

Our Lady of Dolours

Celebrating 100 Years of Catholic Faith

1910-2010

The Catholic Parish of Chatswood
Diocese of Broken Bay

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C
22 August 2010

The Centenary Prayer Chatswood Parish

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Father, we give you thanks
and praise for
the many graces You have
given our parish of
Our Lady of Dolours
these past 100 years:
the simple beginnings of a
community who gathered in
faith

to share the Eucharist.
We now look to the future
with trust in
Your Divine Son through the
intercession of
His Blessed Mother.

May He lead us to
renewed commitment of
faith, bringing all to Your
presence especially our
young people
and those who seek Christ;
and may we each draw
strength from the mystery
of His presence in the
Blessed Eucharist and the
prayers of Our Lady of
Dolours. We make this
prayer through Christ, our
Lord. AMEN

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**Our Lady of Dolours,
pray for us.**

Fr Paul's Pen

I am very glad to be back among you after a very interesting, refreshing and amazing holiday in spectacular and beautiful places in Thailand; trekking, elephant riding, river rafting and rattling along on local buses.

This Sunday marks my 29th Anniversary as a priest and I thank and praise God for all the beautiful, challenging and rich experiences I have had among God's people in their joys and sorrows in the nine parishes I have ministered in, including Chatswood twice.

At the 10.30am Mass today we warmly welcome back our good friend Fr Vince Casey who celebrated his 28th Anniversary as a priest on 21 August. Please join us both for morning tea in Harrington Hall to celebrate these special Anniversaries.

This week marks the beginning of Migrant and Refugee Week. We pray our new Government will treat with justice and compassion all those suffering loss and trauma as refugees seeking refuge in our land. (Please read the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference media release on page 3 of this bulletin.)

My sincere thanks to Frs Mathew and Jaison and all the parish team and parishioners who continued to build God's kingdom here at Chatswood while I was visiting his beautiful creation from mountain tops. Let us keep each other in our prayers.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT OLD (For liturgies and devotions, please see back page)

Monday

- 3.30pm Atrium for 6-9 year olds in the Atrium
- 7pm Charismatic Prayer Group in MR2

Tuesday

- 9.45am Bible Discussion in Rotunda 2
- 7.30pm PPC Meeting in Rotunda 2

Wednesday

- 7.30pm Bible Study in Rotunda 2

Thursday

- 1.30pm Line Dance Classes in Harrington Hall

Friday

- 9.15am Atrium for 3-6 year olds in the Atrium
- 9.30am Beginnings in Rotunda 2
- 11am Atrium for 3-6 year olds in the Atrium
- Home Rosary at 1/508 Mowbray Rd, Lane Cove

Saturday

- 4pm Chinese RCIA in Rotunda 2

Sunday

- 11.30am Parish Assembly in Harrington Hall
- 4pm English & God in Rotunda 2

WITH OUR LADY OF DOLOURS WE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased

Mrs Ros Empson

Deceased Anniversary

Irene Ward, Gary Bridge,
Ethel Nash, Betty Norman

Baptism

Maddie Brydson

Marriages:

Michael Blair &
Melanie Selvalingam

Alex Politano &
Luisa Mustaca



Within the Parish

PARISH WELCOME MORNING TEA

This weekend we welcome back Fr Vince Casey VG to say the 10.30am Mass. After the Mass we will be gathering for morning tea in Harrington Hall to celebrate the Anniversary of Ordination of both Fr Paul and Fr Vince. Come along and say hello, and catch up with old friends. A plate of delicious morning tea would be gratefully shared!!

CENTENARY NEWS ***** CENTENARY NEWS

- **PARISH ASSEMBLY** on 29th August 2010.
- **CENTENARY FEAST DAY DINNER DANCE 7.00pm** on 11.9.2010 at Nth Sydney Leagues Club
TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
Your tickets will be given to you when you hand in your booking form with payment in the church front foyer at all weekend Masses up to and including the 5.30pm Mass on Sunday, 22nd August 2010. **IT PROMISES TO BE A GREAT NIGHT SO DON'T MISS OUT !!**
- **2ND CENTENARY FAITH FORUM 12 SEPT**
Have you got questions you would like answered about Catholic Moral teaching and how it relates to modern social movements? Contact Michael or Cecilia (9967 2601) or text your details and question/s to Suzanne Camilleri on 0415 820 494 and **HAVE YOUR SAY!!**
- **SENIORS LUNCH** Wednesday, 15th September in Harrington Hall after 12.15pm Mass. Menu: Hot lunch with dessert, tea & coffee. Cost: \$7.00 per person. Bookings: please contact Judith (9419 8310) or the parish office (9410 9000).
- **PARISH FEAST DAY MASS 15th September 7.30pm** with Servite Rosary at 7pm.
- **PARISH RETREAT AT THE ABBEY, JAMBEROO** on 15-17th Oct. Please register your interest with either Linda (9410 9021) or Nicole (9410 9000) in the parish office. Those who have already registered their interest will be contacted at the end of August with details of the Retreat.
- **CENTENARY MASS WITH BISHOP DAVID WALKER 12th December at 10.00am.** *****



MRS ROS EMPSON

Mrs Ros Empson, much loved teacher at OLD Primary School for 35 years, died last Saturday after a short illness. Let us hold Ros, her family and the school community gently in our prayers.

CHANGE TO MUSIC AT NEXT WEEK'S YOUTH MASS

Next week the Innominato String Group will be providing the music at the 5.30pm Youth Mass. The setting will be Mass of Creation and hymns will be from 'As One Voice'. Contact Suzanne (0415 820 494) for more details.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND – CWF

Next weekend we have the first Diocesan CWF collection for the 2010 – 2011 financial year. Our parish has been asked to donate a total of \$17,037.00 for this first appeal. As many of you know the CWF collections support the essential work of Centacare, as well as providing for the children at St Lucy's and St. Edmund's who have special needs, catechesis for children in government schools and help for hearing impaired people to celebrate the Sacraments.

The CWF is a way we can bring the love of Jesus to those less fortunate. So please give what you can to this collection. Envelopes are around the church; please remember to write your details clearly on the back. **Envelopes can be put on the special collection during the Offertory at Mass next weekend,** or if you wish put it on the plate today or drop it in to the parish office. Donations are fully tax deductible.

IT'S AMAZING

We join the community each Sunday for Eucharist and we move on to our homes/work to try to put the Gospel into practice without fully treasuring the gift of faith. But our Christian values and attitudes seem to make a lasting impression upon others. At least this is what adult inquirers tell us! Here in Our Lady of Dolours Parish we have a group for adults who are exploring the possibility of joining our Catholic community. Inquiries are always welcome. Feel welcome to contact either Les Xavier on 9411 4173, or for Cantonese speakers, contact Margaret Yuen on 0411 550 222.



CONFIRMATION 2010

Only 2 weeks until enrolments close. **All enrolment forms must be returned by 3 September 2010** to the Parish Office, Our Lady of Dolours Primary School or your child's Catechist. **Formal compulsory Parent Night on Tuesday, 21 September 7.30pm** in Harrington Hall. **No enrolments will be accepted on this night.**

MOBILE PHONES

We seem to have a lot of mobile phones ringing during Mass at the moment, especially during the weekday Masses. As this is our time to talk to God, please turn your phone off when you come to Mass and talk to your friends later. If you have to answer your phone, please take it outside the Church doors so that you are not interrupting other people's time with God.



OLD PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING WORKS

The Primary School informed the parish office on Friday that their builders will take over the carpark beside the church on Thur 26 Aug. Demolition of Meeting Room 2/3 begins Mon 30 Aug. Rubble etc will be removed on 4-5 Sept. During that weekend there will be no parking in the Primary School playground or the carpark beside the church. Pius X and Kirk St carparks remain available.

One Rotunda demountable classroom and Harrington Hall are available for meetings and functions from next Tues 24 Aug. Please check 'What's happening ..' on page 1 of the bulletin. We will provide more details as they become available.

MULTICULTURAL EVENING

The multicultural evening was attended by around 250 parishioners of all ages last Saturday at Harrington Hall. It was a night of fun, learning and sharing of cultures, traditions and food from our parishioners' different nations. Many thanks to those who shared their talents: Korean Dance Group, Filipino Group, Chatswood Parish Youth, Balinese Dancer, Indonesian Bamboo Group and the Innominato Strings. The Parade of Nations and the group singing of the song "I Am Australian" highlighted the event. Thank you to all who helped and contributed in different ways to make the cultural evening a success. Judith Ryan - Social Committee & Rene Balboa - Parish Pastoral Council.

96TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES is celebrated by the Catholic Church on Sun the 29 Aug.

Treating Asylum Seekers with Compassion

In recent months a growing number of asylum seekers have tried to reach Australia by boat. The issue has become increasingly politicized this year. Our Social Justice Ministry has written recently to the Prime Minister about the asylum seekers' needs.

On 10 May, 2010, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference called on government to show compassionate leadership on asylum seekers. Please read the following excerpt from their media release.

'Refugees are desperate human beings who have suffered great trauma. As a nation, we are called to respond with justice and compassion say the Catholic Bishops of Australia.

This week, as the Catholic Bishops of Australia meet in Sydney, they have called on the government to lift the suspension of processing for Afghan and Sri Lankan asylum seekers. The Bishops call on all sides of politics to show positive leadership on refugee policy.

"Mandatory detention, especially in remote places such as Christmas Island and Curtin RAAF base, as

the government indicates, is a costly exercise that adds to the trauma already endured by people seeking asylum. It also creates stress for staff who are doing what they can under difficult circumstances", the Bishops said.

Political leaders have a particular responsibility to avoid demonizing or stereotyping asylum seekers.

"While aware of the complexities of the issue and the challenges presented, but conscious of the need to avoid using asylum seekers as political capital, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference asks political parties to confer in order to formulate a policy on the treatment of asylum seekers that does justice to their human dignity", they said.

"Australia is not being inundated by people seeking asylum. In fact we receive only a small proportion of the world's displaced people. The greatest burden in giving shelter to refugees is borne by countries that are far poorer and more crowded than Australia", the Bishops said.

Australia was among the first nations to sign the refugee convention and benefited from the energy and enterprise of 750,000 refugees since federation.

"We should keep faith with this history. In the past, Australia has established humane and constructive policies towards asylum seekers – for example, during the 1980s when boat people were fleeing from Vietnam and Cambodia. That past reveals that Australia can rise above its current response to once more act with compassion and justice towards these vulnerable people", the Bishops said'. *****

LAY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - Serving Holy Communion at Mass and to the sick and housebound is a wonderful privilege offered to parishioners. Have you considered joining in this ministry? Many of our most faithful Ministers are of an age at which it is to be expected that they have their own periods of illness and unavailability. Ministers are needed to help at the 10.30 am and 5.30 pm weekend Masses and the 12.15 pm weekday Masses. Extra Ministers to visit the sick and housebound on Sunday mornings after Mass are also needed.

Faith in the presence of the Lord in the Eucharist and a commitment to attend Mass is required of Eucharistic Ministers. Many people are reluctant to take up this Ministry because they feel unworthy. Yet it is usually those who feel unworthy that the Lord calls. In one sense, no one is worthy to be a Minister of the Eucharist. Ministers of the Eucharist need to balance 'Lord, I am not worthy' with the genuine call from the Lord to serve your brothers and sisters with his Body and Blood.

Enquiries to Gerard Ryan (9419-8310).

PARISH MASS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday - 9am & 12.15pm
 Saturday - 9am and 5.30pm (Vigil)
 Sunday - 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am and 5.30pm
 Public Holidays - 9am only

Korean Mass – 7pm; 1st & 2nd Sun of month.
 Filipino Mass (in English) 12noon; 1st Sun of month.
 Family Mass - 9am each Sunday
 Children’s Choir at 9am Family Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month.
 Kids’ Word - Children’s Liturgy of the Word: 9am Family Mass 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays during school term. Begins in Church & moves to Meeting Rooms
 Youth Mass - 5.30pm each Sunday

Reconciliation - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday. Any time by request.
 Morning Prayer - 8.45am Monday to Saturday
 Rosary - 9.30am Monday to Saturday
 Cenacle - each Monday at 11.30am
 Adoration & Divine Mercy Devotions - 12.45pm on Friday
 Exposition - 9.30am - 10.30am each Saturday
 Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Saturday 10.00am with Benediction 10.30am

Anointing of the Sick - 3rd Friday of month at 12.15pm Mass. Also during any weekday Mass before surgery or medical treatment, or any time by request.

Baptisms - See the brochure in the Church Foyer, go to our website (below) or contact the parish secretary.

Weddings - Contact the parish secretary.

For a Marriage/Anniversary Blessing at Sunday Mass contact Maria & Joe Woods 9411 3451.

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: Listen, Lord, and answer me. Save your servant who trusts in you. I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord.

First Reading: Is 66:18-21 They will gather all of your people from all nations.

Responsorial Psalm: Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Second Reading: Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Gospel: Lk 13:22-30 From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

READINGS FOR WEEK DAYS

MON: 2 Thess 1:1-5, 11-12 ; Mt 23 :13-22
TUES: Apoc 21 :9-14 ; Jn 1 :45-51
 St Bartholomew
WED: 2 Thess 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
THURS: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
FRI: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13 St Monica
SAT: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30 St Augustine

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

		21/22 August	28/29 August
Vigil	5.30pm	Fr Paul	Fr Jaison
	7.30am	Fr Mathew	Fr Jaison
	9.00am	Fr Paul*@	Fr Mathew@
	10.30am	Fr Vince Casey	Fr Paul#
	5.30pm	Fr Jaison	Fr Paul

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 *Baptism #Confirmation & Eucharist

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

	5.30 pm Saturday	7.30 am Sunday	9 am Sunday	10.30 am Sunday	5.30 pm Sunday
21 & 22 August	Snr Servers: David Ching Brendan Jayaram Tanya Smith (c) Jnr Servers: Renzo Balboa	Snr Servers: Gerard Ryan (c)	Snr Servers: Angelo Maiorana Benton Ng Nicole Ng (c) Jnr Servers: James Connolly Anish Ghanekar	Snr Servers: Paul Taqueban (c)	Snr Servers: Damian Ryan (c)
28 & 29 August	Snr Servers: Terry Meagher (c)	Snr Servers: Gerard Ryan (c)	Snr Servers: Jasmine Chan Damian Ryan (c) Jnr Servers: Sebastian Di Sano Alexander Di Sano Lachlan Ward	Snr Servers: Paul Taqueban (c) Jnr Servers: Aaron Samonte	Snr Servers: Nenita Axalan (c)