

Franciscan Reflection:

We are made to be interdependent. Jesus sent the Twelve out in pairs to preach repentance, cast out devils and anoint and heal the sick. Saint Francis of Assisi commissioned his first followers with the Christlike words, "Go, my dear brothers, two by two through different parts of the world, announcing peace to the people and penance for the remission of sins." Fraternity is a formula that works for the most difficult of tasks. We are not meant to face the world alone. So, who are you teaming up with?

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MET Worship Serving at the Altar Seminar: 3 August

The Office for Worship are hosting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers of the Altar (Senior Servers) on "Back to Basics of Serving at the Altar" on **Saturday 3 August from 9.30 am to 3:00 pm** at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Chris Ohlsen will present the seminar, which will revisit some of the basic principles in serving at the altar. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. To **RSVP by 31 July**, please contact lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or call **0460 037 795**.

Get #Active4Vocations in the City2Surf on Sunday 11 August

Are you up for fun, fitness, and fellowship? Join the Parramatta Catholic Foundation #Active4Vocations team. Walk, stroll, jog, or run with our Holy Spirit seminarians, deacons, priests, and community. Funds raised support our Diocese's seminarians to become priests. Scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/Active4Vocations to register or donate.



CYP LIFTED Retreats

Looking for an opportunity to get away? **Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual LIFTED Retreat** is back – with a twist! This year LIFTED Retreat has transformed into 3 separate retreats, each catering to different age groups!

- 19-21 July – Ages 25-35 at Mt Schoenstatt, cost \$150.00.

Registration is essential! Please head to parracatholic.org/events for details.

Parish Registration

If you are a new parishioner, we ask you to complete a registration form. If you have not yet filled out a registration form, please do so as soon as possible and return it to the church or parish office. Forms are available at the entrance of the church.

How to Support Our Parish Family Financially

Parish Envelopes for the new financial year are available for subscribers to collect from the Entrance of the church. If you would like to become an envelope subscriber please contact the parish office. We would also invite you to consider your level of giving. People wishing to contribute by direct debit – forms are available from the parish office. You can setup your own internet banking recurring payment to:

BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 00000495

Account Name: Plumpton Catholic Parish Church

- Tap & go machines are available for people to use. These are in the Church.
- Those who wish to donate to the Capuchin Friars (Priests), please make the recurring payments to the following account:

BSB: 062-410 Account Number: 10136478

Account name: Capuchin Franciscan Friars



Phone: 02 9832 4461

After hours emergency #: 0493 969 440

Email: parishof@goodshepherd.org.au



The Good Shepherd Parish Plumpton

Or visit our website:
www.goodshepherd.org.au

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Celebrating Our 35th Anniversary

130-136 Hyatts Road, Plumpton NSW 2761

Weddings

Please call the Parish office for appointment. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

Holy Communion for the Sick

Please call the parish office for date and time.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office to book a time and date.

Baptisms

Parents and Godparents (2) must attend a Pre-Baptism Seminar prior to scheduling the Baptism. The seminar is offered once a month on the 4th Sunday in the Parish meeting room.

Please collect registration form from the Parish office. Baptism dates will be booked after attending the seminar.

New Parish Projects—Meeting room and Additional Toilets 12/07/2024

Donations	\$21,196.00
Raffle tickets	\$12,104.00
Legacy Donation	\$43,000.00
Total Amount	\$76,300.00
Revised Target Amount	\$100,000.00

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

14 July 2024

1st Reading: Amos 7:12-15

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:7-13

Entrance Antiphon: *As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.*

Responsorial Psalm: *Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.*

GOSPEL Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.
Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: *The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.*

Acknowledgement

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Darug Country, Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

Parish Team:

Parish Priest	Fr Gerard O'Dempsey OFM Cap
Assistant Parish Priest	Fr John Nguyen OFM Cap
Business Manager	Mr Owens Reyes
Parish Musical Director	Mr Jacob Wielgosz
Parish Council Chairperson	Mr Anthony Matthews
RCIA Co-ordinator	Mr & Mrs Bernie & Yeng Banta
Sacramental Co-ordinator	Mrs Priscilla Corpuz
Parish SRE Co-ordinator	Ms Therese Fuller
Finance & Bingo Operator	Mr Romy Balite
Safeguarding Champion	Mr Joseph Fenech

Daily MASS Times

Mon/Tue/Fri 9:00 am
Wednesday 9:00 am & 7:30 pm
Thursday 9:00 am & 7:00 pm (Vietnamese)
Saturday 8:00 am

Weekend MASS Times

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm
12:00 pm (Vietnamese)
Spanish Mass Every 2nd Saturday of each month 7:30 pm

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10:30 to 11:30 am
Kindly ring Parish Office to book for other times during the week.

Baptism Seminar

The next seminar will be held on the **28th of July 2024 at 2:00 pm** in the **parish meeting room**. Please bring a copy of your child's **birth certificate**.

Parish Based Youth Group – Antioch

Young people are empowered and nourished in their spiritual Journey and leadership. We have a youth group meeting every Sunday at 7:30 pm. We invite the youth for "Come and See" experience.

"It is an error to believe that Christ did not teach a determined body of doctrine applicable to all times and to all men, but rather that He inaugurated a religious movement adapted, or to be adapted, to different times and different places."

— Saint Pius X

Please remember those for whom prayers have been requested

Death Anniversaries / In Memoriam: Fidelia, Rodolfo, Jerome Almario, John Apap, Allwyn & Daisy Assey, Melvin Roy Corpuz, Salvador David Jr, Fedele Felice, Nena Freznosa, Juanita Reyes Galvez, Fortunato Manalang, Kumarika Misso, Clemente Molina, Pia Oriemo, Monica Padani-Joson, Florie Pinto, Emanuel Refalo, Aida Sadsad, Leslie Sharp, Myra Silva, Lily & Theresa Thomas, Olga & Patrick Thomas, Domingo Valix and Isabel Valix

Healing / Good Health: Ginette, Josie, Mark, Michael, Julian Aguilar, Conrad & John D'Cruz, Gia Dinh, Brendon D'Souza, Erlinda Escueta, Franklyn Foenander and Karen Laosantos

Birthday / Thanksgiving: Armida Tandoc Boncato and Amalia Ruiz

We also remember in our prayers our housebound brothers & sisters

John ANGEL, Raylina AURE, Christine BAPTISTE, Doris & John BARRETT, Maureen BARTLEY, Philomena BENT, Carmen BIFFA, Jacqueline CAMERON, Conception CAPIENDO, Frances CARUANA, Gwen & Robert CHAMBERS, Sr Gail COLQUHOUN, Paul DWYER, Wayne & Audrey FERNANDEZ, Jean-Marie & Marie-Claude FREDERIC, Fololetina FRETTON, Louise GRECH, Catherine HART, Eden & Ninoy JUCO, John KNIGHT, Nabil LABBAD, Francis LLOYD GOULD, Kathleen MORRISSEY, Deidre MURRAY, Elsie NONEY, Pamela PEARSON, Marie PURCELL, Gloria ROBERTS, Antonia SCHEMBRI, Mary SIMMONS, Vivienne & Marian STEWART, Anthony & Natalina TEUMA, Mary THEVATHASAN, Raymond TOGHILL, Margaret TSENG, John VAIFALE, Rita VAUGHN, Sesilia VAVE, Sione VEA, Augustina & Margaret VELLA, Aida WALCOTT, Russell & Mary WICKRAMASINGHE and Joan WREN.

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RCIA Catholic Inquiry Nights

Catholic Inquiry nights are held in the **Parish Meeting Room** every **Monday at 7:30 pm**. This is for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic faith or anyone interested in becoming a Catholic.

Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Tuesday the 16th of July is the **feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. The Legion of Mary invites parishioners to enrol in the **Brown Scapular of Mount Carmel**. This will take place **after the 9:00 am Mass** on Tuesday 16 July.

Peace, Justice and Ecology Table Talk – Housing for Everyone: 3 August

Many people in our communities struggle to find a home, due to high prices to rent or buy, lack of availability, or lack of social housing. At this Diocesan Table Talk, you are invited to hear and discuss inspiring stories from people affected and insightful information from an expert: **3 August 2024 from 7:00–9:30 pm** (after the 6:00 pm Mass) at **The Good Shepherd Parish Hall**. Light dinner will be included. Please register at tinyurl.com/housing-table-talk24 or scan the QR code.



Altar Servers Needed!

The Good Shepherd Parish is in need of Altar Servers for the weekend Masses. If your child has received their First Holy Communion and would like to join the Altar Servers' ministry, **please contact** the parish office on **02 9832 4461** or email parishof@goodshepherd.org.au.

Invitation to Make a Retreat in Daily Life

'Longing to be with God who longs to be with us'. What is a Retreat in Daily Life? A Retreat in Daily Life gives us the opportunity to draw closer to God in our personal prayer at home, praying in our own time, with some suggested resources and information. It is designed to help us find peace, grace and connection in the ordinary moments of each day. The Retreat in Daily Life is open to everyone, regardless of their spiritual journey. It draws on the wisdom of Ignatian spirituality. When: to be decided; Commitment: 30 – 60 minutes each day over 5 days in your home. There will be an **information session at The Good Shepherd Parish Meeting Room on Monday 15 July at 10:00 am**. Or contact **Sr Colleen Foley 0431 917 468** or **Sr Pia Galea 0423 656 444**.

Safeguarding Kids Art Competition

As part of our commitment to zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person, the Diocese of Parramatta is running our first Art competition for children and young people! Children and young people aged between 5 and 19 are invited to produce an artwork around the theme "My Church community is a safe place for me". **Entries close on Friday 26 July**. For more information and to enter, please visit parracatholic.org/artcompetition

Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities

The next session of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on **Saturday 27 July at St John XXIII Parish**, Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens for **Modules 1-3**. More training opportunities will be available throughout August and September. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>. For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

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