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**Third Sunday of  
Easter Sunday  
26 April 2020**

### Message from Father John

My sisters and brothers

Today's text from Luke, concerning Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus, has so much to teach us in these days of isolation and lockdown.

We have an opportunity right now to take the time we need to listen to the Lord in the Word of God, the Scriptures.

Indeed, our Faith Formation Team are offering a Bible Study program via Zoom from next Saturday (3rd May). But even if we can't do something like that, we have the chance to take a few minutes every day to read and reflect in the privacy of our own Homes; indeed, in our own rooms. And to do this, we need to avoid the contemporary tendency to fill any silence with noise: music, TV, gaming.

If we allow ourselves time to listen ... God will speak!

We will experience what the Disciples did, and we will be able to say with them:

"our hearts burned within us as he spoke to us".

1. Please check our Parish Webpage and Facebook page for all updates. And especially look at the details of how to be a part of the Bible program offered from next Saturday (3rd May).
2. Although we cannot schedule confession times, both Fr Zvonimir and myself are available via appointment - access our email or AH phone to make a time. Details for these are on the parish webpage or Facebook page.
3. If you would like to receive the Parish Bulletin directly to your Inbox, please send a request to Tanya, who can put together a BCC group mail out.
4. We now have a secure on-line payment option available. For donations, 1st and 2nd collections and other monetary support, **BPoint**, this option is now available. Thank you for your generosity.

My personal Thanks to those continuing to support the parish in so many ways; especially I think we need to thank those who enable us to have a live-stream mass each week.

A final point. We priests had hoped to receive the Job Keeper payment over this time, so that our Clergy Remuneration Fund (the First Collection) would not run out of funds during these days of church closures. However, recent legal advice is that the legislation specifically states that ministers of religion are not to receive it! Oh well... another example of secular society not valuing our religious ministry!

God Bless you all

Fr John

### Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6:00am  
 Sun 7:30am, 9am, 11am, 6:00pm

### Weekday Mass Times

Mon 9am Liturgy of the Word with Communion  
 Tues-Fri 9am Mass  
 + Wed 10am Mass (School during school term)  
 + Thurs: 11.15am Mass (Church during school term)  
 (+ School Masses please see "This Week in our Parish.")

### Masses for Special Occasions

1st Fri 7.30pm Novena Mass (Sacred Heart)  
 2nd Tues 7.30pm Novena Mass (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)  
 3rd Fri 11.00am Nursing Home Mass (ARV Mass)

### Exposition + Benediction

Fri after 9am Mass  
 1st Sat after 9am Mass  
 after the Novena Masses

### Reconciliation

Sat: 5.00-5.45pm upon request

### Sacrament of the Sick

1st Sat 9.00am Mass  
 3rd Fri 11am (ARV Mass)

### Devotion + Prayers

Sun 8.15am Divine Office in Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
 Mon 7.30pm Christ Meditation (Meet in Parish Meeting Room) Frances Pegram 0417 406715  
 Tues 7pm Rosary and Novena Prayer in church (1st and 2nd Tues)  
 Fri 6.30pm Christ Community Prayer (in Parish) Pauline 417039

### 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."*



For further updates with regards to our parish activities, always check our website <http://john23rd.com/> and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/john23rdparish/>  
 For Mass recordings check our website or subscribe to our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCImEQLA7Nz5yhCCGgdyiCLg>

## FAITH FORMATION

### ⇒ Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Marys).



“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.

With the current Covid19 crisis, families who are rostered are requested to communicate between families on the transfer of the Blessed Statue. Families on the roster, if unable to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Bart or Melva.



We are in urgent need for volunteers to assist in the following ministries in our Parish:

### ⇒ Children's liturgical ministers

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 1st Mass, please contact Helen Zammit on 8883 598.

### ⇒ 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](mailto:krizzia.samonte@gmail.com) or the Parish Office.

### ⇒ SRE Teachers

If you could spare 30 minutes on weekdays to spread God's word teaching the scriptures to children, **we need you**. We currently have 4 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 contact ASOK on 020265 or Renuka 0414 795814. Training and support will be provided.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

### ⇒ VINNIES VAN

The Vinnies Van provides food, friendship, compassion and dignity to those experiencing homelessness and social isolation in the Mount Druitt and Parramatta areas. To become a volunteer of Vinnies Van you must be 16 years of age and over and available to attend induction training upon commencement. For more information on joining the Vinnies Van team, please contact Naomi Reynoldson on [naomi1@vinniesvan.org.au](mailto:naomi1@vinniesvan.org.au)

## Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

Apr	7	14	21	28	
	Thirimanne	Sebastian	Shalini	Jacob	
May	5	12	19	26	
	Thirimanne	De Jesus	Sebastian	Jacob	
Jun	2	9	16	23	30
	Cano	Shalini	Richards	Thirimanne	Jacob
Jul	7	14	21	28	
	Tanganun	Shalini	available	Jacob	
Aug	4	11	18	25	
	Thirimanne	available	Sebastian	Jacob	

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) or Melva Paguinto [emcipi85@yahoo.com.au](mailto:emcipi85@yahoo.com.au)

“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

## COMMUNITY BUILDING

### ⇒ Resource links

For more directive updates from the Diocese during this time of COVID19 crisis <https://parracatholic.org/covid19/> or their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/parracatholic/>

### For parishioners' wellbeing

**Lifeline:** <https://www.lifeline.org.au/> or call 131114

**Kids Helpline:** <https://kidsline.com.au/> or call 1800551800

### Headspace: Advice for Young People

<https://headspace.org.au/young-people/how-to-cope-with-stress-related-to-covid-19/>

**Beyond Blue:** <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/> or call 1300 22 4636

**Catholic Care Parramatta:** 8843 2575

### Supporting your wellbeing through the Covid-19 pandemic:

<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/coronavirus-and-your-wellbeing/>

**Australian Psychological society Resources for Covid-19 - quite comprehensive:** <https://www.psychology.org.au/COVID-19-Australians>

### World Health Organisation - Covid-9 and Mental Health:

[https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/helping-children-cope-with-stress-print.pdf?sfvrsn=f3a063ff\\_2](https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/helping-children-cope-with-stress-print.pdf?sfvrsn=f3a063ff_2)

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

## Paying our debt together

**First Collection** – for the diocese. This is used for the support of priests and deacons 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; it is also needed to pay off our church mortgage. A Planned giving Program is in place to help us with the running cost of the church.

**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. The Parish Finance Committee encourages all parishioners to register for direct debit or credit card deductions or use our Tap&Go machines instead of the envelop system. This will be very helpful for Budgeting.

## Special intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Spencer Schlyder

### Deceased:

### Anniversary:

Felipe Villalba

### Sick: Names published with permission.

Brian McCunnie, Colleen McCunnie, Deidre Thomson, Benjamin Munson Jr, Greg Marcellana, Jim Daley, Kim Anika, Anshu Mala Nand, Elizabeth Candame, Virginia Santos, Raymond Lanzona, Gloria Buosi, Hazel Masher, Pat Doyle, Florentina Elisura, Perla Magculang, Norbert Mascarenhas, Elizabeth Newnes, Kalayani, Bernie Presto, Isagani Ocampo, Christina Properzi, Zenira D'Souza, Elmo Joachim, Sophie De leon, Virgina Santos, Praba Daniel, Dung Phan, Karam Matte, Karam Sarsam

### Thanksgiving:

## 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 e.g. 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 buried overseas. The plaques cost \$250.00.

Please email for any queries to [businessmanager@john23rd.org.au](mailto:businessmanager@john23rd.org.au)

## Parish Notices

### ⇒ New Mass and church building guidelines

The Diocese of Parramatta issued new guidelines to clergy and parishes based on the new government directives around social and religious space, that came into effect at midday Monday, 23 March 2020. These new Diocesan guidelines have also been made available to the general public at <https://parracatholic.org/covid19/>

Church buildings are closed and Masses (both indoors and outdoors) are to cease. Funerals and weddings are allowed to take place with strict social distancing required by the government. Only emergency baptisms will continue at this point, with each priest/deacon to use their own discretion on how to handle these as long as social distancing rules are observed.

### ⇒ Helping our Parish

A practical impact of this pandemic is the financial impact to the Parish. Without the collections, we are looking into a very difficult time for the rest of the year. This is an impact that is going to be felt by many of you.

If you would like to continue to support the Parish, we will encourage you to please make your donations online. There will be forms available in the foyer if you would like to switch to this way of supporting the parish financially. Our Tap and Go is also available at \$5 or \$10.

If you have Planned Giving envelopes, please place those in the mailbox outside the sacristy door.

### ⇒ Sunday Mass streamed live

We will stream live 10:30am every Sunday. Join us, but remember, even if this is a virtual mass, it should be treated with reverence. No food or drinks during the live stream.

How do we prepare ourselves for the live stream:

- Before it starts read the Mass readings (can be access through our website)
- It would be good if the whole family in the house joins together in the Mass.
- Have a few moments to think what to thank the Lord for and what to offer him during this time.
- Stay in reverent gesture throughout the Mass, standing up or sitting down. Join in the prayers, responses and singing (if present). Remember that you are praying with many other fellow parishioners and more.
- At the time of Communion, make a spiritual communion (Act of Spiritual Communion).  
*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen*
- At the end of the Mass, take a moment of silence, read scriptural readings again and reflect how you can live God's Word that day.

## Church Funnies



## OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

### Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

Principal: Louise O'Donnell

☎ (02) 8664 7100

✉ [holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto: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](mailto:stmarks@parra.catholic.edu.au)

### Catholic Early Learning Centre

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

☎ (02) 9852 0585

✉ [celcstanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:celcstanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au)

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

## Entrance Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 65:1-2*

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia

## First Reading

*Acts 2:14, 22-33*

*It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.*

On the day of Pentecost, Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy: my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11, R. v.11*

**(R.) Lord, you will show us the path of life.**

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.' **(R.)**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **(R.)**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **(R.)**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

*1 Pt 1:17-21*

*The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.*

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*See Lk 24:32*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

## Gospel

*Jn 20:19-31*

*They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Jn 20:27*

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.





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

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Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

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## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism by appointment

Sun 12:00pm

### Reconciliation (First Rite)

Sat 5:00 - 5:45pm

And after any weekday masses  
upon request

## 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](http://www.facebook.com/john23rdparish)

## SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments  
and constructive suggestions.

## Message from Bishop Vincent Long

## Easter Offerings



## FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD

*Ephesians 5:1-2*

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Your gift supports our parish to share  
Christ's message of love and salvation with all

**GIVE TO YOUR PARISH**

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Every year, as a people of faith, we gather at parishes during Holy Week and celebrate God's steadfast, unconditional and grace-filled love for us.

This Easter, during the corona virus pandemic, I hope that you, your family and friends, are as safe and healthy as possible.

Although socially isolated, we can still rejoice together from home as one Church, as the One Body of Christ, knowing that we are helping to save and protect lives.

Let us rejoice and give thanks to God for all that He has done for us in Jesus . . . for our salvation and all the lives that He has transformed through His saving grace.

Let us rejoice in all the good work in our community that God accomplishes through us together within our parish families and as individuals.

Our parishes rely on the generosity of our faith community to sustain our liturgical, sacramental, pastoral and charitable ministries and we are ever grateful for your faithful support.

The COVID-19 pandemic is having an unimaginable impact on our parishes and their ability to raise funds to support their ministries, pastoral care programs and charitable works.

If you can manage to do so, would you please consider an Easter Offering gift towards the evangelical work of your local parish as a way to joyfully respond to God's gift of grace to us in Jesus Christ?

Any gift, whatever you can give, will nurture the spiritual vitality of our parishes and will ensure that we can continue to provide Christian pastoral care that brings hope and joy to our community.

The spirit of giving and sharing our blessings is what's important.

If you're able to consider a gift of sustained support for your parish through planned giving, the best way is through recurring monthly online donations. It's safe and easy; and your automatic contributions will ensure that your spiritual decision to support your parish and faith family remains an ongoing priority.

More than ever, our Church is needed to bring love, hope, care and Christ's message of salvation to our community.

To support your parish with a one-off or recurring donation, please give via the form below, or contact your parish direct.

Every gift bears witness to God's love for us and deepens our own sense of living gratitude for the grace that He has poured out into each of our hearts and lives.

May God continue to bless you this Easter and always and keep you safe and in good health.

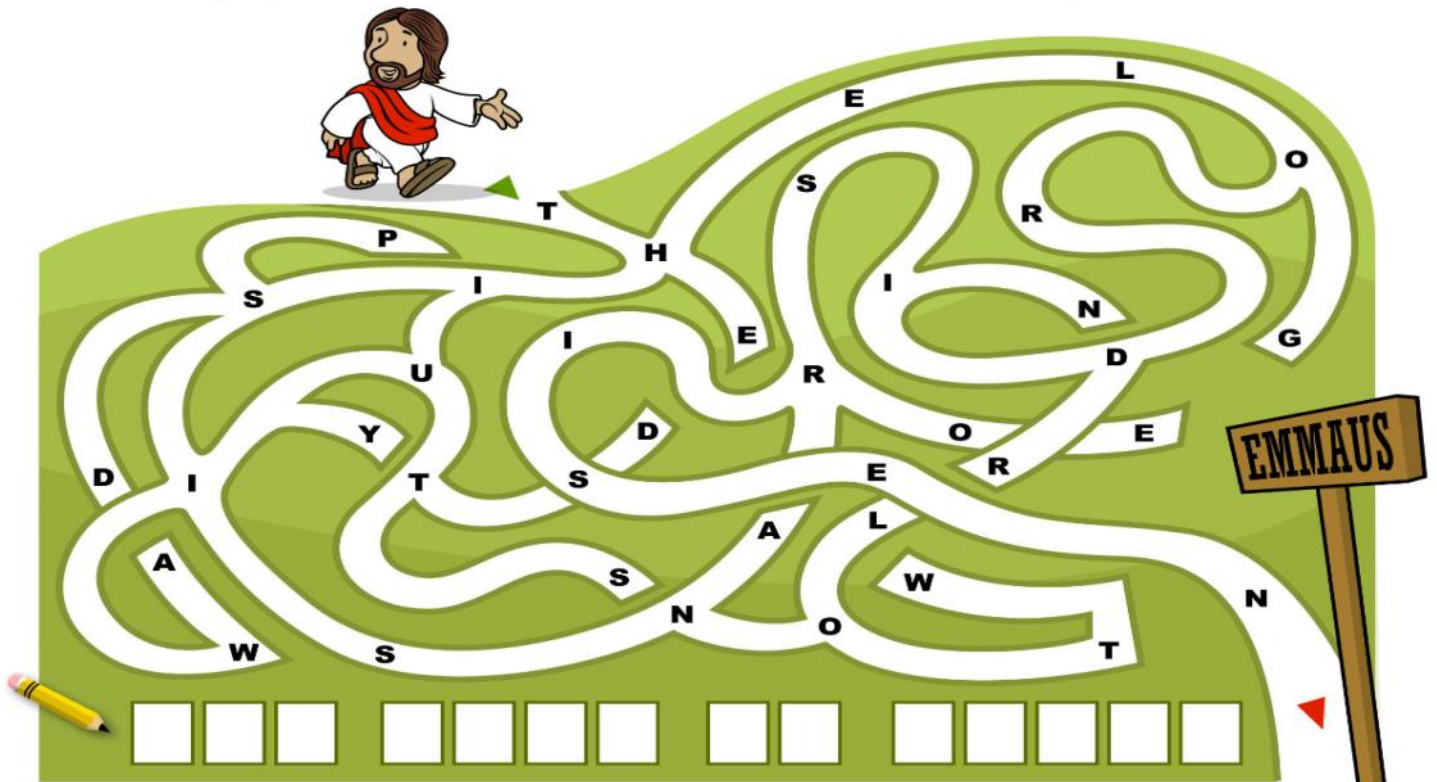
*+ Vincent Long*

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv

For more events please go

## Kids' Corner

Draw yourself walking beside Jesus as you try to find the way to Emmaus. As you pass through the letters along the correct path, write them down in the boxes below to discover what the disciples learned at Emmaus.



They knew it was Jesus when he broke bread

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

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Jerusalem

Cleopas  
Messiah

disappear  
Scriptures

eat  
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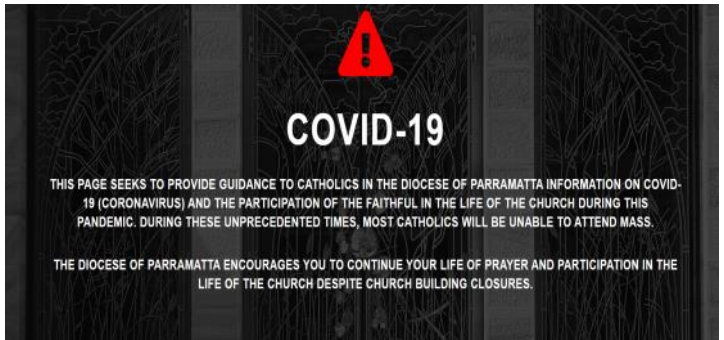
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### ⇒ Cardinal Pell and the Victorian Criminal Justice System

Cardinal George Pell has been acquitted of all charges of child sexual abuse by Australia's highest court – the High Court of Australia. In criminal cases, they usually sit only a bench of five judges. In Pell's case, the full bench of seven sat. They knew the world was watching. They often write separate opinions. But in the case of Cardinal Pell they all put their name to one judgment. They unanimously upheld his appeal and in almost record time.

To read the complete article follow the link <https://www.catholicoutlook.org/cardinal-pell-and-the-victorian-criminal-justice-system/>



For more updates and useful resources visit <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#faq>

## 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**.

### BLAZE YOUTH LEADERS

Youth Coordinator - Amanda Lee - 0413 545 318

Assistant Youth Coordinator - Caitlin Green - 0425 579 594

#### Youth Ministry Team

Natasha Surjanto

Taylor Coutinho

Johanna Neve

Johnathan Soosaipillai

Joy Ragaza

#### Support Leaders

Andrew Gorkic

Rebecca Reynolds

Neville Reynolds

RJ Samonte

Vidya Jolly

### CRL (*Community of the Risen Lord*)

**When:** 3rd Sunday Praise & Worship night

**Time:** 4.00pm to 5.30pm

### CRL YOUTH LEADERS

Rojith de Silva - 0405 956 3210

Nimeshi Fernando -0417 101 009

### YFC (*Youth for Christ*)

**When:** 1st Saturday of the month - YFC Australia  
3rd Sundays of the

month - YFC International

### YFC YOUTH LEADERS

#### YFC International

Vince Erasmo - 0406 253 698

#### YFC Australia

Ben Lim - 0431 795 571

## Youth Ministry

SJXXIII Youth is looking for volunteer youth facilitators who can commit to assisting with our BLAZE fortnightly sessions. Any enquiries can be sent to [youth@john23rd.com.au](mailto:youth@john23rd.com.au).

✉ For all youth ministry enquiries, email us at [youth@john23rd.com](mailto:youth@john23rd.com)



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