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**The Most Holy
Trinity
27 May 2018**

From the Pastor's desk

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ

Today's Feast of the Holy Trinity reminds us that our God is approached in various ways

- as Father, the source of being
- as Son, the word of Revelation of God
- as Spirit, Divine Love and Truth, our Advocate

Indeed, our prayer is always directed to the Father through the Son in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

And we are baptised into the Trinity, as reflected in today's Gospel from Matthew.

As our week unfolds, let's pray that we will experience the presence of the One God more and more in our daily lives, so that we will do all we can to lead others to the True God who is One, yet Three.

1. We continue to pray for the children who will receive First Holy Communion next weekend, on the Feast of Corpus Christi.
2. This week we have the First Friday Novena Mass on Friday at 7.30pm; and also anointing during the First Saturday Mass at 9am.

God bless you all!

Fr John

Entrance Antiphon

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Readings/Gospel

Deuteronomy 4:32-34.39-40

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome to our parish
community!

Please take a welcome envelope pack from the front entrance.

Please also check out our website and Facebook page

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."



MAY		THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH
Mon 28	9am - Mass	
	7:30pm - Bible Study about the Virgin Mary, St Mark's Staff Room	
	7:30pm - Christian Meditation - Parish conference room	
Tue 29	9am - Mass	
	7:30pm - Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, benediction to follow	
Wed 30	9am - Mass	
Thu 31	9am - Mass	
JUNE		
Fri 1	9am - Mass and Benediction	
	1pm - Wedding - Michelle and Jamie (Father Rizzo)	
	7.30pm - First Friday Novena Mass	
Sat 2	9am - First Saturday Mass and anointing	
	4pm - Bible Study about the Virgin Mary, St Mark's Staff Room	
Sun 3	12pm - Baptism - Alvira, Alexis, Rockford, Franklin, Abigail	
	2pm - Baptism - Liam Climpson (Father Rizzo)	

OFFICE

160 Perfection Avenue,
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(next to St Mark's College Admin Office)

MAILING

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NSW 2768

NORMAL MASS TIMES

Mon - Fri 9:00am
also Wed 9:00am
Holy Cross Primary school term only
Sat 9:00am, 6:00pm (Vigil)
Sun 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am, 6:00pm (Youth)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism *by appointment*
Sun 12:00pm
Reconciliation (First Rite)
Sat 5:00 - 5:45pm
And after any weekday masses

CLERGY

Parish Priest:

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✉ FrJohn@john23rd.org.au

Asst. Priest:

Fr Thomas Bui
✉ FrThomas@john23rd.org.au

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Rodrigo Rupac
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PARISH NEWS

COLUMBARIUM UPDATE

The St John XXIII wall is sold out. The revised costs for our columbarium have been approved. From 1 July 2018, the costs will be:
1st niche \$2 500 (currently \$2 000)
2nd niche \$2 200 (\$1 800)

3rd and subsequent niches \$2 100 (\$1 500)

There are only 12 niches left at the St Mary of the Cross MacKillop wall. If you are interested in purchasing and locking in the current price, please contact John McCartney
businessmanager@john23rd.org.au 0414 909178.

WE GIVE THANKS TO.....

The Faith Formation & Liturgy Team for organizing and leading the Liturgical Ministers' retreat. It was very spiritually enriching and appropriate for this Feast of the Pentecost.

SUGGESTION BOX

We have a suggestion box in the front foyer and welcome your comments and constructive suggestions.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new packs of envelopes are available at the front of the church.

This cycle commences on 3 June. If you would like to switch from envelopes to the credit card or direct debit system please call the parish office.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Monday evenings at 7.30 in the Conference Room of the Parish Office at St. John 23rd Parish. All welcome. Enquiries call Frances on 0417406715.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NEWS

POSITIONS VACANT

Administrative Assistant - CatholicCare, Orchard Hills

Financial Counsellor - Richmond & Blacktown offices

More details at www.ccss.org.au

Head of Property Development Services - Diocese of Parramatta

More details at www.parracatholic.org/employment

Communications & Stakeholder Officer - Catholic Schools NSW

More details at: www.csnsw.catholic.edu.au

Diocesan Director Archdiocese of Sydney/Community Participation Leader - Caritas

More details at: www.caritas.org.au

Casual Housekeeper - Mount St Benedict Centre, Pennant Hills

More details: Natalie Acton
nacton@goodsams.org.au

2 June: Ordination to the Diaconate of Jack Green

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, will be the principal celebrant for the Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate of Jack Green on Saturday 2 June 2018 at 6.00pm. The ordination will take place at Sacred Heart Church, Westmead. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Paying our debt together

The First Collection - for the diocese. This is used for the support of the Bishop and priests of the Diocese.

The Second Collection - for the parish. This is used to meet our parish running costs of the church and provide for ministry expenses.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

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

We would encourage instead of the envelope system to either direct debit or credit card deduction.

Position Vacant

Parish Bookkeeper

(readvertised position)

We are seeking an experienced Bookkeeper to join our parish team.

Reporting to the Parish Priest, this role involves all aspects of parish bookkeeping, including accounts receivable, accounts payable and ad hoc finance projects. The applicant must be proficient in MYOB. This is a casual position, working 12 hours per week, spread over two days.

Please send your resume and covering letter to frjohn@john23rd.org.au.

Position description available from the website.

Closing date for submissions is **Tuesday 12 June 2018.**

PRAGUE TO DUBROVNIK

(Shrines and Cathedrals of Central Europe)

A Pilgrimage - in the September - October School Holidays

Will be led by Fr John McSweeney from St John XXIII Parish, Stanhope Gardens.

This three-week Pilgrimage will visit Prague, Czestochowa, Krakow, Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Ljubljana and Dubrovnik.... and visit key Shrines and Cathedrals throughout.

For more info contact Harvest Journeys on 1800 819 or info@harvestjourneys.com



Welcome to the community of the Catholic Parish of St John 23rd Stanhope Gardens where the love of Christ is shared in many ways.

SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and constructive suggestions.

Parish Pastoral Corner

FAITH FORMATION

⇒ Our Lady of Perpetual Help Statue

We continue to ask for host families to pray the Rosary at home and request our Blessed Mother's intercessions. Tuesday nights beginning with Evening Prayer at 6.30pm, Rosary at 7.15pm, Mass and Novena prayers at 7.30pm with sung Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the novena mass.

If you want the opportunity of having the statue of Our Lady visit your home contact Bart Sarlabus bart.sarlabus@gmail.com or Melva Paguinto (after novena mass). Pick up the statue after the novena mass and return a week after, before the start of the novena mass.

"A family that prays together, stays together - Fr Patrick Peyton"

⇒ BIBLE STUDY

The Bible and the Virgin Mary next session The Wedding at Cana

Monday, 28 May 2018, 7:30p.m. - 9:00p.m. at St. Mark's Staff Room or Saturday, 2nd June 2018, 4:00p.m. - 5:30p.m. at St. Mark's Staff Room

All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

⇒ TABLE TALK

Walking with Refugees and People Seeking Protection

Bishop Vincent Long has asked parishes to open up a conversation about those who come to Australia fleeing persecution and in search of safety. To start this conversation, our parish is running a Table Talk with guest speakers including a person seeking protection. Listen to a real life experience of seeking safety; share your own story; ask your questions in a safe, respectful place and consider how we can act.

When: 15 June 2018

Time: 7:15 for a 7:30pm start and finishing at 9:30pm

Where: St Mark's College Staffroom, 160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens

Light refreshments provided.

Registration sheet is available at the church foyer. RSVP by 9th June 2018 to Margaret Harrison on 0413 900226 or email thisismargaret@bigpond.com. For more information please contact Margaret.

Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

	1	8	15	22	29
May	Ivon	Shalini	Manalo	Lobo	Lee
Jun	5	12	19	26	
	Ivon	Richards	Olan	Shalini	
Jul	3	10	17	24	31
	Houghton	Sivapathnam	Thirimanne	D'Souza	Macrohon
Aug	7	14	21	28	
	Gan	Sebastian	Pangilinan E	Jacinta	
Sep	4	11	18	25	
	Ivon	Houghton	Shalini	Olan	

COMMUNITY BUILDING

⇒ WELCOMERS

We are still looking for more committed volunteers to be part of this committee. For those interested please contact Techie Sarlabus on 0438 201436 or email techiesarlabus@gmail.com alternatively Vanessa Turner (Team Lead) vbt2k@yahoo.com

⇒ YOUTH MINISTERS

We are looking for committed young people to assist in the facilitation of our BLAZE fortnightly sessions. You will be assisting like minded youth in the development of the younger generation in our parish and help in their spiritual growth. Enquiries can be sent to youth@john23rd.com.au.

⇒ ZUMBA MARATHON

For those 12yrs old and over, come and join us for a 2 hour Zumba workout.

When - 24th June Sunday, 2-4pm

Where - St Mark's College Hall

Cost - \$20

Tickets on sale at the church foyer or at the venue



YOUTH CORNER

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" - Philippians 4:13

BLAZE

BLAZE Youth Group is a fun and exciting way for youths in Years 7 and up to learn about their faith and how to handle the struggles of being a teen.

BLAZE runs during **Friday nights**, weeks 1,3,5,7 and 9 of the school term. Session starts at 7:15 till 9pm.

Next Session: 1/06/2018



CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

When: 2nd & 4th Saturdays

Praise & Worship

Time: after 6:00pm vigil mass

YFC (Youth for Christ)

When: 3rd Sundays of the month

Youth Ministry

ATTENTION

SJXXIII Youth is looking for volunteer youth facilitators who are can commit to assisting with our BLAZE fortnightly sessions. Any enquiries can be sent to youth@john23rd.com.au.

Devotions & Prayers

Novena Masses

Tue 7:30pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
1st Fri 7:30pm
Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tue after the 7:30pm novena mass
1st Fri 6:30pm followed by
7:15pm Benediction
Sat 8:00 - 9:00am (*Vocations*)

Sacrament of the Sick

1st Sat 9:00am Mass or upon request

Divine Office

Fri After 9:00am Mass and
Benediction
Sun 8:15am

Praise & Worship

2nd Sat 7:30pm
led by CRL (*Community of the Risen Lord*)
3rd Sat 7:30pm
led by SJ23rd Prayer Group
Fri evenings 6:30pm
led by Christ Catholic Community
Prayer Group at the Parish Office's
kitchen

Special intentions

Recently Deceased:

Saluo Cubelo, Christia Yunon

Deceased:

Austine Alexander

Anniversary:

R & B Krawczyk, Richard Wiliam Hugh,
Ildefonsa Capapas, Emelio Capapas,
Mary Alice Walsh

Sick:

Carmel Byne, Giuseppe David LoRusso,
Sonia Mikac, Margaret Iringan, Liezl Sultana,
Lolita Diaz, Jesse Perrone, John Wormald,
Ceasar de Jesus, Edmond Rizon,
Angie De Lara

Thanksgiving:

Art Marinas, Darrell Fontanilla

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood
Principal: Marina Hardy
☎ (02) 8664 7100

✉ bolycross@parra.catholic.edu.au

John XXIII and St Mark's College

160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens
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Catholic Early Learning Centre

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