

# St Matthew's Catholic Parish



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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:

Fr Robert William Parish Priest: Assistant Priest: Fr Ever Bernaldez MSP Sacramental Coordinator: Ms Cita Adams

Parish Secretary: Ms Judy Rigg Parish email: stmcc@tpg.com.au www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au

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:

Tuesday to Saturday 9am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

Exposition and Benediction

Tuesday and Thursday

Special Monthly Masses:
First Wednesday 10.45am Hospital Chapel
Second Thursday 1.30am Convent Chapel
First Friday Mass 6.30pm Exposition & Mass First 8aturday 9 00am Anointing of the Sick

Children's Liturgy:

Sunday during 9am Mass

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

Marriages:

By appointment

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 16th August, 2020

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your eyes, O God, our

shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than

a thousand elsewhere.

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7 FIRST READING:

O God, let all the nations praise RESPONSE:

you!

**SECOND READING:** Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus preached ACCLAMATION: the Good News of the kingdom

and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 15: 21-28

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** With the Lord there is mercy; in

him is plentiful redemption.

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

Please pray for the recently deceased Allen Eyles, Enrico Valentini, George Vassallo as well as George Seguna, Matilda Sie, John and Julie Karam. Sick:

John van Vliet.

#### **UPDATE ON PARISH ACTIVITIES**

As you all know, we had a number of different Parish activities that we were in the process of organising for this year. They were the Multi-Cultural Dinner in September, the celebration of the Parish's 180th Year Anniversary Mass and Dinner in October and the Family Christmas Carols in December. Unfortunately, because of the COVID crisis, current restrictions and uncertainty of what the rest of the year holds, it has been decided to postpone all of these events. Once new dates have been arranged for next year, we will let you know so you can mark your diary. With the Parish Pastoral Council AGM, instead of holding a special meeting in the hall, the reports will be presented at one of the Masses in September. Sorry if this causes any inconvenience, but we are thinking of the safety of all.

**ROSTER 22ND/23RD AUGUST 2020** 

**Church Cleaning:** M. Quattromani and J. Mooney.

Sacristy: M. Roth and C. Vella.

#### UPDATE FROM THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

The Diocese of Parramatta is officially recommending all worshippers wear a mask to Mass. This would be as people arrive on parish grounds, during Mass or the service and afterwards as they leave. During Communion, the mask may be removed, but it should be in place at all other times. We understand the inconvenience that masks may pose, but the health of our parishioners and the wider community is our highest concern. We sincerely thank you for understanding, and for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

# SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES CONFIRMATION

If you have a child in Year 5 or above who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Communion, they are eligible to receive their Confirmation. The programme is about to start so if you have not already enrolled your child, please contact the Parish Office 4577 3073.

RECONCILIATION



This programme is for children in Year 3 and above who have been Baptised. As yet, we do not have commencement dates but it will definitely be run this year following the Confirmation Programme.

# CATHOLIC YOUTH PARRAMATTA ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEW WAYS

Catholic Youth Parramatta has established a dynamic schedule of networking opportunities, formation and resources to support ministry and engagement with young people of the Diocese in new ways. From inspiring quotes and scripture references on Mondays, to faith-filled live performances on Wednesday to launching new home-grown resources on Friday. Check out CYP's Facebook and Instagram pages and https://www.parracatholic.org/cyp/ to download and share the resources.

#### SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by donating food and toiletries. For more information, contact Patrice Moriarty 0409 399 505 or House of Welcome office@houseofwelcome.com.au or JRS amelia.savage@jrs.org.au

#### **PASTORAL PLANNING OFFICE - SATURDAY SESSIONS**

Please join with others as we create community online to share and grow faith, every Saturday from 11am - 12pm with Saturday Sessions. Listen to the pre-recorded presentation about a topic of faith before Saturday 11am and then join an online group discussion via Zoom between 11am - 12pm. Register in advance for this meeting to receive the links for the presentation and meeting: https://dioceseofparramatta.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwudeCvpjsiGtP7mLN2akpCygpGy-IHSPuU After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about the presentation for this week and a link to join the meeting. For more details, contact lisa.bright@parracatholic.org

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED PREISTS - FATHER'S DAY APPEAL 2020

Owing to COVID19 pandemic and its social and financial impact on families, communities and Churches, the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta will not be holding its Annual Bishop's Collection for Retired Priests, i.e. the Father's Day Appeal, this September. Like many other organisations, the CSF will use its own resources to support the retired priests in this financial year. Donations will always be accepted, however, via our BPOINT portal at www.parracatholic.org/csf or electronic funds transfer to BSB 067950 Account No 00001691 Account Name CSF No 1 with Reference your name. If you would like a tax deductible receipt for your donation, please email csf@parracatholic.org with your name and address details.

CATHOLICCARE WESTERN SYDNEY AND THE BLUE MOUNTAINS SERVICES REMAIN OPEN AND OPERATIONAL.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW REQUIRES ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL 8843 2500,

EMAIL enquiries@ccss.org.au OR VISIT ccss.org.au

# AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED - National Emergency Appeal for Lebanon

In response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4th of August, the Australian office of the international Catholic Charity, Aid to the Church in Need, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon. To read more about the appeal, and to make a donation, please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon or call 1800 101 201 during business hours: 8am-5pm.

