

St. Oliver Plunkett Parish HARRIS PARK

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5 May 2019 - Third Sunday of Easter

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 7:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 9:15 am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 pm **Sunday**: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday & Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation,: Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

Baptism, Marriage and Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office for information and bookings.

Baptism: held every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month within the mass.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Thinking about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Cf. Psalm 65:1-2

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.

Cf. John 21:12-13

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia

and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another

and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the

Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.



MONTH'S MIND REQUIEM MASS TO PRAY FOR ALL WHO WERE KILLED IN SRI LANKA: 19 MAY

The recent bombings and deaths in Sri Lanka have shocked many of us and whilst not all who died were Catholic, the majority were Catholic, and in keeping with Catholic tradition particularly in South Asia, the Diocese of Parramatta will celebrate a Month's Mind Requiem Mass to pray for all who were killed in Sri Lanka.

A Month's Mind Requiem Mass is typically celebrated one month after a person's death and is held in memory of the deceased. Very Rev Christopher de Souza will be celebrating this mass at St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith on Sunday 19 May at 10am.

PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 11/12 MAY

Saturday 5:30 pm Maria Lawton / Agnes Oto 8:00 am **Brian Hatch / Kimberly Imbun** Sunday 10:00 am Sunday Seminarians

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEER CLEANERS

Every weekend, a group of kind-hearted people give their time and make a devoted effort to keep our church clean, tidy and beautiful in the spirit of serving God and helping our parish. God bless you always.



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

Deceased:

Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Coorey, Norman, Budwee & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & TheresiaRomanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Samiha Frome | Maurice & Martha Hadddad | Eva Michael Sayed Doueihi and Family | Roseller Tolentino | Alen Vujevic | Mary Moses Deceased Members of Boustany Family | Holy Souls in Purgatory

Alice & Alaljee | Wap-hill | Benedict, Wap-hill, Sidney, Kimberly & Richard **Thanksgiving:**

Special Intention: Sidney/Out8Seek | David Fisher

Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available at the church or please contact or visit the parish office if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visit for the sick.

BISHOP VINCENT'S FEDERAL ELECTION PASTORAL STATEMENT

Bishop Vincent has released a pastoral statement on the 2019 Australian federal election that will be held on Saturday 18 May. The pastoral statement can be found at parracatholic org/election 2019

'UNDERSTANDING THE PROCESS OF ANNULMENT OF MARRIAGE WITHIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH': 7 MAY

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains' Solo Parent Services and the Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal Office are holding this seminar on Tuesday 7 May 2019, 7pm-9pm at St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. Many separated and divorced people and their families wonder about their status within the Catholic Church, and begin to ask questions such as:

What is the basis for an annulment?

How does an annulment differ from a divorce?

How long does it take?

Are children of a marriage declared null considered illegitimate?

At this Seminar you will have the opportunity to have these and other questions clearly answered.

The seminar is free, but donations are welcomed. Registration is essential. To register, please contact Rita, Solo Parent Services on (02) 8843 2575 or soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

<u>CATHOLIC BISHOPS' FEDERAL ELECTION STATEMENT</u>
The bishops call for respect in public debate, share Catholic social teaching and detail some key issues to reflect on before you vote. "Politics in service of peace: a statement by the Catholic bishops of Australia for the 2019 federal election" can be found at www.catholic.org.au

INTERFAITH RELATIONS AFTER CHRISTCHURCH: 10 MAY
CCD invites all parishioners and friends to attend "Christian-Muslim Relationships after Christchurch - Our Responsibility," presented by Rev Dr Patrick McInerney, Director of the Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations on Friday 10 May at the IFM Blacktown. Please register with Maree on 02 8838 3486.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY: 12 MAY
Today is the World Day of Vocations and Good Shepherd Sunday which is being celebrated in Catholic parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. The Catholic Church invites you to pray for those you might know whom God may be calling to a priestly vocation and would benefit from your prayers. To learn more about priestly vocations, the priesthood and seminary life in the Diocese of Parramatta, visit www.parracatholic.org/vocations

MARY IN MY LIFE RETREAT: 17-19 MAY

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are running a retreat for women aged 18 to 35 who want to deepen their relationship with Jesus and Mary at the Holy Spirit Convent, Plumpton, from 17 May at 6pm to 19 May at 1.30pm. This retreat is meant to help participants slow down, collect and centre themselves, and explore the peace available in each and every moment. RSVP to Sr Paula – vocationscsfn@gmail.com or 0449 656 406.

ACU CATALYST FOR RENEWAL FORUM: 25 MAY
Renowned theologian Dr Anna Rowlands is visiting Australia for the first time and will speak at the Catalyst for Renewal Forum at the ACU Strathfield Campus, 25a Barker Road, Strathfield, 25 May from 10am to 3.30pm. \$25 entry. For enquiries please contact Catalyst for Renewal – 9990 7003 or catalyst-for-<u>renewal@tpg.com.au</u>

PALMS INFORMATION SESSION: 26 MAY Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers for 1 to 2 years to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. If you have teaching, medical, business, administration or trade skills, you can give opportunity by sharing them with our global family! Sunday May 26 from 10:30am at Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, The Rocks or <u>www.palms.org.au</u> for more information.

4 - 7 JULY 2019: CHOSEN CONFERENCE
Chosen Conference will be an unforgettable 4 days of faith and fellowship with a lineup of amazing speakers, praise and worship rallies, workshops, live theatre and music performances. The conference will be the perfect opportunity for young person (s) to rediscover GOD and His purpose for their life! Venue: Sacred Hearts Girl's College, Hughesdale Melbourne. Theme: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go (Joshual:9) The Chosen Youth conference is organized by Jesus Youth Australia bringing together young people from all walks of life celebrating Jesus.