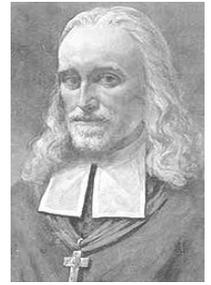




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HARRIS PARK



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19 July 2020 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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DISPENSATION: From the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Sunday 22nd March 2020), Catholics in the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligations until further notice (Canon 1248 §2 and Catechism 2181)

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online>.

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings are allowed to take place under strict government guidelines with regards to social distancing (at least 4 square metres of space for each person is observed), hygiene (hand sanitising) and submitting names and contact details.

Reconciliation: by appointment or 4 pm Saturday

COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) UPDATE

On 30 June 2020, NSW Health issued revised COVID-19 guidelines for places of worship, effective 1 July 2020.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Psalm 53:6, 8

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him

Psalm 110:4-5

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



PLENARY COUNCIL DISCERNMENT PAPERS RELEASED

You are encouraged to take the discernment papers from the six national Plenary Council writing groups for your own discernment about how to bring to life a Christ-centred community in your area. These papers can be found at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>. The Pastoral Planning Office can accompany you in reflecting on these papers. Please contact pastoralplanning@parracatholic.org to discuss ways to engage with these discernment papers.

PARISH READING ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK: 25/26 JULY

Saturday 5:30 pm Tram Nguyen / Jim Hanna
 Sunday 8:00 am Jade & Jedson Hermogenes
 Sunday 10:00 am Seminarians



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

Deceased: Clare Boulous | Joseph Boulous | Reynalda Morris | Amado Morris | Cecelia Moras | Kerrie Wolfers | Joe Hume | Andrew A. Pitiaia | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Ray Malkoun Samiha Frome | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Abood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Anniversary: Jas Long | Jos Tinh | Maria Phuoc

Sick: All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

Please call (02) 8863 8801 or email: stoliva@bigpond.net.au if you have any request for mass offerings or home/hospital visit for the sick.

THIS WEEK'S SAINTS AND FEAST DAYS:

Sunday, 19th July - SAINT MACRINA (327-379). Her parents were St. Basil the Elder and St. Emmelia; her brothers, the younger St. Basil, St. Gregory of Nyssa and St. Peter of Sebaste. As the eldest child of ten, Macrina exercised a formative influence on her more famous brothers and even on her mother. She persuaded Basil to become a monk and to subordinate his gifts to God's purposes. She and her mother renounced their high standard of living and formed a small monastic community of nuns on the family's estate.

Wednesday, 20th July - SAINT MARGARET OF ANTIOCH (Fourth Century). Virgin and martyr, the patron saint for a difficult childbirth. Margaret had a strong following as one of the 14 helper saints in the Middle Ages, and was one of the "voices" that St. Joan of Arc heard, urging her to save France.

Wednesday, 22nd July - SAINT MARY MAGDALENE. Mary, from Magdala in Galilee, was a disciple of Jesus who used her resources, or wealth, to help support him and his followers. The Gospel of Luke also says Mary was the woman from whom Jesus cast out seven demons. She was present at his crucifixion and burial and was the first witness to the Resurrection and carried that news to the others; because of this, St. Augustine called her "apostola apostolorum" the apostle to the apostles. Traditions that identified Mary as a prostitute or penitent sinner are now discounted.

Friday, 24th July - SAINT SHARBEL MAKHLUF (1828-1898). Born in a Lebanese mountain village, Youssef was drawn to the life of his uncles, monks of the Maronite rite. At age 23, he left home for the monastery, taking the name Sharbel, after an early martyr. Ordained a priest in 1859 and spent the next 16 years in the monastery at Annaya. From 1875 he lived as a hermit, regarded as a saint by those who knew him. He is the first Maronite saint included in the Latin-rite calendar.

Saturday, 25th July - SAINT JAMES (Born in Galilee) Jesus called James and John, the sons of Zebedee, to leave their livelihood as fishermen and follow him. James was the first of the 12 to be martyred; was beheaded in Jerusalem by order of Herod Agrippa about 44. Patron saint of pilgrims, laborers, rheumatism, several Latin American countries and Spain. "The greater" distinguishes him from the other apostle James, "the lesser," who likely was smaller or younger.

Sunday, 26th July - SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE (First Century) Not mentioned in the Bible, named as the parents of Mary. They are the patrons of married couples; Anne is also the patron of childless women, expectant mothers and miners.

POSITIONS VACANT:

- Human Resources Adviser – Diocese of Parramatta
- HR Project Officer – Payroll and Talent (Permanent position) - Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited – **Applications close Monday 20 July**
- Head of People and Culture – CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains – **Applications close Tuesday 28 July**

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND: 1-2 AUGUST

We are open for a face to face marriage preparation weekend on August 1-2 at St Joseph's Retreat Centre, Baulkham Hills. Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and married life. Spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. Further information and registration: www.engagedencounter.org.au

SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH ONLINE WOMEN'S RETREAT: 1 AUGUST

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are inviting young women aged 18-35 to attend an online discernment retreat for women on 1 August from 4pm. The retreat will include a reflection and talk, a Q&A session and evening prayer. Registration is essential, as a link to the Zoom meeting will be provided. To RSVP, please contact Sr Paula on 0449 656 406 or vocationsscfm@gmail.com.

SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS STORIES!

Thank you for all that you continue to do to share the love and peace of God. Our Pastoral Planning Office welcomes your good news stories of hope and encouragement during COVID-19 to share with parishes and communities across our Diocese. If you have a good news story to offer, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/goodnewsstory>

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