



# St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

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### Our Parish Mission Statement:

*We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.*

### Parish Team:

Parish Priest: *Fr Robert William*  
Assistant Priest: *Fr Gayan Thamel*  
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*  
Parish Secretary: *Mrs Judy Rigg*  
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**Office hours**  
*Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday : 9.30am - 4.30pm*

### Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300  
Principal: Mr Tim Vane-Tempest  
Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200  
Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud  
Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900  
Principal: Mr Mark Compton

### Masses:

#### Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 5.00pm and 6.15pm  
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

#### Weekday:

Monday (Communion Service) 9.00am  
Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

#### Exposition and Benediction

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am

#### Special Monthly Masses:

First Wednesday 10.45am Hospital Chapel  
Second Thursday 7.30am Convent Chapel  
First Friday Mass 2.00pm Stations & Mass  
First Saturday 9.00am Anointing of the Sick

#### Children's Liturgy:

Sunday during 9am Mass

#### Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly 11am

#### Marriages:

By appointment

*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A*  
*21st June, 2020*

### WELCOME BACK TO MASSES IN THE CHURCH

We would like to welcome everyone back to celebrating Masses in the Church. As we still need to abide by Government regulations, please be mindful of your surroundings and those around you.

- ⇒ On entry to the Church, please use the hand sanitizer and make sure your name is marked off the attendance sheet.
- ⇒ Please sit in the designated pews and follow the floor markings for social distancing.
- ⇒ Before leaving the Church, we would appreciate if you could please wipe down your seat area.
- ⇒ Bookings are required to attend Mass and these can be made by contacting the Parish Office or alternatively, place a note next to your name on the attendance sheet that you wish to attend the same Mass next weekend.
- ⇒ As we are unable to take up collections during the Mass, there are two boxes at the back of the Church marked with first and second collection. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.
- ⇒ Thank you all for your assistance and patience with these matters.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever.

### FIRST READING: RESPONSE:

Jeremiah 20 : 10-13  
Lord, in your great love, answer me.

### SECOND READING: ACCLAMATION:

Romans 5 : 12-15  
Alleluia! Alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witness. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL:

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Matthew 10 : 26-33  
The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE HOLY SOULS:

#### Recently Deceased:

Please pray for the recently deceased Sandra Farrugia, Melina Vella, Maria Palminha, Penelope Richardson, Frances Tropiano, Josephine Dimech, Anne Micallef and anniversary of Walter Kanzler.



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**FROM THE DESK OF FR ROBERT:**

*We would like to congratulate Fr Gayan who has been appointed as the new Parish Priest of Richmond from Saturday, 4th July. Thank you Fr Gayan for your support and active ministry to the Parish of St Matthew's. I'm sure the parishioners would like to join me in our request that God continue to share his blessings on you in your new role at Richmond Parish. Please keep Fr Gayan in you prayers and wish him well when you see him.*

*Since Fr Gayan is leaving, we have also been appointed a new Assistant Priest. Fr Ever Bernaldez MSP is a Mission Society of the Philippines priest who has been working in Quakers Hill Parish for the last 3 years. Please make Fr Ever feel welcome when he arrives in Windsor to take up his appointment on Saturday, 4th July.*

**FROM THE DESK OF FR GAYAN:**

Dear one and all,

Almost two years gone and it is like yesterday. It is time to say farewell to all of you.

I have been appointed as Parish Priest of Richmond.

When I came to Windsor from a rural country parish in Western Australia it was a bit of shock for my system but I quickly learned to enjoy the Hawkesbury with amazing farming and semi-rural landscapes.

During my stay in Windsor I had the opportunity to meet many of you on various occasions and in various situations. Your welcome and support during these two years is greatly appreciated.

I have enjoyed my time in Windsor and leave with many happy memories.

I would like to thank Fr Robert, all the parishioners, the Catholic school communities in the parish and many others I met along the way.

I am sure I will see many of you around the place and If you ever happen to be in Richmond, feel free to drop in for a cuppa.

God bless!

Fr Gayan



**FROM THE DESK OF FR EVER**

I am happy beyond all telling to come to your beautiful parish of St Matthew's. I am Fr. Ever Bernaldez, MSP. I am an associate member of the Mission Society of the Philippines founded by the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines in 1965 whose purpose is to recruit, train and send missionaries to other countries. I came to the Diocese of Parramatta in 2017 to work as an assistant priest to Mary Immaculate Parish in Quakers Hill. To work in your parish will be my second 3-year term in the Diocese. I am willing to be with your parish priest, Fr. Robert, to assist in whatever capacity I can render.

I was ordained to the priesthood on 5th December 1995. Prior to my ordination, I worked in Bangladesh for my missionary pastoral exposure. Most of my priesthood was spent in the Philippines aside from one term assignment to serve in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in a particular parish in Southern California.

I am looking forward to report to your parish and begin journeying with you on 4th July 2020. This will surely be a blessing to live and grow in the oldest historical catholic church on mainland Australia.

**FAREWELL**

As Fr Gayan is leaving, we will be holding a special morning tea on Sunday, 28th June in the Parish Hall after the 9am Mass. All parishioners are most welcome to attend but we ask that you please bring a plate of food to share.



**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME First Eucharist**

Because of COVID, the Sacramental Programme for the First Eucharist had to be drastically revised. To conform with social distancing we have been holding First Eucharist Masses every weeknight for a small number of children and their families. They commenced on Monday, 15th June and the last Mass will be Friday, 10th July. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers during this special time.



**VOLUNTEERS**

At the moment we are trying to limit the number of people involved in the liturgy of the Mass to help reduce possible transmissions. Once the restrictions are eased further, we will then be calling on our wonderful volunteers. At the moment we only require one reader/commentator per Mass so if you would like to volunteer for the Mass you are attending, please let the priest know when you arrive.

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

As the Church is now being used more often, we would appreciate if the Church Cleaners could recommence their roster from 27th June. The July to December Roster will be posted to you shortly. Please be assured the Church is being cleaned regularly but now we need more hands. Thank you.

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