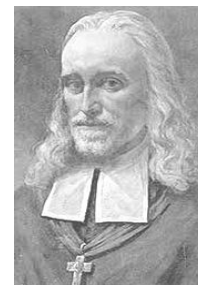




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2 February 2020 - The Presentation of the Lord

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Weekday masses at 8:00 am will resume on 11 February 2020

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

PLEASE NOTE: The 7am Mass finished on the 15th of November and will resume on the 24th of February 2020.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple.
 Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Cf. Psalm 47:10-11

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

Luke 2:30-31

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.



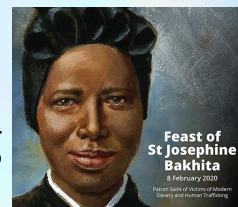
Plenary Council 2020
 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

FOR SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, 5th February - SAINT AGATHA, a virgin martyr, remembered for her faith and for remaining resolute under torture, died in Sicily in the third century.

Thursday, 6th February - SAINT PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS, a group of twenty-six martyrs crucified at Nagasaki (Japan) in 1597. Paul Miki, aged 35 at his death, was a Jesuit scholastic from an aristocratic Japanese family, remembered as a notable preacher, was strong in faith during persecution and isolation.

Saturday, 8th February SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, Patron Saint of Victims of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking. We are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking, and for the people who volunteer and work for the eradication of these crimes.



Feast of St Josephine Bakhita
 8 February 2020
 Patron Saint of Victims of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

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PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 8/9 FEBRUARY

Saturday 5:30 pm Tram Nguyen / Jim Hanna
Sunday 8:00 am Brian Hatch / Kimberly Imbun
Sunday 10:00 am 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: Mapusua & Kisa | Lucia-Regena Alofaí-Fo | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Coorey, Norman, Budwee & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family Constanton Family | Ray Malkoun | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Samiha Frome Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Sick: All the Sick especially those who are sick in our community

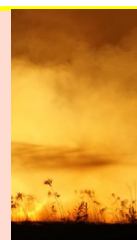
Special Intention: Santiago Diaz (for safe travel) | Roshan & Ashitha Royan (10th Wedding Anniversary)

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.



AUSTRALIAN CHURCH BUSHFIRE RESPONSE

Thank you for your support of the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal during the Australia Day weekend. Australia is currently facing an unprecedented bushfire crisis in many parts of the country, including within the Diocese of Parramatta. We are urged to pray constantly for those affected, for those fighting the fires and for an end to the bushfires. To access prayer resources, make a donation or for more information, including how to support people affected by bushfires within the Diocese of Parramatta, visit www.parracatholic.org/bushfires



Institute for Mission THEMES OF FAITH:

Starting MARCH 2

The Themes of Faith program invites participants to share conversation and reflection in small groups. Each group is accompanied by a mentor with a focus on different key life/faith theme each time. Sessions, arranged in two blocks of 5 Monday evenings, start on 2 March. To register, visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/tof> and for more information, contact Donnie or Fr Paul on (02) 9296 6369 or donnie.velasco@ifm.org.au or paul.roberts@ifm.org.au

LIFTED Live featuring Gen Bryant: 13 February

Youth, young adults and families are invited to a celebration of our local Church 'alive and brilliant' at CYP's LIFTED 2020 Launch on Thursday 13 February at WEST HQ, Rooty Hill from 7.30pm to 10pm. Live music, worship and plans unveiled for young people and acclaimed Catholic singer-songwriter from Melbourne Gen Bryant on-stage. Register your interest now at <https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/>

CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE

Government-funded Home Care Packages. Catholic Healthcare's local Care Advisors can work with you to create a customised support plan. Their in-home services include gardening, shopping, meal preparation, transport and nursing. Get a quote on 1300 734 350

NOTICES FROM THE PARISH YOUTH GROUP

- **Youth Nights** are every fortnight on a Sunday starting from the 2nd of February. 5.30pm - 9.30 pm. Open to anyone aged 15 - 35yo. \$5 donations would be appreciated but not necessary.
- **Looking for volunteers** for the re-enactment of the **The Passion on Good Friday**. No prior acting experience needed. Children and adults are welcome. Practices will be on Sunday evenings in the month of March.
- There will be a **Charity Drive** on the evening of 14/3/2020. We would appreciate any donations of food, money, clothing and water which will be used to fill backpacks and given out to the homeless in the Parramatta area. Donations will be collected at anytime up until 13/3/2020. If you would like to donate your time instead, please contact me for further details.

For more details about any of the above, please contact **Milla on 0450 855 080**

POSITIONS VACANT:

- Volunteers – Mamre Creche - CatholicCare
- Office Manager – Tribunal of the Catholic Church (NSW and ACT), Diocese of Parramatta – **Applications close 3 February**

HONOURING THE FEAST DAY OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA: 8 – 9 FEBRUARY

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INSTITUTE FOR MISSION REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM: STARTING MARCH 10

If you are serving in any ministry or hoping to get involved, this program gatherings will nurture your relationship with God and further equip your purpose and serving! Sessions start on Tuesday 10 March and will run every Tuesday night for twelve weeks. To register, please visit <https://www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry> or for more information, contact Sr Grace on (02) 9296 6369 or grace.roclawska@ifm.org.au.