



# St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

12 Tebbutt Street, Windsor, NSW 2756

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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:

Tuesday to Saturday 9am

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

#### Baptisms:

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

#### Marriages:

By appointment

*Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A*  
*15th November, 2020*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**FIRST READING:** Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

**RESPONSE:** Happy are those who fear the Lord.

**SECOND READING:** 1 Thessalonians 5 : 1-6

**ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 25 : 14-30

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

#### RECONCILIATION

If you have a child in Year 3 (8 years 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.



#### CONFIRMATION

We would like to congratulate all the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation during the months of October and November. With restrictions, it only took 18 ceremonies! We would like to thank Cita, Cathie, the teachers from St Matthew's and Chisholm, for all the time and effort that went in to making these celebrations memorable for all the children and their families. We would also like to thank Fr Robert and Fr Ever for their patience and willingness to do so many ceremonies. They made each child feel special on their special day. Thank you.

### 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 21ST/22ND NOVEMBER, 2020

**Church Cleaning:** T. Ripa and S. Mitchell.

**Sacristy:** L. Maguire.

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## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

We would like to let parishioners know that the next set of planned giving envelopes were posted on Monday, 2nd November. Sorry for the inconvenience this may have caused but not having them available for Masses. If you have not received your set, please let the Parish office know and we will organise a new set.



## VOLUNTEERS

Starting from the First Sunday of Advent (the weekend of the 28th/29th November), we will be using our volunteers again at Masses. If you are a Reader, Adult Server, Acolyte or Altar Server, your services will be needed. Rosters will be drawn up for all Masses and will be distributed shortly. If you are still happy to assist at Masses, you don't need to do anything. We do ask that volunteers who are not ready to assist (for whatever reason) could you please contact the Parish Office during office hours and let the secretary know so that you will not be placed on the roster. Alternatively if you were previously removed from the roster and would like to be included again, please let the secretary know. *As yet, we do not need our counting or Children's Liturgy teams.*

## 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.



**WE ARE HOPING TO RUN A COUPLE OF ADVENT REFLECTION GROUPS AGAIN THIS YEAR DURING THE DAY AND AT NIGHT. HOPEFULLY WE WILL HAVE MORE DETAILS FOR YOU NEXT WEEK.**

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Weekend from Friday, 20th to Sunday, 22nd November at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love. Book online at [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au) or contact Christine and Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or [nswbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:nswbookings@wwme.org.au)

## PALMS - REACHING BEYOND 2020

People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment. See [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058, or email [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)



## PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION SESSION

Couples considering a call to the Permanent Diaconate are invited to attend an information session on Saturday 12 December from 10am to 12noon at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. Couples who decide to proceed with the discernment process will be asked to meet with the Vocations Committee in 2021. To RSVP, please contact Deacon Willy Limjap 0428 332 619 or [wlimjap@gmail.com](mailto:wlimjap@gmail.com) or Deacon George Bryan 0408 440 769 or [George.Bryan@parracatholic.org](mailto:George.Bryan@parracatholic.org)

## LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

The final weekend marriage preparation course run by the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office will be held on Friday, 27th and Sunday, 29th November with limited places available. Dates for the 2021 in-person weekend courses are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information, or to book your course, visit [www.parracatholic.org/pmp](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) or call (02) 8838 3460.



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