

Our Lady of Dolours

Parish Established 1910

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood
Diocese of Broken Bay

PENTECOST SUNDAY

20 May 2018 – Year B/2

We wish to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, the Cammeraygal and the Wallumedegal. We acknowledge their elders and the spirits and ancestors of these proud people. We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.



- **19/20 May** – First Communion celebrated at all masses
- **26/27 May** – Family Group Promotion at all masses

CHATSWOOD CATHOLIC PRECINCT

Uniquely, our location in the heart of Chatswood provides our Parish with significant opportunities during the next decade for the redevelopment of our Parish and Catholic Schools site. While presenting challenges, it also provides the prospect to re-imagine our Parish for the future, ensuring the sustainability of our vibrant community for the years to come.

A working party representing the Parish, Our Lady of Dolours School, Mercy College and St Pius X College has been formed to investigate this opportunity which will allow us to develop the facilities we need for the parish and the schools to flourish in the 21st Century. Parishioners Paul Taqueban and Andrew Wilson will represent the parish along with me. This is a long term project, right at the beginning of its life. While our church building certainly could not be moved, redevelopment could include any of the other school & parish buildings.

I assure you that significant parishioner consultation will be undertaken at every step of the way to ensure your hopes and aspirations for our Parish community are captured and considered. Prior to any decisions being made our community's vision for the Parish and all our church and school requirements will all be taken into the discernment process, each step of the way.

To commence this process with you, our first task is to discern what kind of Parish we wish to be, so that our mission can define the facilities – rather than the facilities of the past constraining and defining our mission. What do we dream for our Parish 20 years, 50 years, 100 years in the future? What can our Parish become? How can it be a sign of the Good News of Jesus in our neighbourhood and city in the future? What do you think we need? What meeting spaces, prayer spaces, open space, parking and access etc? I invite you to reflect on this prayerfully, and discuss this with the groups and ministries to which you belong.

In due course, our responses to these questions will be incorporated into a Needs Assessment Brief. Obviously much discussion and work will need to take place to see if all “ingredients” of the brief are viable but I want to ensure, as much as possible, everyone will be consulted to guide this process to a point of decision making.

I very much look forward to taking this journey with you, knowing there will be a shared interest, concern and strong desire to sustain our wonderful Parish well into the future.

I will be away from the parish on study leave from May 28th to August 20th. I invite you to make your recommendations to me in writing at the Parish Office or PO Box 1446 Chatswood 2057 during this time so that when I return I can begin a process of discernment with you, the wider parish and the school communities. Fr Jim

We welcome Fr John back in time for next weekend's masses. We hope he had a safe, relaxing and rejuvenating holiday.

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Within the Parish

FAMILY GROUP PROMOTION

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Family Groups Movement in OLD parish. Family Groups (FGs) promotion in OLD will be done at all masses on the weekend 26th & 27th May. Members of the FGs will do registrations after all masses and will also be available for discussions. There will be morning tea after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, 27 May 2018. Please call Stanley/Beryl D’Cruz on 0416 266488 for any further information.

DAMAGED SIGNAGE ON ARCHER ST

The cost of repairing the signage that was damaged over Easter is unreasonably expensive. Currently, the Diocesan Property Manager is negotiating with the construction company to seek a less expensive and more durable solution.

MAY CENSUS: We continue our census (head count) at each Mass. The results help us, the Diocese and the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Conference plan ahead. This is always done in May, so that over many years there is consistency, and attendance trends can be observed. If you’re taking up the collection plate, please count the number of people in your section of the church and write it down in the purple book on the table in the narthex. This is best done during the homily, as you stand at the back of the church while everyone else is seated. Thanks for your help.

'Rejoice and be glad'

"To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves." (GE, 14)

REJOICE AND BE GLAD! These books have arrived in the Piety Stall. You can purchase a copy for \$10. Rejoice and Be Glad, or *Gaudete et Exsultate* (its official Latin name) is a short, wonderfully readable call to holiness for all people. Pope Francis makes reference to some of the great canonised saints of our Church, but then invites us to look at *the saints next door* – the ordinary people who achieve holiness through marriage, parenthood, and generosity in community life.



May Safeguarding Message

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults is a practical living out of the baptismal vocation of every member of the Church to ensure the safety and well-being of those whom the Lord sets before us as those to whom the 'Kingdom of God belongs' (Mt 19:14)



Plenary Council 2020

'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...' REV 2:7

This Pentecost weekend, the Plenary Council 2020 is being launched across Australia. It is a once in a century opportunity to discover and discern, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the future course for the Church in Australia.

What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

You are invited to begin reflecting on this question in preparation for forums of listening that will begin later in the year.

Find out more at the Plenary Council 2020 website:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

IFTAR 'BREAKING OF THE FAST' DINNERS

Affinity Intercultural Foundation takes great pleasure in inviting parishioners of the Diocese of Broken Bay for an Iftar 'breaking of the fast' dinner at the private residence of a Muslim family in western Sydney. These Home Iftar Dinners, held during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan are an excellent opportunity for individuals to engage in intercultural and interfaith dialogue, which contributes towards the growth of a harmonious and inclusive community. This year, Ramadan commences mid-May and concludes mid-June. On weeknights, Iftars begin at 6:00pm. Weekend Iftars begin at 5:00pm. Please note that places are limited. To register your interest for a 2018 Affinity Ramadan Home Iftar Dinner, please contact faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au or 8379 1627.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT O.L.D.

Monday

1.45pm Spiritual Exercises in FCR

3pm Atrium in FCR

Tuesday

9.45am Bible Discussion in BBR

7.15pm Parish Finance Committee in Parish Office

Thursday

11am Spiritual Exercises in FCR

6.30pm Vinnies Conversations in FCR

7pm Alpha Bible Study in BBR

Friday

10am Meditation in FCR

7.30pm Home Rosary at 8A Cambridge Street, Willoughby

Sunday

10am Kids' Baptism Program in BBR & FCR (for those booked in through Parish Office) – see note on page 3.

Preparing to Welcome Alpha Guests



Alpha is an outreach of hospitality from the whole parish. Before we can begin to invite guests to Alpha we need to prepare for them so that their experience at Chatswood is one of wonderful hospitality.

Alpha is for everyone. It provides a fresh opportunity to look at the basics of Christian faith in a relaxed and non-threatening environment.

People who have lost connection with the Church, parents who have presented their children for baptism and the sacraments but have lost contact with Church themselves, those that only come to church for Christmas, Easter, weddings and funerals and those who come to Mass occasionally but feel that they want to deepen their relationship with Jesus will all benefit from Alpha.

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED ALPHA?

Please consider being part of one of the Alpha programs in a different way as part of an Alpha taskforce. The more people who volunteer for one of the many tasks, the less the time commitment will be for volunteers.

A ROLE FOR EVERYONE

Begin thinking about who you might invite to experience Alpha. Publicity will begin as soon as there are sufficient volunteers to run the Alpha programs.

ALPHA UPDATES & INFORMATION

Go to the Alpha page on the parish website:
www.chatswoodparish.org.au
gail@chatswoodparish.org.au

Alpha Taskforce Volunteers

Sign on sheets are at the entrance of the Church.

The more volunteers, the easier the work will be. If you are able to assist on one of these teams for even just one or two of the Alpha sessions that would be wonderful!

FACILITATING CONVERSATIONS about life and faith

*A conversation can be an illuminated landscape
where hopes and dreams are allowed to play*

Small groups in a large parish are a way for people to engage with others whom they may never otherwise meet in a large parish. They offer a way of fostering relationships while being part of conversations about life and faith, in an atmosphere of trust and mutual respect.

A facilitator is someone who makes it easy for small groups to experience conversations about life and faith by finding positive ways of relating, so that the wisdom each person has may become mutually enriching.

Would you like to learn how to facilitate a small group?

This might be an Alpha group to start with. Later this year and next year we are planning to have a range of small groups in the parish who will need facilitators.

Two Formation Sessions

Monday 4 and 18 June 1.30pm to 3.00pm
Wednesday 6 and 13 June 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Contact Gail in the Parish Office 9410 9000

gail@chatswoodparish.org.au

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Ruth Curtin, Michael Flynn, Bridie Cribbin, Jacqui Kilkeary, Flor Almasco, Hilda Martinez, Romeo Martinez, Rene Montemayor, Cindy Randy & Tomislav Petesic

Deceased Anniversaries: Ham Giok Oy, Angelina Blanco Pardo, Alan Brodie

Recently Deceased: Anthony Pittorino, Verity Cousens & Rosa Lee

KIDS' BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM



Twice a year, we run a preparation program for 6-10 year old children who would like to be baptised. This program includes the parents and child attending preparation sessions together in a small group with other children and families.

Our next Kids' Baptism Program will begin on **Sunday 27 May 2018**. If you would like to know more about this program, or would like your child to join this program, you can download the information and enrolment forms from our parish website. <http://www.chatswood.dbb.org.au/> Click on **Sacraments** then **Baptism** and then **Kids' Baptism**. If you would like to discuss baptism for your child at any age, please contact **Angela at the Parish Office**.

KNITTING CLUB AT "OUR LADY OF DOLOURS PRIMARY SCHOOL" - We would like to invite any members of the parish community to join our knitting club in Harrington Hall at 12:55pm on Fridays. The students are making a scarf for a "friend" in a Chatswood Nursing Home. The first knitting club has started and we will continue each Friday this term. Please just come along.

Outside the Parish

BROKEN BAY BIBLE CONFERENCE 2018

St Paul: Persecutor to Preacher

Friday – Saturday 27-28 July 2018

REGISTRATIONS OPEN

A 2-DAY Conference, presented by Oxford Biblical Scholar Fr Nicholas King SJ; Dr Catherine Playoust from the Catholic Theological College, University of Melbourne; Most Rev David Walker, and with participation by Most Rev Peter A Comensoli.

Venue: The Heritage Function Centre, Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, 117 Ryedale Rd West Ryde

Costs: Full Conference Registration \$110;

Single Day Registration \$55

Please register by 11 July

Register: trybooking.com/UFJU

www.dbb.org/bible

Enquiries welcome: Jo Spek 0413 171 110 Bookings: sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au

PARISH MASS & DEVOTIONS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday - 9am & 12.15pm
Saturday - 9am and 5.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday - 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am and 5.30pm
Public Holidays - 9am only
Filipino Mass (in English) 12noon; 1st Sun of month
Indonesian Mass; 7pm; 3rd Sun of month
Sacred Heart Novena & Mass; 7pm; 1st Fri of month
Family Mass - 9am each Sunday

Children’s Choir at 9am Family Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month (Please arrive at 8.30am for setup and practice.)
Kids’ Word - Children’s Liturgy of the Word for ages 3-6 & 6-10. Meet in Church at 9am every 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays. (Except long weekends & school holidays.)
Youth Mass - 5.30pm each Sunday
Reconciliation - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday & 10am-10.30am each Sunday. Any time by request.
Reconciliation in Korean – 2pm Saturday in Church, fortnightly.
Morning Prayer - 8.45am Monday to Saturday
Rosary - 9.30am Monday to Saturday; 7pm Wednesdays.
Cenacle - each Monday at 11.30am
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Divine Mercy prayers – Fridays after 9am Mass, concluding at 12 noon
Exposition - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday
Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Saturday 10.00am with **Benediction** 10.30am
Anointing of the Sick - 3rd Friday of month at 12.15pm Mass. Also during weekday Mass, before surgery or medical treatment, or by request.
Baptisms - See the brochure in the Church foyer, go to our website or contact the parish secretary.
Weddings - Contact the parish secretary.
 For a **Marriage/Anniversary Blessing** at a Saturday/ Sunday Mass contact Nicole in the Parish Office on 9410 9000 (at least 1 month before requested Mass).

SUNDAY MASS READINGS:

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11 They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading: Gal 5:16-25 The fruit of the Spirit.

Gospel: Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15 The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

READINGS FOR WEEK DAYS:

MON: James 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
TUES: James 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37
WEDS: James 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40
THURS: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; James 3:13-18; Lk 1:39-56
Our Lady, Help of Christians
FRI: James 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12
SAT: James 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16
St Philip Neri

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

		<u>19/20 May</u>	<u>26/27 May</u>
Vigil	5.30pm	Fr Andrew	Bishop David
Sun	7.30am	Bishop David(K)	Fr Jim(K)
	9.00am	Fr Jim(K)	Fr John
	10.30am	Fr Andrew	Fr Jim(K)
	12noon	Fr Jim	-----
	5.30pm	Fr Jim	Fr John
	7pm	Indonesian Mass	-----

	<u>5.30 pm Saturday</u>	<u>7.30 am Sunday</u>	<u>9 am Sunday</u>	<u>10.30 am Sunday</u>	<u>5.30 pm Sunday</u>
Week 4 26 & 27 May	Junior Server: Catherine Ho Isabella Ho James Ho Genevieve Ho Senior Server: David Ching	Junior Server: Rose Thompson Phoebe Thompson Eliza Thompson Senior Server: Gerard Ryan	Junior Server: Patrick Dixon Alex Evans Tom Evans Adrian Kan Senior Server: Sean Dixon Benton Ng James O'Donnell	Junior Server: Kenneth Dizon Angeline Dizon Arwen Taqueban Senior Server: Walter Niemotko Paul Taqueban	Junior Server: Eda Chiou Andrew Kim Margaret Kim Senior Server: James Godfrey Elaine Phang

Working in a child-related ministry in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

Paid and volunteer workers who have direct face to face contact with children (under 18 years) are required by law to obtain a Working with Children Check number. Please note though exemptions may apply in some cases. The Parish is the employer of the paid or volunteer worker and therefore is required by law to verify the Working with Children Check number. All paid or volunteer workers engaged in a child-related role must have a clear Working with Children Check to work in a child-related ministry. This disclosure references the legislation, *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012*.