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

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

# **Reflection** by Dianne Bergant CSA

We live in hope because we have been blessed with the opportunity of participating in the exaltation of Jesus. This hope is based on promises: the promise that we will not be left orphaned when Jesus returns to his Father; the promise that we will be comforted by the Spirit whom Jesus will send. It is trust in God that enables us to live in this world as if the promises have already been fulfilled, for in fact, it is precisely such living that fulfils them.

We have not celebrated the Ascension, and yet all three readings speak of the Spirit. The same Spirit, who quickened the resurrected life of Jesus, enlivens us. This Spirit strengthens, comforts, guides and inspires us. Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the commandments of God, not in a legalistic or constraining way but out of love. The love that comes to us through the Spirit will then overflow into the lives of others, and we will be agents of God's love in the world.

The Spirit given by Christ is mediated through the laying on of hands. This still happens in our day in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents, in the healing touch of those who cure both the body and the spirit. The liturgical year is preparing us for the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and Jesus is preparing us for life in the Spirit here on earth. This is the reason for our hope.

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# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

*For church movements and groups* We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

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13TH & 14TH MAY 2023

<u>WEEKEND MASS TIMES</u> 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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Xavier College – ph 4777 0900 (Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

# **Parish News**

# **Planned Giving/Parish Donations**

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

If you would like to contribute directly, the parish bank details are:

BSB: 067 950 Acct No: 100000698 Acct Name: Cranebrook Parish

Please ensure you put your details in the reference section (ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME)

# **Planned Giving**

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;
- ◊ would like to join the Planned Giving Program.

# Mother's Prayer

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tender hearted love.

I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears.



And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

# Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

**Recently Deceased:** 

Carmelo Schembri, Viviana Kirk, Peter Farrugia Anniversaries: James & Margaret Vella, Maryann Azzopardi For those who are sick: Maria Pilarowski, Eleanor Albertyn, Rosa Pronesti, Daryle Young

# Mother's Day Remembrance...

We especially remember all mothers who have gone from this life and give thanks for their influence of faith and love. May the Lord reward all of our loved mums who have gone from this life with peace and joy.



# Fundraising for Our Parish World Youth Day Pilgrims

Three members of our parish community will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in July.

To help show our support for them on this exciting faith filled journey there will be a collection at all Masses on the weekend of 20th/21st May.

# Invitation to the Diocesan Synod 2023 Deanery Consultation

We thank you for your ongoing prayers and support for our Diocesan Synod.

Our Synod is not just about an event, but it is a process where we are inviting you, our community, to participate in the life of the church and to contribute to our future together.

Over the next six weeks, Bishop Vincent is travelling throughout the Diocese and listening directly to people's stories and suggestions about our Church. Join him to have your say.

### Western Deanery Consultation

To ensure that the space for voices across our Diocese is heard, 20 representatives from our parish are invited to the Western Deanery Listening Consultation.

#### Saturday 24th June 2023 Holy Spirit Primary School, St Clair Commences at 6.30pm with light refreshments

If you are interested in attending this consultation, place your name and contact details on the list in the foyer.



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.

**The Sacrament of First Eucharist will take place on the following dates:** Saturday 13th May during the 6pm Mass Saturday 20th May during the 6pm Mass

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.

### ත්ත්ත්ත්ත්ත්

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.

# **Parish News**

# Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal -27th/28th May

#### Please note change of date

Our next appeal is raising awareness and funds for our Aboriginal Catholic Care drop-in centre at Emerton, supporting First Nations people, and anyone in need.

#### 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.

### **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.

### 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 option to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office.

### **Corpus Christi Young in Spirit Seniors** Group

Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after 9.10am Mass, in the Parish Office. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are welcome!!!



# Parramatta Diocesan News

#### Safeguarding Training

Padre Pio Parish, Glenmore Park, is hosting Maria Kervin on

Saturday 27th May from 10am – 3pm

for face-to-face training. BYO lunch. Tea and coffee provided. For more information and to register please contact Padre Pio parish office on 4789 2232.

#### **Building Safe Parishes Together in 2023**

Safe Parishes Week 2023 - Safeguarding Renewal **Mandatory Training Opportunities!** 

Did you complete your 6 points of mandatory training in 2021?

Are you due for renewal training?

Would you like to complete the renewal training Face to Face?

Our Renewal Training Package (Cycle 2 - 4 points) consists In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage of:

Module 4: Understanding Safeguarding, the Child Safe Standards & Working with Adults at Risk

Module 5: Legal Compliance: Risk Of Significant Harm & Reportable Conduct

These Renewal Mandatory Modules will be offered face to face at Bishop Bede Heather Centre on:

#### Tuesday 6th June at 10am - 1.30pm, OR Wednesday 7th June at 10am - 1.30pm

Please register for the renewal modules on the day of your choice at: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.edu.au

These renewal mandatory modules will also be available online by August 2023.

If you have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email Maria Kervin, Community Engagement and Education Officer at: maria.kervin@parracatholic.org



### **Invitation to Register for CPR Training**

You are invited to register for an accredited CPR Course being offered by Surf Life Saving NSW. This is being offered as a FREE course to the Parishes of Parramatta Diocese as part of a project being offered by the University of Sydney, Westmead Applied Research Centre. The course runs for 2.5 hours and will be presented at Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown on Monday 5th June at 4pm. Please contact the Parish Office for information on how to register for the venue of your choice.

### Diocesan Synod 2023 – The Time is Now!

Join the Diocese of Parramatta as we listen and respond to the Holy Spirit through the People of God in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. Let us go forwards towards the horizon that awaits us.

Learn more at parracatholic.org/synod2023

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17th October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28th October 2023.

For any enquiries, a copy of the itinerary and application form, please contact Sr Annie Bond at national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 89124818.

#### Annual Schoenstatt Marian Pilgrimage

The Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre's Annual Marian Pilgrimage will be held again on Sunday 21st May. Reconciliation will be available from 9.30am before Bishop Long OFM Conv celebrates Mass Vincent and recommissions pilgrim mother coordinators. Mass will be followed by a Eucharistic Procession to the Shrine. As this is an outdoor event, please bring your own chairs. Hot food, tea and coffee available for sale or BYO. Enquiries, please call 4773 8338 or email info@schoenstatt.org.au.

# With many thanks to all these local businesses who support our parish throughout the year. Please consider supporting them when in need of these services...



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