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**28TH & 29TH OCTOBER,
2023**

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Our religious tradition is founded on love. Actually, life itself is grounded in love. We may not always feel this love, but if we allow ourselves to reflect



on life, we will realise this truth. We have been called into being by God's love; and we will only be happy if we live in that love. Thus, when we are directed to love God and love one another, we are not being asked to do something contrary to our nature. Rather, we are being told to live in accord with that nature. We come from God who is love, and so it is in our very nature to love and to be loved.

We may sometimes think that it is easier to love God than to love others. It may actually be just the opposite. Other people are tangible. We can see and hear them, interact with them. Their influence in our lives can permeate our consciousness. That is not the way it is with God. Like Moses on the mountain, we can only see the traces of divinity as God passes by (see Ex 33:23). However, we show that we love God in the way we love our neighbour.

Love, the foundation of the reign of God, is contagious. When we love others, the reign of God spreads throughout the world. The compassion that we show toward others is a form of evangelisation. It proclaims much louder than any words that the reign of God has been established.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM

SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm

Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

RECONCILIATION

Please speak to Fr Shinto on Saturday evening before Mass.

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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

It's come to our notice that there is a spam message going around pretending to be from Fr Shinto requesting to send money/gift vouchers. Please do not reply to these messages or send money. Fr Shinto is not in need of your assistance. Please delete such messages immediately.

All Saints Day & All Souls Day

**Mass for All Saints Day is on
TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER AT 9.10AM & 6PM.**
&

**Mass for All Souls Day is on
WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER AT 9.10AM & 6PM.**

Reconciliation

Please speak to Fr Shinto on Saturday evening before Mass.

Please keep in your prayers the children in our Parish Community preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.



May their families be great models of faith for them during this important time.

Volunteers to Join the Parish Sacrament Team


We are looking to expand this team and are asking anyone who is interested to contact Marie at the Parish Office. The main role is to assist in preparing children for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Term 1), First Eucharist (Term 2) and Confirmation (Term 4). Preparation for Reconciliation and First Eucharist is two sessions each and three sessions for Confirmation. Training and resources are provided.

Catechist News... Are you able to help??

The Catechist Team is currently looking for volunteers to teach in government schools in 2024.

If you can spare about an hour each week during school terms and would like to find out more about becoming a teacher or a helper, you can call the parish office or our Catechist Co Ordinator, Lorrene Gorman on 0414 471 329. Training is provided.

Corpus Christi Seniors Group

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

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.

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

Recently Deceased:

Germano Nadalini (09/10/2023)

Anniversaries:


Felicidad Sampaga (09/10/12), Carmen Attard (26/09/14),

For those who are sick:

June Sultana, Rose Zahra, Sister Betty Carroll, Max Ducasse, Eleanor Albertyn, Rosa Pronesti,



Vale Sister Betty Carroll...

 Many of you will remember Sr Betty Carroll rsj, who was an important part of our parish community in the early 2000's. She worked in Pastoral Care at our primary school and was a huge support to Fr Paul Roberts and the Parish Team. Sadly, Sr Betty ended her earthly journey on Friday 20th October. We commend her to God where she will share the fullness of life.

Sr Betty's funeral will take place St Joseph's Chapel, Perthville at 11am on Monday 30th October.

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.



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
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Acct Name: Cranebrook Parish

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

Parish News

NOVEMBER MASSES & BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

You are welcome to give names of those to be remembered during Masses in the November Book of Remembrance.



PLEASE PRINT THE NAMES OF PEOPLE CLEARLY ON AN ENVELOPE.

ENVELOPES CAN BE PLACED IN THE COLLECTION BASKETS OR DROP IT INTO THE PARISH OFFICE.

The Parish Book of Remembrance will be updated each week.

Please note that the names will not be carried over from last year. Only names that are passed on to us this year will be included.

An Important Carpark Safety Message

Please ensure you park in the allocated parking spots. We also ask that you **do not park in the School Drop Off area that runs along the front of the Church.**

This area is clearly marked and signed NO PARKING.

ALSO, please be aware that the parish carpark has a **ONE WAY ENTRY AND EXIT.**

The access in front of the Parish Office is an **ENTRY ONLY.**

PLEASE DO NOT EXIT THE CARPARK VIA THE ENTRY - IT IS DANGEROUS!!!

Preparing for Advent

Br Barry Donaghue cfc is offering four 90 minute Advent presentations in preparation for the feast of the Nativity.

The presentations will be held on Wednesday evenings in the

Mary Rooms at Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Winbourne, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa.

The following topics will be explored:

29th November:

Just who is this Jesus?

6th December:

Preparing the Way of the Lord

13th December:

How is God calling you?

20th December:

Annunciation to Jesus' birth: What has been announced to us?

Each presentation will take place from 7.30pm – 9.30pm. They will be scripture based and will include time for questions, reflection and small group conversation. There will also be a break for refreshment. Parking is next to the venue which is wheelchair accessible. A small donation to help cover the costs of the Centre would be appreciated.

Please communicate your expression of interest on 0478 408 337 or at bgdonaghue@edmundrice.org by Tuesday 21st November.



Parramatta Diocesan News

Presentation by

Very Rev Peter G. Williams AM VG

Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy

Sacrosanctum Concilium 60 Years On

A Retrospective View

Thursday 9th November

7pm - 8:30pm

1-5 Marion St, Blacktown

Limited seating available RSVP by the 2nd November to Hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org

Donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Appeal

Following a series of surprise attacks against Israel by Hamas in early October, Caritas Australia is supporting partner agencies on the ground to provide emergency cash, shelter, and psychosocial support to those affected by the violence. The efforts of these partner agencies are expected to support 17,000 displaced families, representing around 100,000 of the 1 million people displaced. To support Caritas Australia's Gaza Appeal, visit www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/gaza-crisis/ or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

Table Talk with People Seeking Asylum

St Patrick Cathedral Parish, Parramatta, Jesuit Refugees Service and the Diocese of Parramatta are organising a Table Talk event with people seeking asylum on

**Wednesday 8th November from 7pm to 9pm
at the Cathedral Hall.**

We will hear from people with lived experience, reflect on our own values and see how we can be part of a positive change. To register, visit <https://events.humanitix.com/talk-talk-with-people-seeking-asylum>

Bishop Vincent Presents Christopher White

Vatican correspondent and Pope Francis expert Christopher White is coming to the Diocese of Parramatta as part of the Diocese of Parramatta's 'Bishop Vincent Presents' series. His public lecture "*Will our faith have children? Reflections on the health and dynamism of global Catholicism after the October 2023 Synod on Synodality*" will be held in Parramatta on

Thursday 9th November at

Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta from 6pm.

Places are strictly limited, so register today at <https://parracatholic.org/christopherwhite/>

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