to provide practical youth ministry training, build community between youth leaders across the Diocese, and offer intentional time for prayer and reflection. For more information and details to sign up parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/ email qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org

Bishop Vincent Presents Sr Patricia Fox NDS Friday May 27, 7-9pm Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown

Ministering to the poor and marginalised in the Philippines for close to 30 years, Sr Pat Fox was arrested at her convent in northeast Manila and accused by the Filipino president of taking part in illegal political activities and of speaking out against the government. Join us for her compelling presentation, a short response from Bishop Vincent Long, Q&A and light canapes and drinks.

LIMITED SEATS - Bookings essential via email at met@parracatholic.org

SAVE THE DATE

Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Reflection Evening

The Diocese of Parramatta, together with the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Diocese of Broken Bay, invites you to an evening of delicious food, prayer, and great keynote speakers. Let's reflect on the Social Justice Statement "Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor", and celebrate how people across all three Dioceses have responded to these cries in 2021-22. The reflection evening will be held on Wednesday 20 July from 6pm to 9pm - more details will follow in Iune.

Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 18th October, journeying St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29th October vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need. associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

For information please call 8912 4818 or email national. 9757 Pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

Website: www.marymackillopplace.org.au

Catholic Schools Across the Diocese are Enrolling Now!

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Parramatta are

website www.parra.catholic.edu.au/ourour schools/find-a-school.

Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal is Open

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta remains open and committed to assisting anyone with enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted via telephone and Zoom in response to COVID-19. Please contact the Tribunal office on 8838 3480 or email tribunal@parracatholic.org.

Diocese of Parramatta Launches **Plenary Council Resource Website**

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. Beyond the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more as we move into a time of prayer, reflection, maturation and development.

View the draft Diocesan synthesis for the Synod of Bishops

All are invited to VIEW the online version of the draft synthesis from the Diocese of Parramatta Writing Committee for the Synod of Bishops 2023. Visit https:// parracatholic.org/synod-of-bishops/ email met@parracatholic.org with your reflections. The Diocese of Parramatta is a 'listening Church' we invite continued dialogue through both the website and direct email address.

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2022

Getting married in 2022? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the For more information, met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Vinnies Support Centres

through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary are still available and taking calls to arrange for food During the pilgrimage we visit many places If you need assistance, call the Support Centres in Blacktown on (02) 8861 9777, Harris Park on (02) 8861 and Penrith on (02)8861 To find out more about what support is available, visit http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw

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