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We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

#### **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

# **REFLECTION** by Dianne Bergant CSA

Jesus continues to instruct the disciples in the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. The readings for today focus our attention on the nature of true wisdom. It is this true wisdom which prompts us to choose the right course of

action. It is true wisdom that directs us in our interpretation of the law.



The longer we live, the more we realise that life experiences open up for us a series of choices. With these choices we chart the path that we will take. Circumstances might be thrust on us, but we can still make choices about how we will deal with them. Obedient people do what they are told; wise people choose what good they will do. True wisdom calls us to choose life and whatever enhances life. If we are truly wise, we will come to realise that what was acceptable and life-enhancing in one situation may not be appropriate in another. Life is fluid, and our thinking and acting must be flexible enough to adapt when necessary.

True wisdom, which comes to us through the Spirit, will enrich us with insight into life in ways we never thought possible. We will realise where and how we fit into the vast and interrelated ecosystems of the universe, and we

will be overawed with the majesty and intricacy of its workings. We will understand once and for all that the value of anything is determined by its capacity to enrich life, and we will commit ourselves to and cherish every manifestation of that life.

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# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

## 11TH & 12TH FEBRUARY 2023

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

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

#### **RECONCILIATION**

by appointment

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#### **PARISH TEAM:**

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Mrs Sue Weekes - Office Support - sw@corpuschristi.org.au

Mrs Joanne Hocking - Sacrament Support

## 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**

Corpus Christi Primary Opening School Mass Friday 17th February at 9.30am.

<u>There will not be Mass at 9.10am.</u> All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Please note that the whole school will be attending as well as parents and other members of the school community.

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday 22nd February is Ash Wednesday.

Masses will be held here at our parish at

9.30AM & 6.00PM.

## **Lenten Programs**

Are you preparing for your 2023 Lenten journey?
How will we meet the challenges of integrating a practice of Lenten reflection into our busy lives and schedules?

The following Lenten Programs are being offered:

## <u>Lent 2023 with the Catholic Guy – Bruce Downes</u>

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful.

This program is FREE and you can sign up here:

https://BruceDownes.org/Lent23

Go to BruceDownes.org for more information.

#### **Triumph**

This program provides short daily reflections and longer form Sunday reflections, questions and prayer. from Wollongong Diocese www.dow.org.au

Please note that this program involves a cost.

# Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

**Anniversaries:** 

Jerry Kuncewicz (10/02/21)

For those who are sick:

Maria Pilarowski, Eleanor Albertyn, Rosa Pronesti & parish community and beyond. Viviana Kirk

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.

### The Net

Due to a technical problem, <u>we no longer have the email</u> <u>addresses</u> of those people who requested to receive The Net via email.

Please contact the parish office or put your name on the list in the foyer if you or anyone you know would like to receive The Net via email.

Please note that The Net is uploaded to our parish website each week.

# Children & Sacraments for 2023

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)



Children in <u>Year 4</u> and above at school are invited to register for the Parish Sacramental Program, commencing with the Sacrament of Penance.

Parents wanting their child to participate in the program are required to pick up Penance Information Packs and register their child on

WEDNESDAY 1ST MARCH, 2023
BETWEEN 6.30PM & 7.30PM

IN THE CHURCH.

## Planned Giving...

Could you 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;
- $\Diamond$  or if you would like to join the Planned Giving Program.

Your gift to Planned Giving does help cover the running of your parish and also contributes towards outreach in our parish community and beyond.

# 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 \$330. There is also the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office during office hours.

# 'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group...

Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after 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!!!

# **Parish News**

## New Ministry Roster for 2023

A huge thank you to all who continue to support our parish by way of the various Liturgical Ministries.

## Your care and commitment to our parish community is truly appreciated!

If you are a volunteer and did not receive your roster, readings and/or the feast day messages. Please consider please contact the Parish Office.

IF ANYONE WHO HAS TAKEN A BREAK FROM THE MINISTRY ROSTER AND WOULD LIKE TO RESUME VOLUNTEERING 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 2023.

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

# Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed



One of the most rewarding ways we can share our faith and be part of the weekend liturgies is by taking the young children and sharing with them your ideas about the

becoming part of the team as we need people to fill the Children's Liturgy during the school terms at 6pm and 9.30am Masses. We try to keep your rostered times to a maximum of 3 each term. If you can see yourself being part of this ministry please contact the Parish Office.

#### **Parish Ministries**

If at any time a member of the parish is seeking some involvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encouraged to contact the Parish Office.

# Parramatta Diocesan News

# **MET FaithLIFE Scripture Course**

Want to learn more about the Bible?

with Dr Michele Connolly rsj, brought to you by the tend the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Scripture Reflection Night Mission Enhancement Team (MET).

6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Thursdays: 23rd February, 2nd March and 9th March. Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

RSVP via <a href="https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/">https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/</a>

## Worship Celebrating Holy Week Seminar



The MET - Worship team are organising a seminar for acolytes and ministers at the altar (senior servers) in preparation for the celebration of Holy Week.

Presented by liturgist Chris Ohlsen, it will be held on Saturday 4th March from 9.30am to 3pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

RSVP by 28th February, please contact mary.gale@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3456.

#### **MET Lenten Music Formation Session**

Musicians and liturgy planners are invited to attend an evening exploring music for Lent on

## Monday 13th February from 7pm to 8.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.

The session will be presented by Eric Grella, Music • Formation Facilitator, MET, and Assistant Music Director at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. To RSVP, please contact hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org



## **MET Lenten Scripture Reflection Night**

Looking for a Scripture reflection session on the season of Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on Scripture Lent? You and your key contacts are most welcome to atwith Dr Laurie Woods.

> Tuesday 21st February - 6:30PM to 8:30PM. Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

RSVP via <a href="https://pfparra.org.au/lent2023">https://pfparra.org.au/lent2023</a>

# Peace, Justice & Ecology Sharing

Peace, Justice and Ecology (PJE) Sharings are quarterly online gatherings for everyone who is interested in Social Justice, Care for Creation or Global Peace. You are invited to join the conversation, this time with a focus on Caritas Project Compassion 2023 on Wednesday 15 February from 6:30pm to 8pm. To receive a Zoom link, please RSVP via email: met@parracatholic.org

# Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married in 2023? Visit <a href="www.parracatholic.org/">www.parracatholic.org/</a> pmp to view weekend course dates in the New Year, to preparation and pay. Αn online 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.

#### **Positions Vacant:**

- Office Administration Assistant St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood.
- Policy Coordinator Diocese of Parramatta -
- People and Culture Adviser Diocese of Parramatta -Applications close 10pm Monday 20th February

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

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