



## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3rd July 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.

A BIG THANKS TO All the organiser, volunteers, and donors of the parish dinner. Your hard work and commitment to build the parish community is highly appreciated. After having heard the positive and encouraging words from all the parishioners who attended it I myself see it as a great opportunity for people to celebrate together, share their gifts and talents. The high light of the whole event was the high skill of Father Zvonimir dancing. Look forward to see more events and celebrations of this kind.

We also look forward for more volunteers getting involved to help the organisers to have more family oriented and community building social events like this.

Once again congratulations and thanks to everyone.

Fr Jolly Chacko MS

In last Sunday's gospel, immediately upon setting his face for Jerusalem at the beginning of the way of the cross, Jesus sent messengers "before his face". That passing reference is repeated and expanded in the opening of today's gospel, Luke 10:1-12, 17-20, abbreviated by omission of part of the acknowledgment that not all will accept their ministry (or further shortened to verse 1-9 by omitting all reference to the adversity those being sent may face, and all reference to their return). In this structure we see Luke's developed use of an earlier story with which it forms a pair, for only Luke has two accounts of Jesus sending people ahead of him.

The first sending is part of a sequence (Luke 9:1-61) that more closely follows Mark 6:7-44 than does expansive Matthew (chapters 9-14): Jesus sends out the Twelve (who had been already appointed in Mark 3:14-15 and Luke 6:13, but were just appointed in Matthew), there is an interlude touching on the death of John the Baptist, the Twelve return (a detail lost by Matthew) and a withdrawal occurs to a lonely place where five thousand are fed. Regarding the sending, Luke 9:1-6 differs from Mark in these points of interest: agreeing with Matthew the Twelve are not said to be sent in pairs, and their work is explained as preaching and healing (Matthew alone prohibiting their going to gentiles and Samaritans). In the prelude to the second sending, contrary to Matthew, they do go to at least one Samaritan town, which rejects them, but in the main episode Luke agrees with Mark in sending them in pairs, and unique to Luke they now number seventy or seventy-two (the manuscripts disagree).

Matthew and Luke share another feature in reporting Jesus saying "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few". This saying, which does not pertain to the calling to the ministerial priesthood and religious life as it is often used today, is particularly fitting here in Luke. The first sending of the Twelve is set during the Galilean ministry, but now Jesus is on a new path with a much larger scope—not only Jerusalem, but all Judea (the Jews) and Samaria (homeland of the despised mixed race), and indeed in time the ends of the world, that is, the gentiles. This larger scope needs more labourers, and so the way of the cross begins with a commission of many co-workers.

The universalist theme already being glimpsed in Luke finds support in Isaiah's concluding chapter, from which today's first reading is taken, though more clearly in the omitted following section that refers to the gathering to Jerusalem of people from all nations who honor God; some even from among the gentiles will be chosen as priests. The selection seems to contradict what we know will happen there, and which in this gospel Jesus has already indicated: that he will be rejected and killed. Even so, at the beginning of the mission there is also the hope that Jerusalem would receive the message proclaimed to her, and repent; this same sentiment is later admitted in the lament (Luke 13:34-35). Where this selection from Isaiah does correspond with the gospel pericope is the reference to God's sending "flowing peace, like a river... the glory of the nations". Here we may read Christ as "Peace" and "the Glory of the Nations", but the image of a flowing river works only because of the procession: all those called, appointed, and sent by him in a sense flow out from him and before him. As always, the gospel does not merely describe a past event but illustrates the Church in every age. At each celebration of the Eucharist we are offered the opportunity of remembering that we are called by him, and fed by him, and sent by him to proclaim in word and deed the good news—all of us, as workers in the harvest.

We have just celebrated the great feast of St Peter and Paul. Normally every parish in the world organises a special collection on the feast day or on the closest Sunday. The feast is known as St Peter's pence or Peter's penny. It is a gesture of our solidarity with the Pope. Through it every member of the faithful can participate in the pope's activity of helping the needy in the church. We have a leaving collection this Sunday in this regard.

### 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/>

### Mass Times

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

### Masses for Special Occasions

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| 1st Tues | 7.30pm Novena Mass<br>Our Lady of Perpetual Help |
| 1st Fri  | 7:30pm Novena Mass<br>Sacred Heart of Jesus      |

### Exposition + Benediction

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| 1st Fri | after 9.15am<br>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

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| Sun | 12pm Baptism by appointment |
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### Devotions & Prayers

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

### Praise & Worship

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| 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."

### Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

### First Reading

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah 66:10-14*

*I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.*

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

### Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20*

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R.**

'Before you all the earth shall bow: shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. **R.**

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **R.**

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul. Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. **R.**

### Second Reading

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians 6:14-18*

*The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.*

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Colossians 3:15, 16*

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

### Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 10:1-12, 17-20*

*Your peace will rest upon him.*

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

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

### Communion Antiphon

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

The harvest is plentiful



but the labourers are few

## Special Intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Carmen Morro

### Deceased:

Anton Fernando, Malini Fernando

### Anniversary:

Domenic Surdich, Mario Zec, Antonia Zec, Diane Calabria, Domenic Pelle, Alvin Reyes Jr Anita Tubalinal

### Sick: Names published with permission.

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

### Thanksgiving:

Merita Fernando

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

Jesus our peace, you call us to follow you throughout our whole lives. So, with humble trust, we come to realize that you are inviting us to welcome you again and again, for ever.

*Brother Roger of Taizé*

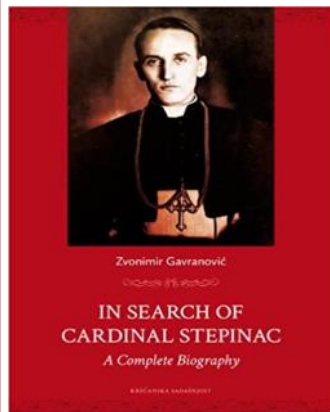
### COELIACS

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

### JULY Church Calendar

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|-------|----|---|
| Mon   | 4  | <i>Saint Elizabeth of Portugal (OM)</i><br>8:30am - Mass  |
| Tues  | 5  | <i>Saint Anthony Zaccaria (OM)</i><br>9:15am - Mass<br>7:00pm - <b>Novena Mass</b><br>Our Lady of Perpetual Help                                |
| Wed   | 6  | <i>Saint Maria Goretti (OM)</i><br>9:15am - Mass  |
| Thurs | 7  | <i>Blessed Peter To Rot (OM)</i><br>9:15am - Mass   |
| Fri   | 8  | 9:15am - Mass   |
| Sat   | 9  | <i>Sts Augustine Zhao Rong &amp; companions (OM)</i><br><i>Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i><br>9:00am - Mass<br>6:00pm - Vigil Mass |
| Sun   | 10 | 7:30am 9:00am 10:30 - Mass<br>6:00pm - Mass   |

## PARISH NOTICES



### IN SEARCH OF CARDINAL STEPINAC BY FATHER ZVONIMIR

A complete biography of a Croatian Cardinal who was put on a famous trial by the communist in 1946.

He was beatified by St. John Paul II in 1988. The reader will learn not only of his heroic life but gain an insight into why the former Yugoslavia collapsed.

Obtainable from Parish Office

Price \$40 dollars.

### ST JOHN XXIII YOUNG AT HEART CLUB



For all those men and women 60 years and over.

We will be having a meeting in the Church Kitchen of St John XXIII Church on Tuesday 12th July following the 9.15am Mass.

Please bring a plate as we will have morning tea as we are having a meeting.

*Fr Zvon*

### THANK YOU 20th Church Dedication Anniversary Dinner Dance

We had a great celebration, indeed! There is truly much to be grateful for, and a long list of people to extend gratitude to:

Bob and Grace Agbulos who spearheaded the event; our dedicated parishioners, Helen, Melva, Shalini, Angie, Perlita and Jane, who tirelessly did the serving of food; Nanette and Sarah Gamboa for the beautiful decorations and delicious anniversary cake; Mac, PJ, Shonee, Jo, Rose and Bing, for their assistance in the set up of the hall; Colin for the awesome display banner for the anniversary; Sabina for the nostalgic power point presentation of our Parish life; Zumbalicious Rudy for hosting and leading everyone to an energetic dancing frenzy; John I., our auctioneer for the night; our cool DJ, Paul Clemente, for the great music; Pinky Baustista of SmugMug, for the photo booth which provided fun and happy "meme-ories" to the festivities; HOLA caterers for our delicious food; all prize donors for their generosity; our dessert providers who are always ready to provide "sweet" assistance; Fathers Jolly and Zvon for the passion and support that they foster in every church activity; and to all those who have been accidentally missed out from the accolades due to shortage of space.

It was such a big success and we all had a ball. We raised a total of \$13,440 that will go to our church funds. Again, we are very grateful for all the donors, volunteers, and everyone who supported this event.

Our parish is truly blessed to have such a wonderful and supportive community and we look forward to many more decades of blissful memories together!

We would appreciate it if you can complete a Feedback Form available at the church foyer so we can improve our next parish event. Thank you.

(some photos on pg 6)

### 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](https://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](mailto:bart.sarlabus@gmail.com) or Melva Paguinto [emcipi85@yahoo.com.au](mailto: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 | 5         | 12        | 19        | 26       |          |
|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
|     | Tanganan  | Jacob     | Deang     | Jacob    |          |
| Aug | 2         | 9         | 16        | 23       | 30       |
|     | Barnouti  | Ring      | Sebastian | Vernon   | Jacob    |
| Sep | 6         | 13        | 20        | 27       |          |
|     | Lobo      | Tanganan  | Erasmus B | Javelosa |          |
| Oct | 4         | 11        | 18        | 25       |          |
|     | Jacob     | Ring      | Shalini   | Jacob    |          |
| Nov | 1         | 8         | 15        | 22       | 29       |
|     | available | Available | available | Ring     | Paguinto |
| Dec | 6         | 13        | 20        | 27       |          |
|     | Jacob     | Shalini   | Paguinto  | Paguinto |          |

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.

### ⇒ 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](mailto:maintenance@john23rd.org.au) or 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](mailto:naomi1.rey@gmail.com)

The Catholic Parish **John XXIII**

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2022

**If you are interested:**

- Email the completed form to Natasja Surjanto, [natasa2256@gmail.com](mailto:natasa2256@gmail.com)
- Attend the training on:
  - Saturday 9th July at 3 to 5 pm
  - Sunday 10th July at 3 to 5 pm
- Attend the 10.30am Sunday mass on the 17th July for the commissioning as Junior Server.

For further details, call Natasja Surjanto 0420 731 890 or Bob Agbulos 0422 106 525.

Are you 10 years old and over?

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

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

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

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

There will be a Parent Information Evening on Thursday, 30th June, at 7.00pm to be held in the Church.

Bookings for these ceremonies are to be done in person DURING the parent information evening.

Below are the dates for the Confirmation ceremonies:

- 9 Sep Friday - 6.30pm**
- 10 Sep Saturday - 3.00pm**
- 14 Sep Wednesday - 6.30pm**
- 17 Sep Saturday - 11.00am**
- 21st Sep Wednesday - 6.30pm**



Please come prepared to choose a date for your child's Confirmation ceremony.



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### Marriage Preparation Courses in 2022

Getting married in 2022? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit [www.parracatholic.org/pmp](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) to view weekend course dates, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the website. For more information, email [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org) or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

### '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](http://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.

### 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](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) or call (02) 8838 3460.

### 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](mailto:tribunal@parracatholic.org).

### OTHERS

#### 5 July - Free lecture - The Outsider Pope: Where is Francis leading our Church?

Tuesday 5 July 7.30pm Novotel Parramatta, 350 Church St Parramatta.

Vatican correspondent from the international The Tablet magazine, author and speaker Christopher Lamb will present a free lecture reflecting on Pope Francis' battle to renew the Church and Pope Francis as a human being. RSVP essential by 2 July to [mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org](mailto:mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org)

#### 20 July - Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Reflection Evening

You're invited to the Annual Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Reflection Evening to be hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta in partnership with the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Diocese of Broken Bay. This year we explore how people across our region have responded to the "Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor" – the 2021/22 Social Justice Statement. The event will feature presentations by Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and a Diocesan Laudato Si' Action Team. For more information and to register, visit <https://parracatholic.org/tri-diocesan/>

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

#### Novena Mass

Tuesday, 5th July

7:00pm - rosary prayers

7:30pm - mass

Come and join us as we celebrate mass and pray together as we ask for our Mother's intercession.

### CONTACTS

#### PARISH OFFICE

##### Office Hours

Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

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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](https://www.facebook.com/john23rdparish)

### SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and  
constructive suggestions.

### 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.



## 20th Church Dedication Anniversary Dinner Dance Gallery



# THANK YOU!!!



## 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](mailto:blaze@john23rd.org.au)

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



For all youth ministry enquiries,

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## 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*)

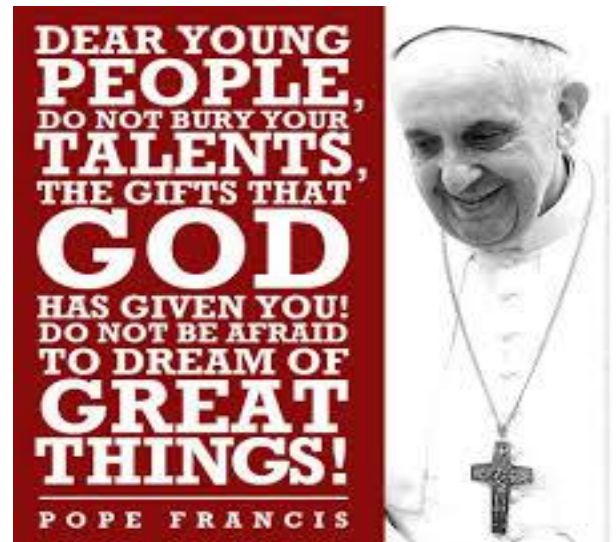
**YFC YOUTH LEADERS**

**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/](http://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/](http://parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/) or email [qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:celcestanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au)

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

#### 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)

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

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

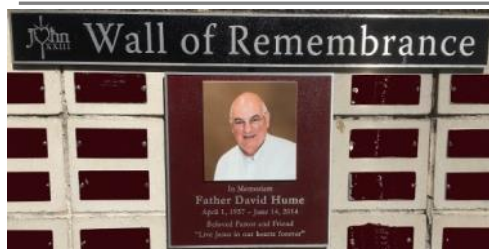
Principal: Dr Peter Webster

☎ (02) 9852 0500

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

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### PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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*SJ23rd Prayer Group*



Join and be part of the

**Cake Angels**

contact Madeline Huang  
[cakeangels.stjohn23@gmail.com](mailto:cakeangels.stjohn23@gmail.com)



**Vinnies**  
good works

**Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:00pm**



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College Hall**



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Bernadette Virwani  
Julienne Crasto  
Bing Catabas

Chris Drummond  
Margaret Harrison  
Nanette Gamboa  
Garry Lee