

Our Lady of Dolours

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
 Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm

PARISH MASS TIMETABLE

MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 9am and 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 Sundays of month.
FILIPINO MASS - 12noon; 1st Sunday of month.

FAMILY MASS: 9am each Sunday
CHILDREN'S CHOIR at 9am Family Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.
KIDS' WORD: Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9am Family Mass on 2nd & 4th Sunday during school term. Begins in Church and 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

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 or contact the Sacramental Minister.

WEDDINGS: Contact a priest or sacraments minister. For a marriage/anniversary blessing at Sunday Mass. Contact Maria & Joe Woods 94113451

CELEBRANTS FOR SUNDAY MASSES

| | 8/9 September | 15/16 September |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Vigil 5.30pm | Vince Casey | Vince Casey |
| 7.30am | C. Mostowik | C. Mostowik |
| 9.00am | C. Mostowik | Vince Casey |
| 10.30am | Geoff Bugden# | Geoff Bugden |
| 12.30pm | Vince Casey* | ----- |
| 5.30pm | Geoff Bugden | Geoff Bugden |
| 7.00pm | Korean Mass | |
| #Bap. Presentn | *Mass for Families with Special Needs | |

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23RD SUNDAY - ORDINARY TIME
9TH SEPTEMBER 2007

READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18 wonders who can comprehend the will of God.

Responsorial Psalm: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Paul pleads with Philemon to welcome back his slave Onesimus as a brother Christian.

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33 Jesus set out the demands that he makes on anyone who decides to follow him.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

16th September 2007
 (24th Sunday)
 Ex 32:7-11, 13-14;
 1 Tim 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32



DAILY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

MON Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11
TUES Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
WEDS Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
THURS Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
 St John Chrysostom
FRI Num 21:4-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
 Triumph of the Cross
SAT Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
 Our Lady of Sorrows

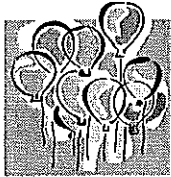
With Our Lady of Dolours, we pray for:

Recently Deceased: Mary Mustaca, Chung Ming Chow, Gerard Harper
Deceased Anniversary: Teresa Woods, Marie O'Donoghue, John Hinder, Joseph Morrissey, Paul, Gus & Edith Johnson, Bill, Vivienne, Keith and Alan Mooney
Sick: Bernard Carroll, Pia Maiorana
Marriage: John Giacomelli & Kristie Davis



WITHIN THE PARISH

PARISH FEAST DAY DINNER



Saturday, 15th September at 7pm in Harrington Hall. Cost is \$25.00 per head. BYO. Last day for bookings is 9th September. Please phone Linda Cowell on 9419 5914 or Judith Ryan on 9419 8310.

TRANSPORT TO MASS

If you know of someone who needs transport to Mass on Sundays, please contact Fr Vince on 9412 1042.



WELCOME

The Bishop has asked us to welcome Fr Martin Aye Ngwe to the parish. Martin is a priest from Burma. He will be living in the parish while he does the diocesan induction programme for overseas priests coming to work in our diocese. Please make him welcome.

PPC ELECTIONS

There are positions on the Parish Pastoral Council that are due to be filled. The election process for this will begin on Sunday 16th September. Please pray and reflect on who you might like to nominate.

QUOTE

"Do you wish to be great? Then begin by being. Do you desire to construct a vast and lofty fabric? Think first about the foundations of humility. The higher your structure is to be, the deeper must be its foundation." Saint Augustine

THANK YOU

I received a note during the week from the daughter of a patient at Amity Nursing Home who died recently. She said, "please express my thanks to all those Ministers of the Eucharist who brought Holy Communion to Dad every Sunday. It was a source of great comfort to him". Our thanks to the many ministers who visit the sick in our parish.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The CaFE program earlier this year provided a point of enquiry for people interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith. Another Enquiry session will be held Sunday 9 Sept 4.00-5.30pm and repeated Wed 12 Sept 7.30-9.00pm. This session will explain the Catechumenate, the process by which a person prepares to become a Catholic, explaining what is involved, who is 'eligible' and so on. Anyone is welcome to come to this Enquiry session. Catechumenate sessions will commence from 15 September. Time and place to be advised. Enquiries: Teresa 9412 1042

CHINESE RCIA

One of the quiet strengths of our parish is a small group of Chinese parishioners who meet on Saturday afternoons, reflecting on the Sunday Gospels and preparing for baptism people who prefer to speak Cantonese or Mandarin.

Margaret Yuen and Katherine Lim form the cornerstone of this excellent ministry, ably assisted by Sr Pauline from Lindfield. The Chinese RCIA group will take a break over the coming school holidays and will resume from October. Your enquiry is welcome. Contact: Margaret Yuen 9411 1156 (W) or 0411 550 222

HUMOUR

A journalist is assigned to cover a forest fire. Smoke at the scene means he can't see, so he calls the office to hire a plane. "It will be waiting for you at the airport," the editor says. At the country airport, there's a two-seater warming up near the runway. He jumps in and yells "Let's go! Let's go!" The pilot swings the plane into the wind and soon they are in the air.

"Fly low over the other side of the fire," says the journalist. "Why?" asks the pilot. "Because I need to see what's happening. I have to file an article in 30 minutes," says the exasperated reporter.

There's a long pause, then the pilot says: "You mean, you're not the instructor?"

HOLIDAYS

I will be on holidays from Monday 17th September till Thursday 18th October. I will be visiting friends, staying with my Mum and going to the Entrance with my nephew. The last few days will be a reunion with some of my ordination class. *Vince.*

PARISH MANAGER

Linda Conroy will begin as Parish Manager on Tuesday 18th September. As Parish Manager she will be responsible for the administration and organisational aspects of the parish, including finances, building maintenance, parish office, employment, OH&S and legal requirements. The position is for four days a week, for a six month trial period. Please make Linda welcome.

COLLECTIONS

I would ask the **wardens** – those who take up the collections – to move quickly when it is time to take up the collections.

Please take up the **first collection** immediately when we sit down after the Prayers of the Faithful. .

And take up the **second collection** as soon as the distribution of Holy Communion is finished ie. when there are no more communion lines.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP - SEPTEMBER 2007

What a wonderful gift God has given us in **His Word**.



Bible Studies have commenced and are held each Wednesday in No 1 Parish meeting room at 7.30pm and finish at 9.00pm. The first two weeks have been spent on "history" and Books of the Bible.

Next Wednesday we will start the study of "Our Father's Plan" a Catholic Bible Study by Scott Hahn and Jeff Cavins. Each week we read suggested Bible readings and discuss questions raised in the Plan and any other questions that may arise. We then listen to a DVD for a wrap-up segment.

You don't need to attend each week just come along when you are able, all welcome. Jenny and Ray Moran are the coordinators (enquiries 9412 1701).

HOME ROSARY will be held on Friday, 14 September at 7.30pm at 198 Eastern Valley Way, Willoughby. Enquiries: 9967 2601.

FAMILY GROUPS - SEPTEMBER 2007

During September the following activities are scheduled for their members and they would like to invite other parishioners or members of the other Family Groups to join them. Each event or activity has an organizer and telephone number for contact if you are interested in attending or enquiring.

Saturday September 15 Parish Feast Day Dinner
Linda - As per Church Bulletin 9419 5914

Sunday September 23 Bush Walk
Anne & Wim 9419 7707

Saturday September 29 Magical Mystery Tour
Gerard 9412 3267

Please see our notice board at the left hand side of the Church entrance for more details of Family Groups. Jenny and Ray Moran (9412 1701) are the Coordinators of the Chatswood Family Groups and would welcome any enquiry.

CCD NORTHERN REGION MASS

If you require transport to CCD Northern Region Mass, please contact Pauline Larkins 9419 5223.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

On September 9th 2007 at the conclusion of Child Protection Week the National Committee for Professional Standards is launching an Awareness Raising Program which invites all people in our church to be involved in creating a safe community and preventing abuse.

OUR CHURCH

A SAFE COMMUNITY

A SHARED COMMITMENT

The aim is to ensure that all communities and organizations within the church are safe and enriching environments for people of all ages, with special concern for children, young people and vulnerable adults.

DIOCESAN PARENT COUNCIL

PRESENTS... Free Parent Forum "Celebrating Safely" – Keeping our Kids safe! What to know and what to do. Presenter - Paul Dillon. Wednesday Night 12th September from 7.30-9.30pm at St Leo's Catholic College, Woolcott Ave, Wahroonga. Contact. Cathie Renfrew 9847 0340 or parentcouncil@cso.brokenbay.catholic.edu.au Everyone welcome.

ANTIOCH: Calendar of events

Sunday 9th September. We have been invited to join Carlingford Antioch Community for a combined prayer meeting at St Gerards, 543 North Rocks Rd, Carlingford. They attend the parish Mass at 6pm and the meeting goes from 7.30 to 9.30pm. We will be leaving from the Meeting Rooms at Chatswood at 5pm and returning Chatswood at 10pm. If you need transport let Steph know.

Friday 14th September. Antioch meeting and Taize prayer. The parish is organising a Taize prayer meeting to celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Dolours. It is from 7pm to 8.15pm. We will meet at 6.30pm (sharp !!!) and have a short Antioch talk on Our Lady of Dolours and then go to the church for the Taize prayer.

Friday 21st – Sunday 23rd September. Parramatta Diocese combined Antioch Weekend. This is a completely different weekend with brand new talks about love, life and Christ; games; food; music. And a chance to grow stronger with yourself and God. It is being held at Mt Victoria (in the Blue Mountains). Application forms at the parish office or contact the leaders, Ben Cummins 0402 317 331 or Jacqui Vella 0433 320 944. Cost is about \$80.

Sunday 7th October 10am BAM at the chapter Hass at St Mary's cathedral, Sydney. 3pm Antioch Anniversary Mass at St Mary's Cathedral.

INDONESIAN COMMUNITY AT OUR LADY OF DOLOURS

6.30pm Saturday 15 September 2007

Parish Meeting Room

Fr.Dr.John Lefteuw Msc

**presents a Spiritual Friendship Night
with a theme "To proclaim Jesus with Mary"
(In Indonesian)**

Come along and join us in the spiritual friendship night with all family and friends.

Inquiries can be made to:

Anny Widagdo: 9410 0023 - 0414 249 339

Elna Lie: 9882 3358 - 0402 331 959

chatswoodindonesiancatholiccomm@yahoo.com.au

LOVE

one another

TALK: POLAND - WWII AND AFTER

Polish Catholics, laymen and religious people have shown self-sacrifice and compassion during World War II under genocidal regime of Hitler and atheist totalitarianism of Stalin. A parishioner of Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood, and Waldemar (Walter) Niemotko who survived both systems will give a talk within the NSW Historyweek on 21 September 2007 at 6pm in the Polish Club, 73 Norton St, Ashfield. Entrance by donation. Bookings welcome by the Australian International Research Institute Inc on valhugon@yahoo.com.au



Homestay Host Family Information Evening

Tuesday 18th September
Our Lady of the Rosary Church
Waitara @ 7.30pm

Cindy Bakewell from WYD Sydney Office is the manager of the Homestay Program and will address families interested in hosting international pilgrims for World Youth Day. Families may have lots of questions about hosting pilgrims, and may be hesitating about doing so, and this **information evening** becomes a wonderful opportunity to have your questions answered, and to learn some tips and traps of hosting pilgrims. Light supper provided. RSVP Parish Office: 9483 2300.

MERCY WEEK AT MERCY COLLEGE

400 students and every teacher at Mercy Catholic College shared their Mercy spirit and engaged in 26 outreach activities, gaining a greater awareness of social justice issues within the wider community during their Mercy Week celebrations. Serving lunch and talking with residents of local nursing homes, fundraising for local charities, outreach to people living on the street, assisting teachers in classes at local Catholic primary schools and responding to local environmental issues were just some of the activities which enabled the entire school community to live out their sense of justice, service and compassion. Mercy Week was also an important time for the school community to celebrate a great milestone - Fr Vince Casey's 25th Jubilee of ordination to the priesthood. To mark the occasion the school community presented Fr Vince with a framed photo of the refurbished ceiling and interior of Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church taken in 1962 by Max Dupain, one of Australia's most revered photographers.

Outside the Parish

CCD NORTHERN REGION MASS

Wednesday, 12 September at 7.30pm at St Gerard Majella's Church, 543 North Rocks Rd, Carlingford. Principal Celebrant will be Fr John Hodgson CSsR. A light supper will be provided after the 5, 10 and 15 year awards. RSVP to Sharon da Roza on 9847 0492 or Sharon.daroza@dbb.org.au

AFTER SCHOOL CARE, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR NEEDED

Holy Family Primary School, Lindfield, After School Care, needs a part-time/full time assistant director. The position would suit a retired person with an interest in children. Please fax your resume to: Holy Family PS After School Care, Subject: Assistant Director Position at fax: (02) 9416 9342. For enquires about the position please ring the Centre's director Jenny Cheung on: ph: (02) 9416 7157. Thank you.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Wednesday, 19th September at The Blue Gum Hotel, Cnr of Pacific Highway and Unwin Rd, Waitara 7.30pm-9pm. Speakers this month are Patrick Lee and Penny Elsley.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS

Chatswood Donor Centre, 2/1 Spring St, Chatswood. Do something special. Give blood. Call 13 14 95 for an appointment.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A SOCIAL WORKER?

The Australian Catholic University offers three social work programs. Applications for 2008 are now open. For further information on courses, contact the School of Social Work on 9701 4218

MARY MacKILLOP PLACE 7-11 Mount Street, NORTH SYDNEY

Weekend Concierge position available at Mary MacKillop Place 7pm Saturdays until 8am Monday. The role includes after hours attendance to guests, security of site, response to emergency calls. Please phone Melissa on (02) 8912 4884.

SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH

Guided meditations on the scriptures. Session 1 Monday, 10th September; Session 2 Monday 17th September. 11am to 1pm, Cost is \$10 each session.

SIERRA CLUB

On Tuesday 25th September at Sacred Heart Pymble Father Andrew Grace of Wagga Diocese will be celebrating Mass and speaking to us about his life experiences especially the call he received from our Lady of Medjugorje and the impact it has had on his life. If you would like to learn more about Medjugorje and the influence it is having on so many lives worldwide please come and see.

THE CHOICES OF LIFE

This is an interactive school presentation on the facts and choices surrounding the beginnings of human life. A brochure about the program and how you can help it to grow is in the church foyer.

PROJECT RACHEL NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2007

Hope and healing after abortion with Theresa Burke. To educate and empower through a deeper understanding of abortion trauma, its aftermath and ways to forgiveness, wholeness and healing. Conference on Saturday and Sunday, 29 & 30 September. \$10/15 donation at the door. Chevalier Centre, 1 Roma Ave, Kensington. Website www.projectrachel.org.au

ST JOSEPH'S, NEWTOWN REUNION

Lennox Street, Newtown on Sunday, 16 September 2007 commencing with mass at 10am. Ex-students, past and present parishioners all invited. Contact Sister Kathleen Sheehan on 9692 9085 for further information.

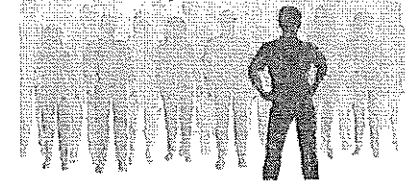
A vocations thought....

The call

A religious brother in his 43rd year of commitment, recalls a key moment in the story of his calling: "When I was in my early twenties our parish had a visiting Marist Father speaking at all the Sunday Masses on the work of Propagation of the Faith. After the last Mass he stayed to talk to a group of people. The image is still vividly implanted in my mind. As I was introduced he made a gesture and handed me a vocations brochure with the remark: 'We could use you.' That's all he said. 'We could use you.'"

[The Story Source, 1998]

Youth at Chatswood



General Enquiries: youth_at_chatswood@hotmail.com.

EDITOR'S LETTER

This week we are going to share with you...the story about the..

Teaching on heaven and hell

The old monk sat by the side of the road. With his eyes closed, his legs crossed and his hands folded in his lap, he sat. In deep meditation, he sat. Suddenly his meditation was interrupted by the harsh and demanding voice of a samurai warrior. "Old man! Teach me about heaven and hell!"

At first, as though he had not heard, there was no perceptible response from the monk. But gradually he began to open his eyes, the faintest hint of a smile playing around the corners of his mouth as the samurai stood there, waiting impatiently, growing more and more agitated with each passing second.

"You wish to know the secrets of heaven and hell?" replied the monk at last. "You who are so unkempt. You whose hands and feet are covered with dirt. You whose hair is uncombed, whose breath is foul, whose sword is all rusty and neglected. You who are ugly and whose mother dresses you funny. You would ask me of heaven and hell?"

The samurai uttered a vile curse. He drew his sword and raised it high above his head. His face turned to crimson and the veins on his neck stood out in bold relief as he prepared to sever the monk's head from its shoulders.

"That is hell," said the old monk gently, just as the sword began its descent.

In that fraction of a second, the samurai was overcome with amazement, awe, compassion and love for this gentle being who had dared to risk his very life to give him such a teaching. He stopped his sword in mid-flight and his eyes filled with grateful tears.

"And that," said the monk, "is heaven."

(source:
<http://www.livinglifefully.com/flo/floteachingonheavenandhell.htm>)

Youth Page designed by: Adeline Tan & Winnie Wong

World Youth Day 2008 News (visit: www.wyd2008.org.au)

World Youth Day 2008 organisers today opened applications to young Catholics looking to play a pivotal role in the event. Applications are being sought for Animating Teams to coordinate the Catechesis teaching sessions on three mornings during the week-long event.

Led by one of 300 Bishops from around the world, Catechesis is a chance for pilgrims to learn more about their faith, discuss issues with clergy and gain further spiritual guidance. "The ultimate goal of Catechesis is to guide, with the help of the Holy Spirit, the minds and hearts of the pilgrims to take steps to receive Christ and to respond to his invitations," said Steve Lawrence, Director of Evangelisation and Catechesis.

"We are looking for 300 Animating Teams of at least six people who will help lead and coordinate the three elements of Catechesis: preparation, teaching and Mass," he said. Mr Lawrence said most Catechesis sessions would be in English, but up to a third would be in other languages, predominantly Italian, Spanish and French.

Applications are open to groups that can provide the following functions:

- § Leaders
- § MCs
- § Musicians including singers and/or choir
- § Readers for Mass
- § Servers for Mass
- § Other team members to give testimonies and present dramas

Applications are open to Catholics from Australia, New Zealand and around the world to assist the various language groups participating in WYD08.

To apply, please visit www.wyd2008.org/catechesis

Want to Shout to the Lord... and Lift Lord's name on High?

Join our Youth Choir at the 5.30pm Youth Mass on Sundays. For more details including practice times and the masses we sing it, contact youth_at_chatswood@hotmail.com

Spiro news...

SPIRO: Have you ever wondered why it rains when you don't have an umbrella? Why are the people that love you the most often the ones who can hurt you the most? Why is there war? And why does it have to rain before we see a rainbow? We will explore these questions and more when we embark on a 4 week journey of discovery ... but don't worry, there will still be chocolate and pizza ... and cartoons (who said you can't learn anything from cartoons??)!! Meet us at the meeting room 1 at 6.30pm, finish time 8pm. Cost: \$8 for dinner.

As always I am available on 0421191965, or spiro_at_chatswood@hotmail.com. Peace, Bridge.

Seek ye first the kingdom of Heaven and all things will be added unto you.

