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**6TH & 7TH AUGUST  
2022**

## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

### The Gospel and the Commonwealth

Jesus lived in a remote part of the Roman Empire where the majority eked out an existence. One of the few ways in which redistribution of wealth could occur was by voluntarily giving to the poor. So Jesus instructs his followers: 'Sell your possessions and give generously to those in need.'



We live in a very different society: 'The Commonwealth of Australia.' 'Common-wealth' indicates that the wealth of this nation, its people and resources, are meant to be directed to the common good.

So, we must respond to Our Lord's command in ways very different to what was possible in his day.

We have a compulsory taxation system which forces us to give up some of our possessions, some of our wealth to the common-wealth. Taxation and social justice policies help fulfil Our Lord's command to create a society more humane than anything remotely possible under the Roman Empire. And that would please Our Lord. Why?

In part because those in need are helped. But, perhaps in greater part, because it makes us larger hearted people. We have to arrive at the moment of death with a heart so capacious that it can include the billions of people we hope inhabit heavenly existence.

We might pause for a moment to pray for our hearts to be expanded by our contribution to the common-wealth of all peoples throughout the world.



## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August

*For small businesses*

We pray for small and medium sized businesses;  
in the midst of economic and social crisis,  
may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.



### 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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by appointment

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(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

# Parish News

## Parish Ministry Update

To ensure that our parish records are up to date could anyone who volunteers and/or is trained in the following ministries please place your details on the 'sign on' sheets in the foyer.

*This applies to those who currently volunteer on the ministry roster and to those who have volunteered in the past.*

- ◆ Acolytes
- ◆ Ministers of the Eucharist
- ◆ Readers and Commentators
- ◆ Children's Liturgy

Also, if anyone is seeking some involvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encouraged to place your name on the 'sign on' sheets or contact the Parish Office.

## Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

Please consider becoming part of the team as we need people to fill the roster. Children's Liturgy is on during the school terms at 6pm and 9.30am Masses. If you are able to help with this ministry please contact the Parish Office.

## Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

### Recently Deceased:

Domenica Maviglia (25/06), Don Reid (03/07)

### Anniversaries:

Anthony Azzopardi (08/08/2015), Bibiana Zahra (July 2017)

### For those who are sick:

Rosa Pronesti, David Wakeling, Eleanor Albertyn, Kevin and Mary O'Connor



## Corpus Christi St Vincent de Paul Vinnies Winter Appeal

The Appeal will take place on the weekend of  
13th & 14th August.

Buckets will be placed at the church doors for you to place your donations.

Many thanks for your support of our parish conference.

## Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses from September – November for those interested in being Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick, Senior Servers and Acolytes. The courses are free.

**Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown**  
**Mondays at 7pm**

- ⌘ 5th September: Compulsory Introduction Session.
- ⌘ 12th & 19th September: Ministers of the Word.
- ⌘ 10th & 17th October: Ministers of Communion.
- ⌘ 24th October: Communion to the Sick & Dying.\*
- ⌘ 31st October & 7th November: Ministers at the Altar.\*\*

\* If you wish to complete Communion to the Sick & Dying, it is compulsory to attend the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Sessions first.

\*\* If you wish to become an Adult Altar Server or Acolyte, you must attend all 8 sessions.

**Deadline for enrolments: 26th August.**

An enrolment form can be downloaded at  
[www.officeforworship.org.au](http://www.officeforworship.org.au)



## Building Safe Parishes Together in 2022: An Update from the Office for Safeguarding

*Take a look at our newly upgraded Mandatory Safeguarding Training Platform...*

Would you like to complete your Mandatory or Elective Safeguarding Modules independently and at times convenient to you? Our newly upgraded online training platform is now live.

If you haven't had a chance as yet, you can access the LearnWorlds platform at: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>

On this platform you are able to register yourself and choose the Safeguarding Modules that are relevant to you.

The three mandatory modules [Compliance Training – tagged gold] are:

- Understanding Safeguarding and the Child Safe Standards
- Legal Compliance and Safeguarding: Risk of Significant Harm and Reportable Conduct
- Working with Adults at Risk and Understanding Boundaries

Existing users may have received a Welcome courtesy email from the platform. Mandatory Training is valid for two years. There is no need to review previously completed modules unless you wish to push your renewal date further back.

Those with coordinator and leadership roles within the parish are also asked to complete two elective modules. You will find these Leadership Elective Modules tagged blue on the platform.

New users are invited to 'sign up' onto the platform using their unique email address, identifying their parish and naming their role in the parish. Once logged into the platform, click on the 'Modules' link to locate the mandatory compliance modules as well as the elective modules. Click on 'Enrol' to begin each module.

Once again, we are very grateful for your continuing support of this training and for all you do in ministry for your parish community.

If you have any further questions please contact Maria Kervin, Community Education and Education Officer at [maria.kervin@parracatholic.edu.au](mailto:maria.kervin@parracatholic.edu.au)

# Diocesan News

## World Youth Day 2023 (WYD23)

Express Your Interest Now:

*The Diocese of Parramatta invites young people across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains to join them on its official pilgrimage to the 16th International World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal, in July/August 2023.*

The Diocesan pilgrimage will take place over 22 days from 21st July to 11th August 2023 and will include visits to France, Spain and Portugal before a time of retreat in Assisi, Italy.

All young people are invited to our official launch event on  
**18th August from 7pm at**  
**St John XXIII Catholic College, Stanhope Gardens.**

*Join Bishop Vincent and musical priest Fr Rob Galea and his ministry band as we showcase all the amazing places we will be visiting on pilgrimage.*

To register for the launch event and to express your interest, visit [parrawyd.org](http://parrawyd.org)

### **Pastoral Formation Scripture Short Course: Starts 11th August**

*Are you passionate about the Bible? Looking for a face-to-face introductory program on Scripture?*

Join Dr Laurie Woods for 4 Thursday nights:

**11th, 18th, 25th August and 1st September.**

Each night hosted from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre (1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown). LIMITED SEATS.

Register by 3rd August via [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org)

### **Faith in Marriage Seminar: 12th August**

Guest speaker Robert Haddad will discuss "Living marriage, living faith, ideas to inspire your children" at the Faith in Marriage Seminar hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta's MET - Marriage team. The seminar will be held on Friday 12th August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, from 7.30pm. The event is free, but booking is required. Free parking is available in the lower ground car park and on neighbouring streets. Register your attendance to 8838 3460 or [marriage@parracatholic.org](mailto:marriage@parracatholic.org)

### **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/](http://parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/) or email [qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org](mailto:qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org)

### **Soul Food Podcast – Pastoral Formation**

*Do you find life & faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others?*

Pastoral Formation's Soul Food Podcast features life & faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: <https://pfparra.org.au/soulfood/>

### **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 8861 9770. To find out more about what support is available, visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

### **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.

*Following the conclusion of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia on Saturday 9th July, a range of articles and resources on the continuing journey can be found on the 'Plenary Council' heading on Catholic Outlook and via [parracatholic.org/plenary](http://parracatholic.org/plenary)*

### **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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:met@parracatholic.org) or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

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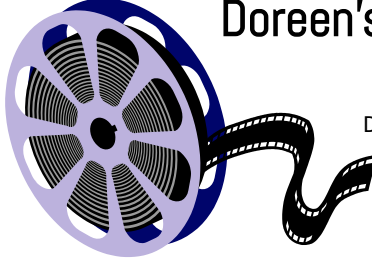
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