

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.

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.

Gospel Reflection

The opening of today's gospel reminds us of the inescapable procession to Jerusalem, a point further emphasised in the omitted following section that, as with elsewhere in Luke, also betrays Luke's lack of familiarity with the geography since Jesus appears to be still in Galilee. Some of Luke's imprecisions may come from his borrowing from and freely assembling other sources that did not neatly fit the trajectory of his journey motif. The units of this section are largely common with Matthew, who has them scattered throughout his gospel. In Luke they combine to give a paradoxical message that both admits of limitations yet is universal in scope: the way to salvation is narrow and the way takes effort, and yet many from all the nations outside Israel are to enter the kingdom and join patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The broader context points less to limitations indicating the way as predestined as closed to some and points more to the urgency of engaging with the kingdom immediately, or else it may be too late. At the same time, God's kingdom is not predestined to a particular people; it is open to all, and those who presume on it being their destination by some right irrespective of their own actions may find themselves unprepared, unengaged, and shut out, for they have let it pass them by. As it is, Jesus finds his path to Jerusalem made harder and narrower by the opposition encountered along the way, but his commitment to it is constant.

Of passing interest, some of the images in this section and elsewhere in Luke are also found in other ancient Jewish literature and later folklore, with Abraham as protagonist, pointing to a wider use of them. The best surviving of them, the Testament of Abraham, is a story of the conversion of Abraham from a self-righteous person who too easily condemned sinners to one who interceded for their salvation. He was moved in that story upon seeing two ways and gates, one narrow, the other broad, with so few traversing the narrow that proved to be the entrance to heaven, and so many on the broad way that led to destruction. He lamented his own willingness to judge and condemn the living sinners before they had or took an opportunity to repent. But there does come the point when it is too late; once death has taken place, the soul cannot change its way. This sense, though put differently, is found in the gospel parables too; once the door has closed, those on the outside knock in vain. There is an imperative shared in the gospels, and other Jewish literature, to take seriously the responsibility of living rightly and not to presume that God, the Compassionate, will benignly, like the doting parent of a spoilt child, overlook all offence as if inconsequential.

The universal vision of the gospel finds support in the first reading, taken from the apocalyptic conclusion of the book of Isaiah. Its context is twofold, dealing with the destruction of those who rebel against God (but neither rebelliousness nor destruction are determined by nationality) and with the salvation of those formerly chastised by God. Both actions encompass Jews and gentiles alike, and the one on whom God looks favourably is "the humble and contrite in spirit, who trembles at my [God's] word" (Isaiah 66:2, NRSV), with no mention at all of national status. In that final ingathering even gentiles will be made priests and Levites. This combined theme plays itself out across the dual works of Luke as Jesus journeys to Jerusalem to bear witness there, and thence sends his messengers out to the whole world, preaching repentance and forgiveness of sins.

BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal – supporting our senior priests as they continue to serve.

This Father's Day, as we thank the father figures in our lives, let's also honour our spiritual fathers — the priests who nurture our faith. Even after stepping back from administration, they continue to serve in faithful ways: offering sacraments, celebrating Masses, hearing confessions, assisting at services, and serving as chaplains in aged care. Your generosity helps ensure our ageing priests receive the care, comfort, and dignity they deserve in this next chapter of their lives.



Please give generously at
parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or
scan the QR code.

Thank you.



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	
Wed	9:15am during school days
2nd Sat	7:30pm Indonesian Mass

Masses of Devotion

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
Wed	8:00pm Holy Hour

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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Prayers

Tue	7:00pm Rosary and novena prayers (Church Tabernacle)
Fri	6.30pm Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group parish office Pauline Camilleri 0407 417039

Special Blessings

Blessing during masses	
1st Sun	Birthday celebrants
3rd Sun	Wedding anniversaries

Join & be part of our community.
scan the QR code



If you want to be part of our
mailing list please email

✉ Communications@john23rd.org.au

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading

Isaiah 66:18-21

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 116

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**

Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 13:22-30

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from the east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.



CONTACTS

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours

Tue - Fri 8.30 - 4.00pm

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Never miss our Bulletin

If you would like to be included in
our mailing list

✉ communications@john23rd.org.au

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome to our parish
community!

Please take a welcome pack from
the church foyer

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.

HOMEBOUND

Homebound and would like to
receive Holy Communion please
contact the parish office or send
text message to Rose Franco on
0401 387427



Office for Safeguarding
Parramatta Way 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/>

Praying together

Praying together provides a lot of benefits like strengthening our faith and uniting hearts in our community. Join us and enrich your faith and let the Holy Spirit come to you.

Rosary and novena prayers every Tuesday at
7:00PM and

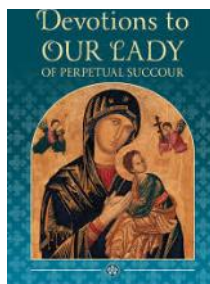
Novena mass every First Tuesday 7:30pm

please contact either

Techie Sarlabus techie.sarlabus@gmail.com or

Melva Paguinto emcpi85@yahoo.com.au

for the opportunity of having the statue of Our
Lady visit your home, and be included in a roster
below.



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

If you would like to invite Fr
Jolly or Fr Bartholomew to join
you in prayers at your home,
please organise with the parish
office.

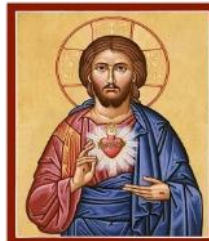
Rosary Statue Family Roster

Aug	5	12	19	26	
	Jacob	Tanganan	Sebastian	Pangilinan E	
Sep	2	9	16	23	30
	Hala	Valdez	Tanganan	Ring	Barnouti
Oct	7	14	21	28	
	Valdez	Richards	Jacob	Nobleza	
Nov	4	11	18	25	
	Deang	Sebastian	Hala	Festejo	
Dec	2	9	16	23	30
	Cruz CG	Barnouti	Sebastian	Paguinto	Paguinto

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

HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic
Adoration
every Wednesday
8:00PM



NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Novena Mass to Our Sacred Heart
of Jesus every first Friday of each
month at 7:30PM with exposition
and adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament.

PRAYING in the SILENCE of the HEART with Brother Roger of Taizé

Holy Spirit, mystery of a presence, you say to each of us: "Why be worried! One thing alone is necessary: a heart attentive to understand that God loves you and always forgives you".

Caring for our parish together

We are very grateful to all our parishioners who always generously support our Parish.

FIRST COLLECTION supports the priests and deacons of the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION goes to the running costs of our church, ministry expenses.

To help with the planning/budgeting of church expenses, we have a Planned Giving Program. We encourage parishioners to register for direct debit or credit card deductions as alternative to an envelope system. Support can be provided via the registration forms are available at the church foyer or from the website or scan the QR Code.

scan this



TapnGo machines available by the entrances.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Ambrose Early Learning

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: Attila Lendvai

☎ (02) 8664 7100

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🌐 www.beglenwood.catholic.edu.au

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160 Perfection Ave Stanhope Gardens

A/Principal: Frank Chiment

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🌐 www.stjohn23stanhope.catholic.edu.au

Community Events



As a community of St John 23rd, we invite our different cultural community to host a Saturday Vigil or Sunday mornings mini event after our mass celebrations for a full community involvement and encourage our parish community to support these mini endeavour.

Any other suggestions for church fanfare, fundraising activities or just availability of support are most welcome and greatly appreciated. Please contact either Nanette - 0404 465600 or Techie - 0438 201436.

August Calendar

Mon	25	8:30am - Mass
Tues	26	9:15am - Mass 7:00pm - Rosary & Novena prayer Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed	27	<i>Saint Monica (M)</i> 9:15am - Mass 8:00pm - Holy Hour
Thurs	28	<i>Saint Augustine (M)</i> 9:15am - Mass
Fri	29	<i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist (M)</i> 9:15am - Mass 7:00pm - Mass
Sat	30	9:00am - Mass 6:00pm - Mass
Sun	31	7:30, 9:00, 10:30am - Mass 6:00pm - Mass

UPCOMING Community

FATHER'S DAY



Save the date

7 September

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

WATCH THIS SPACE



Cake Angel's Kitchen

To support our parish fundraising, our Cake Angels will be offering delicious food for purchase.

More details to follow.

PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING AND COMPLETION OF OUR NEW PARISH OFFICE AND HALL

Almighty God, we thank you for your many blessings to our parish and to each of us.

We pray for your guidance and wisdom as we prepare ourselves to begin the construction. May your Holy spirit be with all our Engineers, architects, builders and all involved in this project. Protect them from harm and grant them skill and diligence. May this hall be a place of unity, fellowship and faith formation for our community, a space where we can grow in faith and serve others.

Bless all our sponsors, donors and each of us who contribute in our own humble ways and means.

Whatever we do, may we do it for your glory.

St. Joseph, the patron of families and workers,
St. John XXIII, Patron of our parish,
ST. Vincent Ferrer, Patron of all builders,

Pray for us
Pray for us
Pray for us

Pastoral Ministries

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

⇒ 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 please 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.

FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH

For donation, please contact James David on 0413 787596



John McCabe	Mei Velasco
Karen Green	Ajith Lobo
Julian Martin	Helen Festejo
Suni Fernando	Rebecca Reynolds

Special Intentions

Born to eternal life:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Diogenes Orantia, Merita Fernando
Ronald Richard Charles

Remembrances:

Anniversary:

Jane Alejandro

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.

Brian McCunnie, Valeria Laureta, Lucas Colleta, Dr Bronwyn Andrews, Rosanna John Pellissery, Cindy Dadivas, Christina Properzi, John Tipton, Margaret Harrison, Emma Matoza, Bev Osborn, Florentina Elisura, Peter McArdle, Melissa Nava Cathie Christie, Jerry Bondoc, Elizabeth Langley Maria Romeo, Louise Smith, Raymond Lanzona Elizabeth Candame, Ryan Dixon, Peter Dawson Isagani Ocampo, Geoffrey Robinson, Zoey Illic, Lenka Olivier Talija, Manuel Sarris, Ryan Dixon, Obet Dionisio, Jonathan Gemin, Carrie Conolly, Rosie Carbonel, Virginia Santos, Imelda Vinluan Ksenija Bosnic, Myrna Manalili, Charlie Busuttill, Jerwin McCarron, Lily Camilleri, Natasha Leitao Perla Magculang, Fausto Bayot, Marilyn Nalapo, Carlo Bueno, Joshua McCarroll, Dudley Francis, Mary Phillips, Elsie Knapp, Barbara Thompson, Jakov & Marija Franich, Bev Lewis, Zena Samar Jude Newnes, Marcelino Matteazi, Victor Pons, Hilary Regan, Helen West, Emma Q Fernando, Brendan Prideaux, Alvin, Troy James
Babies with Blister disease

Thanksgiving:

Joshua Martin

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



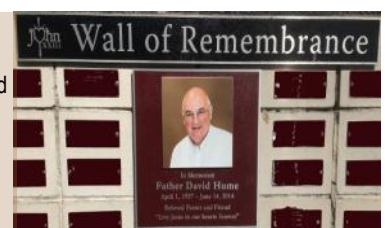
COLUMBARIUM

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.

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 \$600.00



PRAISE AND WORSHIP
3rd Saturdays at 7:30pm
SJ23rd Prayer Group



Young at Hearts Seniors Group contacts
Contact either of the following:
Frank Coleiro - 0459 504625
Trevor Coutinho - 0407 150399



Vinnies
join the good works
Message Rose Franco 0401 387427

Dear Parishioners,

Many beautiful things happened in our community and our homes this year. Now we are thrilled to share another exciting plan for the future of our parish. With our growing community and expanding needs, we are undertaking a vital extension project, to build a parish office and a new multipurpose hall. This new space will not only increase our church capacity when needed but also serve as a center and space for fellowship, meetings, youth activities, family and faith formation events and outreach.

The Hall will be able to accommodate around 180 people. The total cost of this project is approximately around \$4.2 million. We have made some effort to find the money needed and we will have a saving of \$ 3.1 million by the end of August 2025. We hope to finalize the needed documentation process and DA permission by the middle of this October and begin the actual construction by November. If all goes according to plan, we expect completion of the project by October 2026. Recognizing our need, Bishop Vincent has given us his blessing and approval for our parish to go ahead with our initiative.

We are inviting you all to be partners in making this vision a reality. We cannot do this without each of us being generous to our maximum. Every contribution and cooperation bring us closer to building a stronger, more connected parish. Our target is to raise \$1 million.

Ways we can help

- Make a personal or family donation;
- Pledge a regular amount for this project over the next 12 months;
- Be a general sponsor or of a specific area;
- Organize an event that could raise some funds;
- Share the campaign with family, friends or local business.

We are the stewards of our parish, and we are not just building a hall, we are building the heart of our thriving parish Community. Ideally, if we can find 350 people with a gift of \$3000 each, we can achieve this. In saying this we also invite gifts of any amount, according to your giving ability and most importantly to give with a happy heart. Let us all dream together as Father jolly always says.

The Parish Finance committee

Ways to donate

Bank transfer

Account name : Blessed John XXIII Parish

BSB : 067 950

A/C : 00000313

Reference: BD (your name)

BPOINT

For credit card donation visit

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/StJohnXXIIIPGSG>

or scan the QR code



Please join us in praying for the fruition of our proposed Parish Office extension and Gathering Hall project.

If you would like to know more, please speak with Fr. Jolly.

Alternatively, if you have creative ideas or would like to organise a fundraising event to help bring this dream to life, please reach out to Techie or Nanette.

Below are the latest building plans for you to see what our vision is.



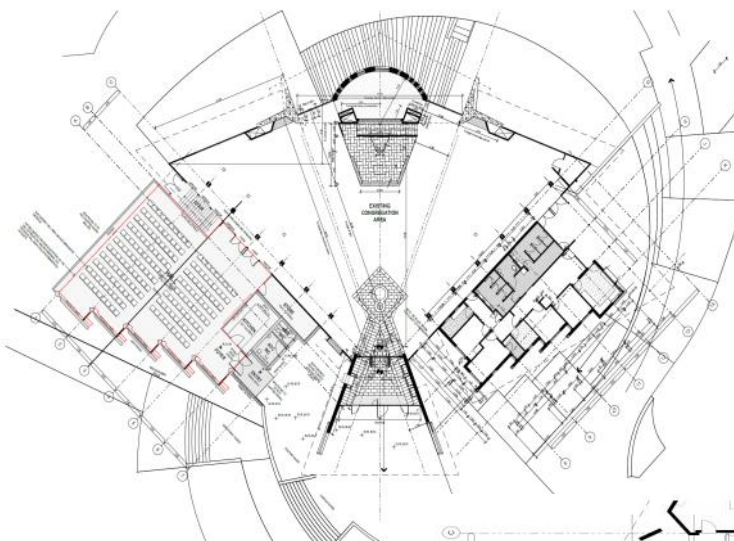
CHURCH AND HALL EXTENSION - MAIN ENTRY



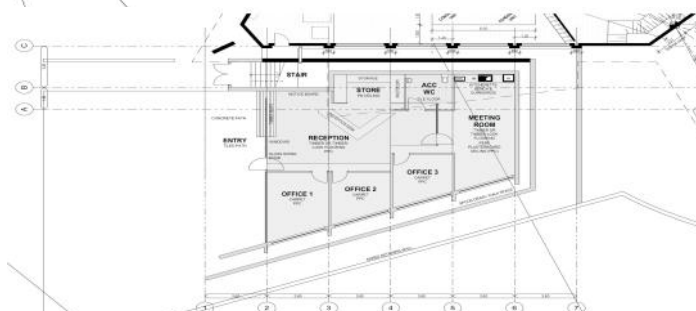
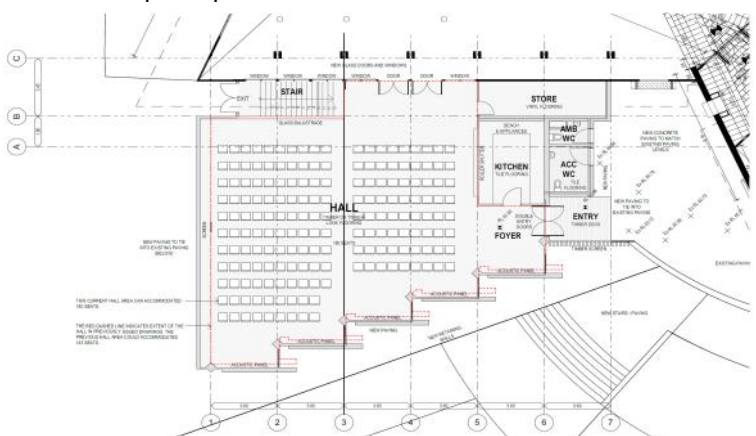
HALL EXTENSION - SOUTH ENTRY



HALL EXTENSION - OFFICE NORTH ENTRY



Proposed plan for the church extension - hall area



Below deck area next to the garden where the office will be assigned.



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

7 - 25 September 2025 - ADULT JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE




Led by Rachael, a passionate Lay Augustinian and seasoned pilgrimage leader, this journey is deeply enriched by her personal connection with Pope Leo XIV - the first Augustinian Pope. With special access to the Augustinian house in the Vatican and reflections shaped by years of ministry and friendship, this pilgrimage offers more than just travel - it's a spiritual encounter.

Register <https://parracatholic.org/events/jubilee-pilgrimage-2025/> or download a copy of the itinerary <https://parracatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Adult-Jubilee-Pilgrimage-Itinerary-Harvest-NO-QR-CODE.pdf>. Payment due 7 July

30 November to 2 December - AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Diocese of Parramatta will be joining the Australian Church at the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Melbourne from 30 November to 3 December 2025!

Join thousands of young Catholics from across Australia for an unforgettable festival featuring inspiring guest speakers, artists, and musicians. For more details and to express your interest, <https://parracatholic.org/connect/acfy/> or email hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org

IN THIS YEAR OF JUBILEE

We celebrate all those involved in Music Ministry across the Diocese of Parramatta

MASS FOR MUSICIANS

To be celebrated by
Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD STL

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER 2025
7:30PM

St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta
1 Marist Pl, Parramatta

RSVP by 19 September, 2025
ofw@parracatholic.org | 0460 037 795

with the number of guests attending for seating and catering purposes

Register for the 2025 Greater Sydney Community Sleepout

Friday 29th August



It's all about locals supporting locals

Help Vinnies break the cycle of homelessness by joining our Greater Sydney Vinnies Community Sleepout and braving the cold for one night.

Event Details

When: Fri, Friday 29 August 2025
Venue: Western Sydney University, Parramatta South Campus (Rydalmere)
Event Coordinator: Kate Conroy
E: kate.conroy@vinnies.org.au **M:** 0403 241 966
What to Expect: Inspiring guest speakers sharing real stories of homelessness, addiction, and recovery. Small group discussions & Trivia. Simple dinner: a cup of soup. Experience sleeping rough with just cardboard, a pillow, and a sleeping bag. Light breakfast in the morning.
Where Does the Money Go? Funds raised from the 2025 Greater Sydney Community Sleepout will directly support local services including: Maternal Heart Conference, Vinnies Support Centres, the Cumberland Vinnies Van, Woy Woy Vinnies Van and the Vinnies Broken Bay DV Fund. Your support helps ensure these vital services continue to make a difference in the lives of those doing it tough in our communities.

Did you know?

Vinnies in Greater Sydney has provided the following assistance over the past 12 months:

- 37,842 people** assisted (7% increase)
- \$5,478,600** financial and material assistance provided (20% increase)
- 31%** seeking assistance for the first time
- 49%** experiencing housing stress
- 21%** are experiencing homelessness or are in temporary accommodation

How you can get involved:

- Register as an individual or team
- **Dollar for Dollar Sponsor** - Sponsor provides a donation and over a 24 hour period, all public donations are matched until the sponsored amount has been exhausted.
- Other event sponsorship opportunities are available.

To register, scan the QR code or visit:

my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/greater-sydney-vinnies-community-sleepout-2025





LOOKING FOR YOUTH LEADERS

CONTACT US IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

Email: blaze@john23rd.org.au
 Instagram: [@blazeyouthsj23](https://www.instagram.com/blazeyouthsj23)

Youth Ministry

BLAZE YOUTH

WHO: Year 7 to 12
WHEN: 7:00 - 9:00pm
WHERE: St John XXIII College
 (C Block Bell space)

For any queries, please email us at blaze@john23rd.org.au or DM @blazeyouthsj23 on Insta and FB



BLAZE SESSIONS
 Welcome all children
 Years 7-12



26 July

8 August

22 August

8 September

19 September



MORE YOUTH GROUPS

CRL

(Community of the Risen Lord)
 Rojith de Silva
 0405 9563210
 Nimeshi Fernando
 0417 101009

YFC

(Youth for Christ)
 Dominic Lim Australia
 0468 826253
 Ronan Limguangco International
 0478 629629



IGNITE YOUNG ADULTS

WHO: 18 - 35 years of age
WHEN: First Sundays each month
TIME: 7:00 - 9:30pm
WHERE: St John XXIII College
 Staffroom

For any queries please either email gnite.stjohn23@gmail.com or DM on @ignite_sj23



**Indonesian
Mass**
Every Second
Saturday, 7.30pm
St John 23rd Church

Please come and celebrate

**Risen Lord Community
Praise & Worship Night**



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