



# 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:**

Administrator: *Fr Clifford D'Souza MSFS*  
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*Office hours next week - 9.30am - 4.30pm*  
*Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.*

### **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:**

#### Next Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm  
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

#### Weekday Masses:

Tues, Wed, Thurs and Friday 9.00am

#### Adoration:

Tuesday 8.30am

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 5pm - 5.45pm

#### Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly

#### Marriages:

By appointment

## *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C*

*24 July 2022*

### *Joachim and Anne*



As we rejoice in the birth of the virgin Mary in her motherhood of our Saviour and of ourselves, it seems only proper to honour her own parents. Sts. Joachim and Anne whose feast we celebrate on the 26th July. On our behalf, they remain powerful advocates with their daughter the Queen of Heaven.

Their traditional names come to us from the apocryphal writings which contain an account of Our Lady's birth. The story bears resemblance to Samuel being born to the childless Hannah and Elkanah. Devotion to St. Anne dates back from the sixth century.

#### *Why grandparents are important in our life?*

Grandparents **provide unconditional love**. Like parents, grandparents love unconditionally, which helps a child feel safe and secure. The benefits go both ways; relationships such as these can help grandparents have happier and longer lives.

#### *What do grandparents teach?*

Grandparents help teach family culture, tradition and history.  
Be on your best behavior. ... True beauty never fades.  
...Remember where you came from. ... Take lots of pictures.  
...All problems have solutions. ... Style is timeless. ...

#### *Rules can be broken. ... Life is too short.*

#### *What I like about my grandparents?*

My Grandparents are special to me because **they give me lots of hugs and kisses**. They play with me and give me sweets and chocolate and they love me very much. My grandparents are special to me because they give me sweets and candy floss and take me to different places when my mum and dad are away.

(Reflection on Grandparents)

### **BLESSINGS FOR GRANDPARENTS**

Lord our God, we thank you for our grandparents who bless us with life, wisdom, tradition and heritage. Be with them, protect and sustain them all their days. Give them the joy of your presence. Fill their days with good health, peace, and happiness. May they always know our love and gratefulness. May they always know that they are the real treasures of our family.

We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen



### **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
- ⇒ FACE MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

**FIRST READING:** Genesis 18:20-32  
Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

**RESPONSE:** Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

**SECOND READING:** Colossians 2 : 12-14  
*He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.*

**ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia! Alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL:** Luke 11 : 1-13  
*Ask, and it will be given to you.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**



**Deceased:**

Please pray for the recently deceased Evelyn Turnbull, Josefina Sarmenta, Andrew Ellis, (Anniversary of Simon Vassallo and Dianne Knight) as well as Emanuel Azzopardi, Anna and Paul Micallef, Chris, John and Maryanne Sultana.

**Sick:** Please pray for the sick in our Parish. .

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD AND ALTAR**

The parish is in great need of Readers and Acolytes (Senior Servers) at weekend Masses. All that is needed is goodwill and generosity to Proclaim the Word of God and serve at the altar. As a regular parishioner and at a particular Mass time. We hope you can assist the parish in these great ministries. It could be just for one Mass once a month. We can look at having a short training for Readers here at St. Matthews. For more details please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Clifford.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION TALK**

The next talk will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 28th July in the hall. Baptisms are held on the first, second and third Sundays of each month and bookings for the Baptism are taken at the talk. Bookings are also required for the talk and can be made by contacting the Parish office.



**CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL**

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones. The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, so that babies can be healthy and strong. Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia](http://catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia) Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



CRUSADER UNION OF AUSTRALIA (CRU) ARE HOLDING 12 SCHOOL HOLIDAY YOUTH CAMPS IN SPRING 2022.  
FOR DETAILS, PLEASE TAKE A FLYER FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

ROSTERS 30TH/31ST JULY, 2022			18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C	
Church Cleaning: J. Dimech.			Sacristy: B. and N. Duff.	
MASSES	6PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM
Commentator	H Sobiesiak	C Attard	I. Willingham	S. Naylor
Reader	A. Dimech	S. Mackenzie	F Watkins	M. Claravall
Acolyte/Adult Server	J. Dimech	J. Coco	T. Victorino	
Altar Servers	E. Rijke		A. Bradford	C. Adam
			M. Portelli	E. Sevilla