

Evangelisation Point:

Pope Francis has said we cannot remain walled up within our churches. The people with the greatest need for God's mercy are not in our churches. They are out on the peripheries of society. Jesus said go and make disciples...he didn't say wait here until disciples show up. "This dynamism (going out to others) is part of Christ's great mission to bring life to the world, to bring the Father's love to mankind. The Son of God went forth from his divine condition and came to meet us. The Church abides within this movement; every Christian is called to go out to meet others, to dialogue with those who do not think as we do, with those who have another faith or who have no faith." [Address to the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelisation Oct 14, 2013]

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Expression of Interest: Ministry to the Sick in Hospitals

Are you interested in bringing Communion to the Sick in the Hospitals of the Diocese? You will receive formation and information necessary for this ministry. Note you will not be required to do this every week but will be placed on a roster. For more information, please contact bernard.ellis@catholiccarewsbm.org.au by 15 June 2024.

Standard 3: Families and communities are informed and involved

As you'd be aware, the Diocese of Parramatta is committed to keeping children, young people, and vulnerable adults safe. We have processes in place to keep this commitment. The Diocese Safeguarding website has links to Government and non-Government safeguarding websites with useful information for parents in relation to keeping their children safe (<https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding>). Our relationships with our children, however, place us in a privileged position where we can have important conversations about how they can keep themselves safe, and who to talk to when they don't feel safe. It's not always easy to know where to start the "safety" conversation, but a range of resources are available to parents on the internet which can advise parents on what to discuss and even how to approach the conversation!

Age Specific Information - <https://raisingchildren.net.au>

Personal Safety - <https://www.napcan.org.au/tips-for-talking-to-children-about-personal-safety>

Online Safety - <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

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

New Parish Projects—Meeting room and Additional Toilets 17/05/2024

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

THE PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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.

PENTECOST

19 May 2024

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

2nd Reading: Galatians 5:16-25

Gospel Reading: John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Entrance Antiphon:

*The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things
understands what is said, alleluia.*

Responsorial Psalm:

*Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.*

GOSPEL Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon:

*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.*

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/Wed/Fri 9:00 am & 7:30 pm
Tuesday 9:00 am
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 **26th of May 2024 at 2:00 pm** in the **parish meeting room**. Please bring a copy of your child's **birth certificate**.

Congratulations for last Weekend's Baptism

Eziah Stefan Pogose Fotu-Moala
Amari Brienne Rubia Rivera

"The Holy Spirit, in the variety of his gifts, unites us and enables us to contribute to the building up of the Church in holiness. In this great work, each of us has a part to play; each of us, as a "living stone", is needed for the growth and the beauty of God's holy temple. Let us ask the Lord to help us to take an ever more active part in the Church's life and mission, guided by the Holy Spirit and with Jesus as our cornerstone."

— Pope Francis

Please remember those for whom prayers have been requested

Death Anniversaries / In Memoriam: All Sisters who have passed away, Antonio Berlanga, Betty Cummings, Amy & Albert D'Souza, Dominga Gabay, Cynthia & Davis Henriquis, Alejandro & Pepito Lagasca, Kumarika Misso, Zaida Nassif, Mary Pislopo, Norma Raposas and Consuelo Zaragoza

For Good Health: Divina, Mark, Michael, John Abela, Lilia Aquino, Julie Asma, Franklin Foenander, Terence Jacob, Tesa Mejo, Elizabeth Mitchell, Steve Murray, Ethan & Ryan Walter

Anniversaries / Birthdays / Thanksgiving: Douglas, Sene Family, Landen Dominic Rowland, Sherrine & Warren Rowland

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, Foleletina Fretton, Louise GRECH, Catherine HART, Eden & Ninoy JUCO, John KNIGHT, Nabil LABBAD, Francis LLOYD GOULD, Marie MELITO, Kathleen MORRISSEY, Deidre MURRAY, Elsie NONEY, Pamela PEARSON, Marie PURCELL, Gloria ROBERTS, Aida SADSAD, Antonia SCHEMBRI, Mary SIMMONS, Vivienne & Marian STEWART, Anthony & Natalina TEUMA, 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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Sacrament of Confirmation 2024

The **parent information sheets** and **registration forms** for the 2024 Sacramental Program for Confirmation are now **available at the entrance of the Church** and in the **Parish Office**.

Saint Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal – 01 & 02 June

The St Vincent De Paul Society will be having their **Winter Appeal** on the **weekend of 01 & 02 June 2024**. There will be a leaving collection at the end of every Mass. Please give generously.



Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities at The Good Shepherd Parish

The Good Shepherd Parish Plumpton will be hosting face-to-face Safeguarding trainings in the parish meeting room on the following dates:

- Module 5: Friday 14 June (7:00 – 8:30 pm) or Saturday 15 June (10:00 – 11:30 am)
- Please email parishof@goodshepherd.org.au to register.

Peace Justice Ecology Table Talk "Laudato Si' Week – Seeds of Hope": 20 May

You are invited to join the Good Shepherd Social Justice Team for an engaging conversation about caring for God's creation: Hear and discuss inspiring stories from lived experience, and play a role in creating positive change in the spirit of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si'. Join this Diocesan Table Talk on Monday 20 May 6:00 – 8:30 pm, St Finbar's Parish Glenbrook. Light dinner will be provided on arrival. Please register & find out more at tinyurl.com/laudatosi-table-talk

Synod 2023 Update: Local Think Tank Sessions from May-June

Parishes and other local faith communities across the diocese are holding local Think Tank Sessions, giving local leaders and anyone involved in ministry to offer feedback on the Draft of the Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church, and contribute ideas for the practical implementation of our Diocesan Plan. Contact the parish office to inquire about our local Think Tank session and visit parracatholic.org/synod for more.

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2024

Getting married in 2024? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Please visit www.parracatholic.org/celebrate/marriage/marriage-preparation 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 marriage@parracatholic.org or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Get your feed on the Soul Food Podcast

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**: www.parracatholic.org/resources/soul-food

Spiritual Direction

I was born and raised in the Parramatta Diocese and our family have been part of the Good Shepherd community since the beginning. I entered the Poor Clares 40 years ago and over these years, I have worked in universities as a Social Worker, and I have been practicing as a spiritual director for 15 years. As a spiritual director, my passion is fostering human connection through deep listening and understanding. In life we are constantly being created and recreated. Life events can bring about questions about who we are and who is God in our life's journey. Through a relationship of attentive companionship in spiritual direction, we explore what gives life meaning and purpose, as stories of fears, anxieties, joys, and delights are named and shared. If you would like to know more about spiritual direction, please contact me, **Sr Pia Galea osc, 0423 656 444, pgalea7@hotmail.com**