

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

Under the Pastoral Care of the Friars Minor Conventual

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THANK YOU FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL!

You did it and came through for your parish priest and the needy of our area! Last weekend, we collected a whopping sum of **\$6,775.90** for the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Congratulations and many blessings! Thank you so much for being such a loving and caring community at OLOR.

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CATHOLICARE SYDNEY Do you know any seniors in your community who could use a little help at home? Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call CatholicCare Careline on 13 18 19 for more information.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS the friars of St. Bonaventure Province as they gather to decide assignments and discuss issues for the next quadrennium in the week of 24-29 June, 2018. Also pray for safety for your parish priest as I travel throughout the States visiting family. I will return (like General Patton) on **31 July**. - Fr. Alejandro

AT THE WELL: A GATHERING OF WOMEN Young women are invited to an informal and intimate gathering to encourage dialogue on topics such as faith, love, career and life on Friday, **29 June**, from 7pm, at 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. Guests include Sr Rosie Drum, Malia Lolesio and Joy Adan. Tickets are \$5 and are limited. Registration is required at parracatholic.org/the-well. Contact Qwayne, Local Engagement Leader, Catholic Youth Parramatta for more information at qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org or on 8838 3481.

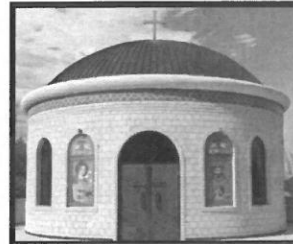
A CATHOLIC MEN'S SEMINAR ON 3 AUGUST The 2018 'Faith in Marriage' Seminar address is entitled 'Marriage and Men in Contemporary Society' and will be given by Robert Falzon, co-founder of menALIVE. All are warmly welcome to attend this free event on Friday, **3 August** at 7.30pm at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP at lmf@parracatholic.org or 8838 3460.

SACRAMENT NEWS If you need information regarding the sacrament programme in our parish please contact sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

Thank you for last week's collection of **\$3,049.85**

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FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Br. Jerry Payne OFM Conv.
6.45am Weekday Mass
followed by Reconciliation.

Open daily 6am to 6pm. Come visit and pray in this place of quiet beauty.

LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH - ALL NIGHT ADORATION AT THE SHRINE All-Night Adoration will be held at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents on Friday **29 June** beginning with Maximilian Kolbe Novena Mass at 7pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is from 8pm until 11am Mass on Saturday morning. All welcome to pray in reparation for the sin of abortion and other offences to human life. **Please put your name on the clipboard in the foyer of the Church if you are able to spend any time in Adoration of Our Lord between 8pm on Friday and 10am on Saturday, as above. Everyone is welcome.**

THE BODY OF CHRIST IN NEED Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion or Catholics trained for home visitation of the sick are needed to take Holy Communion to the sick at Westmead Hospital on Sunday mornings between 9am and 11am, on a roster basis—only once every eight weeks! This is not a difficult ministry, but a very important and rewarding one. Training will be given to volunteers before visiting the hospital wards. For further details contact Deacon Tan on 0407 270 782 or via nwht@yahoo.co.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO BERRIMA ON THURSDAY 13 SEPTEMBER There are some seats still available on the luxury bus booked to Berrima. We'll be leaving the parish at 7.30am and returning at 5.30pm. The cost is still \$25 per seat. Please call the parish office if you would like to join other parishioners on a trip to mark the apparitions of Our Blessed Mother in Fatima.

'COME AND SEE' WEEKEND RETREAT FOR WOMEN ON 21 JULY The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth are offering a weekend retreat for women aged 18-35 who want to discern a vocation to religious life. This retreat offers a one-to-one encounter and includes accompaniment, prayer time, and talks. Bring only a holy Bible and a smile! **21 July** from 2.30pm at Holy Spirit Convent, 120 Capuchin Way, Plumpton. For more info call 0449 656 406 or email at vocationscsfn@gmail.com

PARISH RENO Thank you to the few who have responded to our request for builders who can help us with the renovations of the church. Are you able to help or do you know anyone who might be interested? Please contact Angela in the parish office, leaving information about the business and how it might help. We're looking for those who will be included in our tender. Thanks and blessings in advance for your consideration.

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GOOD NEWS ABOUT OUR GREEN HYMNALS The publishing company of the *Catholic Worship Book II* will be replacing our 240 or so damaged copies at no charge to the parish. (If you recall, the spines were pulling apart from the rest of the books.) May St. Cecilia help us to sing God's praises more joyfully!

OUR CONDOLENCES to the family of Beatrice Ratnasekera whose funeral was on Wednesday. Please keep her and all her family in your prayers.

DID YOU KNOW? There is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Friday in our Church from 10am (after 9.15am Mass) until 12 Noon. Everyone is most welcome!

PLANNED GIVING There are still envelopes awaiting collection in the foyer of the Church. If you have not already collected your family's box of envelopes, please do so today. If you would like to donate by credit card, find an "Automatic Credit Card Debit Form" on the church noticeboard. Please drop the completed form in the collection bag or give it to the Priest who celebrates Mass.

OLOR PARISH SCHEDULE

Mon. 7pm Mass followed with Divine Mercy Novena, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions 7.30-8pm, Benediction at 8pm.
Tues. 7pm Mass followed by St. Anthony Novena
Wed. 9.15am Mass
Thur. 9.15am Mass
Fri. 9.15am Mass with Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Benediction at 11.45am (On First Fridays: **7pm Mass** followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions 7.30-8pm, Benediction at 8pm.)
Sat. 9am Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
9.15am Mass Confessions 9.45-10.15am and again 5pm to 5.45 pm
5.50pm Angelus
6pm Vigil Mass
Sun. 7am, 9am, 11am Masses, 5.50pm Angelus, **6pm Mass**

KNITTING, ANYONE? Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10am in the parish office, to make blankets for the needy - one square at a time. If you decide to join us, simply turn up with or without your needles. We are able to teach anyone to knit, so all are welcome. Meetings end at 12 Noon. **We accept donations of 8ply wool should anyone like to support the making of blankets for the needy.**

NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! Please take a "new parishioner" from the foyer of the church.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Giuseppina Rossi, Tracy Capdor, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Niko Juanengo, Thalia Basa, Peter Prizas, Diosdado Deang, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Moira Maroney, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Amanda Webb, Annalise Sherlock, Ricardo Patane, Michelle Nickols, Michael Dimech, Fallon Weinman, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Denise, Antoinetta Cigolini, Amelia Williams, Arnel Galeng, David McHenry, Leonie Hite, Kim Kenna, Doydoy Calisura, Guida Lambropoulos, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Winston Nickols, Betty Muldoon, Bev Swann, Carmelo M Ortea, Liam Newland, Elvie Anderson, Lily Eyles, Josephine Murphy, Fran Clarke, Barbara Higgins, David Got, Floralba Gonzalez, Caleb Peter Newland, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Rita Terese Keogh, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Concordia Llave, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Therese Sergi, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gularte, Monty Roughe, Gary Robinson, Felicia, Ona Hobs, Monica Zachulski, Margaret Loscialpo, Felix Weinman

MASS & MINISTRIES - 23/24 JUNE 2018

Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Ryan Leona Alphonso & Glenice Lui Nathaniel Manlolo & Rebecca Neylan
Sun. 7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Huber Theresa Dodd and Walter Bradstock Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	Steve Boland Minal Menezes and Michael Finucane Norma Evans and Joyce Weinman
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	Leevon Abuan Maria Remiendo & Carolyn Manio Felicia Borgona and Tracy Capdor
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	Arul Arulthasan Stefan and Stephanie Arulthasan Danielle Smith And Annette Tan
Counters: Church Vacuum:		Terest Dempsey & Tessie Laugesen Paul and Racelle Fameron

MASS & MINISTRIES - 30 JUNE - 1 JULY

Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	John Sorbello Catherine Lai and Josephine Calangi Sonny Huang and Jerry Lui
Sun. 7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	John Huber Nancy Comito and Volunteer Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	John Caswell Sally Sianghio and George Castline Margaret Samuels and Grace Trzcinski
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	Ed Cecilia Maryse Emmanuel and Jane Lapidario Evelyn Romero and Tony Monteiro
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM:	Vino Rodrigues Mary Zahra and Margaret Rodriguez Joseph Lumapas and Ana Mustafa
Counters: Church Vacuum:		Susan Bird, Jan Buist and Tessie Laugesen Sid Karam

MASS INTENTIONS : 23 - 30 JUNE 2018

Sat. 23	9.15am	Intention of donor
	6pm	pro populo
Sun. 24	7 am	James and Angela Slevin
	9 am	Giorgio Maiolo
	11am	John and Angelina Ferreira
	6pm	Luigi Redondi
Mon. 25	7 pm	Andy Zahra & Wayne Holland
Tues. 26	7 pm	Deceased Friars and their families
Wed. 27	9.15am	Hilary Wijesinghe
Thur. 28	9.15 am	Joseph, Carmena and family
Fri. 29	9.15am	Rita & Domenico Franceschina
Sat. 30	9.15am	Marie Rizkalla
	6pm	Rose Fimmano Gardiman

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The time came for Elizabeth to have her child, and she gave birth to a son; and when her neighbours and relations heard that the Lord had shown her so great a kindness, they shared her joy.

Now on the eighth day when they came to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother spoke up. ‘No,’ she said ‘he is to be called John.’ They said to her ‘But no one in your family has that name’, and made signs to his father to find out what he wanted him called. The father asked for a writing tablet and wrote, ‘His name is John.’ And they were all astonished. At that instant his power of speech returned and he spoke and praised God. All their neighbours were filled with awe and the whole affair was talked about throughout the hill country of Judaea. All those who heard of it treasured it in their hearts. ‘What will this child turn out to be?’ they wondered. And indeed the hand of the Lord was with him. The child grew up and his spirit matured. And he lived out in the wilderness until the day he appeared openly to Israel.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. We place these offerings on your altar, O Lord, to celebrate with fitting honour the nativity of him who both foretold the coming of the world’s Saviour and pointed

him out when he came. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf. Lk 1: 78

Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Having feasted at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb, we pray, O Lord, that, finding joy in the nativity of Saint John the Baptist, your Church may know as the author of her rebirth the Christ whose coming John foretold. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Approaching today’s Gospel, we recall that Zechariah, the father of John the Baptist, has been struck dumb because of his hesitation to believe the angel Gabriel’s announcement that he and his wife Elizabeth, despite their advanced years, would have a child. The infliction of dumbness on Zechariah is not so much as a punishment but a negative sign that might serve to stimulate his faith. Religious professional (priest) though he is, Zechariah, has to remain for many weeks dumb before the mystery while his level of faith “adjusts” to the new reality that is now dawning.

When the day comes to circumcise and name the child, Zechariah at last has a better day. Elizabeth has been facing pressure from friends and relations to follow custom and convention. Recourse to a writing tablet enables Zechariah to make clear the divine will: the child’s name already is “John”—a name explained as meaning in Hebrew “God has shown grace (or “favour”)”. The birth and naming of this child marks the beginning of the promised era of God’s grace for Israel and the world at large.

The whole episode takes us into a world remote from our contemporary experience. The main thing is to focus on the image of God being communicated: a God who is faithful to promise but also a God of surprises and breaking of boundaries.

It is faith in such a God—often faith that has to struggle and grow, as in Zechariah’s case—that truly lets God’s power into the world.

BRENDAN BYRNE, SJ

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST / B

24 JUNE 2018

WHAT WILL THIS CHILD TURN OUT TO BE? The people of the countryside were filled with awe at the remarkable events surrounding the birth of John to an elderly childless couple. His name is given not by his family but by God who has chosen him to prepare the way for the Saviour. We too are specially chosen by God. As our spirit continues to mature, what will we turn out to be?

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Jn 1: 6-7; Lk 1: 17

A man was sent from God, whose name was John.

He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. O God, who raised up Saint John the Baptist to make ready a nation fit for Christ the Lord, give your people, we pray, the grace of spiritual joys and direct the hearts of all the faithful into the way of salvation and peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 49: 1-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Behold I will make you a light to the nations.

Islands, listen to me,

pay attention, remotest peoples.

The Lord called me before I was born, from my mother’s womb he pronounced my name.

He made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of his hand. He made me into a sharpened arrow, and concealed me in his quiver.

He said to me, ‘You are my servant (Israel) in whom I shall be glorified’; while I was thinking, ‘I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing’;

and all the while my cause was with the Lord, my reward with my God. I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength.

And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:

‘It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.’

The word of the Lord.

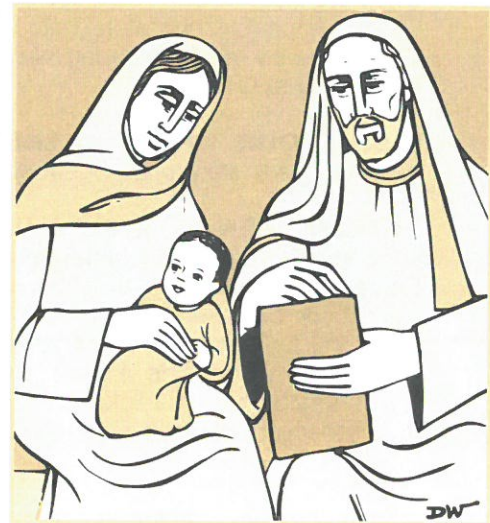
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 138: 1-3, 13-15. R. v. 14

R. I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

1. O Lord, you search me and you know me, / you know my resting and my rising, / you discern my purpose from afar. / You mark when I walk or lie down, / all my ways lie open to you. R.



2. For it was you who created my being, / knit me together in my mother’s womb. / I thank you for the wonder of my being, / for the wonders of all your creation. R.

3. Already you knew my soul, / my body held no secret from you / when I was being fashioned in secret / and moulded in the depths of the earth. R.

SECOND READING

Acts 13: 22-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Christ’s coming was announced beforehand by the preaching of John.

Paul said: ‘God made David the king of our ancestors’ of whom he approved in these words, “I have selected David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart, who will carry out my whole purpose.” To keep his promise, God has raised up for Israel one of David’s descendants, Jesus, as Saviour, whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel. Before John ended his career he said, “I am not the one you imagine me to be; that one is coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal.”

‘My brothers, sons of Abraham’s race, and all you who fear God, this message of salvation is meant for you.’

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 1: 76

Alleluia, alleluia! You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 1: 57-66, 80

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

John is his name.