

# The Catholic Parish of St John XXIII

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## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30-31 July 2016

### Our Parish Mission

*The parish of St John XXIII is a faith community with the Eucharist as its heart. Inspired by John XXIII's prophetic opening of the windows of the Church, we welcome the fresh air of the Holy Spirit, inviting every person to share in the responsibility of enriching the life and faith of our community by sharing their gifts and talents."*



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### Mass Times

*Monday to Friday* 9:00am

*Also Wednesday* 9:00am Holy Cross  
Primary during school term

*Saturday* 9:00am, 6:00pm (Vigil)

*Sunday* 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am  
6:00pm (Youth)

**Baptism** 12:00pm *Sunday by appointment*

### Reconciliation (First Rite)

*Saturday* 5:00 - 5:45pm  
*And after any weekday masses*

### Parish Office Hours

*Tuesday to Friday* 8.30 - 4.00pm

### Parish Office Contacts

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## Devotions & Prayers

### Novena Masses

*Tuesday* 7:30pm  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

*First Friday* 7:30pm  
Sacred Heart of Jesus

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*Tuesday* 6:30 - 7:30pm

*First Friday* 6:30pm followed by  
7:15pm Benediction

*Saturday* 8:00 - 9:00am (*Vocations*)

### Sacrament of the Sick

*First Saturday* 9:00am Mass or upon request

### Divine Office

*Friday* 12:00pm with Adoration

*Sunday* 8:15am

### Praise & Worship

*3rd Saturday* 7:30pm  
led by SJ23rd Prayer Group

*2nd Saturday* 7:30pm  
led by CRL (*Community of the Risen Lord*)

*Friday evenings* 7:00pm  
led by Christ Catholic Community Prayer  
Group at the church kitchen

## From the Pastor's desk

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ

The readings for today may at first seem to offer a picture of gloom with regards to the human situation. But this is not the case: it is merely acknowledging reality. There is greed and avarice in our lives, in our world. But we cannot sit back and do nothing about it! The Gospel calls us to active involvement in matters of justice, thereby striving to bringing about the Kingdom.

With God's help, we must try to eradicate greed in our lives: individually, as a Church and as a Nation.

Where to start? With ourselves!

If we want to eradicate avarice, then we must truly be men and women of selfless love...for "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also!"

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- I thank everyone for their kindness during the week when my beloved 2 year old Burmese cat, Winston, was killed by a car on his daily run to Mass. He was a beautiful creature, who really loved coming to the Church. Both I and Churchill, my dog, are missing his presence.
  - Congratulations to all the younger members of our Parish Community who have completed their full initiation into the Church through last week's reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation!
  - Thanks are due to Jill Franco and her Sacramental Team for all the work that went in to the Preparation and Celebration. I would particularly like to congratulate all the young people who read for the ceremonies: you were superb! And thanks to those few brave musicians who went out of their comfort zones to play and sing at the masses!
  - Next Friday we will have the First Friday Novena Mass at 7:30pm; and First Saturday Mass at 9am will include the Sacrament of the Sick within it and Exposition and Benediction afterwards. All welcome.
  - Bishop Vincent will celebrate the 10:30am Mass next Sunday during which I will be installed as your Parish Priest (at last!). Special Morning Tea to follow.

God bless you all! Fr. John

## Winston

Dear Parishioners

On Wednesday 26th July, unfortunately we lost Winston he was run over going to the place he loved going, the Church. A beloved Member of Father John's family. We pray for Father John and Churchill at this difficult time. He was a beloved friend and always made you smile. His presence will be missed.

Dear Winston rest in peace.



Love the Parish Team

## Diocese News

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

Applications for the next Liturgical Ministry Formation Course being offered by the Office for Worship **close on Monday 8 August.**

This FREE course is for parishioners interested in serving at the altar as Ministers of the Word, Communion and Communion to the Sick and Dying. Please note: if wishing to complete Communion to the Sick and Dying, it is compulsory to first attend Ministers of Communion.

Sessions commence on Monday 15 August at 7pm at the Diocesan Assembly Centre (downstairs), 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

An application form is attached. For more information, please contact the Office for Worship on their new phone no. (02) 8838 3456 and email address: [alobo2@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:alobo2@parra.catholic.org.au)

## Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay..

## First Reading

*Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23*

*What do people gain by all their work?*

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD  
OF GOD

*The unfolding of your  
words gives light;  
it gives  
understanding to the  
simple.*

Psalm 119:130 | NIV

## Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17*

**R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night.

**R.**

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades.

**R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants.

**R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.

**R.**

## Second Reading

*Colossians 2:12-14*

*Seek the things that are above where Christ is.*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and, in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Romans 8:15*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

## Gospel

*Luke 12:13-21*

*To whom will all this wealth of yours go?*

A man in the crowd said to. Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to, do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul: 'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.'" But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Gospel Reflection

Most people would like to have the opportunity to control, either with intent or unintentionally. They would like to come up with a result under their control. They even want to control their life span. Under this control action, they believe that they are able to come up with an answer they want.

Nowadays, most people would buy lottery tickets with the dream of winning. By winning the lottery, they would suddenly gain lots of money, a better sense of security and no more financial problems. They could then put up their feet and do a number of things they had always wanted to do.

The man in today's Gospel must have had similar feelings. He had just hit the jackpot with a bumper harvest, and he's feeling very good about his future. There's security for years to come. He can relax, have a good time, eat and drink to his heart's content. But Jesus calls him a fool. He was called a fool, not because he doesn't know that he is about to die and leave everything he is carefully saving behind, but because he doesn't understand how to be secure in the eyes of God. Besides, he is only thinking of himself and did not care for others.

Let's look into our cultural wisdom which assures us that happiness and security will follow on taking good care of ourselves and making ample plans for our future. Popular culture invites us to center our lives on ourselves and our own concerns. On the contrary, the Gospel demands that we center our lives on others. The Gospel ideal is lived out, with great love, by many people who sacrifice themselves for their children, and often for their elderly parents too. When that kind of self-giving love extends itself generously to others as well, the spirit of the Gospel is there.

As a Christian, we have been brought back to true life with Christ through our baptism. We should look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is. Let our thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the earthly things. It is because we have died, and now the life we have is hidden with Christ in God.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father  
almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the  
Only Begotten Son of God, born of  
the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light, true  
God from true God, begotten, not  
made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he  
came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including 'and  
became man', all bow.*

**and by the Holy Spirit was  
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and  
became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and  
was buried, and rose again on the third  
day in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated  
at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead and his  
kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life, who proceeds from  
the Father and the Son, who with the  
Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the  
prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and  
apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins and I look forward  
to the resurrection of the dead and the  
life of the world to come.

Amen.

## Readings for Next Week

### **1 Mon Saint Alphonsus Liguori**

1st Reading Jeremiah 28:1-17

Psalm Ps 118:29. 43. 79-80. 95.  
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Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

### **2 Tues 18th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Jeremiah 30:1-2. 12-15.  
18-22

Psalm Ps 101:16-21. 29. 22-23

Gospel Matthew 14:22-36

### **3 Wed Saint Dominic**

1st Reading Jeremiah 31:1-7

Psalm Jeremiah 31:10-13

Gospel Matthew 15:21-28

### **4 Thurs Saint John Vianney (M)**

1st Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm Ps 50:12-15. 18-19

Gospel Matthew 16:13-23

### **5 Fri 18th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Nahum 2:1. 3; 3:1-3. 6-7

Psalm Deuteronomy 32:35-36.  
39. 41

Gospel Matthew 16:24-28

### **6 Sat The Transfiguration of the Lord (F)**

1st Reading Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14

Psalm Ps 96:1-2. 5-6. 9

2nd Reading 2 Peter 1:16-19

Gospel Luke 9:28-36

## Special intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Ma Ligaya Todas

### Deceased:

Jeffrey Turner

### Anniversary:

Maria Stagnitta, Eugene Ray Menguito,  
Juliana Torres, Erlinda Menguito, Louis  
Cherry, Flora Ferino, Mario Ferino,  
Ruby Agra Thumson, Babes Magpayo

### Sick:

Mark de Jesus, Caroline G Vazquez,  
Elizabeth Agtoto, Concordia Llave,  
Leonardo Villafana, Guy Austria,  
Maria Bellia, Edwin Rizon, Cay Espanta,  
Mariano Antonio Jon Villaraza,  
Nigel Reynolds

### Thanksgiving:

R J Santos & Family, Vincenzo Zamora,  
Ronald Alvarez, Ronaldo, Kristine,  
Maria, Ramon & Vincenzo Zamora,  
Danielle Cauchere

## Paying our debt together

### Weekly collections

**2nd Collection: \$5,368.75**

*Loose* \$2,180.75

*PG Envelopes* \$1,628.00

*PG by EFT* \$1,560.00

*Pays parish debt and on going running costs,  
including wages of staff.*

***Please contribute more on the  
Second Collection as this helps the  
parish community***

If you would like to be a part of the  
church's plan giving program, an  
**SJ23rd form** (white) is available at the  
church foyer or contact the parish  
office.



**If you or a family member is homebound and would want to receive  
communion in your home please contact the parish office.**



## Parish Notices

### BAPTISM

We pray and welcome to our Parish Community the following children being baptised this Sunday

**Brayden Paul Lentini**

**Luca James Petrocco**

**Sebastian Korman**



### MEMORIAL WALL PLAQUE

Consider commemorating the memory of your departed family with a plaque on the memorial wall. Time is running out to have a plaque ready for November and the Feast of All Souls. Contact Tanya in the parish office.

### CHURCH TOILETS

Our toilets are being left in a disappointing state with paper towels and other rubbish left on the floors. As this is a shared facility, hygiene is very important to remember. We request to please leave the toilets in a tidy state. Ensure that children are supervised when using the toilets.

### SRE TEACHERS NEEDED

High School SRE teachers needed. Classes run Monday afternoon 2.10 - 3pm. Anyone able to assist with this ministry please email Helen Zammit at [helen@zammit.net](mailto:helen@zammit.net) or contact Parish Office (02)9852 0580.

### TRAILER OR UT NEEDED

Do you have a trailer or ute to move a load of soil from the church to the school - preferably before Bishop Long visits us next Sunday? Contact the parish office 9852 0580.

## Diocese News

### Take part in our Way of Mercy

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, a large Cross and Relics will be journeying around our Diocese from August to November. We are seeking special Mercy Representatives and enthusiastic people to be part of the travelling team and/or offer their gifts of prayer, music and faith sharing. Please contact the Way of Mercy office tel (02) 9831 4911 or send an email to [pastoralplanning@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:pastoralplanning@parra.catholic.org.au)

### New Diocesan Ministry Centre at Blacktown

The diocesan Office for Worship and Social Justice Office have moved from the IFM to the new Diocesan Ministry Centre in Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. Their new contact details are:

Office for Worship, tel (02) 8838 3456, [ofw@ifm.org.au](mailto:ofw@ifm.org.au) Social Justice Office, tel (02) 8838 3460, [LMckeogh@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:LMckeogh@parra.catholic.org.au)

The Family & Life Office, Pastoral Planning Office and Catholic Youth Parramatta will be relocating to the new Ministry Centre in coming weeks.

### POSITION VACANT

#### Diocesan Financial Administrator:

Applications are being considered for this position in the Catholic Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes. For further information please visit [www.catholicjobsonline.com.au](http://www.catholicjobsonline.com.au) or contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, tel 0402 210 055.

## WHAT IS THE ROLE OF NOVENAS TODAY?

*Father William P. Saunders*

Succinctly, a novena is a nine-day period of private or public prayer to obtain special graces, to implore special favors, or make special petitions. (Novena is derived from the Latin novem, meaning nine.) As the definition suggests, the novena has always had more of a sense of urgency and neediness.

In our liturgical usage, the novena differs from an octave, which has a more festive character, and either precedes or follows an important feast. For example, in our Church calendar we celebrate Octave before Christmas, where the recitation of the "O" Antiphons help us prepare for the birth of our Savior. We also celebrate the Octaves of Christmas and Easter, which include the feast days themselves and the seven days that follow, to highlight the joy of these mysteries.

The origin of the novena in our Church's spiritual treasure is hard to pinpoint. The Old Testament does not indicate any nine-days celebration among Jewish people. On the other hand, in the New Testament at the Ascension scene, our Lord gives the Apostles the Great Commission, and then tells them to return to Jerusalem and to await the coming of the Holy Spirit. Acts of the Apostles recounts, "After that they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet near Jerusalem—a mere Sabbath's journey away. Together they devoted themselves to constant prayer" (Acts 1:12,14). Nine days later, the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles at Pentecost. Perhaps, this "nine-day period of prayer" of the Apostles is the basis for the novena.

Long before Christianity, the ancient Romans also celebrated nine days of prayers for various reasons. The author Livy recorded how nine days of prayer were celebrated at Mount Alban to avert some evil or wrath of the gods as predicted by soothsayers. Similarly, nine days of prayer were offered when some "wonder" had been predicted. Families also held a nine-day mourning period upon the death of a loved one with a special feast after the burial on the ninth day. The Romans also celebrated the parentalia novendialia, a yearly novena (February 13-22) remembering all departed family members. Since novenas were already part of Roman culture, it is possible that Christianity "baptized" this pagan practice.

Whatever the exact origins may be, the early Christians did have a nine-day mourning period upon the death of a loved one. Eventually, a novena of Masses for the repose of the soul was offered. To this day, there is the novendiala or Pope's Novena, observed upon the death of the Holy Father.

In the Middle Ages, particularly in Spain and France, novenas of prayers were offered nine days before Christmas, signifying the nine months our Lord spent in the womb of our Blessed Mother. These special novenas helped the faithful prepare for the festive, yet solemn, celebration of the birth of our Lord. Eventually, various novenas were composed to help the faithful prepare for a

special feast or to invoke the aid of a saint for a particular reason. Some of the popular novenas still widely used in our Church include those of Miraculous Medal, Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph and St. Jude, to name a few.

It is difficult to say why we do not find novenas as much a part of public worship now as before Vatican II. I remember asking this question to an elderly priest, who basically said that he remembered people who would skip Mass yet attend the weekly novena. As Catholics, the primary focus of our spirituality and public worship should be the Holy Eucharist and the Mass. With the advent of liturgical renewal and the increased participation of the congregation at Mass, perhaps this is why novenas fell by the wayside.

Also, some people, I think, have hurt the cause of novenas because of superstition. In every parish I have been assigned, I have found copies of a St. Jude novena, which basically states that if a person goes to Church for nine days and leaves a copy of the novena to St. Jude, then the prayer will be granted—sort of like a spiritual chain letter. This is dispensing—machine Catholicism; just as a person puts the coin in the vending machine and presses the button to get the desired soda, here a person says the prayer, goes to Church, and is supposedly guaranteed that the request will be granted. So much for God's will. What is really sad these days is that the person simply Xeroxes the letter; one would think they could at least hand-write it. Worse yet, I usually have to pick up these letters, which are left all over the Church.

Nevertheless, novenas still hold a legitimate place in our Catholic spirituality. The Enchiridion of Indulgences notes, "A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful, who devoutly take part in the pious exercise of a public novena before the feast of Christmas or Pentecost or the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary." Here the Church is again emphasizing that the novena is a pious, spiritual exercise to bolster the faith of the individual, and that the individual should be truly devout, always remembering the goodness of the Lord who answers all of our prayers according to His divine will.

*Fr. Saunders is president of the Notre Dame Institute and associate pastor of Queen of Apostles Parish, both in Alexandria. <http://www.envtm.com/library/ANSWERS/NOVENA.htm>*

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## Parish Pastoral Council Corner

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*Be generous and committed in your work and your apostolic labours, so that the Reign of the Lord Christ might expand throughout the whole world bringing happiness. – 26 February 1961*

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### ———— COUNCIL MATTERS ————

- † **14 September 2016, Wednesday** - Next PPC Executive Team meeting scheduled **from 7:30 pm, at the Parish Office Conference Room.**
- † **18 September 2016, Sunday** - General Parish Meeting scheduled from 12 noon at St. Mark's Staff Common Room. Parishioners are invited to attend.

### ———— LITURGY TEAM ————

- † **7 August, 2016, Sunday** - Installation of Fr. John as Parish Priest of SJ23 scheduled at the 10:30 am Mass. Bishop Vincent will be officiating this special event in the life of our Parish Community.
- † **15 August, Monday, from 7pm** - The second round of OFW courses for Liturgical Ministers will commence at the Diocesan Assembly Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. Enrolment forms will be made available to interested parishioners at the church foyer or from the Parish Office.

### ———— FAITH FORMATION TEAM ————

- † We continue to ask for host families, for the month of October, to pray the Rosary at home and request for our Blessed Mother's intercessions.
- † Plans are underway for our parish community's participation in the Way of Mercy programme, to be hosted by Quakers Hill Parish. More details to be announced later by our representatives Rose Franco and Vitt Lim.

### ———— FUNDRAISING TEAM ————

- † Please continue to support this year's Parish Fundraising Initiative by buying and on-selling more tickets to our Grand Raffle Draw on Father's Day, 4 September, 2016. The first prize is a brand new Mitsubishi Mirage ES while the secondary prizes are large-screen TVs and smart fitness watches. We are halfway through to our minimum target sales of \$40k, with 9 weeks to go, so let's go for gold!

### ———— COMMUNITY BUILDING ————

- † **7 August 2016, Sunday** - We plan to hold a multicultural food fiesta following Fr. John's installation as Parish Priest and are looking for food and drink donors for this event. Please contact Techie Sarlabus and the Community Building Team if you are interested in donating.

### ———— MUSIC MINISTRY ————

- † We still need the choirs' responses regarding their availability to sing at the Installation Mass of Fr. John on 7 August. Please contact Ray Samonte asap regarding the rehearsal dates for the combined choirs.

## Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Tuesday nights beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6.30pm, Evening Prayer of the Church at 7.00pm, Rosary at 7.15pm, sung Benediction Mass 7.30pm and Novena prayers at 7:40pm.

If you want the opportunity of having the statue of Our Lady visit your home contact Bart Sarlabus - [bart.sarlabus@gmail.com](mailto:bart.sarlabus@gmail.com). Pick up the statue after the Tuesday novena mass and return a week after before the start of the novena mass.

This is a good time for the whole family to pray the rosary together and maybe invite some other family members and friends to join you in prayer.

### Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

August	2 Lozada	9 Lequin	16 Manoj	23 Pangilinan	30 Sebastian
September	6 Blasonato	13 Mojica	20 Mira	27 Mathias	
October	4 <i>available</i>	11 Sebastian	18 Pangilinan	25 <i>available</i>	
November	1 <i>available</i>	8 <i>available</i>	15 <i>available</i>	22 <i>available</i>	29 <i>available</i>



**President** Bart Sarlabus

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#### Council Team Leaders

<i>Community Bldg</i>	Techie Sarlabus
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<i>Evangelisation</i>	Helen Zammit
<i>Faith Formation</i>	Rose Franco
<i>Fundraising</i>	Rodi Orantia
<i>Liturgy</i>	Bob Agbulos
<i>Music</i>	Ray Samonte
<i>Pastoral Care</i>	Jill Franco
<i>Social Outreach</i>	Qwayne Guevarra

### Our School Communities

#### Holy Cross Primary

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#### John XXIII and St Mark's College

160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens

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#### Catholic Learning Centre

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[www.celcstanhope.catholic.edu.au](http://www.celcstanhope.catholic.edu.au)

## Youth Corner

### GTK (Getting to Know)



St John XXIII Parish youth group where our young people get to know God, the Catholic faith and each other through Gospel reflection, music, active participation at mass, games and food! So, if you are in years 4 - 9, come along to one of our sessions and let us grow together in our faith.

**When:** 2nd (choir) and 4th Sunday

**Where:** St Mark's Staff Room

**Time:** 4:30 - 7:30 pm

**Contact:** [gtk youth@gmail.com](mailto:gtk youth@gmail.com)

**Info:** <http://www.gtkyouth.com/>

### IGNITE - Enkindling the fire of faith

Young adults from 18 - 35 years of age meets every 3rd Sunday of the month after the 6:00pm mass. Monthly guest speaker, discussions & shared supper

### CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

**When:** 2nd Saturdays

Praise & Worship

4th Saturdays

**Where:** Church

**Time:** after 6:00pm vigil mass

### YFC (Youth for Christ)

**When:** Meets every 3rd Sundays

**Where:** St Mark's Staff Room

**Time:** 1:00pm Break open the word then 6.00pm Youth Mass

## Find the same pictures



Which two of these farmers are the same?



Word Find

Earthly wealth does not last

V	N	Q	J	V	J	F	B	B	I	G	G	E	R	N	D
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