

## Cnr Perfection Ave and Bentwood Tce, Stanhope Gardens

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## Thirtieth Second Sunday of Ordinary Time 10 November 2019

## **Reflection on the Readings**

Dear Sisters & Brothers in Christ,

November is a special month for us Catholics: during this penultimate month of the calendar year, we pray for the eternal repose of those who have died. Indeed, as today's Word reminds us, God is "God of Living, not of the Dead." Thus, those who have completed their earthly journey are now enjoying eternal life in the heavenly sphere of existence. And from there they intercede for us; and we return the favour by keeping them in our thoughts and prayers, so that they may be welcomed to God's eternal Banquet of life.

- My thanks to all who have prayed for me during the recent period of my surgery and recovery. I'm on the road to full health, and I look forward to working with you in bringing about the Kingdom in this place!
- During this week our children will be making their First Reconciliation. Let's keep them in our prayers.

God bless you all!

Fr John



We are in urgent need for volunteers to assist in our Parish's different ministries

## $\Rightarrow$ Children's liturgy facilitators

We have only a few facilitators able to take these Sunday sessions. If you are interested and able to assist in facilitating these 15-20mins sessions during the 10.30am mass, please contact Helen Zammit on 8883 5981.

## ⇒ Sacrament of Baptism facilitators

We require assistance at the children's baptismal rites during Sundays 12pm. For interested parties please contact Krizzia Samonte on krizzia.samonte@gmail.com or the Parish Office.

#### ⇒ SRE Teachers

If you could spare an hour during weekdays to spread God's word teaching scriptures to children, we need you. We currently have 4 public primary schools and a high school in our parish where we hold scripture classes during school hours for 30 minutes during Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information call Asoki 0430 020265 or Renuka 0414 795814. Training and resources will be provided.

NOV	THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH	
Mon 11	Saint Martin of Tours (M) 9.00am - Mass 7:30pm - Christian Meditation in Parish Office Conference Room	
Tue 12	Saint Josaphat (M) 9.00am - Mass 7:30pm - Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help	ľ
Wed 13	9.00am - Mass 10:00am - Mass at Holy Cross	
Thu 14	9.00am - Mass	1
Fri 15	9.00am - Mass	1
Sat 16	9.00am - Mass 7:30pm - Praise & Worship - Praise Jam Session	
Sun 17	12:00pm - Baptism please pray for Alexandra	

#### **Mass Times**

Mon - Fri 9:00am also Wed 10:00am

Holy Cross Primary school term only Sat 9:00am, 6:00pm (Vigil) Sun 7:30am, 9:00am,

10:30am, 6:00pm (Youth)

#### **Devotions & Prayers**

### Novena Masses with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

2nd Tue 7:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

1st Fri 7:30pm

Sacred Heart of Jesus

# Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

Fridays after the 9am Mass

#### Rosary & Novena prayer

*Tues* 7:00pm except for 2nd Tues as this will be a novena mass

#### Sacrament of the Sick

1st Sat 9:00am Mass or upon request

## Divine Office

Sun 8:15am after 7.30am Mass Mon 7:30pm Christian Meditation Group in Parish Office Conference Room led by Frances Pegrem (0417 406715)

Fri 6:30pm led by Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group in the Parish Office Conference Room

## Praise & Worship

3rd Sat 7:30pm SJ23rd Prayer Group

#### SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and constructive suggestions.

#### **COELIACS**

Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion with a gluten low host. Please inform the acolyte before Mass.

## 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."

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

## **First Reading**

2 Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14

## The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15

## R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips.  ${\bf R}_{\bullet}$ 

I kept my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R.** 

Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings. As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. **R.** 

#### **Second Reading**

2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5

## May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 1:5. 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

## Gospel

Luke 20:27, 34-38

#### He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?'

Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Communion Antiphon**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.





Welcome to the community of the Catholic Parish of St John 23rd Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens Where the love of Christ is shining in so many ways.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

#### Office Hours

Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

#### Office Contacts

(02) 8883 5981 (0423 160 567 AH Emergency) 160 Perfection Avenue, Stanhope Gardens, 2768 (St Mark's College Admin Office)

#### **MAILING**

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#### **CLERGY**

#### Parish Priest:

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⊠ FrJohn@john23rd.org.au

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⊠ FrThomas@john23rd.org.au

#### Deacon:

Rodrigo Rupac

☑ DeaconRudy@john23rd.org.au

## **STAFF**

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⊠ secretary@john23rd.org.au

#### Finance:

Renuka Soosaipillai

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#### Sacramental Coordinator:

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🖂 admin@john23rd.org.au

#### **Business Manager:**

John McCartney (pro bono)

⊠ businessmanager@john23rd.org.au

### **SACRAMENTS**

## Baptism by appointment

Sun 12:00pm

Reconciliation (First Rite)

Sat 5:00 - 5:45pm

And after any weekday masses

# NEW TO OUR PARISH?

# Welcome to our parish community!

Please take a welcome envelope pack from the front entrance. Also visit our website or like our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/john23rdparish

## Diocesan News

#### Catholic Outlook is back!

At the request of Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Catholic Outlook will be back from Sunday 1 December 2019. The revised Catholic Outlook will be published quarterly as an A4 magazine with a focus on Catholic faith formation, spirituality and a look at what is happening across the agencies and ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta. Look out for copies in your local Catholic Church, Catholic school or Catholic office from Sunday 1 December.

#### Plenary Council 2020

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020. There are many opportunities to engage in the "Listening and Discernment" phase by participating in small group sessions within the Diocese. Ask you priests or Deanery Representatives for session dates in parishes and deaneries or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441.

# Chime in for the Bells of St Patrick's Cathedral

The Bells of St Patrick's Cathedral Appeal offers a rare opportunity to create history and donate a bell that commemorates a loved one, or honours your family name, organisation or community group. As a Benefactor, you'll also have the privilege of naming your bell in honour of a revered Catholic Saint and helping make the dream of a peal of bells for St Patrick's Cathedral become a reality. For further info visit yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/bellsappeal

# 13 November: Office for Worship Music Workshop

The Office for Worship is conducting a Music Workshop for musicians and liturgy planners on Wednesday 13 November at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown from 7pm to 9pm. Supper will be provided. Choosing appropriate hymns for Mass and what to sing at Mass and why will be discussed. To register by 8 November, call A n n e o n 8 8 3 8 3 4 5 6 o r anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org.

### 14 November: Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session 5

You are invited to the fifth of the six sessions in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather and discern the Plenary Council 2020 National Themes for Discernment. This session on Joy, Hope-filled and Servant Community' will be held on 14 November from 6.30pm to 9pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. To RSVP, please contact tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441.

# 16 November: Greystanes Parish Craft Market

OLQP Parish is holding its popular Craft Market event on Saturday 16 November 8am-2pm at Camilleri Hall 198 Old Prospect Rd, Greystanes. Featuring 40 stalls selling handmade goods. A great day out for the whole family with a raffle, Devonshire tea, face painting and a BBQ serving breakfast and lunch. Proceeds go to Diabetes NSW & ACT.

# 19 November: Memorial Mass for those bereaved by suicide

CatholicCare Western Sydney and Blue Mountains together with the Diocese of Parramatta invite those bereaved by suicide to a Mass to honour loved ones who have taken their lives. Mass will be celebrated at St Oliver Plunkett Church, 35 Wigram Street, Harris Park. 6:45pm for 7pm start. RSVP 14 November Ph: 02 8843 2575 or rita.chater@ccss.org.au

### 20 November: Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session 6

You are invited to the sixth session in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather and discern the Plenary Council 2020 National Themes for Discernment. This session on 'Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform' will be held on 20 November from 6.30pm to 9pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. To RSVP, please contact tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441

#### Other Notices

#### Positions Vacant

- Parish Renewal Team Leader (Full-time) - Archdiocese of Sydney

## For more details visit catholicjobsonline.com.au

## 16 November: ACU Centre for Liturgy Pastoral Formation Day What do Catholics believe about Sacraments of

What do Catholics believe about Sacraments of Healing? How do priests, deacons and lay ministers care for the sick? These questions and more will be investigated during a pastoral formation day run by the ACU Centre for Liturgy at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown on 16 November from 9am to 4.45pm (registration from 8.30am). Cost is \$60 and registration is essential via <a href="https://nww.acu.edu.au/pastoral\_formation\_days">https://nww.acu.edu.au/pastoral\_formation\_days</a>. For more information, call 02 9701 4751.

#### 17 November: Christian Meditation

Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Day at St Benedict's Monastery, Arcadia. Presentations, Introduction to Meditation for newcomers and Meditation for on-going meditators. After the lunch break for BYO picnic lunch we will have Mass. This is a free event and accommodation may be available at the monastery guest house. For enquires please c o n t a c t A n n B e r g m a n on anniebergman@hotmail.com or Ann Lomas on atlomas@biepond.com or 9653 2637.

#### 24 November: Walk with Christ

Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King on Sunday 24 November at 2.30pm. Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city. Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm on November 24. More details through the Archdiocese of Sydney.

#### Parish Pastoral/Ministry Corner

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

#### ⇒ Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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

We continue to ask for host families to pray the rosary at home and request our Blessed Mother's intercessions. Pick up the statue and pass on to the next family after a week.

- 7:00pm Tuesday nights Rosary and novena prayers at church. Join us and take part in reciting the rosary and novena prayers
- 7:30pm 2nd Tuesday each month Novena mass after rosary prayers with exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Families on the roster, please remember your roster. If unable to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Bart or Melva

"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the Rosary. Hear me out, the Rosary. ... Do you pray the Rosary each day?" Pope Francis

## ⇒ Praise & Worship night

Save the date 16th November for a jam session night, praying and praising the Lord. Everybody welcome.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL								
	Chairman Gary Lee Dep Chairman Bernadette Virwani Secretary Julienne Crasto	Members Bing Catabas Chris Drummond Nanette Gamboa Margaret Harrison						

Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights										
Nov	5	12	19	26						
	Javier C	Javelosa	Peiris	Jacob						
Dec	3	10	17	24	31					
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Jan	Lopez	Lozada	Jacob	Tangunan						
Feb	4	11	18	25						
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Mar	3	10	17	24	31					
	available	available	Richard	Jacob	available					
Apr	7	14	21	28						
	available	Sebastian	available	Jacob						

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 emcipi85@yahoo.com.au

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The St Vincent De Paul Conference wish to draw on your generosity once more asking for your assistance in providing items of food, toiletries, and small gifts for our Christmas hampers in order to help those in our Parish who are in need of our support. A list of acceptable items can be found below:

Canned meat (ham, corned beef, sausages, etc), rice, pasta, pasta sauce, one litre oil, tinned vegetables, tinned fish, Christmas cake, pudding, mince pies, fruit juice, biscuits, custard, coffee, tea, milk, and all toiletries.

Whether you wish to donate a complete hamper for a family or individual items , please ensure that enviro bags are used as determined by OHNS.

Donations of enviro bags will be very much appreciated. It has been decided that the cut off date for all donations will be the 30th November. The delivery of hampers will take place between the 15th and 20th of December.

Thank you for your continuous generosity and great support, we are constantly blessed with, in order to continue our mission. Many blessings to you all.

## **COMMUNITY BUILDING**

## ⇒ Cake Angels

Save the date, 24th November, for another Sunday of sweet treats during the morning masses.

Any contributions of goodies would be most welcome. Or if you're interested to help out and be part of this wonderful group drop Madeline Huang a line on huang64@gmailcom.



## ⇒ Helper's Party

For all parishioners who help out in the parish with their time and talent i.e. different ministry members, gardeners, choir groups, cleaners, collectors etc, save the date 7th December 2019.

#### **Collection process FOR COLLECTORS:**

First Collection will occur after the Homily and which will be brought to the altar during the offertory procession

The County Collection will be after the first and wil

The Second Collection will occur after the offertory and will be brought forward during the Holy, Holy

## Paying our debt together

**First Collection** – for the diocese. This is used for the support of the Bishop and priests of the Diocese.

**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.

## Special intentions

## Recently Deceased:

Manuel Sonny Barcelon, Jolanda Gorkic

#### Deceased:

Martha Livera, Donald Van L, Tom Christain, Robert Dellar

#### Anniversary:

Camilleri Family, Azzopardi Family, Alfedo Ong Jr, Charles Briffa, Arapa Family

Sick: Names published with permission.

Colleen McCunnie, Deidre Thomson, Benjamin Munson Jr, Jim Daley, Anika, Deacon Rudi, Virginia Santos, Fr John, Gloria Buosi, Hazel Masher, Anshu Mala Nand, Praba Daniel, Pat Doyle, Kim Greg Marcellana, Dung Phan, Florentina Elsisura, Violeta Javate, Norbert Mascarenhas, Ramon Minosa, Elmo Joachim, Kalavani, Bernie Presto, Karam Matte, Elizabeth Candame, Raymond Lanzona

## Thanksgiving:

Xavier Grana Salcar, Mary Vathanam, Marissa Velarde

## **Church Funnies**

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TOM YOU WON'T BELIEVE IT I GOT FRONT ROW SEATING AGAIN OH MY GOODNESS RUN UP HERE NOW I'LL SAVE IT WHILE I CAN

## **OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

## **Holy Cross Primary**

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood Principal: Marina Hardy

**2** (02) 8664 7100

⊠ holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au

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

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens Principal: Dr Peter Webster

**(02)** 9852 0500

stmarks@parra.catholic.edu.au

#### Catholic Early Learning Centre

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

**(**02) 9852 0585

⊠ celcstanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au www.celcstanhope.catholic.edu.au

#### In Memoriam

#### ⇒ COLUMBARIUM

We have opened this up to parishioners from other parishes so there is an opportunity for them to have their ashes placed in church grounds, beside a church where family and friends may conveniently visit after mass.

There are still opportunities to sponsor items for the garden eg plants and other landscaping costs.

#### ⇒ MEMORIAL WALL PLAQUES

The wall in front of the church is devoted to the memory of our deceased family and friends, especially if they are overseas. The plaques cost \$250.00.

> Please email for any queries to businessmanager@john23rd.org.au





## Parish Notice

#### POSITION VACANT

### ⇒ GP Required

LOURDES Medical Centre,

81-83 Richmond Road BLACKTOWN

- \*Doctor owned well established practice
- \*AGPAL Accredited
- \*Nursing, Pathology and Allied health on

If interested please contact

P: 0421 218 072

E: therese@lourdesmc.com.au

#### WE GIVE THANKS TO ...

Those who have recently donated funds towards plants and landscaping for the Memorial Garden.

#### **CAN YOU HELP?**

Our gardens are looking wonderful, thanks to our tireless gardeners. However the weeds are also thriving. Can you spend just an hour every few weeks helping to eradicate the "darnel"? (Mattt: 13).

Our cleaners are also looking for people to join them and help once a month. Please contact businessmanager@john23rd.org.au if you can help.

#### ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

If interested, forms available at our website or please call the parish office.

#### NOVEMBER BOOK OFREMEMBRANCE

The November Book of Remembrance has again been placed in the sanctuary to enable you to write the names of your departed family and friends. Please place your mass offering envelope in the Special Needs mailbox at the back of the church (at the sacristy door) - do not leave envelopes with money on the Book of Remembrance table. There is no need to repeat the names on the envelope.



### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2019

If you are interested:

Johannacusack18@gmail.com
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Johanna Cusack, Senior Server & Liturgy Team Represent
2. Attend all of the following at St John XXIII Parish church:

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   First training ession, 3 5 pm on Sun, November 10.
   Second training session, 3 .30 5 pm on Sun, November 17 AND observation of the Sunday Spin Mass.
   Commissioning at the 10 .30am Mass on Sun, November 24.
  Call or SMS Johanna Cusack on 0.478 035 847 for further details.

Name of Child: Name of Parents: _	
Address:	
Phone:	Child's Date of Birth:
Email:	

Altar Server Application for St John XXIII Parish

#### **SCHOOL ENROLMENT**

## ⇒ St Mark's Catholic College - Year 2021 Enrolment

Applications Open Monday, 21st October, 2019.

Please visit the website to download an application <a href="http://www.clcstanhope.catholic.edu.au/en/">http://www.clcstanhope.catholic.edu.au/en/</a> Enrol-Now or collect an enrolment pack from the College Office.

Applications close Friday, 15th November, 2019.

#### ⇒ Holy Cross Primary

http://www.hcglenwood.catholic.edu.au/Enrol/How-to-enrol

Enrolment packages containing the Enrolment Instructions and Application Forms are also available from the school office. Contact our school by email or call 8664 7100 weekdays between 8:30am and 3:30pm

### CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at www.catholic.org.au/drought



## Prayer

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion,
hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and
through the power of the Holy Spirit,
the Lord the giver of life:
Renew your faithful people;
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.

SUPPORT FOR THOSE AFFECTED

Diocese of Bathurst Drought Appeal Vinnies NSW Drought Appeal

## YOUTH CORNER

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

The Youth Ministry of SJXXIII which consists of a range of youth groups like Blaze, CRL, and YFC has one mission and that is to facilitate the understanding and growth of the faith of teens and young adults by means of music, games, discussion, prayer and reflection while exploring the catholic perspective on social issues representing the cultural diversities within our parish

We're aiming to have a central hub for the young people of our parish. A place where the various youth groups can run their youth nights out and a place where a community of young people can continually grow. To achieve this, with the blessings from Fr John McSweeney and the parish council, we have begun raising funds to renovate the space below our church to create a youth hub.

Please check out this link <u>https://www.gofundme.com/sj23-youth-space</u> and help us to achieve this goal.

## **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 teem.

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

## Youth Ministry

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.

CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

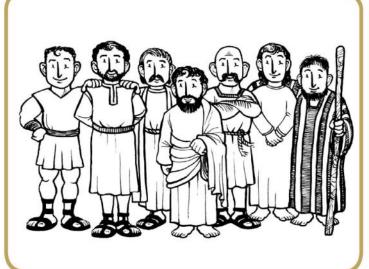
When: 3rd Sunday

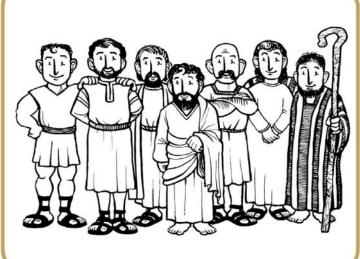
Praise & Worship
Time: 4.00pm to 5.30pm

YFC (Youth for Christ)

When: 3rd Sundays of the month

# Can you find the seven differences between these two pictures of seven brothers?





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