

Our Lady of Dolours

Parish Established 1910

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood

Diocese of Broken Bay

24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

16 September 2018 – Year B/2

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Cammeraygal and the Wallumedegal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, as we continue the journey of Reconciliation.



- **16 September** – Parish Feast Day celebrations
- **19+ September** – Plenary Council 'Listening & Dialogue' sessions in the Parish

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Our Feast Day: This weekend we are celebrating our parish feast day: *Our Lady of Dolours*. The prayers and scripture readings of the feast day will be used at each Mass this weekend. A feast day is to a parish family what a birthday is to the members of domestic family; an opportunity to come together and to celebrate our life together. A feast day literally involves a feast, so we invite you, no matter which Mass you come to, to come and join together for lunch which will be in St Pius' College Hall, near where many of us park for Mass, starting at 11.30am. Signs will point the way to the hall. We offer our gratitude to the many teams of people, led by Fr John, who have been working for many weeks to provide this celebration for us. Come and enjoy!

Finance and Facilities: This week we welcome Michael Mercer to the parish team in the role of Finance and Facilities Officer. Michael will be working three days a week. Please make him welcome. This role takes over the previous role of parish manager in a more focussed way. We thank Gail Gill for her generosity above and beyond the call of duty in acting as parish manager these past eighteen months.

Adult Faith Formation and Mission: Gail Gill is now freed from her administrative role in the parish to focus fully on her other role of Adult Faith Formation and Mission Coordinator. It is often the case in parishes that much of the resources of the parish are directed towards ministries for children and youth, which by nature are often basic catechetical formation. Gail's role is focussed on adult faith, in offering programs and opportunities to grow people to deeper Christian maturity. We are all on an ongoing journey of growing in faith and spiritual maturity, and Gail's contribution to the life of our parish will assist us on our journey.

Meeting Rooms: As you can see, the Rotunda block is now closed to us as the demountable classrooms begin to be taken away, the site remediated, and the new two storey meeting rooms and classrooms installed. The parish will have three multi-purpose meeting rooms on the ground floor and three children's ministry rooms upstairs. A picture of what the new rooms will look like is on the noticeboard in the foyer of the church. The rooms will be ready for us by Feb 1st next year.

One of our meeting rooms has been moved across to the rear of the parish office. The existing meeting room key will continue to open this. Our Lady of Dolours School has generously allowed us to use their music room (The Blue Room) for parish events outside of school hours. Nicole from the parish office will be in contact with you regarding existing parish bookings and how to get access to the new temporary rooms.

Thank you for bearing with the inconvenience of these temporary changes, especially this week. A big thanks to our handyman Steve MacDonald who has worked tirelessly to achieve this transition. The inconvenience will be worthwhile when we have better and newer meeting spaces next year.

Midweek Carparking for Parishioners Attending Mass: There is no parking in the Rotunda area as the building works have commenced. Fr Jim will open the tennis court gates for parking from 8.30am until 1.30pm during the week. **The gates will be locked at 1.30pm so please remember to remove your car before then.**

Within the Parish

FUNERAL MASS

Robert Playdon's funeral mass will be held in the Parish this Monday 17th September @ 12.15pm.

CONFIRMATION CARDS AND GIFTS!

Purchase your Confirmation cards and gifts from our Piety Stall. New stock has just arrived. Be early so you don't miss out! The Piety Stall is open after the Saturday vigil and Sunday Masses.

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK

At present we are looking for additional people to visit a nursing home once a month. The 3 nursing homes with vacancies are located in Mowbray Road, Tessa Street (near the Pacific Highway) and the Pacific Highway (near Roseville). Ideally you would attend the 9am Sunday Mass then proceed to the nursing home. For further details please contact Gerard Ryan 9419-8310.

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

Tuesday

9.45am Bible Discussion in demountable

7pm Legion of Mary in demountable

7pm Filipino Choir practice in choir loft

7pm Acclaim Conversations in Blue Room

7.15pm PPC meeting in Parish Office

Thursday

6.30pm Vinnies Conversations in Blue Room

7pm Alpha Bible Study in demountable

Friday

10am Meditation in demountable

12.15pm Anointing Mass

7.30pm Home Rosary 29 Oakville Rd, Willoughby

Saturday

10am & 4pm Chinese RCIA in demountable

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Matthews Ortiga, Jean Ortiga Brady, Estelle Sutton, James Woo, Monica Seet Wan Neo, Olivia Yip & family, Salvatore Liseo & Carmelo Liseo, Barbara Thurston, Michael Flynn and John Lee

Deceased Anniversaries: Anna & Francesco Xavier and Katica Zaknich

Deceased: Joshua Jimenez

Recently Deceased: Robert Playdon, Joy Muller Matias, Lyn-John Pereira and Noel Tobin

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Please be aware we have low gluten hosts available for parishioners who wish to take Holy Communion but are gluten intolerant. If you wish to have a low gluten host, please let the Senior Altar Server or priest know before the mass you are attending by going to the Sacristy **at least 10 minutes** before the mass begins.

Plenary Council 2020

HAVE YOUR SAY!

LISTENING & DIALOGUE SESSIONS

Please use the sign-on sheets in the Church entrance, or email Gail, gail@chatswoodparish.org.au

Rooms for each session will be confirmed closer to the date for each session.

Monday 10am to 12 midday, 24 Sept & 8 Oct

Wednesday 7pm to 9pm, 19 & 26 Sept

Thursday 1pm to 3pm (BYO lunch) 20 & 27 Sept

Saturday 3pm to 5.15pm 29 Sept & 6 Oct

If you cannot join any of these small groups, download a *Listening & Dialogue* guide and make your own submission, either on your own or with family or friends online at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

The *Listening & Dialogue* Guides are now available in Chinese, Korean and Italian. Download from www.bbcatholic.org.au Go to Plenary Council then Our Resources.

OUR CHURCH – A HOUSE OF WORSHIP

As we gather in our Church for worship, it is so meaningful and desirable that we should affirm our common bond and presence of each other.

However, we should do so in a way that respects the sacredness of the Church and preserves the prayerful silence required during mass. Please reserve all social chats until you are outside the Church.

Also, our volunteer cleaners do a great job each weekend after mass in maintaining the tidiness/cleanliness of the Church. You can assist them by not leaving used tissues, lolly papers, chewing gum etc on or under the pews. As you leave the Church, please make sure that you take any rubbish with you and place it in the bin outside the Church. Thank you. ☺

GINGERBREAD HOUSE EVENT

Calling anyone interested in being involved in the planning and managing of a gingerbread house event this year. If there are enough people to help organise and plan this wonderful community event we are looking at running it on Sunday, 2 December, after Mass, the first week of advent. Please contact Jen at

jennifer@chatswoodparish.org.au or call on 9410 9000 if you would like to be involved in this event.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Christian Initiation of Adults (C.I.A.) program has been devised by the church for people who want to enquire about Catholic beliefs and to come together with a Catholic community to hear its stories and to see how its love of Christ is expressed in its daily life.

This is an active ministry for the whole community and not just for the priests or a few members of a team.

What it needs to succeed is a loving, caring community and here at Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood we have a reputation for being loving and caring and through our various ministries we already have some people who have indicated that they would like to start the C.I.A. program with us.

But we need to spread the message to as many people as possible.

To do this it is good to remember that we are all called, through our Baptism, to spread the Good News. This doesn't necessarily mean preaching on street corners but by showing through our lives that Christ is part of us.

If we can be like the Samaritan woman in John's Gospel we can invite people to meet Christ and bring them to our C.I.A sessions and introduce them to the team and the group and not just tell them about it.

From then on it is up to them to make a commitment to continue.

Enquirers are more likely to be in the frame of mind to do this if they have been influenced by those around them. This is why we feel it is necessary for all the parish to be involved.

We need you to bring people to the sessions so as to provide a loving community around them.

If they are interested and come and inquire by themselves but it appears that nobody in the parish cares then they will lose interest.

And if you come you will not only help the RCIA team and the inquirers but also yourselves.

You may even be able to help in other ways such as a Sponsor or a Catechist, or even join the team.

Therefore, if you know of family members or friends and relatives, or someone has asked you what you believe and why, then you could invite them to come with you to a C.I.A. session.

We plan to start our sessions on Sunday 28th October at 11:30am. If you know someone who may be interested please have them contact Deacon Kevin at kevin.hale@bbcatholic.org.au or contact the office on 9410-9000. If you don't know of anyone to invite, please remember to pray for the R.C.I.A. team and the inquirers. **Deacon Kevin**



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

This week 117 children from our Parish continue their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This week we explore with the children the concept of spiritual growth. The parable of the Mustard seed helps us to know that this growth begins as a tiny seed, planted within us at our Baptism.

As our bodies grow, we also grow and mature spiritually, aided by the gift of the Holy Spirit living within us. At our Confirmation Fr. Jim will ask for these gifts to be given to us through prayer in both words and action or "gestures".

Today's Mass Ritual includes the gesture that will be used at Confirmation. Today we pray over the children.

Jesus, you are our teacher, our helper and our friend.

Fill these children with your love so that they may know how to see things as you see them.

Send your Holy Spirit to be the light of your love, so that they can love others as you did.

Give them strength to live the way you want them to, in all they think and say and do, so that the world will be a better place because of their actions.

We ask this in your name. Amen.

Please continue to pray for these children and their families as they prepare for their Confirmation.

Outside the Parish

Friends of the Parish of LNS Movie night fundraising for LeteFoho in Timor Leste. **Friday 21 September. Roseville Cinema at 8pm "Ladies in Black", rated PG. Sales by Try booking only, no door sales** <https://www.trybooking.com/411494> Enquiries: Richard & Pauline Larkins 9419 5223 or 0419 522 356.

Pilgrimage Walk, Sunday 23 September 2018

Theme: Celebrating 200 years of the preservation of the Blessed Sacrament in Australia.

Pilgrimage starts at Holy Name of Mary Church, Hunters Hill, walking to St. Patrick's Church Hill. Arrive between 9 and 9.30 for a cuppa, with first prayer at 9.30am. More information and to register: Email: pilgrimage2018@westnet.com.au or phone Holy Name of Mary office – 9817 5325.

2018 Diocese of Broken Bay Charity Race Day will be held at the Entertainment Grounds Gosford on Thurs 1 November. All money raised this year will go to CatholicCare's Hospital Chaplaincy Program. To buy your tickets to this fun day out, call Hazel Lim on 02 8379 1621 or email events@bbcatholic.org.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 – 3pm Saturday in Church, fortnightly.
Morning Prayer - 8.45am Monday to Saturday
Rosary - 9.30am Monday to Saturday;
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, during weekday Mass, before surgery or medical treatment, or by request.

Baptisms - Go to our website to book 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: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

1st Reading: Is 50:5-9 I gave my body to those who struck me.

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

2nd Reading: James 2:14-18 Faith without good works is dead.

Gospel: Mk 8:27-35 You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

READINGS FOR WEEK DAYS:

MON: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10
TUES: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31; Lk 7:11-17
WEDS: 1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13; Lk 7:31-35
THURS: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50
Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions
FRI: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
St Matthew
SAT: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

	15/16 Sept	22/23 Sept
Vigil 5.30pm	Bishop David	Fr Andrew
Sun 7.30am	Fr John	Fr Jim
9.00am	Fr Andrew(K)	Fr John(K)
10.30am	Fr Jim(K)	Bishop David(K)
5.30pm	Fr Jim	Fr John
7pm	Indonesian mass	-----

	5.30 pm Saturday	7.30 am Sunday	9 am Sunday	10.30 am Sunday	5.30 pm Sunday
Week 4 22 & 23 September	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 Niemoatko 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*.