



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th August 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.

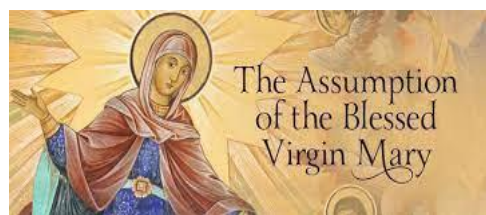
Prophets are troublesome. None comes saying "All is well! Nothing need change!" Some do come as happy bearers of good tidings, encouraging the despondent with the news that "Salvation is near!" but such prophets are annoying to the powerful because the message threatens the status quo; for however many may rejoice to hear of the end of their slavery or oppression there will be plenty of others who do well from the system as it is and who do not want to see a change. Other prophets, like Jeremiah, come scolding and directly correcting and saying the like of "You're off the path; You've got it wrong; Come back to God!" They may also threaten doom and gloom, or just punishment, or retribution for current or past crimes. No-one wants to be told they are wrong, especially if they think they are doing the right thing, or they like what they are doing. Prophets are annoying to the powers that be, or to the populace as a whole. Thus all too soon Jeremiah goes from being the troops' demoraliser to being trapped in a quagmire as the powerful try to do away with him.

But in many cases others agree with the prophets, and so people divide into camps to support or to oppose them. Prophets indeed bring division. Perhaps the nearest parallel we find today is in the agents for social change calling for conversion from dependence on fossil fuels so to avert predicted climate changes. There are also those who appear to be like the other type of prophet, who propose change that will overturn purported oppression, such as by the adoption of new interpretations of marriage. These "prophets" might never consider themselves under this traditionally religious appellation, but they do occupy much the same niche.

Prophets, be they true or false, are definitely troublesome and divisive. And all too quickly they are called variants of "heretic" or "traitor", as Jeremiah was, but feeling the sway of a popular change toward either an old or a new orthodoxy they are just as quick to call their opponents the same. And such has it ever been, and ever will be, for however rational human beings are, we seem incapable of navigating our social way by reasoned and dispassionate discussion.

The prophetic ministry of Christ embraces both types, and like both he brings division, he disturbs someone's peace. His opening message was that the prophecy of Isaiah concerning "glad tidings to the poor, liberty for captives" was even then being fulfilled. This won the favour of all, yet within moments a swift change in mood disposed them to hurl him from the brow of a hill. Today's gospel pericope seems to refer only to the division his message brings, but the opening's image of fire is more ambivalent. Fire in the land is a destructive force, but it also removes dross, cracks open seeds, and leads to regrowth. We also use the image of fire to speak of passions that drive the heart; we speak of the heart being kindled with the fire of love for God above all things. The image of baptism too is of the overwhelming water that both washes away and irrigates. It is in the following section that division comes to the fore, but that can only be if some accept and some reject. He recognises that his message, like some new or provocative causes, divides families, as even the secular concerns of today do.

The second reading exemplifies the encouraging prophet even whilst acknowledging the opposition from those who do not like the message; the author encourages those who suffer in their proclaiming of the message, which, at its heart is a call to repentance for the forgiveness of sins. It brings a refocus from oneself, who, besieged in the world, can feel weak and a failure, advising one instead to recall and be encouraged by the previous witness of others, especially that of Christ himself. It also holds up the transfiguring joy that ultimately has greater potency than threats of gloom.



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday the 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption. It is a day of obligation in Australia.

We will be having two Masses
8.30am and 7.30pm

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 Prayer <i>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.

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

You bore me to be a man of strife for the whole world.

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 39:2-4, 18

R. Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. **R.**

He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. **R.**

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. **R.**

As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay! **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:1-4

Let us bear patiently the struggle placed upon us.

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

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Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 12:49-53

I have come not to give peace, but discord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!'

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

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

Communion Antiphon

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.



Special Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Pauline Margerison, Father Theo Arrivoli, Anna Pereira

Deceased:

Dorothy & Don Slater, Mary & Charlie Vella

Anniversary:

Samuel Rafael, Victor Taay, Jocelyn Lacaze, Rosario Jovilla Parungao, Chantal Raymond, Hilda Henrisson

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Melissa Randall, Pat Doyle, Isagani Ocampo, Iyrika D'Cruz, Dragica Julich, Charlie Busuttill, 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, Peter Dawson, Adolfo Mayo, Valeria Laureta, Ben & Etta Benesa, Dr Bronwyn Andrews, Rosamma John Pellissery, Greg Marcellana, Colleen McCunnie, Bev Lewis, Kelly Ryan, Wally Atie, Gloria Bueno, Mavie Dela Cruz, Elizabeth Candame, Rhonda & Damian, Geoffrey Robinson, Anshu Mala Nand, Raymond Lanzona, Elizabeth Newnes, Christina Properzi, Florentina Elisura, Johnathan Gemin, Deidre Thomson, Emma Matoza

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

Christ Jesus, give us resolute hearts, heart htat, in simple prayer, untiringly seek to discover a communion with God..

Brother Roger of Taizé

COELIACS

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

AUG Church Calendar

Mon	15	<i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (S)</i> 8:30am - Mass 7:30pm - Mass
Tues	16	<i>Saint Stephen of Hungary (OM)</i> 9:15am - Mass 7:00pm - Novena prayers Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed	17	9:15am - Mass
Thurs	18	9:15am - Mass
Fri	19	<i>Saint John Etudes (OM)</i> 9:15am - Mass
Sat	20	<i>Saint Bernard (M)</i> 9.00am - Mass 6:00pm - Vigil Mass
Sun	21	7:30am 9:00am 10:30 - Mass 6:00pm - Mass

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH SOCIAL VOLLEYBALL



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Our parish social volleyball group plays every Saturday from 10am at the St John XXIII College grounds.

For more details and if you wish to join, please contact either of the following:

Joseph - 0404 793 800

Jason - 0427 933 199

Preema - 0406 786 768

SAVE THE DATE

28th August 2022 10:30am mass.

Fr Zvon's sacerdotal anniversary, 50 years of service to God and the church community.

We will have a food fiesta after mass. Please contact Techie Sarlabus via email communications@john23rd.org.au or the parish office for any contribution and assistance.



INVISIBLE TO INVINSIBLE

Thank you to all those Senior of the Young and Heart who came along for the workshop session prepared by Sister Grace Roclawski. The session was very well prepared and all those present enjoyed the day. It was nice to see a good turnout for this "workshop with the feel of a mini-retreat".

PLEASE NOTE that "The Young and Heart Seniors" will not be meeting on the 1st Friday of the month, as planned, due to unavailability of some parishioners on that day. Please check the bulletin for the next meeting advise.



ANYONE INTERESTED TO JOIN THIS SENIOR'S GROUP PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.



Another training for Junior Servers is scheduled on Sat, 27th Aug at 2.30 - 3.30pm. Application forms are available in the foyer. For more details, please reach out to Bob Agbulos on 0422106525. Many thanks.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2022

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 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

Aug	2	9	16	23	30
	Barnouti	Ring	Sebastian	Vernon	Jacob
Sep	6	13	20	27	
	Lobo	Tanganun	Erasmus B	Javelosa	
Oct	4	11	18	25	
	Jacob	Ring	Shalini	Jacob	
Nov	1	8	15	22	29
	Barnouti	Barnouti	Barnouti	Ring	Paguinto
Dec	6	13	20	27	
	Jacob	Shalini	Paguinto	Paguinto	
Jan	3	10	17	24	31
	available	available	available	Sebastian	Tanganun

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 or the parish office.

Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group

Please come and join the Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group at 6.30pm in the Parish Office Kitchen.

If you have further enquiries please call Pauline Camilleri 0407 417039



Reminder

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

⇒ 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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

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



MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR TRAINING

We invite parishioners to become a Minister at the Altar. This Ministry assists the Priest with the smooth running of the mass. It is open to both men and women aged 20 years and over. It is a highly rewarding Ministry and a great honour to serve at the Altar. Training will be provided and is scheduled on Sat, 17th Sept from 4.00 to 5.30pm.

For more details, please reach out to Bart Sarlabus on 0438201437.



RCIA ENQUIRY SESSION

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Wednesday, 24th August 2022 at 7.30pm in the Church kitchen area.

The RCIA programme will commence on Wednesday, 7th September 2022.

If you have family or friends who might be interested in understanding our Catholic faith, please invite them to this session.

Parish Social Volleyball

Thank you to everyone who participated in this social endeavour. We were blest with a wonderful weather and great company. We all had a great time, young and not so old alike, in a friendly competition.

We will continue to have fun every Saturday at 10am at SJ23rd College basketball grounds. If you're interested to join and get to know other parishioners in an enjoyable event please contact Bob Agbulos





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CONTACTS

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2022

Getting married in 2022? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit 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 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 today.

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.

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.

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.

**DEACON ANDREW ROONEY
ORDINATION**



The much awaited time has come. Deacon Andrew will be ordained as a priest on **Friday, 26th August** at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta at 7:30pm.

All are welcome to witness his ordination.

Support Diocese of Parramatta Holy Spirit Seminarians in the 2022 City2Surf

Alongside fun and fitness, a special group from the Diocese of Parramatta is set to bring faith to the annual Sydney City2Surf fun run and you're invited!

On Saturday 14 August 2022, a group of our Holy Spirit Seminarians, deacons, priests, and community members will be getting **#Active4Vocations in our City2Surf team**. With the aim of raising awareness for Catholic vocations and funds for our Holy Spirit Seminarians' education and formation, our team will walk, stroll, jog, and run the iconic 14km journey from Sydney to Bondi Beach.

Leading the charge are: **Fr Pawel Barszczewski OP** and **Fr Chris del Rosario**; **Deacon Adam Carlow** and **Deacon Matthew Dimian**; Seminarians **Macky Amores**, **Menard Gaspi**, **Tom Green**, **Patrick Laurente**, and **Jose Valentine Lim**; and **Mark Buhagiar**, Diocese of Parramatta Head of Clergy Health and Wellbeing.

They're calling on parties of parishioners from our faith community to accompany them – either by **joining our team**, **sponsoring them**, or cheering them on through prayers of support.

PARISH OFFICE

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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

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.

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/

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

**DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE,
DO NOT BURY YOUR
TALENTS,
THE GIFTS THAT
GOD
HAS GIVEN YOU!
DO NOT BE AFRAID
TO DREAM OF
GREAT
THINGS!**
POPE FRANCIS



DIOCESE YOUTH ACTIVITIES

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

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/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

WYD 2023, Lisbon Launch Event

The Diocese of Parramatta is on pilgrimage to WYD23 in Lisbon, Portugal. Young people aged 16-35 are invited to an encounter with Jesus, Mary and the Saints. In anticipation of our LIFTED Live Night featuring our WYD Launch, Bishop Vincent and worship by Fr Rob Galea and his full band get a glimpse of where our itinerary may be leading before the big reveal on

August 18, Thursday, St John XXIII Catholic College, Stanhope Gardens, 7 - 9:30pm

[REGISTER FOR THE WYD23 LAUNCH EVENT HERE](#)



OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Catholic Early Learning Centre
160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

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49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

Principal: Louise O'Donnell

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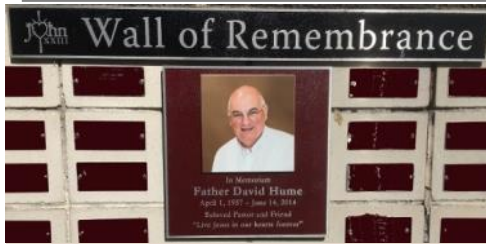
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MEMORIAL WALL

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

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Risen Lord Community Praise & Worship Night



7.30pm
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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.



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. Cost for a niche is \$3000. For further information please contact the Parish Office.



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SJ23rd Prayer Group



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