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**Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
11th July 2021**

Today's first reading continues last Sunday's theme, with Amaziah the priest forthrightly telling the annoying Amos to go back where he came from: Judean Amos had gone north to speak against the king and kingdom of Israel. The northern priest rejects Amos because of his bad news and the suggestion his allegiance is with outsiders. But Amos responds, literally, "I am no prophet, nor the son of a prophet", by which he dissociates himself from the professional prophets who, earning their keep by "prophecy", may themselves have a conflict of interests. Amos' allegiance is indeed elsewhere, for he was sent by God, and thus he speaks against the north not because he wants to but because he is compelled to. That sense of compulsion is not found in today's gospel reading as the disciples are sent out in pairs to preach, though later in the light of the resurrection they will be impelled by joy to proclaim salvation in Christ. Mark's passage is somewhat strange: it has some parallel in 3:13-15 where the Twelve are called and appointed to be sent out to preach. Today's passage has more details, but it is still perplexing for not saying what they were to preach. In the parallel section in Matthew 10:7-11 they are to preach that the kingdom of heaven is near, the same message Jesus began his public ministry with; and in Luke 9:1-6 they preach the kingdom of God and the gospel, as does Jesus at the beginning of his ministry in Mark 1:14-15. Today in Mark, literally, "going out they proclaimed that they [i.e., the people they addressed] should repent". It seems in Mark that the proclamation of the presence of the kingdom of God is the mission of Jesus alone, with the disciples, like John the Baptist, preparing the way. In this episode, however, they do heal people, in both spirit and body. This gospel passage is the first part of another Marcan sandwich, with the disciples returning next Sunday in the second part of this first story. Dividing the gospel the way the Lectionary does omits the second story, the filling, the account of John the Baptist's imprisonment (mentioned in 1:14) and death, which had already taken place, but we are not told when they occurred. It tells of King Herod imprisoning John for criticising his marriage with Herodias, yet Herod recognised John to be a holy man and he experienced doubt on hearing him and yet he gladly listened to him. Herod shows the required openness to conversation, and conversion, but ultimately he was too weak to surpass the fears rooted in the preservation of his status. From Mark's construction we deduce that the twelve disciples had more success among the common folk to whom they were sent.

A detail unique to Mark is easily overlooked in today's gospel: among the other things Jesus tells the disciples not to take is bread. In the second part of this device, when they return in next Sunday's reading, things are so busy that they have no opportunity "to eat bread" (literally translated), and this is the pretext of Jesus' withdrawing them to a quiet place. These references to bread and eating prepare for Mark's first feeding of the crowd at what turned out not to be a quiet place. At that point the Lectionary switches over to John's account of that story. Yet another detail threads through Mark's construction that actually began in the second half of v.6 but that is omitted by the Lectionary: Jesus went round the villages teaching. In the second part, when Jesus and the returning disciples withdraw, the people track them down, and Jesus sets himself to teach them. A metaphorical parallel is drawn between his teaching and feeding the crowd, between nourishing the heart (or mind or spirit) and the body, both with the assistance of the disciples; to teach is to feed.

Today we begin reading the letter titled 'to the Ephesians' (the oldest manuscripts do not mention Ephesus). Its beautiful opening praise of our election and salvation in Christ is an apt text for reflecting on our being called and chosen, and sent forth as messengers of Christ. The message is all good news, so we might expect it to be welcomed gladly, but any change threatens someone's status quo and so there will always be some who reject it.

Text: Homily Help - Rev Dr Barry Craig - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6pm
Sun 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 8.30am
Tues-Fri 9:15am
Sat 9.00am

Masses for Special Occasions

1st Tues 7.30pm Novena Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
1st Fri 7pm Novena Mass
Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition + Benediction

1st Fri after 9.15am Mass
1st Sat after 9am Mass
 after the Novena Masses

Reconciliation

After any of the weekday masses
Sat: after the 9am mass until 10am
 5:15 - 5:45pm before the Vigil Mass

Sacraments

1st Sat 9am Mass for the Sick
Sun 12pm Baptism *by appointment*

Devotions & Prayers

Mon 7.30pm Christian Meditation
via Zoom Frances Pegrum
 0417 406715
Tues 7pm Rosary and Novena
Prayer in the church
except for 1st Tues
Fri 6.30pm Christ Catholic
 Community Prayer Group
Pauline Camilleri 0407 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."



Entrance Antiphon

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading

Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

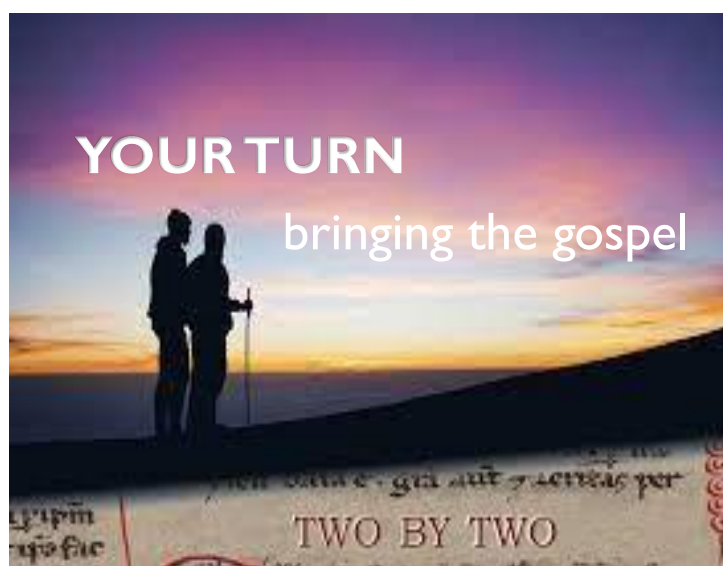
Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



Special intentions

Recently Deceased:

Luz Borromeo

Deceased:

Anniversary:

Sick: Names published with permission.

Fr Kevin Walsh, Rev Fr Jeffrey Fernandes, Natividad Reyes, Gavin Forsyth, Pat Doyle, Lynette & Alister Alexander, Oliver Perera, Nathan Braganza, Thelma Duncan, Kalayani, Colleen McCunnie, Maria Romeo, Jess Calvo, Kristy Arceo, Perla Magculang, Iyrika D'Cruz, Bernie Presto, Karam Matte, Karam Sarsam, Elmo Joachim, Gloria Buosi, Nathan Parker, Hazel Masher, Kim Anika, Arlene Caraballo, Dung Phan, Praba Daniel, Rebecca Shields, Gustavo Montenegro, Marcelino Matteazzi, Benjamin Munson Jr, Epifania Samaniego, Elizabeth Candame, Geoffrey Robinson, Felicísimo Esteban, Anshu Mala Nand, Raymond Lanzona, Elizabeth Newnes, Florentina Elisura, Christina Properzi, Deidre Thomson, Greg Marcellana, Elizabeth Cayas, Mavie Dela Cruz, Zenira D'Souza, Sophie De Leon, Marvi Antonino, Isagani Ocampo, Virginia Santos

Thanksgiving:

COVID-19 NOTICES

Please check out the following sites for any and all updates:

NSW Health COVID site <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/latest-updates.aspx>

NSW Government site <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>



Check in and help keep everyone safe

By law, some businesses, venues and events need you to check-in.

For ease on contact tracing, as per NSW COVID regulation, a QR Code is displayed at both church doors for scanning purposes.



If you are not feeling well, please DO NOT come into church.

WEEKDAY MASSES do not require any on-line booking.

Sign in to register attendance, whether for mass or for visitation. Registration sheet and hand sanitisers can be found as you enter. Scan the QR Code posted by the doors. **Entry and exit is via the rear doors.**

WEEKEND MASSES (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) still require

ONLINE BOOKING via **Eventbrite** <https://john23rd.eventbrite.com.au/> until such time that further COVID legislation changes.

Please arrive 15mins before the mass times to give time for registration confirmation.

Arriving early will also give you time for reflection and prayer; quiet your thoughts before we start our communion with God.

Entrance and exit is via the front door.

If you are unable to attend your booked mass time, please ensure to cancel your booking to give a chance for others to attend the mass.

If you have not arrived in time (before mass starts) for your allocated booking, your spot will be given to those waiting/wanting to attend mass.

PARRAMATTA DIOCESE UPDATES ON COVID19

THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ENCOURAGES YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR LIFE OF PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH DESPITE CHURCH BUILDING CLOSURES.

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



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.

Church Calendar

July

Mon	12	8:30am - no Mass
Tues	13	9:15am - no Mass 7:00pm - no Novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed	14	9:15am - no Mass
Thurs	15	<i>Saint Bonaventure (M)</i> 9:15am - no Mass
Fri	16	9:15am - no Mass
Sat	17	Masses for this day still to be confirmed
Sun	18	Masses for this day still to be confirmed

The Diocese of Parramatta has communicated revised regulations to clergy, parishes, staff and the general public via a letter and online communication channels. These Diocesan guidelines are also available on the COVID-19 website at: <https://parracatholic.org/covid19/>

Dispensation from Mass

The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation remains in place (Canon 1247, Canons 85 and 87, and Catechism of the Catholic Church 2180-2188). Once the dispensation is lifted it will be communicated to your parishes, agencies and ministries.

Face masks

Effective from Tuesday 22 June 2021, face masks were made **mandatory** at all indoor venues (including places of worship and workplaces) for the next seven days across Greater Sydney and the Blue Mountains. This applies to the Chancery and parish offices.

Singing during Mass and liturgies

Indoor singing by the congregation is not permitted at this time during Masses and liturgies.

Singing by choirs is permissible, provided members of the choir wear masks.

COVID-19 Safety Plan

COVID-19 Safety Plans are still required at all religious venues. Parishes will need to comply with their COVID-19 Safety Plans.

The number of people allowed at places of worship and religious services will continue to only be limited by the 2 square metre rule.

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 favour I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Marys).



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

If you want the opportunity of having the statue of Our Lady visit your home, please contact Bart Sarlabus via email bart.sarlabus@gmail.com or Melva Paguinto emcipi85@yahoo.com.au

Novena prayers 7pm every Tuesday except every First Tuesday it's a Novena mass 7:30pm

Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

Jul	6 <i>Tanganan</i>	13 Ring	20 Deang	27 Jacob	
Aug	3 Ring	10 Lozada	17 Sebastian	24 Gan	31 Jacob
Sep	7 Manalo	14 Tanganan	21 Erasmo	28 Javelosa	
Oct	5 Erasmo	12 Sebastian	19 Shalini	26 Jacob	
Nov	2 Gan	9 Barnouti	16 Ring	23 Jacob	30 Melva
Dec	7 Jacob	14 Richards	21 Richards	28 Richards	

Families on the 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

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. Mahatma Gandhi

We are in urgent need for volunteers to assist in the different pastoral ministries in our Parish.



⇒ 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.

⇒ GARDENERS AND CLEANERS

Garden Bees - our gardens look magnificent thanks to the work of our abled parishioners but more help is needed. The commitment would be whatever time you can spare - a few hours a fortnight to assist in the maintenance of the church's garden surrounds.

Cleaners - we have four teams of cleaners who clean the church on a monthly cycle and four teams who clean the votive candle stands every few months. Both groups need more bodies to help out, urgently. The commitment would be a few hours each month. For more information contact maintenance@john23rd.org.au

⇒ SRE Teachers

If you could spare an hour during weekdays to spread God's word teaching the 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.

⇒ WEEKDAY WARRIORS

The church pews are undergoing refurbishment. We are looking for volunteers to help carry some pews down to the basement where they are being repaired. If you can assist, please let Fr Jolly know or call the parish office.

⇒ 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 SJ23rd Vinnies Van team, please contact Naomi Reynolds at naomi1.rey@gmail.com



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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



Parking Reminder

Please make sure when you come to Mass, let us consider our neighbours. Do not block the neighbours' driveway.

Paying our debt together

FIRST COLLECTION - for the support of the priests and deacons of the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION - 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.

Planned Giving Program as part of the second collection

A Planned giving Program is in place to help us with the planning/budgeting for the church expenses. To register, an **SJ23rd form** is available at the church foyer or the website.

The Parish Finance Committee encourages all parishioners to register for direct debit or credit card deductions instead of the envelope system.

We encourage everyone to contribute financially as you leave by using the *TapnGo* machines or online via BPoint. We have *TapnGo* at both the doors.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2021

- ◆ Do you wish to serve in our Parish liturgies?
- ◆ Are you 10 years old or over?
- ◆ Have you received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Holy Communion?

If so, we invite you to join our Junior Altar Server ministry. **Training sessions** will be held on **Saturday 17th and 24th of July**, with commissioning on 2nd of August.

Application forms are available at the church foyer, sacristy, from our parish office or from the parish website.

Please call or SMS Wira Peiris on 0424 738 484 or Natasja Surjanto 0420 731 890 or email at secretary@john23rd.org.au for further details.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course 2021

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be running a second time in August 2021. This is formation for anyone interested in serving in the Liturgical Ministries of Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Communion to the Sick and Dying.

All applications need to be endorsed by your parish Priest prior to attending the first Introductory session.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course:

Mondays on the weeks of 2nd August – 13th September, 7:00PM at the Institute For Mission, Blacktown

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3456 or email anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org or refer to link to download the August 2021 enrolment form:

<https://officeforworship.org.au>

Please complete and return the form before Friday 23rd July 2021

SPONSOR A PEW



WE are refurbishing our church pews, as a cheaper alternative, to make mass attendance more comfortable and safe for everyone in the parish.

On this note, we would like to invite parishioners, if able, to sponsor a pew. It can be in memory of a deceased loved ones and wish to be

remembered or it could be your family's gift to the parish community. It could also be a way of thanking God for the graces of a lovely family you have and the blessings you received from the Lord. Each pew will cost from \$2,500 each.

To remember the donor family and their loved ones, a small memorial plaque or Donated by plaque will be placed on each Pew, upon request.

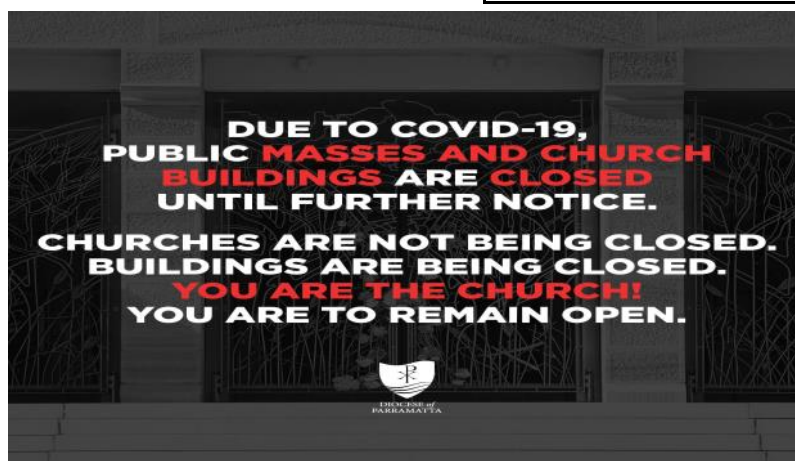
If you are interested please contact the Parish office on 8883 5981

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR 2021

WHAT	DATE	TIME
Enrolment Ritual	SUN 1 ST AUG	9 AM or 10.30 AM or 6 PM
Children's Session #1	SAT 14 TH AUG OR SUN 15 TH AUG	4 - 5 PM
Children's Session #2	SAT 21 ST AUG OR SUN 22 ND AUG	4 - 5 PM
Children's Session #3	SAT 28 TH AUG OR SUN 29 TH AUG	4 - 5 PM
Confirmation Ceremonies	SAT 11 TH SEP	11 AM
	WED 15 TH SEP	6 PM
	SAT 18 TH SEP	11 AM
	WED 22 ND SEP	6 PM

For children who have received Holy Communion and are in Year 6

All activities above will be at the Church
For interested parties, please contact Helen Zammit sacramental@john23rd.org.au



Bishop Vincent's pastoral letter on the proposed Parental Rights Bill

Bishop Vincent has released a pastoral letter to the pastors, parents and the faithful of the Diocese of Parramatta on the proposed Parental Rights Bill. The letter can be read here <https://parracatholic.org/pastoral-letter-to-the-people-of-parramatta-on-the-parental-rights-bill/>

Diocese of Parramatta COVID-19 update

Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have COVID-Safety plans in place requiring social distancing, maximum attendance figures and other safety measures. It is currently strongly recommended that masks be worn to Mass and other services. You are encouraged to check with your parish on what measures they have in place before attending. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19

Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, contact House of Welcome on office@houseofwelcome.com.au or (02)9727 9290 or JRS on foodbank@jrs.org.au or (02) 9098 9336.

Life, Marriage and Family Office Marriage Preparation Courses

Dates for the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office's in-person marriage preparation weekend courses in 2021 are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information or to book your course, visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.

Community Visitors Scheme Volunteers Needed

The Community Visitors Scheme, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to provide a friendly visit to residents in local Aged Care Facilities who are lonely or isolated from their family and friends. If you feel you could spare one hour a week or a fortnight to help a person feel more valued and respected, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.

Pastoral Council Formation and Training

The Pastoral Planning Office are hosting monthly Zoom sessions offering best practice in a variety of areas for parish, deanery and diocesan pastoral councils to serve Christ's mission. Sessions will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm to 9pm. To share and grow with other parish councils, please register at <https://tinyurl.com/serving-christs-mission> or contact Lisa for more information on 0448 652 720 or lisa.bright@parracatholic.org

Manage your Fertility Naturally!

Are you looking for a natural effective method to manage your fertility? Are you trying to achieve pregnancy? Are you breastfeeding and looking for a natural way to space your children? Natural Fertility Services – Diocese of Parramatta might just have the answers you're searching for. For more information, or to book an appointment, contact Catherine on 0400 427 605 or catherinebourne@parra.catholic.org or visit www.parralmf.org.au

Other

Get vaccinated for the common good

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More info is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

Support Mass for You at Home

Many people who are isolated, in prison, in hospital or don't have internet rely on Mass for You at Home. The Catholic Mass is broadcast free-to-air each Sunday morning on Channel 10 and WIN at 6am. Can you support the project, through prayers or financial support? Find out more at www.massforyou.com.au

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>. Applications close 30 July 2021.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

BLAZE

BLAZE youth group is held every second Friday throughout the school term in the St John XXIII school hall. Youth runs from 7:15 to 9pm and accommodate a fun and engaging night of faith-based talks encouraging teens to walk with Christ in a nurturing community. If you would like to come along to one of our sessions, please contact the team at blaze@john23rd.org.au

Youth Coordinator

Amanda Lee - 0413 545 318

Assistant Youth Coordinator

Caitlin Green - 0425 579 594

Youth Leaders

Anna Todhunter

Taylor Coutinho

Johnathan Soosaipillai

Natasha Surjanto

Charlotte Todhunter

For all youth ministry enquiries, ✉ blaze@john23rd.org.au or
visit our FB page <https://www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/> 🍷



Come and Join !

MORE YOUTH GROUPS

CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

CRL YOUTH LEADERS

Rojith de Silva - 0405 956 3210

Nimeshi Fernando -0417 101009

YFC (Youth for Christ)

YFC YOUTH LEADERS

YFC International

Vince Erasmo - 0406 253 698

YFC Australia

Jonathan Montaos 0401 478 733

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

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✉ holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au

John XXIII & St Mark's College

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

Principal: Dr Peter Webster

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PEOPLE,
DO NOT BURY YOUR
TALENTS,
THE GIFTS THAT
GOD
HAS GIVEN YOU!
DO NOT BE AFRAID
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GREAT
THINGS!
POPE FRANCIS



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NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome to our parish
community!

Please take a welcome envelope pack
from the front entrance.

Visit our website <http://john23rd.com/>

Like our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/john23rdparish

View our livestreams via YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJohn%20XXIIIStanhopeGardensParish>

SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and
constructive suggestions.

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

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