

HOLY FAMILY COMMUNITY

UNDER THE CARE OF THE AUSTRALIAN JESUIT PROVINCE

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We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass : 5.30 pm Sunday: 9.00 am and 10.30 am

JOHN THERRY CHAPEL (DAY CHAPEL)

Monday 8.30am Mass
Tuesday 6.00pm Mass
Wednesday 6.00pm Mass
Thursday 8.30am Mass
Friday 9.00am Mass
Saturday 9.00am Mass

MASS AT WILLMOT CHURCH

Sunday 7.30am
Cnr Pelsart & Carteret Ave Willmot

RECONCILIATION AND HOLY HOUR—EMERTON

Saturday from 9.30 am to 10.00 am



MASS FOR YOU AT HOME

10.30am—Archdiocese of Sydney
www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHTnC8qGMDg



11.00am—Diocese of Parramatta
www.youtube.com/user/ParramattaDiocese/

COVID-SAFE PROCEDURES



*Register your details upon entering the church
*Masks are mandatory.

*Sanitise hands
*Maintain safe distancing
*Wipe down your chairs before you leave.

*Please do not enter the church if you are unwell and/or experiencing flu-like symptoms.

REFLECTION FROM THE PARISH PRIEST FOR THE 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

This liturgical year is the year of Luke – we will be concentrating on this Gospel throughout the year. Fr Brendan Byrne SJ titled his commentary on Luke's Gospel: The Hospitality of God – Luke presents us with a God who looks to welcome the downtrodden, the poor, the outcast.

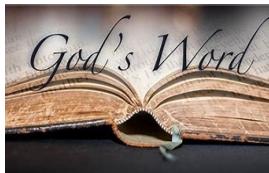
Luke writes to “Theophilus” – literally means ‘lover of God’ – that includes Jews and non-Jews, but also means you and me too. Luke writes to confirm the reader in their identity as believers, knowing that nothing so promotes assurance and confidence in engaging with the outside world as a firm sense of identity. Luke will tell the story in such a way that Theophilus and believers of all subsequent generations, right down to ourselves, will feel that they are woven into it; that it is our story as well.

What is truly remarkable is how short Jesus' sermon in Nazareth actually is! He reads the longish text from Isaiah 62:1-2, then simply proclaims: **“Today, this text is being fulfilled even as you listen.”** End of sermon! He can do this because his life and mission already mirrors the words of Isaiah: good news for the poor, freedom for captives, sight for the blind, the downtrodden set free, proclaiming a ‘year’ of acceptance. Luke will spell out all that Jesus does to fulfil this passage in the proceeding chapters.

Being put into the story by Luke, it is good for us to ask ourselves: What passage could our sermon be: “Today, this text is being fulfilled even as you listen”? If we are truly a lover of God, then this should show in our actions, as it did for Jesus, as it did for the apostles, as with the Saints, so then with us. What can we point to in our life that fulfils our mission?



Fr Gregory



SCRIPTURE READINGS—YEAR C

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Good news to the poor



LET US HEAR AND RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8: 2-6, 8-10

The priest Ezra brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the Law. The scribe Ezra stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

So the Levites read from the book, from the Law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the Law.

Then Ezra said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Ps 18 (19): 8-10, 15

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple. R.
The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes. R.
The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;
The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. R.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. R.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30

Brothers and sisters: Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 1: 1-4, 4: 14-21

Since many have undertaken to set down an orderly account of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed on to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, I too decided, after investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

Then he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of the Lord.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 30th JANUARY 2022 — 4th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME: YEAR C

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 31—13: 13 **Gospel:** Luke 4: 21-30

**WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

LIST OF THE SICK: Kevin Smith, Carmen Carlon, Danielle Heatly, Janice Quinn, Rose Wilson, Sylvia Greene, Lopisoni Makario, George Mallouk, Zarouf Mallouk, Ave Sio, Cristina Frugone, Tracey Tosatto, Sandra Roseworn, Kenny McConnell, Jean Toovey, Kilisimasi Lolesio, Jose Manalo, Fely Dela Paz Manalo, Thomas Hurst, Monica Taylor, Pacita Galasgas, Dimaano, Leo Teman, Gene Nieborski, Colleen Hodges, Gerry Borg, Louise Hall, Helen Ryan, Lemauga Tuliati, Vailemani Selui, Margaret Kearney, Eleanor Pettersson, Margaret Joyce, Mary Facer, Antonia Beemster, Faith Nimmo, Janette Queensell, Vaha Vave, Barry Barrakett, Paul Cusack, Ian Watts, Corina Valentine, Jeffrey Bonnici, Jose Lay, Fay Iffland, Mayda Attachian, Tim Meagher, Ray Fenech, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Fara Vargas, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave.

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RECENTLY DECEASED:

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9.00am—4.30pm
 Friday: 9.00am—3.30pm

CLOSED ON WEEKENDS

Note: Staff meetings held on Tuesdays 9.15am—10.00am

SUPPORT US ONLINE

For contributions towards the 1st Collection, for the clergy of the Diocese of Parramatta, please use the following details:

Acc Name: Diocesan Clergy
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For contributions towards the 2nd Collection, for our parish expenses, please use the following details:

Acc Name: Mount Druitt Catholic Church
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Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH COLLECTIONS:

for the weekend of the 15th/16th January 2022

1st collection (for the clergy of the Diocese):	\$ 414.45
2nd collection (for parish expenses):	\$ 1,222.10

Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses 2022

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will begin early next year in February. 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 see Sr Carlene, OR contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or anne.stanton@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

Arabic Mass available in the Diocese

There is an Arabic Mass open to everyone in the Diocese of Parramatta celebrated every Sunday at 7.15pm in St Michael's Church, Blacktown, celebrated by Fr Chadi Ibrahim SDB, Assistant Priest at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 23 January 2022. For more information, please contact the parish office on (02) 9622 1125.

Mass available for the Nigerian Catholic Community

The Nigerian Catholic community come together to celebrate Mass every second and fourth Sundays of the month at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. For more information, please contact community chaplain Fr Chinonye Akamadu on 0451 174 438 or chuk.akamadu@parracatholic.org or Stella Nwosu on 0405 478 472.

Annual Legal Red Mass: 3 February 2022

The Annual Red Mass, which gives thanks for the work of those who serve the law, will be held on Thursday 3 February at St Patrick's Cathedral at 7pm, followed by a light supper. It is also an opportunity to reaffirm a commitment to justice and faith. For catering purposes, please confirm your attendance by emailing mili@stpatscathedral.com.au or by phone to (02) 8839 8400.

As the coronavirus (COVID-19) affects our world, we continue to pray. We invite You into our hearts, Lord—hearts that have so much on them right now.

Amidst our fear, disappointment, confusion, uncertainty, grief, anger, frustration and more...

We invite You in, Lord.

We know You are bigger.



(Marquette.edu, excerpt)

“PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER”

DUC IN ALTUM

A PATHWAY FOR LEADERSHIP IN YOUTH MINISTRY
FORMATION | PRAYER | COMMUNITY | MISSION

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP:
CATHOLICYOUTHPARRAMATTA.ORG/DUCINALTUM

Catholic Youth Parramatta is committed to facilitating the growth of young leaders for ministry and mission in the Church and in the world. We are excited to launch Duc In Altum: a pathway for leadership in youth ministry in the Diocese of Parramatta.

Duc In Altum is inspired by Bishop Vincent's motto from Luke 5:4. The Latin translation is "put out into the deep". These are the words that Jesus said to Peter at their first encounter, which prompted Peter to go into deep water and lower his net for a catch.

This leadership pathway is intentionally designed to provide opportunities for accompaniment and encounter over one year, leading to a commissioning World Youth Day Parramatta on the Feast Day of Christ The King.

Suitable for 16 and over.

DUC IN ALTUM AIMS TO:

- enhance leadership and local ministry capacity through training and accompaniment
- facilitate connections between young people that grows an authentic Christ-centred community
- provide space and formation that encourages a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of mission in today's context.

KEY DATES

29 January : Leaders Summit

5 March : Anchored

28 May : Leaders Summit

1 July - 3 July : Lifted Retreat

24 September : Leaders Summit

5 November : Anchored Retreat

20 November : World Youth Day Parramatta - Leaders Commissioning

Further information and registration details can be found here: <https://parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/>

If you have questions regarding Duc In Altum, you are welcome to email qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org or call 0421241500.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH VISION

Holy Family Mt Druitt is a welcoming community:
 ✚ **on a journey towards a personal encounter with Jesus;**
 ✚ **called to unity and celebrating our diversity;**
 ✚ **living and sharing the joy of the Gospel.**



AUSTRALIA DAY

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.



A TIME TO RECONNECT AND WALK TOGETHER

This Australia Day, the community is encouraged to Reflect, Respect and Celebrate our nation and our people – especially our strong sense of community as we work towards reconnecting.

Australia Day 2022 is a time to recognise the resilience of all Australians and to focus on what we can achieve when we move forward as a community and a unified nation.

Australia Day means different things to different people and everyone is encouraged to acknowledge Australia Day in a way that's meaningful to them. We acknowledge the significant contribution that everyone makes to our nation, from First Nations people who have lived here for 65,000 years to our newest citizens who call Australia home.

Australia Day is an opportunity to celebrate our cultural diversity and rich migrant heritage, which is very much part of our unique Australian identity and has helped shape a nation proud of its strong and successful multiculturalism.

Regardless of our origins or our past, it's a day for Australians from all backgrounds and communities to come together to share stories, embrace our diversity, and celebrate our unity.

We all belong, and we all contribute to this nation's story and achievements.

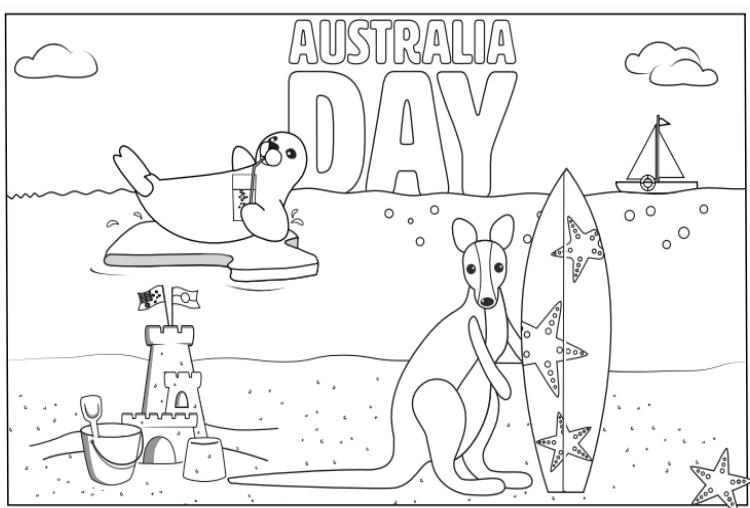
WHAT'S ON?

At dawn on Australia Day 2022, a projection onto the sails of the Sydney Opera House will feature the artwork of Central Desert artist, David Miller.

Mr Miller, a senior Pitjantjatjara man, is painting the Goanna Songline (Ngintaka Inma) that will feature in Solid Rock, Sacred Ground, the opening segment of Australia Day Live at dusk.

Vantage Point: 5.30am to 6am at the Circular Quay foreshore.

Visit australiaday.com.au website for the Australia Day 2022 program in Sydney, or enjoy some fun activities including learning or testing your Aussie slang and Aussie trivia.



KIDS COLOURING ACTIVITY

Source: NSW Govt, Australia Day in NSW, 2022—australiaday.com.au



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THE CALL TO BE—GOING ON-LINE

"The Call to Be" Group is pleased to announce the first lecture series is GOING ON-LINE instead of in person, as originally planned, due to the still prevailing COVID restrictions.

We will advertise each lecture as they occur.

ROBERT TILLEY: A CATHOLIC WAY OF READING

THE WORD OF GOD

February 2, 9, 16 - 10am—noon, cost \$60

To attend the Zoom lectures please register your interest by emailing thecalltobe@gmail.com and you will be sent the payment details, the zoom id and study notes prior to the first lecture.

A Catholic Way of Reading the Word of God - Robert Tilley

The Gospels present the crucifixion as being the fullness of the meaning of the Scriptures; *the words* of God are fulfilled in the Passion of the *Incarnate Word* of God. In a like manner, St Paul wrote that instead of concerning himself with miracles and philosophical wisdom he preached the word of the Cross. Throughout her history and up to the present day the Church has been led by the Holy Spirit to bring out treasures old and new from the Scriptures, treasures that flow from the Cross of Jesus Christ and that speak of the love of the Father.

In this series we begin with the binding of Isaac by Abraham, then journey through the prophets, till we reach the New Testament, all the while showing how contemporary and medieval approaches to Scripture can complement each other. We will do this by way of what the medieval used to call the *Quadriga*, a way of ordering our reading that mirrors the hierarchically ordered architecture of the Jerusalem Temple.