



The Ascension of the Lord 29th May 2022



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.

Jewish movements other than the early Christian Church were also antagonistic towards the Temple's cultic priesthood and sacrifices. Some, if not rejecting of the Temple itself were at least ambivalent towards it, since God who makes all things cannot be contained by the cosmos he has made, let alone by a small shrine within it. This sentiment was expressed before the foundation of Solomon's Temple when David's prior offer to build one was rejected. Even earlier the Presence of God that accompanied the Ark of the Covenant was conceptualised as the empty space between or above the wings of the Ark's decorative cherubim. The Ark was transferred from its former tent to the new Temple's innermost enclosure, the Holy of Holies, and even then a substantial veil hid the interior from sight. The Temple therefore always embodied something of a paradox: whereas pagan temples housed idols made by human hands, the Temple in Jerusalem elaborately pointed to something not made by human hands, to what we may call the "non-image" of God. It established a distinction between the human-made and the uncreated.

The New Testament bears repeated testimony to a decided rejection of the Temple's sacrificial cult, the Letter to the Hebrews containing a sustained criticism and rejection of it as the author explains how Christ replaces all aspects of it. The opening line of today's second reading (Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23) employs a key adjective, *cheiropoiētos*, most directly translated as "hand-made", but this always implies having been made "by human hands" and hence a common translation is "man-made"—it is never used of anything God makes, not even when God refers to "things my hand has made" (Isaiah 66:2). Its context here indicates the Temple, as it does elsewhere (Acts 7:48; 17:24; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Hebrews 9:11) but most notably in Mark 14:58 when Jesus is accused of having said "I will destroy this man-made shrine, and in three days I will fashion another not-made-by-human-hands". Such a statement contains a claim to divinity, but there was another sting in it for anyone familiar with the Septuagint Greek translations of the Hebrew Scriptures: the New Testament's nuance is new, for in the Septuagint it is used as a noun for idols. The New Testament reference thus appears to be calling the Jerusalem Temple an idol, and the imperative in the Abrahamic faiths is to destroy idols.

It is therefore curious to hear today's gospel reading (Luke 24:46-53) end on the mention that the now joy-filled disciples "were continually in the Temple praising God". This may simply reflect the primitive Church's earlier mentioned ambivalence about the Temple, both rejecting its cultic practices and priesthood yet honouring it as a place of prayer and worship. This possibility is definitely supported in Luke's sequel, the Acts of the Apostles, but here at the end of the gospel it may also indicate the disciples' unity in Christ as the new Temple. Now consider how things would be if Christ did not ascend, did not depart from our sight: though the appearances indicate his not being captive by the material constraints of the world, he is nonetheless visibly tangible during the encounter as the embodiment of the Presence of God. With his departure from sight we find the mystical Temple fully built: the Church, the Body of Christ, at prayer both visibly but temporarily manifests the Temple in the gathering of its members, and at its heart is the One who cannot be seen. The Church, like her Lord, is then a Temple begotten, not made.



PARRAMATTA
CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal
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Catholic Foundation Appeal this weekend please give generously to support our seminarians.

Mass Times

Mon	8:30am
Tues-Fri	9:15am
Sat	9:00am 6pm Vigil
Sun	7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm

Masses for Special Occasions

1st Tues	7:30pm Novena Mass <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>
1st Fri	7:30pm Novena Mass <i>Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>

Exposition + Benediction

1st Fri	after 9.15am 7.30pm Mass
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Reconciliation

After the weekday masses
 Sat: after the 9am mass until 10.30am
 5:15 - 5:45pm before the Vigil
 Mass *Or upon request*

Sacraments

Sun	12pm Baptism <i>by appointment</i>
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Devotions & Prayers

Mon	7.30pm Christian Meditation <i>Frances Pegram 0417 406715</i>
Tues	7pm Rosary and Novena <i>Prayer in the church except for 1st Tues</i>
Fri	6.30pm Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group <i>Pauline Camilleri 0407 417039</i>

Praise & Worship

Fri	7:30pm Risen Lord Comm
3rd Sat	7:30pm SJ23rd Prayer Grp



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."

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands in which the Catholic Parish of St John XXIII and the Diocese of Parramatta sits, the land of the Darug and Gundungurra people. We would like to pay our respects to the Aboriginal Elders past, present and future for they hold the traditions, memories and wisdom of Mother Earth on which we place our feet upon today.

For further updates with regards to our parish activities, check the following website <http://john23rd.com/> and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/john23rdparish/>

Entrance Antiphon

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**



Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23

Christ has entered heaven.

It is not as though Christ has entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he had opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our mind sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made the promise is faithful.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 24:46-53

While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

Special Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Natividad Reyes, Caroline Jones

Deceased:

Carmen, Paul, Frank Tedesco, Martin Creek, Rena & John Farrugia, John, Christopher, Carmen, Speditu, Toni, Stella, Ronnie, Ricky, Sunny Baldacchino

Anniversary:

Sick: Names published with permission.

Johnathan Gemin, Pat Doyle, Tony Muscat, Rosamma John Pellissery, Greg Marcellana, Kristy Arceo, Colleen McCunnie, Bev Lewis, Virginia Santos, Mavie Dela Cruz, Wally Atie, Elvis D'sa, Gloria Bueno, Zenira D'Souza, Hilary Regan, Maria Romeo, Iyrika D'Cruz, Dr Bronwyn Andrews, Ben & Etta Benesa, Dragica Julich, Jenat Perera, Charlie Busuttil, Elizabeth Candame, Isagani Ocampo, Perla Magculang, Sophie De Leon, Geoffrey Robinson, Anshu Mala Nand, Raymond Lanzona, Christina Properzi, Elizabeth Newnes, Florentina Elisura, Deidre Thomson, Anna Sebastian

Thanksgiving:

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

PRAYING in the SILENCE of the HEART

God, you love us and the contemplation of your forgiveness becomes a ray of goodness in the humble heart that entrust itself to you.

Brother Roger of Taizé

COELIACS

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

MAY Church Calendar

Mon 30 8:30am - Mass

Tues 31 *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F)*
9:15am - Mass
7:00pm - Novena prayers
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

JUNE

Wed 1 *Saint Justin (M)*
9:15am - Mass

Thurs 2 *Saints Marcellinus & Peter (OM)*
9:15am - Mass

Fri 3 *St Charles Lwanga & companions (M)*
9:15am - Mass

Sat 4 *Pentecost Vigil*
9.00am - Mass
6:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sun 5 *Pentecost*
7:30am 9:00am 10:30 - Mass
6:00pm - Mass

St John XXIII Catholic Parish

Cordially invites you to our

20TH Anniversary DINNER DANCE



25th June Saturday 7 to 11 pm
St John XXIII School Hall



\$100 per person

(Sangria drinks, Truffle fries, Tapas and Paella included)

Early Bird Promo \$80 per person if paid by 5th June

This is an 18+ Event | BYO | Smart Casual |
Photo Booth | Raffles Prizes | Live Auction for Fundraising

For ticket info, contact Grace Agbulos 0416 014 450

- Our Parish will have a Dinner Dance night on Saturday June 25 from 7 pm at St John 23rd's school hall to celebrate our 20th Anniversary. Tickets are \$100 per person. This includes sangria drinks, truffle fries, tapas, 3 types of paellas by Hola Catering and raffle prizes. Relive the memories with the photo booth. Dance to the music provided by a professional DJ. There are a few more tickets left. Buy now and you'll get the Early Bird Discount of only \$80 per person. Tickets are available at the foyer after each mass. No cash? No worries, we accept credit cards or EFTPOS payments. So, come and join us in our Dinner Dance on June 25 and let us all enjoy a great night!
- We are looking for sponsors for items to be auctioned during the Dinner Dance. This could be in the form of a voucher, business service or a desirable item. To show our gratitude for the sponsorship, they will have a spot in our bulletin's Advertisement page. Please contact Bob Agbulos on 0422 106 525 or email bragbulos@gmail.com to discuss and for more details.
- We are gathering photos of our parish events to add in our archives. If you have photos that you can share, please email them to sabinajohnstj23archives@gmail.com. It would be good to know the event and date when the photo was taken.

Hope to see you all and thanking you in advance for all your contribution and support to our Parish Community.

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>

Masks will no longer be mandatory for places of worship. However, masks are still strongly encouraged where you cannot maintain a safe distance from others.

For more events please go to parracatholic.org/events or <https://catholicoutlook.org/>

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 bart.sarlabus@gmail.com or Melva Paguinto emcpi85@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

	3	10	17	24	31
May	Javelosa	Paguinto	Erasmus B	Shalini	Jacob
Jun	7	14	21	28	
	Shalini	Richards	Barnouti	Phillip	
Jul	5	12	19	26	
	Tangunan	Jacob	Deang	Jacob	
Aug	2	9	16	23	30
	Barnouti	Ring	Sebastian	available	Jacob
Sep	6	13	20	27	
	available	Tangunan	Erasmus B	Javelosa	
Oct	4	11	18	25	
	Jacob	Ring	Shalini	Jacob	

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.



WE NEED YOU BACK

⇒ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FACILITATORS

We require assistance at the children's baptismal rites during Sundays 12pm. For interested parties please contact the Parish Office on 8883 5981.

⇒ 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, Thursdays and Fridays. For more information call Asoki 0430 020265 or Renuka 0414 795814.

Training and resources will be provided.

⇒ 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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES

First communion

8th June Wednesday
9th June Thursday
10th June Friday
14th June Tuesday
15th June Wednesday
16th June Thursday



For further information please contact Helen Zammit on sacramental@john23rd.org.au

⇒ GARDENERS AND CLEANERS

Now that the church is open for celebrations, its floors need to be swept of dust, cobwebs brushed off, candle stands cleaned and garden kept green. We would like to request all our volunteer cleaners and gardeners to come back and continue their ministry.

For more information contact maintenance@john23rd.org.au or the parish office.

Join us in all our parish festivities. We are now back as one community.

Save the dates:

Sunday - 5th June, 10:30am - Pentecost celebration
Saturday - 25th June, 7pm - Dinner Dance

PARISH NOTICES

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR DONORS FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE PEWS

Finance committee, Fr Zvonimir and Fr Jolly



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2022

If you are interested:

1. Fill up the form below and email to Bob Agbulos, bragbulos@gmail.com
2. Attend the training and commissioning, to be advised.

Call Bob Agbulos on 0422 106 525 for further details.

Forms available at the church foyer or from the parish website

Are you 10 years old and over?

Have you received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Holy Communion?

Do you want to assist the Clergy and Ministers at the Altars prior to, during and after the mass?

If you answered Yes to all the above, we invite you to become a Junior Altar Server of St John XXIII Parish

CONTACTS

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours

Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

Office Contacts

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CLERGY

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Helen Zammit

✉ sacramental@john23rd.org.au

Operations Manager:

Daphney Fernandes

✉ operations@john23rd.org.au

OTHER CONTACTS

Maintenance issues:

David Gorkic

✉ maintenance@john23rd.org.au

Columbarium queries:

Daphney Fernandes

✉ columbarium@john23rd.org.au

Pentecost Sunday 5 June 2022

Next Sunday we celebrate the feast of Pentecost. It commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and marks the beginning of the Church. To celebrate this feast, we encourage and request parishioners to come dressed in their traditional/national costume to celebrate our unity and love as a Christian community in the midst of our diversity of culture and traditions.

We will have a shared morning tea after the 10.30am Mass. Please bring a plate to share with other parishioners. Let us celebrate together the birthday of the church and the Christian community.

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%20XXIII%20Glenwood-StanhopeGardensParish>

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Paying our debt together

FIRST COLLECTION goes to support the priests and deacons of the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION provides for the running costs of the church and ministry expenses; it also goes to pay off our church mortgage.

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 using the **TapnGo** machines by the entrances or online via **BPoint**.

'The Well' offering on-demand spiritual nourishment

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with. Check out our featured range of videos and resources for children, families and young people. Visit www.thewell.org.au today.

Office for Worship Resources available

The Office For Worship has a range of resources available for purchase for individuals and parishes. Resources such as parent material for a child's baptism and a collation of prayers can be purchased from the Office For Worship by contacting (02) 8838 3457.

UPDATE: Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

More information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

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 2022 are now available, with the Smart Loving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more info or to book your course visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.

Vinnies Support Centres are still available to those in need

St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney are still available and taking calls to arrange for food vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need. If you need assistance, call the Support Centres in Blacktown on (02) 8861 9777, Harris Park on (02) 8861 9757 and Penrith on (02) 8861 9770. To find out more about what support is available, visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

Pastoral Formation offering leadership and formation courses in 2022

In 2022, we can still deepen our community connections and growth in faith! To encourage this, Pastoral Formation – Diocese of Parramatta has two programs FOR YOU – all offered in a COVID-safe manner.

- 1) Ministry Leadership Program: Perfect for current and aspiring ministry leaders. 10 or 20 sessions (\$10/session).
- 2) Themes of Faith Program: Ideal for people interested in asking life & faith questions in discussion groups. 10 sessions (\$5/session).

See our website pfparra.org.au or email met@parracatholic.org for more details

Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal is open

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta remains open and committed to assisting anyone with enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted via telephone and Zoom in response to COVID-19. Please contact the Tribunal office on (02) 8838 3480 or email tribunal@parracatholic.org.



St John XXIII
Catholic College

**YEAR 7 2024
OPEN DAY
TUESDAY 7TH JUNE
FROM 3:45PM**

**SCAN THE
QR CODE
TO REGISTER**



YOUTH MINISTRY

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

BLAZE

Blaze is a youth group, Yrs 4 - 12, with the mission of creating a space for teens to learn, grow, serve and live out our Catholic faith. We facilitate the understanding and growth of our faith through various activities exploring the catholic perspective on a variety of themes such as social issues, teen challenges and faith-related topic.

Join us for a fun night filled with music, games, discussion, prayer and of course pizza. BLAZE youth session runs from 7:15 to 9pm and is held every second Friday throughout the school term in the St John XXIII school hall.

If you would like to come along to one of our sessions, please contact the team at blaze@john23rd.org.au

Youth Coordinator	Asst Youth Coordinator	Youth Leaders	
Amanda Lee 0413 545 318	Caitlin Green 0425 579 594	Anna Todhunter Taylor Coutinho Natasha Surjanto	Charlotte Todhunter Johnathan Soosaipillai



For all youth ministry enquiries,

✉ blaze@john23rd.org.au

or visit our FB page

www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/

[blazeyouthsj23/](https://www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/)



BLAZE REGISTRATION FORM

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 253698

YFC Australia

Jonathan Montaos 0401 478733



DIOCESE YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Young people of the Diocese – we are with you

"I am with you always" Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people. The website parracatholic.org/ with you contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

Youth Ministry Leadership Pathway

A new pathway for leadership in youth ministry is here! Duc In Altum is an initiative of Catholic Youth Parramatta designed to provide practical youth ministry training, build community between youth leaders across the Diocese, and offer intentional time for prayer and reflection. For more information and details to sign up visit parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/ or email qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org

Catholic schools across the Diocese are enrolling now!

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Parramatta are enrolling now for 2023. To learn more please contact your local Catholic school or visit our website www.parra.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/find-a-school.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Catholic Early Learning Centre

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

☎ (02) 9852 0585

✉ celcestanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.celcestanhope.catholic.edu.au

Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

Principal: Louise O'Donnell

☎ (02) 8664 7100

✉ holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.hcglennwood.catholic.edu.au

John XXIII & St Mark's College

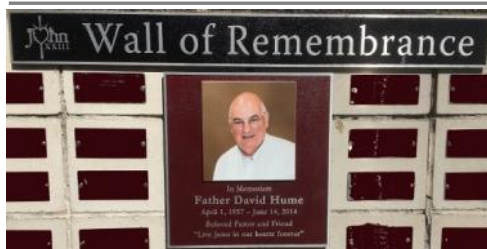
160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

Principal: Dr Peter Webster

☎ (02) 9852 0500

✉ stmarks@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.stjohn23stanhope.catholic.edu.au



MEMORIAL WALL

The wall in front of the church is devoted to the memory of our deceased family and friends, especially if they are buried overseas. For any enquiries please email columbarium@john23rd.org.au

The plaques cost \$400.00



PRAISE AND WORSHIP

3rd Saturdays at 7:30pm

SJ23rd Prayer Group



Vinnies

good works

Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:00pm



Reminder

Please make sure when you come to Mass, let us consider our neighbours.

Do not block the neighbours' driveway.



Join and be part of the

Cake Angels

contact Madeline Huang
cakeangels.stjohn23@gmail.com

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Risen Lord Community Praise & Worship Night

**FRIDAYS,
7.30pm**

**St John23rd
College Hall**



Come join us for an evening of deep intimacy with the Lord. Learn about the abundant and victorious life that Jesus died and purchased for us to have.

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COLUMBARIUM

Columbarium Niches reservations are getting filled from neighbouring parishioners. For our parishioners who are planning to buy a Niche, do so without delay, because we always want to prioritise members of our parish who wish to buy the Niches.



Members

Bernadette Virwani
Julienne Crasto
Bing Catabas

Chris Drummond
Margaret Harrison
Nanette Gamboa

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