

# The Catholic Parish of St John XXIII

Perfection Ave cor Bentwood Tce, Stanhope Gardens [www.john23rd.com](http://www.john23rd.com)

## TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1 - 2 October 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 theme of Faith permeates all three readings from God's Word for this 27th Sunday in Ordinary time (Year C).

The Prophet Habakuk encourages the Jewish People to continue to trust in God in times of trouble and distress. This reminds us that Faith in the Lord demands patience. Timothy's Letter from Paul reminds Christians that there comes a time when God wants us to act, for Faith is also Power to Change. And Jesus adds that the Disciple must be like his/her Master and be at the service of the other.

Finally, we should not expect a reward if we do live lives of Faith: patient faith, powerful faith, servant faith. After all, Jesus has given us these tasks as a matter of course. We must merely fulfil what is basic to our Christian vocation. We must simply **DO OUR DUTY!**



- This Friday (7th October) is First Friday. There will be a Novena Mass of the Sacred Heart at 7:30pm in the Church, followed by some time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with sung Benediction. All are welcome.

The rest of this week is fairly normal, with nothing extra. School Holidays continue. And all of us who are night people will try to adapt to the delights of Daylight Saving as we get up an hour earlier!!

God bless you all.

Fr. John

### FIRST RECONCILIATION 2016 (For children who are baptised and in Year 3) form available from the website - [www.john23rd.com](http://www.john23rd.com)

What	When	Time	Where
Enrolment Rituals during masses	15 Oct, Sat 16 Oct, Sun	6pm., 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Church during mass
Parent Meeting	19 Oct, Wed	7.30pm	Church
Children's Session 1	22 Oct, Sat 23 Oct, Sun	4.30pm	St Marks staffroom
Children's Session 2	29 Oct, Sat 30 Oct, Sun	4pm	Church
First Reconciliation	21 Nov, Mon - 25 Nov, Fri	3:30 - 4:30pm	Church

## Parish Notices

You may remember that Sr Elisabeth was with us a few years ago with her beautiful hand-painted icons and crosses. She will be with us again on 8-9 October. Here is a letter from her. Dear Parishioners of Blessed John XXIII Church, We are delighted to invite you to see and purchase handmade religious articles made by the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent (Belarus). The exposition will take place on October 8-9, 2016 (Saturday-Sunday).

We are sincerely grateful to you for your warm welcome and help you offered to us in recent years. Without your continuous support it would be difficult for us to maintain the current charitable projects as well as begin new ones. The Sisterhood of Saint Elisabeth was founded in 1996. For more than 15 years our sisters have been rendering spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and the suffering at the National Psychiatric Clinic, the boarding home for children with special needs and mentally challenged adults, a TB clinic.

In recent years a rehabilitation centre for the homeless, drug and alcohol addicts, ex-prisoners was established 20 miles away from the Convent. About 140 residents live here today. Many lost and struggling people get a chance to tackle their problems and start a new life with God.

To help these people workshops were established on the grounds of the Convent. Many of these sick people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God working together with the nuns and sisters and making beautiful articles (hand painted icons, crosses, crucifixes, woodcarvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, vestments).

All these goods are made with love and prayer and bring blessing to home. You will support many people in need by purchasing items of devotions for yourselves and your beloved ones.

With love in Christ,  
Sisters of St Elisabeth

### The Feast of the Triumph of the Cross - The Way of Mercy

The Way of Mercy is a diocesan wide initiative of the Pastoral Planning Office in cooperation with the Year of Mercy Committee involving the journey of a large Cross of Mercy, accompanied by a Relic of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and a Relic of St. Teresa of Kolkata. The Cross and Relics will be hosted at the Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill on Oct. 15-16, 2016.

Parish celebrations at Mary Immaculate Parish (jointly with Stanhope Gardens, Rouse Hill and Kellyville parishes) will be held on **Oct. 15 at 10:00am**. Other details of the celebration will be announced at a later date. Please keep an eye out for further announcements.



**BOARD GAME NIGHT**

BRING \$5 FOR PIZZA | ST MARK'S STAFF ROOM  
FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER | 6.30PM - 9PM  
GTYOUTH@GMAIL.COM

## Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

## First Reading

*Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

*The just will live by faithfulness.*

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 94:1-2, 6-9*

**R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

## Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

*Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.*

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!



## Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

*If you had faith!*

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

When we spend time  
praying, **READING**  
**GOD'S WORD**, and  
living in the spirit our  
thinking begins to  
**CHANGE**

## Gospel Reflection

The theme of Faith permeates all three readings from God's Word for this 27th Sunday in Ordinary time (Year C).

The Prophet Habakuk encourages the Jewish People to continue to trust in God in times of trouble and distress. This reminds us that Faith in the Lord demands patience. We need to resist the temptation to demand action from God NOW. Rather, patient waiting on the Lord is an act of Faith that brings results in God's good time. Positive trusting in God is an act of Faith.

Faith is not always passive, however. Timothy's Letter from Paul reminds Christians that there comes a time when God wants us to act, for Faith is also Power to Change. To be a believer means that we are people who are filled with the Holy Spirit, the power of God's Divine Love. And we are thus enabled with God's Help to change ourselves and change our world! Faith - even small as a mustard seed - will lead to great endeavours.

And Jesus, picking up on both these aspects of Faith (Patience and Power) adds that the Disciple must be like his/her Master and be at the service of the other. We know that Greed is one of the scourges that afflict humanity. We are always tempted to look out for ourselves before others. But this is NOT THE WAY OF JESUS CHRIST. All our giftedness (spiritual, physical, material) is to be used for the benefit of others. Even our Prayer must be other-directed! A Faith that leads to service of others is a true Christian Faith.

Finally, we should not expect a reward if we do live lives of Faith: patient faith, powerful faith, servant faith. After all, Jesus has given us these tasks as a matter of course. We must merely fulfil what is basic to our Christian vocation. We must simply **DO OUR DUTY!**

## Diocese Notices

### POSITION S VACANT

#### **Volunteer Receptionist:**

CatholicCare Social Services, Diocese of Parramatta is seeking a volunteer Receptionist. As the first point of contact, the Receptionist will provide assistance to our clients and visitors via phone. We are looking for an enthusiastic person with a professional telephone manner, great communication skills, a friendly upbeat attitude, who is able to work autonomously. Previous Receptionist experience is advantageous but not essential. Please send your application to Jaycob Makdessi, tel 0422 144139 or [Jaycob.Makdessi@ccss.org.au](mailto:Jaycob.Makdessi@ccss.org.au)

#### **Chef, St Mary's Cathedral House:**

St Mary's Cathedral House is seeking applications for the role of Chef. Further details about this position are available [atnwww.catholicjobsonline.com.au](http://atnwww.catholicjobsonline.com.au) Applications close Friday 7 October 2016.



## 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

### **3 Mon 27th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Galatians 1:6-12

Psalm Ps 110:1-2. 7-10

Gospel Luke 10:25-37

### **4 Tues St Francis of Assisi (M)**

1st Reading Galatians 1:13-24

Psalm Ps 138:1-3. 13-15

Gospel Luke 10:38-42

### **5 Wed 27th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Galatians 2:1-2.7-14

Psalm Ps 116

Gospel Luke 11:1-4

### **6 Thu 27th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Galatians 3:1-5

Psalm Luke 1:69-75

Gospel Luke 11:5-13

### **7 Fri Our Lady of the Rosary**

1st Reading Galatians 3:7-14

Psalm Ps 110:1-6

Gospel Luke 11:15-26

### **8 Sat 27th week of Ordinary time**

1st Reading Galatians 3:22-29

Psalm Ps 104:2-7

Gospel Luke 11:27-28

## Notices (con't)

### **8 October - Praying with Poetry**

Facilitator: Glenda Bourke SGS. Share ways in which poetry can lead to prayer by exploring the thoughts, feelings & experiences in selected poems, as well as their images, rhythms & capacity to surprise. There will be time for quiet reflection. Participants are invited to bring along a favourite poem to share. From 10am-3.30pm at the Mount St Benedict Centre, 449D Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (*entrance off Hull Rd*). Cost: \$25. Book by 3 October tel (02) 9484 6208, [mtstbenedict@bigpond.com](mailto:mtstbenedict@bigpond.com)



## Parish Community Assembly

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the parish Grand Assembly last Sunday. I hope most of you had a chance to meet our special “guest”

Neville Zammit (Parish Finance Committee) and Bart Sarlabus (Parish Pastoral Council) presented their reports.

Financial report for the year ended 30 June 2016

### PARISH INCOME & EXPENDITURE

#### Income

Income from 2nd collection *	\$342 227
Other income	\$48 665
Total income	\$403 937

#### Expenses

Expenses excluding loan repayment	\$333 035
Loan repayment	\$120 000
Loss after loan repayment	\$49 098



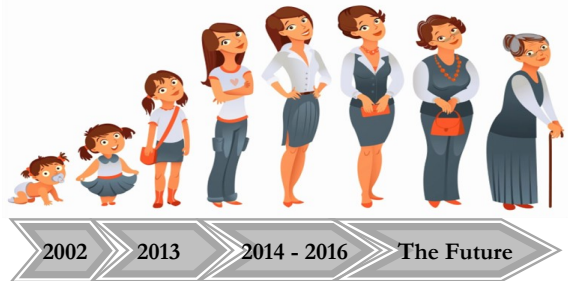
*\*The money collected from the first collection goes to the Diocesan Clergy Support Fund. The parish does not retain any of this money.*

### Parish Pastoral Council

Bart reminded us of our mission statement and took us through the life of our parish, likening it to the life stages of a family.

### The Vision for the Future

Fr John reviewed recent successes and presented his vision and plans for the future.

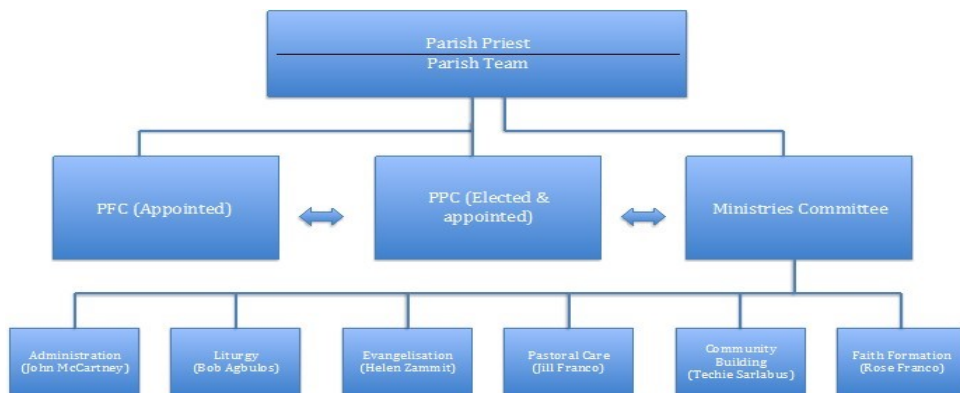


### ***I. Over the past year or so we have introduced a number of initiatives:***

- Evangelisation
- Pastoral Care: Bereavement support & meals for those in need.
- Marriage Preparation – we are planning to introduce our own marriage preparation course
- Our Stewardship Program
  - ⇒ Good response to some initiatives after our Stewardship Program eg the many volunteers who offer their time and talents
  - ⇒ While pledges in Planned Giving increased, there is still a need for improvement



## ***II. He presented the proposed structure of the Parish leadership team as follows:***



The major highlight of the above structure is the creation of a Ministries Committee, which separates the operational function of the various parish ministries from the pastoral planning function of the PPC. The move will also require the election of parishioners (in line with Diocesan guidelines) into a Parish Pastoral council that will consist of:

- ♦ The clergy - Parish Priest, Assistant Priest and Deacon
- ♦ Seven (7) parishioners, nominated and elected by the parish community and/or nominated/appointed by the Parish Priest
- ♦ Ex officio members - Parish Schools Representative, Parish Business Manager, Parish Finance Committee Representative.

The new Council will come into effect on 1 January 2017. More details will be announced prior to elections in November 2016.

### **III. Addressing our parish debt levels**

The parish is currently exploring a land development opportunity (down Bentwood Terrace and along Windsor Road) which IF successful should realise a significant financial return for the parish. It is hoped that the proceeds will allow us to pay off our current debt on the church building (currently \$4.1m) and potentially fund further infrastructure projects that will enhance the facilities of our parish. We will keep you updated as each stage of the process progresses.

### **IV. Special Projects being considered**

We also have plans to develop the memorial garden behind the sanctuary to include a columbarium and possibly an outdoor altar. A columbarium is a wall where people are able to place the ashes of their loved ones.

### **In conclusion**

The meeting concluded with a very worthwhile Q&A forum, with parishioners providing very useful and welcome feedback and suggestions. We will be reviewing that feedback and look towards implementing many of the suggestions.

## Special intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Carlito Songco, Sylvia Gee, Jose Alix,  
Augela Fernando, Villamor Sarabia

### Deceased:

Jeffrey Turner, Reno Camilleri,  
Joseph Calabria

### Anniversary:

Flora Ferino, Teresita Rehac,  
Fraternidad Ramirez,

### Sick:

Concordia Llave, Leonardo Villafana,  
Guy Austria, Maria Bellia, Edwin Rizon,  
Cay Espanta, Nigel Reynolds,  
Mariano Antonio Jon Villaraza,  
Pinky Flores Baarts, Amando Magno,  
Maria Pinky Baartz, Charmaine Beltran,  
Jovie Disterhofft, Mark de Jesus,  
Pat Daley

### Thanksgiving:

R J Santos & Family, Ronaldo, Kristine,  
Maria, Ramon, Vincenzo Zamora



## Paying our debt together

### Weekly collections

**2nd Collection: \$5,601.85**

*Loose* \$2,082.85

*PG Envelopes* \$1,959.00

*PG by EFT* \$1,560.00

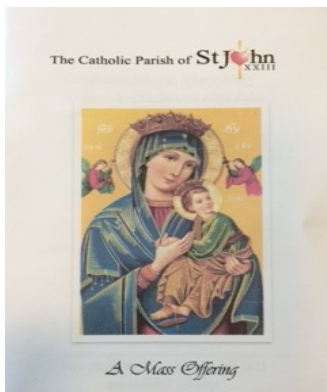
*Pays parish debt and on going running costs,  
including wages of staff.*

***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.



Mass cards available at the parish office.



## Our School Communities

### Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

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### John XXIII and St Mark's College

160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens

Principal: Dr Peter Webster

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### Catholic Learning Centre

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

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

## Stewardship / Giving

*"Where your heart is, so will be your treasure." (Mt. 6:21)*

Stewardship is a way of life... It is a comprehensive concept, recognizing that we respond to God's generosity, not because we have to, but because God's own goodness draws us to respond. The Bible tells us: "The first of the fruits...shall you bring unto the house of the Lord your God." (Ex. 23:19). It is really the Old Testament concept of Tithing. Every good thing we have - even our very lives - comes to us from God. And it doesn't come in an unlimited fashion. The gifts we have received are loans to us, from God, to be used according to His plan. If you doubt that, take a moment to think about what "possessions" you are going to bring out of this world with you!

Stewardship is emphatically NOT fund-raising - it extends to all facets of life: how we care for and use our time and talents, how we care for and use the goods of nature and how we care for and use the treasures we have been given, whatever those treasures may be. Jesus reminds us that God will not be outdone in generosity and that any sacrifice we make in His service will be rewarded 100-fold in this life and eternal life in the next. So, Stewardship is part and parcel of our partnership with Jesus in bringing salvation to ourselves and to our world - expressed in Holy Spirit's parish mission statement as "making God's kingdom present in our world."

In Holy Spirit we split up the Stewardship campaigns into two parts. In the spring we focus on Time and Talent. That gives us the summer months to get all our volunteers enlisted in the more than 125 ministries and activities in Holy Spirit. In the fall months, we concentrate on Stewardship of Treasure (Tithing) because that is based on a calendar year. The Bible speaks about tithing, which is 10%, divided as follows: 5% to Holy Spirit, 1% to the Archdiocese in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, and 4% to your other charities. At Holy Spirit, we are asking that you contribute your additional 4% to the Capital Campaign over the next three years.

Many people find it difficult to consider the possibility of giving a percentage of their income to God through charitable giving - and cringe at the idea of giving a full 10%. But, Scripture tells us, "Where your heart is, so will be your treasure." (Mt. 6:21) So, we suggest that if you can't bring yourself to take on the full program, you consider starting with some percentage, even 1%, and see what happens. No one can give you a mathematical formula for how this works because it is not a mathematical issue, it is a gospel issue. St. Peter says: "As generous distributors of God's manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another, each in the measure he has received." (1 Peter 4: 8-10). So, it becomes a leap of faith - and we invite you to take that leap of faith.

<http://www.bsccatl.com/Growing-in-Faith/Stewardship/>

## Parish Pastoral Council Corner

*Nourish your faith, my dear children: faith in God, just and merciful, without whom our lives would be like a sunless day, like a universe plunged into darkness; faith in the Church which, through God's willing it, guides all people to heaven, with goodness and surety. (4 April 1959)*

### COUNCIL MATTERS

† Next PPC **Executive Team meeting** scheduled for Tuesday, **18 October** 2016, from 7:30 pm at the Parish Office Conference Room.

† **Parish Council Restructuring Announcement:**

- At the Parish Assembly, Fr. John announced the splitting of the Parish Council through the creation of a separate Committee for the various Parish Ministries.
- The coordinators for these committees (*John McCartney - Administration, Bob Agbulos - Liturgy, Helen Zammit - Evangelisation, Jill Franco - Pastoral Care, Techie Sarlabus - Community Building and Rose Franco - Faith Formation*) will now be part of an umbrella committee headed by Fr John that will continue looking after the different parish ministries.
- In line with the guidelines set by the Diocese of Parramatta, the SJ23 Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will focus on promoting the Church's mission to live and communicate the love and values of Christ in our world. Being an advisory body to the Fr. John, it will seek to: (a) enrich the quality of parish life and (b) provide opportunities for parishioners to grow in holiness as well as to discover and live out their personal and community call to mission to live as Catholics who can effectively transform society.
- The “refreshed” **SJ23 PPC** will be composed of 7 parishioners and will start on 1 January 2017. Every two years thereafter, there will be elections to determine the composition of the PPC.
- We will be making future announcements on the elections for the 2017 PPC, but we are looking at holding this around mid-November, so please look for these announcements in the forthcoming weekend bulletins and social media.

### FAITH FORMATION TEAM

† SJ23 Prayer Group would like to invite you for a night of Praise & Worship

#### Praise & Worship Schedule

Date	Theme	Guest Speaker
15 October	Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Part 1)	Fr. Bong Pamintuan
19 November	Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Part 2)	Fr. Bong Pamintuan

## 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

<b>October</b>	4 Festejo	11 Sebastian	18 Pangilinan	25 Shalini	
<b>November</b>	1 Huang	8 Olan	15 Blasonato	22 Viola	29 Pierena
<b>December</b>	6 D'Cunha	13 Brosas	20 Paguinto	27 <i>available</i>	

† We continue to ask for host families from to pray the **Rosary** at home and request for our Blessed Mother's intercessions. Please refer to the above schedule for available dates

† Rose Franco and her team have been announcing in the weekend Masses that the **Way of Mercy relics** are to be hosted by Quakers Hill Parish from 15 to 16 October. More details are published in this bulletin as well, so we invite you to be aware so you can participate in this prayerful event!



**President** Bart Sarlabus

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#### Council Team Leaders

*Community Bldg* Techie Sarlabus

*Comms & Media* John McCartney

*Evangelisation* Helen Zammit

*Faith Formation* Rose Franco

*Fundraising*

*Liturgy* Bob Agbulos

*Music* Ray Samonte

*Pastoral Care* Jill Franco

*Social Outreach*

## 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

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## MUSTARD SEED

# How Many Words Can You Make?

**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



## Word Find

**Make our faith stronger**

D	P	D	Y	Y	L	T	O	S	U	V	Z	C	E	P
K	I	S	Z	R	S	L	C	S	E	I	A	E	M	W
S	P	S	V	F	E	Y	E	T	G	E	R	F	H	B
Q	C	H	O	M	C	A	A	N	O	T	D	M	A	M
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I	K	P	V	I	Q	U	U	R	R	L	F	Q	V	W
A	G	M	B	L	R	N	U	E	M	O	C	L	E	W
F	Q	Y	E	V	H	L	B	S	I	M	R	C	Z	U
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A	J	W	P	P	U	L	I	A	S	R	O	N	B	U
L	F	R	S	M	S	W	L	W	Y	C	T	P	V	T
N	P	O	G	Y	B	D	U	G	I	E	S	H	M	Y

***Find these words***

Bigger   duty   faith   meal   mulberry   ocean   roots   seed  
 Servants   sheep   tree   welcome



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