

# ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

1 Marist Place, Parramatta NSW 2150 (02) 8839 8400 Emergency: 0407 289 360 www.stpatscathedral.com.au Bishop of Parramatta: Most Rev. Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv, DD 21 July 2024 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

#### Mass Schedule

#### SUNDAY

6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass 7:30am Morning Prayer 8:00am Mass 9:30am Mass 11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir 6:00pm Mass

#### MONDAY TO FRIDAY

6:10am Morning Prayer 6:30am Mass 11:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:15am Reconciliation (till 12:15pm) Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon 12:30pm Mass

#### SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer 8:00am Mass 8:30am Reconciliation (till 9:00am) 9:30am Mass (Old Rite)

5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)

#### WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

Tuesday 9:30am - Christian Meditation Tuesday 6:30pm - Legion of Mary Tuesday 7:30pm - RCIA (September - April) Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

#### MONTHLY PRAYER

First Friday Devotions: 7:00pm

#### OTHER GROUPS

Playgroup: Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm Facebook: Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

#### **Credo Youth Ministries**

Contact the office or find information on **Facebook:** credo.stpats **Email:** credo@stpatscathedral.com.au





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#### **Positions Vacant - Shepherd**

THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, the more they stay the same. Sure, technology advances, cultures and societies try new things, but at their hearts, people today are still a lot like they were in Christ's time. People then and people now, are just trying to work out what's right and what's wrong, what's good and what's bad. They do their best to navigate what can be a very complicated world. They search for meaning, for significance, for wholeness. Very few people are arrogant enough to think that they themselves know all the answers. So, most people look to leaders for their direction.



This week's Gospel says: "[Jesus] took pity on them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd." For Jewish people at that time, in scripture, the term shepherd was often used for spiritual leaders. That is the way it is used in this week's first reading, and again in the Gospel.

So, these people were spiritually lost, looking for someone to lead them and guide them. Are we really very different today? Our world is so bereft of good spiritual leadership. People just move from one thing to the next, hoping that this next thing is the thing that will satisfy them, but nothing does. People are born with something missing, like a hole inside them. A gap that can only be filled by a deep relationship with God.

So, what does all this mean for us?

Well, in my homily last week I mentioned that each and every baptised Christian is called to take up Christ's mission. Yes, that means you!

Now that might feel a bit challenging and confronting but remember, God has not created us all the same. He has given different gifts to each of us. We are each called to use our particular gifts to help people draw closer to Him. Not everyone is asked to be an up-front leader, but each of us can do our part to bring people to where they need to be. If you don't feel comfortable with the idea of being an overt leader, maybe think of it in terms of playing your role in shepherding people gently in the right direction.

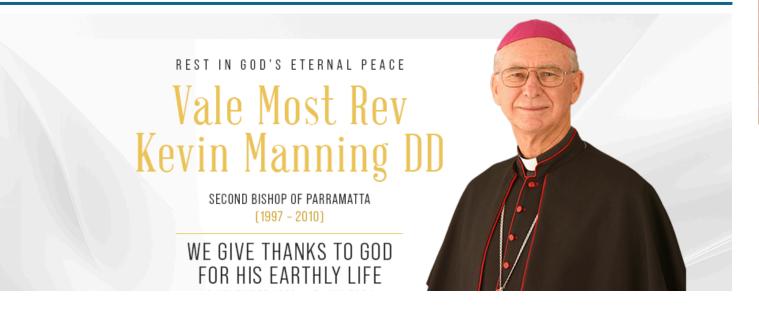
We have been given a tremendous gift – the Good News of Jesus Christ. Salvation, freedom, everlasting life. This Good News is something every person deserves to know, needs to know. And we have been given the responsibility of carrying this Good News into the world.

This week let us begin to take up our responsibility. Let us find our place in this tremendous life-changing, world-changing mission. Check out the parish bulletin - find a group to join. If there is no group that resonates with you, send a note to our new Parish Pastoral Council telling them your ideas for groups that we could have or should have in our parish.

In so many ways our world is different to the world when Jesus was on earth, but when it comes to the needs of the people, things are still very much the same. Today, just as much as then, people are like sheep without a shepherd. It is time each of us played our part in offering them the direction they so desperately need.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Deacon David



#### The Diocese of Parramatta mourns the death of Bishop Emeritus Kevin Manning

Kevin Manning, the second Bishop of Parramatta died peacefully this morning Monday 15 July 2024, in Bathurst NSW at the age of 90.

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, the Bishop of Parramatta was with Bishop Manning today when he passed.

"Bishop Kevin Manning was a loving servant of Christ. He dedicated his life to serving others and the church. He was a man of deep faith and prayer, and he leaves a strong legacy in Parramatta and the Australian Catholic Church, said Bishop Vincent.

"I give thanks for his life, for his vision and leadership for our local church and his legacy," he said.

Born on 2 November 1933 in Coolah, NSW to Kevin and Edith Manning, he was the second eldest in a family of five boys and two girls.

He attended Sacred Heart Primary School in Coolah before going on to St Columba's College, Springwood where he later began his studies for the priesthood. He was selected to complete his studies at the Propaganda Fide College in Rome, where he was ordained to the priesthood on 21 December 1961.

From 1962 to 1978, he served as a priest of the Diocese of Bathurst. In 1978, he was appointed Assistant Secretary to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference in Canberra for five years, and then as Secretary from 1983 to 1991.

In 1991, Bishop Manning was appointed the eighth Bishop of Armidale, NSW, where he served until his appointment as Bishop of Parramatta.

Bishop Manning was appointed as the second Bishop of Parramatta on 10 July 1997, and was installed at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on 21 August 1997. He served as Bishop for over 12 years until his retirement on 4 March 2010. During this time, he led the youngest diocese during a period of rapid growth as more migrants and people chose to live in the western suburbs and Blue Mountains. This is evidenced by the fact that Parramatta now is bigger than most Australian archdioceses.

Bishop Manning is well-known and well-loved by many in the diocese and across Australia. During his time as Bishop of Parramatta, he raised the new St Patrick's Cathedral after the disastrous fire of 1996 and was renowned for his outreach to the marginalised and the poor. He worked tirelessly campaigning and advocating for justice for workers, First Nations people, migrants and refugees, women and children and the growing youth population in the diocese.

He was the first bishop to reach out to the Muslim community in Western Sydney, building relationships based on mutual respect, and continued this interfaith and ecumenical work with other Christian communities and faiths.

He loved listening to and dialoguing with many people. He was a communicator at heart, and in 1998 launched Catholic Outlook, then a monthly newspaper. Writing in the first issue, he said: "It gives me great joy to write my first letter to you in Catholic Outlook, an initiative which is close to my heart, for it gives me the opportunity to correspond regularly with you."

His legacy and work continued after his retirement. He was appointed the Apostolic Administrator of the Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese in 2010 until 2012. A special Bishop Manning Lecture Series was hosted by Catholic Commission for Employment Relations in 2016, and Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese continues the Bishop Manning Support Fund that assists struggling families who desire a Catholic education for their children but cannot afford it.

Bishop Manning was the epitome of a Good Shepherd. He was a dutiful and humble servant full of compassion, humour and a love for the Church. The Diocese of Parramatta owes much to his leadership and vision, and we pray for the repose of his soul and give thanks to God for his earthly life.

Bishop Kevin Manning's funeral will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta at 11:00am on Friday 02 August.

# THE BULLETIN

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#### Sacraments

**Baptisms** are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays after the 11:00am Solemn Mass. Contact the parish office to book or fill out the form on the website.

Weddings are by appointment only.

At least six months' notice is necessary. Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412.

First Eucharist and Confirmation Please contact the Parish Secretary.

#### **Hiring of Rooms**

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

#### **Material for Bulletin**

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday.** Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission. Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin too!

#### Happy Birthday, Fr Tom!

Join us in celebrating Fr. Tom's birthday this weekend! We wish Fr. Tom a very happy birthday and invite all parishioners to celebrate with him in the Hall after the 11:00 Solemn Mass this Sunday.

Please bring a plate to share. Let's come together as a community to show our appreciation and share in this joyous occasion.

We look forward to seeing you there!



#### Sea Sunday 2024



Every year on the second Sunday of July Sea Sunday is celebrated. In Australia this year, we are celebrating it on both 21 and 28 July. The Catholic communities of the entire world pray for those who work in the maritime sector and for those who take care of them. For the occasion, the prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Cardinal Michael Czerny, SJ, is sending a message to all people involved in this area and the chaplains and volunteers active in the pastoral care of seafarers.

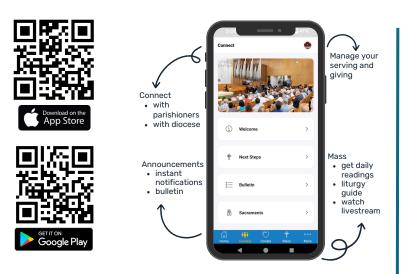
Sea Sunday is an occasion to shed light on one of the sectors about which little is said but that is at the centre of everyone's lives. As the prefect's message underscores, "seafarers are among the least visible members of all of humanity. And, it's by way of their invisible efforts that we are able to receive many of our necessities." They are efforts that often confront injustices, exploitation, and inequalities. That's why the Church accompanies and defends the workers and, as Cardinal Czerny declares, "it's wonderful when the volunteers, chaplains, and members of the local port churches who are engaged in maritime pastoral care defend the dignity and the rights of seafarers."

It's by way of the sea that the Church was formed and spread throughout the entire world. Sailing out and landing in faraway ports, the Apostles and missionaries brought the Good News out to the furthest corners of the Earth. The experience of that time can be an inspiration also for the Church of today because, as the Cardinal highlights, "every new embarcation that arrived meant more encounters and exchanges, greater openness to novelties and to the immense possibilities that were opened up beyond the coastal locales."

The message is addressed to the seafarers of every provenance and faith because those who work in this sector come from all nations and profess all the religions of the world. The commitment of the Church is to include them without distinction to grow together in mutual understanding and solidarity so that "the people of the sea can feel part of the Church wherever they may go."

Go to stellamarisaustralia.org to donate to this very worthy cause.

## **PARISH NOTICES**



#### HOW TO DOWNLOAD THE APP

- 1. Scan QR Code below to go to Google Play Store or Apple App Store on your mobile device.
- 2. Tap the "Install" button to download and install the app.
- 3. Once installed, open the app and finish setting up your profile.

#### APP UPDATES Accessing Notifications from the Cathedral Office

A helpful feature in our parish app: the Profile section, specifically the Notification tab. This feature ensures you receive timely updates and information from the parish as they happen.



This week, we sent out an important notification regarding the passing of Bishop Emeritus Kevin Manning. By enabling notifications, you will stay informed about such significant events, as well as other important updates related to parish activities and services.

To ensure you don't miss any important communications, please follow these steps:

1. Open the app and navigate to your **Profile**.

2. Select the Notification tab (with a bell icon)

#### My Groups and Serving

This is now available under CONNECT. Go to the blue banner at the bottom of the screen, click on 'Connect' then you will find a folder called 'My Groups and Serving'. You can message your group leaders or other group members straight from the app. If you have an issue, let us know.

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#### Text to Donate!

Simply text the word '<u>GIVE' to 0488 202 202</u>, and you will receive a link to contribute directly to the Cathedral. Choose your donation amount and complete your gift in a few taps.

Note: There is only one collection taken up at the Cathedral each Sunday.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation 2024 A note for parents...

The first parent session for Confirmation will be held on Tuesday, 23 July at 7:30pm in the Cloister Hall. This session is essential for preparing both you and your child for this significant sacrament.

A reminder for the parent session was sent out this week via the our St Pat's Cathedral App. We encourage you to download the app for updates and to check the calendar for the schedule of all sessions. Please note that all formation sessions for Confirmation are compulsory to attend.

Your presence is greatly appreciated as we embark on this spiritual journey together.

For any questions or further information, please contact the parish office.

For those still yet to register please note that registration closes on 28 July. Register via the App or the Cathedral website.

We look forward to journeying with you and your children as they take this significant step in their faith.



#### First Friday - 02 August

As Bishop Kevin Manning's funeral will be celebrated at **11:00am on Friday 02 August**, the regular schedule of Reconciliation, Adoration and 12:30pm Mass will be suspended. We apologise for the inconvenience this will give to some people, but all are welcome to attend the funeral of Bishop Manning, the bishop responsible for the building of our beautiful cathedral, consecrated in November 2003.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

# **PARISH NOTICES**

#### New Parish Barbecue

We have decided to continue the barbecue gathering after the 9:30am and 11:00am Masses to raise funds for our new parish barbecue.

The cathedral barbecue is a valuable asset in building and gathering our community here at the Cathedral. It is used by various groups within our community for fellowship and events.

We need two new barbecues. Each new barbecue will cost \$1700, so we need to raise a total of \$3400 to cover the cost of both.

To the anonymous donor who donated to our BBQ Fund this week. Thank you very much for donation. May our Lord bless your generosity.

#### Condolences

It is with deep sadness that we extend our heartfelt condolences to Anthony Merl and Rita Thakkar and their families on the passing of their mums - Bernadette Merl-King and Vera Fernandes.

May the love and support of our parish community bring you comfort and strength.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

#### Fourth Sunday Mini Bazaar

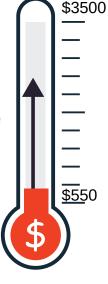
Join us for our next barbecue fundraiser on **28 July** after the 9:30am and 11:00am Masses. We kindly ask for volunteers who can spare an hour or two to help us cook. Please let the office know if you can assist. Additionally, if you would like to donate plants or baked goods to help raise funds, your contributions would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support in this initiative to purchase new barbecues that will enhance our parish gatherings and strengthen our community spirit.



#### **Parramatta Mission**

An invitation is extended to parishioners of the cathedral parish interested in preparing and serving lunch to some of our marginalised and vulnerable neighbours at Parramatta Mission, 119 Macquarie Street, Parramatta, on Tuesday 23 July from 10:30am-1:30pm. Please phone Adam on 0476 064 973 if you are interested. A rewarding and enjoyable few hours with our sisters and brothers!



#### Foodbank in August

Advance notice that the parish Social Justice Group will once again be organising a foodbank drive for our Jesuit Refugee Service partners in Parramatta. This will commence on the weekend of **03/04 August** and run throughout the whole month.



More details to come next weekend but it will be run along the same lines as over the past couple of years. Please support this very worthy enterprise!

#### Peter's Pence Collection - 20/21 July

We will be holding the Peter's Pence Collection **this weekend**. This collection is for the Holy Father. All donations to Peter's Pence from all parishes are submitted to the Diocese who in turn sends on to the Apostolic Nunciature. The funds raised from all over the world are used by the Vatican for philanthropic purposes.

# Credo Young Adults - Formation & Fellowship

After a successful re-launch of Credo for Young Adults, we will be holding another night of faith and fellowship on **Sunday 21 July from 7:00pm in the Cloister Cafe.** 

All young adults from 18-35 years of age are welcome to join. If you know anyone that may be interested in joining us, please bring them along.

Refreshments will be provided - i.e. FREE FOOD (*donations* welcome).

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP PRESENTS A

**TRIVIA NIGHT** 

Join us for a fun evening as we test our wits and tease our brains to see who will triumph as St Patrick's Trivia Champion for 2024!



# SATURDAY 27 JULY 2024

#### 7:00PM - 10:00PM

\$10 per person or \$80 per table of 8

BYO nibbles and drinks. or contact socialjustice@stpatscathedral.com.au

Our Social Justice Group is raising funds for a parish community lunch celebrating with refugees supported by the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS).

## **PARISH NOTICES**

#### Care for the Sick and Housebound

do you know someone who lives in the parish and is sick or housebound? It is important that people are not deprived of the benefits of the sacraments and basic human contact simply

because they are unable to get to Mass. Please let the Parish Office know if you are aware of someone in this situation that you know would like a visit from one of the clergy or a minister of Communion. We have a responsibility to offer pastoral care to all in need. Thank you. *Fr Robert* 



#### Update on Fr Bob Bossini

Please find below the most recent update on Fr Bob, posted on the Fairfield parish's Facebook page a short time ago.

#### Dear Friends,

On June 25th I had a PET scan in preparation for keyhole surgery for the removal of a third lesion on the liver. The repost indicated that this third lesion had disappeared - there was no trace of it. As a result, the keyhole surgery was cancelled. I have two more medical/surgical procedures: the removal of the residue of the primary tumour in the lower bowel and the removal of the stoma bag with the rejoining of the small and large intestines. Both are simple procedures, but as with all surgery there is an element of danger. Dates for these procedures are yet to be determined.

Thank you for your continued prayerful support during this taxing time. I truly believe that the effects of your prayers have resulted in a favourable outcome. Thank you once again. I hope to resume my ministry within the Parish sometime after these procedures.

God bless,

Fr Bob Bossini

#### St Elisabeth Convent from Belarus

St. Elisabeth Convent in Minsk, Belarus, a Christian community that supports a large psychiatric hospital; takes care of an orphanage for children with mental and physical disabilities and runs a rehabilitation centre and a shelter for the homeless will be visiting St Patrick's on the weekend **03 & 04 August.** 

You are invited to use this opportunity to purchase a beautiful religious article or souvenir made with love and prayer. As a result, many people with special needs and/or addictions who labour in our workshops get a chance to rehabilitate through supporting themselves and feeling needed by the society.

We thank you for your generosity in advance by assisting us in carrying out this very important ministry of God.



#### A new parish for our Diocese!

As of 1 January 2025, St Luke's, Marsden Park, will be formally recognised and decreed the newest parish of the Diocese of Parramatta.

The parochial district, which is the first stage of development of a parish, was established by Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, on 22 December 2017, as a response to the exponential growth in Sydney's northwest.

Over the last six years, St Luke's has shown financial stability as well as growing from a community of 150 people to over 600 as evidence to formally establish the parish.

Deacon Tony Hoban was appointed as Pastoral Director in January 2018 for a three-year term, working alongside his wife Annette and an advisory board of lay volunteers to build relationships, provide pastoral care and support to Catholics in the local community. Former Vicar General of the Diocese, Fr Chris de Souza, was the supervising priest of the area.

The community is fortunate to have had dozens of supply priests from across the Diocese over its six years to provide the sacraments for the growing community.

As of 1 January, Fr Gayan Thamel, the Episcopal Vicar for Migrant Chaplaincies, will be St Luke's first Parish Priest. This follows his appointment as Supervising Priest of the community in early 2024 whilst he was Parish Priest of the Parish of Richmond.

(From Catholic Outlook)

#### Spotlight on Ministry - Children's Liturgy

On Sundays at the 9:30am Mass, also known as the 'Family Mass,' we have a dedicated group of leaders who take the children from Mass to the hall (in lieu of the priest's homily). This is a great way for the children to better understand the liturgies being communicated that weekend.

We take this moment to thank our volunteers who have a roster of helpers involved in the ministry.

If this is something you may like to be a part of, please contact the office and we will pass on your details.



## From Around The Diocese

#### **Bishop Vincent presents Dr Myriam Wijlens**

Internationally recognised Dutch theologian, ecumenist and consultor to several Vatican bodies. Dr Myriam Wijlens will be coming to Australia to deliver a series of free public lectures on the topic of 'The prophetic voice of the laity in the renewal of the Catholic Church.' Dr Myriam will be hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta as part of its "Bishop Vincent Presents" series on Monday 05 August at St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta, from 6:00pm. To register, please visit parracatholic.org/drmyriam

#### First Diocesan Kids' Art Competition

As part of our commitment to zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person, the Diocese of Parramatta is running our first Art competition for children and young people!

Children and young people aged between 5 and 19 are invited to produce an artwork around the theme "My Church community is a safe place for me". Entries close on Friday 26 July. For more information and to enter, please visit



parracatholic.org/artcompetition

#### Safeguarding Face-to-face Training **Opportunities**

The next session of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on Saturday 27 July at St John XXIII Parish, Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens for Modules 1-3. More training opportunities will be available throughout August and September. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at:

https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguardingtraining. For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

#### **Diocesan Season of Creation Gathering**

You are invited to a Diocesan Season of Creation gathering on Saturday 14 September from 1:000am to 4:00pm at Winbourne Retreat Centre, Mulgoa. This event is part of Catholic Earthcare's national Season of Creation Convocation from 12-14 September. Cost is \$50 for the Diocesan gathering only, or \$100 for the full Convocation (with days 1 and 2 online). For program details, please visit tinyurl.com/soc-gathering24. Register for the Convocation by 12 August at caritas.org.au/soc-convocation.

#### Great Saints of Italy: Pilgrimage with Fr Chris Del Rosario

Not only is Italy a land of unforgettable charm and beauty, it is also a land made rich in grace by its colourful history of holy men and women. Follow their paths etched into our faith heritage, from the great Christian centre of Rome to sacred towns. This is an amazing opportunity to deepen our faith and explore the rich tapestry of culture, art, and history that Italy has to offer.

> COMMENCES MONDAY 21 OCTOBER 2024 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

Rome (3 nights) • Pietrelcina • San Giovanni Rotondo (2) • Monte Sant'Angelo • Lanciano • Cascia • Assisi (2) • Siena • Florence (1) • Bologna • Padua (2) • Venice

Bookings & Enquiries Harvest Journeys - 1800 819 156

#### Serving at the Altar Seminar: 03 August

The Office for Worshipis hosting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers of the Altar (Senior Servers) on "Back to Basics of Serving at the Altar" on Saturday 03 August from 9:30am to 3:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Chris Ohlsen will present the seminar, which will revisit some of the basic principles in serving at the altar. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. To RSVP by 31 July, please contact lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or call 0460 037 795.

#### Worship Music Copyright Workshop

Calling all Parish musicians and members of our parish communities who create slides and booklets for our masses. Mr Eric Grella will be holding a workshop titles "The Importance of Copyright". Bring all your questions to the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on 30 July or to St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith on **01 August** at 7:00pm. RSVP via https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=office-forworship or email lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org.

#### Soul Food Podcast

The Mission Enhancement Team's Soul Food Podcast features life & faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: www.parracatholic.org/resources/soul-food

**Our Commitment to Safeguarding** 

At St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta, we are dedicated to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our community, especially children and vulnerable adults, in line with the "Parramatta Way."

The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding is to...

Act with justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person;

Act with justice, and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.

#### We pray for our beloved dead...

**Recently Deceased:** Bishop Emeritus Kevin Manning, Vera Fernandes, Bernadette Merl-King, Peter Gale, Laarni Elegino, Laarni Gara Elegino, Leo Bardetta, Foo Siew Moi, Tom Scicluna, Sr Enda Ryan, Janet Cotter, Brian McCarthy, Nelly Estay, Dynes Woodrow, James McKee, Marie K El-Kazzi, Frederick Fisher, John Burrow

**Deceased:** Dora Kirk, Antonio, Maria & Benjamin Fuenyes, Cyprian Fernando, Leela Cyprian, Teodulo Sarreal, Lucy D'Mello

Anniversaries: Fe & Emy Masangkay, Harriot Kurera, Annette Van Tilburg, Johannes & Maria Lelyveld, Juan Montesco, Maximina Manlangit, Vittoria Teuma, Deanna Hsu, Juliet Noronha, Aurelia S Bernardo, Chen Jing Xian

Perpetuals: Louisa & Arthur Baxter, Paul Mahoney, Nat Fedyk, Robert Dearie, Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Mark Fletcher, Royan & Andrews families, Don & Pat Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen & Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock & McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's

#### We also pray for...

**Sick:** John Wright, John Ryan, Felicitas Appathurai, Maria, Victoria, Krys, Jim, Helga, Rohan Rodricks, Martina Galea, Joey S Bugo, Baldo Polizzi, Melissa, Fred & Odette Harb, Nasr Nasr, John Ryan, Anne-Maraie Douaihy, Colleen Johnston, Melissa Carter, Kathleen, Mary Tito, Fr Bob Bossini, Fatima Rodricks, Azar Al-Ters, Melissa Carter, Terry Pumati, Leonora, Shana, Fr Peter Henry, Anthony Tran, Leonardo Close, Michael Perez, Franz Tito, Soane Kikanoi, Sharon Melville, Olivia Harb, Sharon Webb

**Special Intentions:** Carmelita Perez, Agnes Patacsil, Joey Bugo, Naleen, Tian, Raveen, Jake Del Mar & family, Esther Lee, Agnes & Bernabe Patacsil, Juan M Cabezas, Naleen, Andrew, Kelly Berg, Joey Bugo, Cenacle Group, Ping Hsu, Sarah Khalil, Kiesie, EJ, Hoang Minh Nguyen, Fr Peter Henry, Peter Newman, YT Hsu & Deanna Hsu, Michael Perez, Sarah Ferguson, Kate Middleton, Patrick N, Madeleine Suttie, Fancesca Ryan, Helen Perrottet, Paul & Mouzel Carson, Stephen Senjak, Peter Newman, Felicitas Appathurai, Santiago Tito, Antonio Tito, Dianne Mary Tito, Elizabeth Perez, Dynes Woodrow, Nikola, Ankica, Mara & Stephen Senjak, Vera, Rita & family, Allwyn & Jasmine, Chris Dias, Liam D'Souza





We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following child who was recently baptised here...

Aurelio Panuccio



We also pray for the following couple recently married here...

Alexandria Ng & Dexter Bellett





#### For the pastoral care of the sick

"We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer on those who receive it and ther loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all."

From Pope Francis...

From a tweet dated 14 July

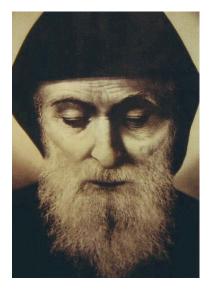
"The Gospel is proclaimed together, as a community. To do so, we must be modest in the use of things, sharing resources and gifts, so that we may be free and everyone may have what they need to live with dignity and contribute to the mission."

## Saint of the Week

#### 24 July - St Charbel Makhlouf (1828-1898), Priest, Hermit

He was born in Lebanon, the son of a mule-driver, and brought up by his uncle, who did not approve of his devotion to prayer and solitude. He would go secretly to the monastery of St Maron at Annaya, and eventually became a Maronite monk and was ordained priest. After being a monk for many years, he was drawn to a closer imitation of the Desert Fathers and became a hermit.

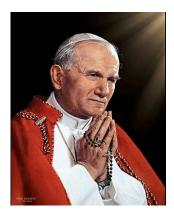
At his hermitage he lived a severely ascetic life with much prayer and fasting. He refused to touch money and considered himself the servant of anyone who came to stay in the three other cells that the hermitage possessed. He spent the last 23 years of his life there, and increasing numbers of people would come to receive his counsel or his blessing.



Information: Universalis

# "Quote of the Week"

"It is a matter not so much of 'having more' as of 'being more'...[Man] cannot become the slave of things, the slave of economic systems, the slave of production, the slave of his own products. A civilisation purely materialistic in outline condemns a man to such slavery."



Pope St John Paul II (1920-2005)) Redemptor Hominis (1979)

# Did You Know ...?

#### ...that the image of the shepherd in the Hebrew scriptures describes the relationship between God and God's people?

This is a beautiful image which recognises God's chosen people as a flock who are watched over lovingly and with great care by God. God will gather the flock, keep them together and protect them. As Christians, we acknowledge Jesus as our shepherd and we are the flock over whom he watches. The

word "pastoral" comes from this image. The word "pastor" describes someone who cares for a group of Jesus' disciples. Jesus however, is always the chief shepherd, guide, and protector!







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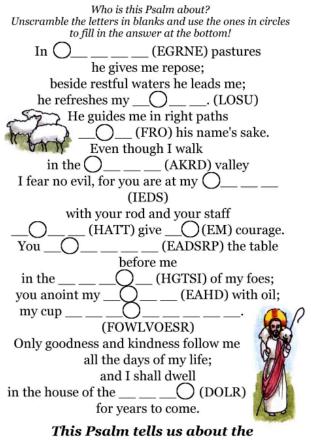
# **The Kids' Bulletin**

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday July 21st, 2024



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus wanted to take the tired apostles across the lake to rest in a quiet place. But the people saw where Jesus was going and ran ahead. See if you can find their path through the maze. Mark 6:30-34

#### Psalm 23 Word Puzzle



### When Jesus Was Tired...

The apostles were tired when they came back from their mission trip, so Jesus took them across the lake to a quiet place to have a rest.



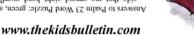
But the other people saw where they were going and got there ahead of them! Jesus saw



that these people were like sheep without a shepherd, so He felt sorry for them. Even though He was tired and hungry He decided to teach the people who needed Him, without taking a rest.

Have you ever been asked to help someone when you were tired? It isn't easy, is it? But we can learn from Jesus that no matter how tired we are, we should still be ready to help others who are in need.

Answers to Psalm 23 Word Puzzle: green, soul, for, dark, side, that, me, spread, sight, head, overflows, Lord. GOOD SHEPHERD



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BRIDGET HAD A GREAT DEVOTION TO OUR LORD'S SUFFER-INGS. SHE WROTE WHAT HE SHOWED HER IN VISIONS, AND SHE ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO THINK ABOUT HIS SUFFERING. WE SHOULD TAKE A LITTLE TIME EVERY DAY TO LOOK AT A CRUCIFIX AND THINK ABOUT HOW MUCH OUR LORD LOVES US

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