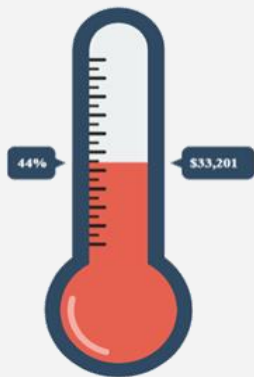


Sound System Project

GOAL: \$75,000



We want to thank all the parishioners who have given generously towards the sound system project.

We have so far raised \$ 33,201, 44% of the target of \$75,000. With your support we can reach our goal and get the new sound system going!

Alternatively, via online transactions:

Visit the parish website and donating through BPOINT. Below is the QR code for BPOINT.



Or via bank transfer:

Account name : Blessed John XXIII parish
BSB : 067 950
A/C : 00000313
Ref : SS (and your name)

The first reading (Isa 56:1,6-7) comes from the part of the book concerning life after the Babylonian exile. There were conflicting ideas concerning the destiny of Jerusalem and matters of racial and religious purity. This pericope is remarkable for its openness, for righteous and God-fearing Gentiles would be able to offer sacrifices in the new temple, the house of prayer for all peoples. The reading appears to have been chosen to accompany the gospel (Matt 15:21-28), which tells of the faithful Canaanite (or Greek Syrophenician in Mark) woman who begged Jesus to heal her daughter. The encounter does not disclose a clear belief in Israel's God, nor any desire to join Jerusalem's temple worship, but she has faith in Jesus' ability to help. According to Matthew she calls him by the messianic title Son of David, which in Matthew is used mainly by foreigners and the blind. It later gives way completely to the title Son of God (used by the disciples last Sunday) by those mocking Jesus on the cross, but finally in faith by the presumed foreigners, the centurion and his company. Although Matthew's gospel is written for Jewish believers and appears to have exclusively Jewish concerns, foreigners are surprisingly privileged in it, first signified by the visiting Gentile wise men, the Magoi. Matthew presents Jesus as the fulfilment of Isaiah: during the cleansing of the temple, Matthew, Mark and Luke have Jesus cite Isaiah, calling it a house of prayer for all peoples, but Matthew alone has Jesus say in apparent reference to his own ministry that there is something greater than the temple here (Matt 12:6); Jesus prophesies its destruction (24:2), and is later accused of claiming he would destroy and rebuild it in three days (26:61; 27:40); as the last act of this gospel the risen Lord Jesus sends the eleven to make disciples of all nations. On this point all three readings today converge: in the second reading (Rom 11:13-15, 29-32), Paul credits his being sent to the Gentiles to the failure of other Jews to receive the Gospel. This may appear to contradict the commissioning, seeming to indicate turning to the Gentiles only because of the failure of the Jews. Instead, we note it is said only of Paul's ministry, for he went first to the Jews and only later to the Gentiles. Bearing in mind what was said last Sunday, note that this does not constitute rejection of the Jews, neither by Paul nor by God. Rather Paul hopes the success among the Gentiles will goad the Jews to beneficial jealousy. He is the only New Testament author to use this unusual verb, three of the four instances being in this letter and all for the same purpose. Instead of being considered a vice, this jealousy or envy can stimulate to personal betterment, just as athletes are goaded to improvement by the successes of competitors. Paul portrays Jewish reticence as having a positive benefit, one to make their eventual conversion more joyous. Perhaps careful attention to Paul may have helped avoid past atrocities against Jews, and attention to both Paul and history may help circumvent a return to anti-Jewish sentiment, but there are worrying signs of this rising again. For those of us who are Christians there should be the reminder that just as all nations are to be blessed in Abraham (Gen 12:3; 18:18; 22:18; 26:4; 28:4; Acts 3:25 and Gal 3:8), knowledge of God having been held by the Jews in trust for all people, so also Christ's entrusting us with the proclamation of the kingdom does not give us an exclusive claim to heaven so much as the privilege of bearing it for the benefit of all, as he did the cross.

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/>

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."

Mass Times

Mon	8:30am
Tues-Fri	9:15am
Sat	9.00am, 6pm Vigil
Sun	7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm

Holy Cross Primary School

Mass	
Thurs	9:15am during school days

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
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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 by appointment
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Devotions & Prayers

Mon	7.30pm Christian Meditation <i>Frances Pegrum 0417 406715</i>
Tue	7:00pm Rosary and novena prayers (<i>Church Tabernacle</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

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 Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now - and only because of the mercy shown to you - will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 15:21-28

Woman, you have great faith.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

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:

Rodelo Dormido, Florencia Cunanan,
Jaroslava Knotek

Anniversary:

Jane Alejandro, Loretta Fortuine

Deceased:

Francisco Alarcon Fernandez Jr

Sick: Names published with permission.

Lord Jesus, heal me. Heal in me whatever You see needs healing. Heal me of whatever might separate me from You. Heal my memory, heal my heart, heal my emotions, heal my spirit, heal my body, heal my soul. Lay Your hands now gently upon me and heal me through Your love for me. Amen.

Cesar De Jesus, Hilary Regan, Emma Matoza, Elsie Knapp, Victor Pons, Susanne Krajancic, Remedios de Huzman, Dr Bronwyn Andrews, Cindy Dadvias, Zoey Illic, Maryanne Jaramillo, Jerry Bondoc, Carrie Conolly, Charlie Busuttill, Peter Dawson, Manuel Saris, Perla Magculang, Rosamma John Pellissery, Raymond Lanzona, Elizabeth Langley, Father Joseph, Jenat Perera, Isagani Ocampo, Mario Matias, Maria Romeo, Karam Matte, Valeria Laureta, Obet Dionisio, Kelly Ryan, Deidre Thomson, Jennifer Estrada, Barbara Thompson, Cristina Arceo, Pat Daly, Wally Atie, Greg Marcellana, Mavie Dela Cruz, Bev Lewis, Adrian Gould, Elizabeth Candame, Virginia Santos, Zenira D'Souza, Tony Muscat, Jonathan Gemin, Rhonda Damian, Liv Toole, Anshu Mala Nand, Sophie De Leon, Jo Daly, Epifania Samaniego, Rosario, Roland, Michael, Dragica Julich, Gloria Bueno, Adolfo Mayo, Ben & Etta Benesa, Geoffrey Robinson, Florentina Elisura, Christina Properzi, Virginia Villanueva

Thanksgiving:

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

Praying together

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer

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).



Novena mass - 7:30pm every First Tuesday

Join us for rosary and novena prayers every Tuesday, 7:00pm then pick up our Lady's statue. Roster below.

You may invite either Fr Jolly or Fr Zvonimir to join you in prayers at home. Please organise with the parish office.

Rosary Statue Family Roster					
Aug	1	8	15	22	29
	Lozada	Meena B	Sebastian	Pangilinan E	Jacob
Sep	5	12	19	26	
	Fernandes D	Erasmus B	Barnouti	Jacob	
Oct	3	10	17	24	31
	Deang	Erasmus B	Sebastian	Jacob	Richards
Nov	7	14	21	28	
	Hala	Barnouti	Tina B	Jacob	
Dec	5	12	19	26	
	Paguinto	Hala	Sebastian	Sebastian	

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

For 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. Families on the roster, if unable to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Bart or Melva.

PRAYING in the *SILENCE* of the *HEART*

Jesus, in the Gospel you tell us not to linger over things that have hurt us. And your forgiveness becomes a miracle in our lives.

Brother Roger of Taizé

August Church Calendar

Mon	21	<i>Saint Pius X (M)</i> 8:30am - Mass
Tues	22	<i>Queenhip of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)</i> 9:15am - Mass 7:00pm - Rosary and novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed	23	9:15am - Mass
Thurs	24	<i>Saint Bartholomew (F)</i> 9:15am - Mass
Fri	25	9:15am - Mass
Sat	26	9:15am - Mass 6:00pm - Vigil Mass
Sun	27	7:30, 9:00, 10:30am Mass 6:00pm - Mass

General Health & Well Being



"The Young At Heart" is organizing general health and well being event on **Monday, 28th August, 10am** at our church kitchen. We encourage all seniors to come and join for a cuppa while we listen for tips on general health & well being especially for seniors.



All seniors are WELCOME.

For more information please contact

Frank on 0459 504625 or

Trevor 0407 150399

Paying our debt together

Thank you to all our parishioners who have always so generously supported our Parish. We will always be grateful for your generosity

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 from the website.

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

Parishioners who want to make a financial contribution are encouraged to use the TapnGo machines by the entrances or online via BPoint.

or
scan the QR
code



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.



⇒ 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.

⇒ 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.

⇒ GARDENERS AND CLEANERS

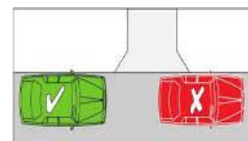
Now that the church is open for celebrations, its floors need to be swept of dust, cobwebs brushed off, candle stands cleaned and garden kept green. We would like to request all our volunteer cleaners and gardeners to come back and continue their ministry.

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

DRIVEWAY/CARPARK SAFETY

For everyone's safety, please park at least 1.8 meters from the church's driveway entrance.

Your parked vehicle must not block the flow of traffic or impair the vision of other drivers getting into or out of the parking lot, basically impeding vehicles from entering, exiting or turning into or from the church's driveway.



Vehicle safety is more than just staying alert when parking your car. Let us not become a danger to other road users.

Remember to please always use the footpath on both sides of the church car park when walking around the church parking lot, again for safety reasons.



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

UNIVERSAL SISTERHOOD PODCAST PRESENTS

ARISE




Talitha Koum Little Girl I say Arise

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday 16th September, 2023
St Finbar's Catholic Church Glenbrook
8:30am - 8:30 pm.

Holy Mass. Guest Speakers. Confession. Prayer. Praise & Worship.
Eucharistic Healing Adoration.
\$100 ticket all meals included.

TRY BOOKING <https://www.trybooking.com/events/issending/1078404?eid=10784048>

SYNOD

As we prepare for the upcoming Diocesan Synod, it is very important for each of us to share our hopes for the future. Your voice is vital important. So please take the form that is at the foyer of the church. Discuss with your family and submit your responses online.

To download forms:

https://parracatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/03.23_CYP_21090-SYNOD-Campaign_Synod-for-Kids_v1.pdf

https://parracatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/03.23_CYP_21090-SYNOD-Campaign_Synod-at-Home_v2.pdf

DIOCESAN SYNOD PRAYER

O God,

*who always walks with us on the journey of life, we call upon you to lead us forth united.
Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod. Keep us anchored in your love.*

Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.

Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today, and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,

*who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church,
to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever. Amen.*

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



SAVE THE DATE - MINI FUNDRAISERS

We are organizing some mini fundraising events to contribute to our much needed church funds but most especially to help boost our parish community engagements.

We would also like to invite our different cultural community to host a Saturday Vigil or Sunday mornings mini fundraising event after our mass celebrations for a full community engagement.

We encourage our parish community to support these small endeavours.

Any other suggestions for fundraising activity or availability of support are most welcome and greatly appreciated.

Please contact either Nanette - 0404 465600 or Techie - 0439 201436.

Love an Indonesian satay dish?
Come and enjoy them on **20th August, Sunday**. Selling will start after the 9:00am morning mass and until stocks last! Hosted by our Indonesian Community, so assured authentic sate.

Sate ayam



10th September after the 10:30am mass

Come and feast on delicious Filipino food.

Hosted by Couples for Christ (Int'l).



We still have aprons for sale \$30.00
Please contact Techie on 0438 201436 or the parish office for orders.



Enjoy Mother's Care School special home baked cakes and sweets on 17th September, Sunday, after the morning masses.



Thank you to everyone who supported our sausage sizzle Sunday.

We raised \$701.

And a special thanks to the Risen Lord Community for hosting the sausage sizzle.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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.

COME AND JOIN

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

MORE YOUTH GROUPS

CRL (Community of the Risen Lord) YOUTH LEADERS		YFC (Youth for Christ) YOUTH LEADERS	
Rojith de Silva 0405 9563210	Nimeshi Fernando 0417 101009	<u>YFC International</u> Vince Erasmo 0406 253698	<u>YFC Australia</u> Jonathan Montaos 0401 478733



**Father Jolly's & Zvon's Harvest
FRESH LEMONADE STAND**
Sunday, 27 August
following the 9am & 10:30am mass



For all youth ministry enquiries,

✉ blaze@john23rd.org.au

or visit our FB page

www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/

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BLAZE REGISTRATION FORM

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Catholic Early Learning Centre

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

☎ (02) 9852 0585

✉ celcstanhope@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.celcstanhope.catholic.edu.au

Holy Cross Primary

49 Meurants Lane, Glenwood

Principal: Louise O'Donnell

☎ (02) 8664 7100

✉ holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.hcglenwood.catholic.edu.au

St John XXIII Catholic College

160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

Principal: Dr Peter Webster

☎ (02) 9852 0500

✉ stmarks@parra.catholic.edu.au

🌐 www.stjohn23stanhope.catholic.edu.au

SJ23rd SATURDAY SOCIAL SPORT

Volleyball | Table Tennis | Football
All ages and abilities welcome.

10:00am

FIRST SATURDAY

OF EACH MONTH

St John XXIII College Grounds

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

Follow our World Youth Day pilgrimage from home!

170 young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have officially taken off to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal for an experience of a lifetime. Our pilgrimage will travel through some of the most beautiful and sacred parts of Europe and you are invited to follow along from home. We will be posting videos, photos and articles throughout the trip, so you can see and hear what our pilgrims are experiencing. Sign up today by visiting catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates in the New Year, 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 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Do you find life & faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others?

The Mission Enhancement Team's *Soul Food Podcast* features life & faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: <https://pfparra.org.au/soulfood/>

Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal available for in-person, virtual appointments

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm for enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted in person with Zoom and telephone interviews available for those unable to attend the office. Please contact the Tribunal office on (02)88383480

or email tribunal@parracatholic.org

MET Natural Fertility: Instruction for Couples

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is for couples wanting to achieve and avoid pregnancy. It is suitable for couples at all stages of life, enhances communication and involves shared responsibility. If you are: Preparing for marriage Expecting a baby soon or breastfeeding looking for an effective, natural option and wanting to cease contraception Peri menopausal Then NFP is for you! For more information or to book an appointment contact Catherine M: 0400 427 605 E: catherinebourne@parra.catholic.org

CONTACTS

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Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

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NSW 2768

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Daphney Fernandes

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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

COELIACS

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

Alpha Program

Looking for a welcoming space to ask your life and faith questions? Interested in meeting other people in the parish? Want a space where you can invite your family and friends into the parish community?

Then John XXIII's Alpha program is a great next step for you! We meet weekly, always with food, lots of laughter and wholesome life and faith conversation!

For program schedule or to express your interest, contact Mei and Donnie on 0432042140 or fill up the form <https://forms.gle/sdEMryVwvhUpNPnZ7>

Looking forward to meeting you ☺



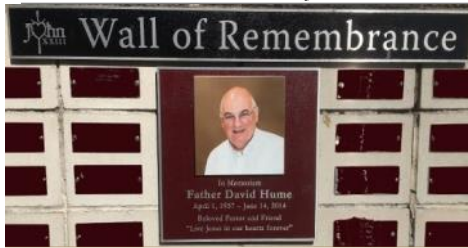
Office for Safeguarding

The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding is to:

◆ Act with Justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person

◆ Act with justice and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount <https://safeguarding.org.au/>

*If you would like to advertise your business please contact the parish office.
St John XXIII Parish cannot take responsibility if the service provided by an advertiser does not meet expectations.*



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 \$500.00



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.

For further information please contact the Parish Office.

Risen Lord Community Praise & Worship Night



7.30pm
FRIDAYS,
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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