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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YR C

20TH & 21ST MAY 2022

REFLECTION *by* Dianne Bergant CSA

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God.



What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things.

The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.



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.



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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Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200
(Principal - Mrs Sarah O'Rourke)

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(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

Parish News



Congratulations to our parish children who celebrated the Sacrament of Eucharist this weekend.

Children, you are precious to us and we want you to know you are a very special part of the Corpus Christi Parish.

May God bless each of you...

A fantastic effort has been made by parents to prepare their children with the assistance of the group leaders and all participants for this sacrament.

Planned Giving by Credit Card

Parishioners who donate to Parish Planned Giving by credit card:

if your details have changed in any way can you please contact Marie at the parish office asap as a couple of transactions were not accepted this month.

Could you also please contact Marie at the Parish Office if you are:

- ◇ contributing to the Planned Giving Program via the envelope system and would like to change to credit card or direct debit;
- ◇ or if you would like to join the Planned Giving Program.

Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal

Next weekend, 28th & 29th May, our Parish is proud to support Parramatta Catholic Foundation's Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal. Funds raised through the Appeal will enable our Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park to provide for the education and formation of the faithful men who have answered God's call to become beacons of light for us, His people.

As our Diocese continues to grow, we need to train more visionary young men to join our 14 seminarians in becoming good shepherds of Christ's flock. We invite you to be the extended formation community for our seminarians on their journey to becoming priests.

Your prayerful support and accompaniment will enable men like Patrick and Menard, to pursue their vocation to become the future priests for our Diocese.

Please give generously via the giving envelopes and place them in the receptacle for the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal next weekend. Thank you.

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.

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.

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

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.

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



Diocesan News

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 visit parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/ or 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 June.

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 through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29th October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

For information please call 8912 4818 or email national.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 enrolling now for 2023.

To learn more please contact your local Catholic school or visit our website www.parra.catholic.edu.au/our-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/> and 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

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 website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Vinnies Support Centres

St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney are still available and taking calls to arrange for food vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need.

If you need assistance, call the Support Centre in Penrith on (02) 8861 9770.

To find out more about what support is available, visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

Pastoral Formation 2022

In 2022, we can still deepen our community connections and growth in faith! To encourage this, Pastoral Formation - Diocese of Parramatta has two programs FOR YOU - all offered in a COVID-safe manner.

- 1) Ministry Leadership Program: Perfect for current and aspiring ministry leaders. 10 or 20 sessions (\$10/session).
- 2) Themes of Faith Program: Ideal for people interested in asking life & faith questions in discussion groups. 10 sessions (\$5/session). see our website pfparra.org.au or email met@parracatholic.org for more details.

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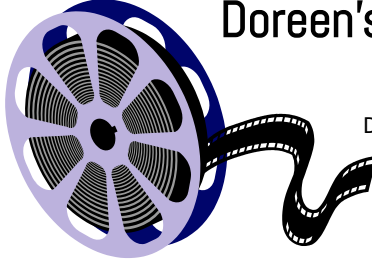
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