



# 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 Ever Bernaldez MSP*  
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*  
Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg*  
Parish email: [stmcc@tpg.com.au](mailto:stmcc@tpg.com.au)  
[www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au](http://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:

**Monday (All Souls) 9am and 7.30pm**  
Tuesday to Saturday 9am

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

#### Baptisms:

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

#### Marriages:

By appointment

*Solemnity of All Saints Year A*  
*1st November, 2020*

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

### FIRST READING: RESPONSE:

Apocalypse 7 : 2-4, 9-14  
Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

### SECOND READING: ACCLAMATION:

1 John 3 : 1-3  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL:

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Matthew 5 : 1-12  
Blessed are the clean of hearts, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

### NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Throughout the month of November, we remember all our deceased family and friends and pray for the repose of their souls. The Book of Life and November Mass envelopes are available at the door of the Church for you to submit the names of those whom you would like remembered at Masses throughout the month.

All Souls Masses on Monday, 2nd November will be at 9am and 7.30pm.



### PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU:

- ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS
- HAVE A TEMPERATURE
- HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE THAT IS EITHER A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19

### ROSTER 7TH/8TH NOVEMBER, 2020

**Church Cleaning:** J. Dimech.  
**Sacristy:** C. Melinz.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We would like to let parishioners know that John Ebbs passed away during the week. John regularly attended our weekday Masses until about two years ago. We do not have any funeral details as yet, but as soon as we know more information, we will pass it on.

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## MONDAY CLUB SOCIAL

The next Monday Club lunch will be held on Monday, 2nd November in the Parish Hall. It will be a special Melbourne Cup Lunch so come wearing your best fanciest hat. You could win a prize!!!! There will also be a sweep and you have to be in it to win it. All parishioners are most welcome to come along and have some fun. Bookings are required for catering and can be made by contacting Celine 0413 911 033.



## COVID UPDATE FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP FROM THE DIOCESE

NSW Health has revised the COVID-19 guidelines for places of worship, effective 23 October 2020. The maximum number of people who can attend religious gatherings has been lifted from 100 to 300. However, this will still be subject to the 4 square metre rule. What this means for us here at St Matthew's is that there is NO change to the number of parishioners that can attend Masses in the Church. It does mean a difference though for outdoor Masses that we hold, such as the Christmas Eve Family Mass. We will keep you informed of further changes as they come to hand. The Diocese would also like parishioners to still be mindful of the following:

- ⇒ The physical distancing rules continue to apply whether the Mass is held indoors or outdoors.
- ⇒ No congregational singing should occur.
- ⇒ Face masks are still strongly encouraged.
- ⇒ Mingling and social gatherings in the outdoor area should also not occur after the Mass.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME - RECONCILIATION

If you have a child in Year 3 (8 yrs old) or older who has been baptised Catholic, they are eligible to take part in the Reconciliation Programme. Parents are invited to attend one of the following information sessions at 7.30pm in the Church on either Tuesday, 17th November, Wednesday, 18th November or Thursday, 19th November. Only one parent is required to attend and no children. Because of COVID restrictions, bookings are essential and can be made by contacting the Parish Office during office hours. If you know of anyone who is eligible, please let them know about these meetings.



## PASTORAL COUNCIL FORMATION AND TRAINING

The Pastoral Planning Office is leading a series of formation and training sessions for new and continuing members of pastoral councils via Zoom on 11, 18 and 25 November from 7.30pm. Our pastoral councils offer a wonderful way to explore how communities can "go and make disciples" and be the community Christ calls us to be. To register, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/pastoralcouncilformation> and for enquiries, contact Lisa 0448 652 720.

## MARY MACKILLOP TODAY

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the canonisation of Saint Mary MacKillop, you are invited to order your **free** copy of Encountering St Mary MacKillop in Prayer. The Sisters of Saint Joseph have created a commemorative prayer booklet to inspire us all to "take fresh courage..." as Mary did so often. These prayers share details of her personal journey, highlighting Mary's values and spirit, and offering prayers and blessings for our modern world. To order your exclusive copy please go to: [www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/prayer-book](http://www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/prayer-book) or call 8912 2777



## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

Bishop Vincent is calling for nominations for the Diocesan Pastoral Council. Working with the Bishop, the Diocesan Pastoral Council assists with the pastoral governance of the Church. The Council are seeking a cross-section of people from across the Diocese with different backgrounds and experiences. For more information, or to fill out the nomination form, please visit [parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils/](http://parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils/). Applications close Monday 2 November.

## WELCOME TO THE WELL

The Diocese of Parramatta proudly announces its latest initiative – The Well. In what can be described as 'Netflix for Catholics', The Well is a new online platform that provides free, 'on-demand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Check it out at [www.thewell.org.au](http://www.thewell.org.au)



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