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<u>Our Parish Mission Statement:</u> 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 Ranillo Creta* Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams* Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg* Parish email: windsor@parracatholic.org www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au *Office hours next week 9.30am to 4.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday*

Schools:

<u>St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300</u> Principal: Mr Ben Ticehurst <u>Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200</u> Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud <u>Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900</u> Principal: Mr Greg Maloney

Masses:

<u>Next Weekend:</u> Sat. Vigil 6.00pm Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

<u>Weekday Masses;:</u> Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

<u>Reconciliation:</u> Saturday

9.30am

<u>Sodality of Our Lady (in hall):</u> Every Monday 3.30pm to 4.30pm (children)

<u>Pilgrim Rosary (in hall):</u> Every Tuesday 7pm

<u>Legion of Mary (in hall):</u> Every Wednesday 6pm (youth) Every Thursday 7pm (adult)

<u>Divine Mercy Prayer Group (in hall):</u> Every second Saturday 10am

<u>Baptisms:</u> 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays each month.

<u>Marriages:</u> By appointment

> PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL.

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

9th June, 2024

Family members are often the last ones to allow us to change from who we have been to who we want to become. Unintentionally, family



will sometimes continue to treat us as the child we were growing up in the family environment, despite our various accomplishments and changes in direction. Sometimes it's easier to continue to treat someone we love as we have always treated them, rather than learning to adjust and accommodate a new way of relating. When you're the one seeking to establish a new life or a new way of operating, family can appear to be 'keeping you in a box'.

In a style typical of the Gospel of Mark, the two incidents with Jesus' family 'sandwich' and focus attention on the interaction with the Scribes who accuse Jesus of being under the influence of Satan. Like the family of Jesus who don't want to see him for who he really is becoming, or has become, the Scribes misunderstand Jesus' fight against evil. Jesus dismisses their claims through his use of the image of binding the strong man before entering the strong man's house. Jesus has 'bound' Satan – the strong man – proving himself the stronger and has set about undoing the work of evil in the world.

Today's gospel paints a picture of Jesus' family wanting him to play safe and remain the person they've known him to be, rather than growing into his ministry and preaching his challenging message. They can see that his actions are causing the authorities to pay attention and their reaction is to try to get Jesus to stay under the radar; to live small.

LIVING THE GOSPEL – WHO IS MY MOTHER OR BROTHER?

At the end of the today's gospel passage, Jesus states, 'Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.' Family bonds were critically important in First Century Palestine. Jesus does not deny his family kinship, but expands it to include anyone who does the will of God. All those who work to bring about the Kingdom or Reign of God share a bond with Jesus, they share a familial link with him. Whenever we act to bring about God's dream for this world, we join our efforts with those of our brother, Jesus.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:	The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When				
FIRST READING:	those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall. Genesis 3 : 9-15 <i>I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and</i> <i>her offspring.</i>				
RESPONSE:	With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.				
SECOND READING:	2 Corinthians 4 : 13 - 5 : 1				
	We believe, and therefore we speak.				
ACCLAMATION:	Alleluia, alleluia! The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I				
	am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord. Alleluia.				
GOSPEL:	Mark 3 : 20-35				
	It is the end of Satan.				
COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving					
	strength.				

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Deceased: Please pray for the recently deceased Anton Skraban, (Anniversary of Fr Maurice McNamara) as well as Keith Schembri, David Moss, Antoinette Buttigieg, Anthony Buhagiar, Chris, John, Maryann Sultana and Family.

Sick: Please pray for Jimmy Marinas, Thelma Rayes, Joan Dodd, Roza Galea, Roslyn Wright, Lydia Evans, Grant Leslie and Fely Watkins.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC CARE'S PROJECT ELIZABETH Will you strengthen the dignity of struggling mums? Your compassionate generosity and prayers will provide struggling mums with the practical and emotional support they need to overcome adversity and build a better future for themselves and their families. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal this weekend.



TOONGABBIE PARISH TRIDUUM MASSES FOR ST ANTHONY OF PADUA

St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie, celebrates the feast of St Anthony with Triduum Masses on 11th, 12th and 13th June. We are fortunate to have the first-class relic of our parish patron St Anthony of Padua for veneration in our church. Tuesday 11th June: 9.30am & 7pm – Mass & Novena, Blessing of the Sick. Wednesday 12th June: 9.30am & 7pm – Mass & Novena, Blessing of children. Thursday 13th June: 9.30am & 7pm – Feast Day Mass & Novena, Candlelight procession with the relic of St Anthony. All are welcome to attend. For more information, contact the parish office on 9631 3316 or secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au

LITURGICAL MINISTERS COMMISSIONING MASS

You are invited to attend the Liturgical Ministers Commissioning Mass of 2024! More than 200 people in the last year have partaken in the Office for Worship's course to become Liturgical ministers in their parishes. At this Mass on Thursday 13th June, Bishop Vincent will commission them to go out into their parishes. For catering please RSVP to lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org



CYP LIFTED RETREATS

Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual LIFTED Retreat is back – with a twist! This year the LIFTED Retreat has transformed into 3 separate retreats, each catering to different age groups and providing opportunities for community, prayer and formation! 5th-7th July – Ages 18-24 at Carmel House, Varroville. Cost \$150-. 12th July - Ages 16-18 at The Shrine of the Holy Innocents, Kellyville. Free of charge. 19th-21st July – Ages 25-35 at Mt Schoenstatt, Mulgoa. Cost \$150.00. Registration is essential! Please head to parracatholic.org/ events for more details.

ROSTERS 15TH/16TH JUNE, 2024			11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B		
Church Cleaning: T. Ripa and S. Mitchell.			Sacristy: I. Willingham and M. Hutchison.		
Masses:	6.00pm	7.30am		9.00am	5.00pm
Commentator:	M. Said	J. Wein		N. McMahon	A. Pennings
Reader:	T. Ripa	M. Allen		J. Rapa	S. Naylor
					R. Xerri
Acolyte/Adult Server	T. Jordan	J. Coco		T. McMahon	G. Claravall