

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

31 JULY 2022

PARISH VISION

We are called to reveal the Light of Christ to the world

MASS TIMES

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong

Monday, 01 Aug	Mass: 7am
Tuesday, 02 Aug	Mass: 7am
Wednesday, 03 Aug	Mass: 7am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Thursday, 04 Aug	Mass: 7am
Friday, 05 Aug	Mass: 7am
	Adoration: 11:30am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Saturday, 06 Aug	No Confessions
Sunday, 07 Aug	Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

St Brigid's, Gwynneville

Thursday, 04 Aug	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday, 06 Aug	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday, 07 Aug	Mass: 9am

St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow

Tuesday, 02 Aug	Mass: 9.30am
Thursday, 04 Aug	Mass: 9.30am (Italian)
Friday, 05 Aug	Mass: 10.30am (Dedication)
Sunday, 07 Aug	Mass: 8.30am
	Mass: 10am (Italian)
	Mass: 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie

Sunday, 07 Aug	Mass: 10am
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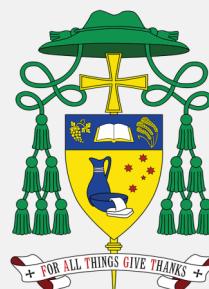
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Fr Peter Caruana, James Michael Joyce, Marika La Riva, Clara Colla, Bill Hedley, Sheila McNamara.

MAY GOD BLESS OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Jan Coulson, Noel & Therese Rouse, Nikiesha Thornton, Tony Moriarty, Veronica Bowman, Angela Mosley, Angela Sirc, Mounir Germanos, Maria Do, Dianne Hukins, Sue McAlary, Margaret Gray, Christine Bulters, Matthew Johnson, Suzy May Gellel, Lordna Omiping, Dr Madeleine Cincotta, Elenka Egan, Dr John Frey, Johnny Dimise, Francisco Santos, Ada Raynor, Denise Mastro, Jadon Kalp, Amanda Dennis, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood, Karl Llorin, Rita Basti, Angela & Rohan, Sue Freestone, Ardell Sharpe, Joseph Scalia, Lilia Pelino, Don Alanis, Jacquie Brady, Brian Brennan, Bill Keirse, Jessica Sparks, Pat Carr, Bruce Creenaune, Catherine Cox, Frances McMahon, Joan O'Dowd, Margaret Bartley, Jan Newman.



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Deacon
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Pastoral Associate
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PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

Lisa de Paiva, Chair of the Pastoral Council
Gabi Tobin, Chair of the Finance Council

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge
the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country,
Elders past, present, and emerging,
and extend that respect to all other
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

In our parish & around the diocese

PARISH CALENDAR

Thu, 4 Aug: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Fri, 5 Aug: Dedication Anniversary Mass, SJV 10.30am
Sat, 6 Aug: No Reconciliation will be available
Sun, 7 Aug: Hospitality Weekend
Mon, 8 Aug: Mary of the Cross Mass, SFX 12.10pm
Sun, 14 Aug: 40th Priestly Anniversary Fr John Stork
Sun, 14 Aug: Hospitality after 10.30am Mass
Mon, 15 Aug: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Wollongong, 7am & 12.10pm, Fairy Meadow 5.30pm
Thu, 1 Sep: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Sun, 4 Sep: Hospitality Weekend
Wed, 14 Sep: Death Anniversary Bishop McCabe (1983)
Wed, 14 Sep: 10 year Anniversary, Good Samaritan School
18-25 Sep: UCI Championships, temporary Mass time change
Mon 26 Sep: Normal Liturgy schedule resumes
Tue, 4 Oct: Feast of St Francis of Assisi
Thu, 6 Oct: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Tue, 25 Oct: Finance Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm

SACRAMENTS

- **Baptisms:** By appointment only (contact the parish office during office hours for details)
- **Marriages:** A preliminary appointment needs to be made at least 6 months prior to Wedding Date (**No Sunday weddings**)
- For Pastoral and Sacramental needs, please contact the parish office during office hours

HELPFUL LINKS

- **Mass on Demand:** livestream.lumenchristi.org.au
- **Mass/Prayer Intentions:** lumenchristi.org.au/intentions
- **Light a Votive Candle:** lumenchristi.org.au/votive
- **Census Form:** lumenchristi.org.au/census
- **Online Donations:** lumenchristi.org.au/donate
- **Online Payments:** lumenchristi.org.au/payment
- **Join Planned Giving:** lumenchristi.org.au/support
- **Columbarium:** lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium
- **Sacramental Programme:** lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental
- **Privacy Policy:** privacy.lumenchristi.org.au
- **St Brigid's School:** sbgdow.catholic.edu.au
- **Good Samaritan School:** gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au

PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

CHURCH ACCOUNT

(Donations & Planned Giving)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 008056

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish

PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

(For the Clergy)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 002286

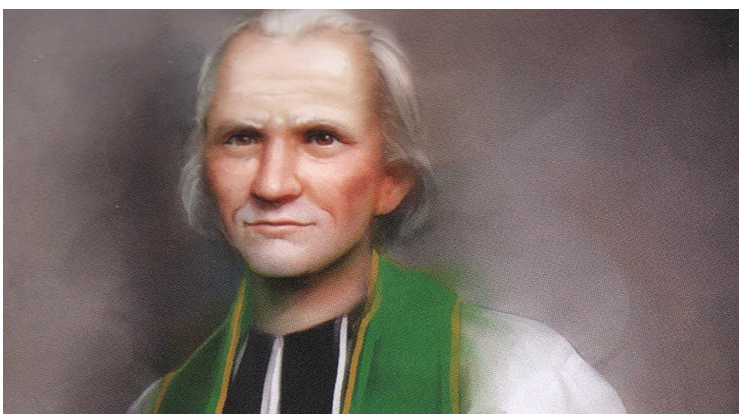
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FR BERNARD GORDON: ANNUAL LEAVE

As of Monday 1st August, I will be away on annual leave for the month of August. In my absence, please direct all enquiries on parish matters to Mr Kevin Galea, our General Manager, who will facilitate the daily administrative works of the parish. Fr John Stork and Fr George Condookala will assist Bishop Brian with the Sunday Mass timetable during August, in keeping with their other Diocesan and supply commitments to other parishes. However, due to the unavailability of priests on **Sunday 21st August, Deacon James Arblaster will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at St Brigid's Gwynneville 9am and Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie 10am.**

Thank you very much for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate our present pastoral challenges.

Fr Bernard Gordon



HAPPY FEAST DAY ST JOHN VIANNEY!

Happy Feast Day for St John Vianney (Thursday 4th August). Bishop Brian Mascord will offer a Mass on the anniversary of Dedication of St John Vianney, Fairy Meadow, on Friday 5th August at 10.30am at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral.

A very happy feast day to all our parishioners at St John Vianney's Co-Cathedral!

MARY MACKILLOP MASS

Mass for the feast of Mary Mackillop will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier Cathedral on Monday 8th August at 12.10pm.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



On Monday, 15 August the Church celebrates the Assumption of Our Lady. Mass will offered at:

St Francis Xavier Cathedral
Wollongong 7am & 12.10pm

St John Vianney Co-Cathedral
Fairy Meadow 5.30pm

For more information on bequests please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/bequest

In our parish & around the diocese

MASS TIMETABLE, 18 –25 SEPTEMBER

During the time of the UCI Championships, from Sunday 18th September to Sunday 25th September, we will be following the temporary liturgy schedule below. **Vigil Mass at Gwynneville for Saturday, 17 September, will be at the normal time of 5:30pm.**

During this time, livestreaming of the Sunday Mass from the Cathedral will not be available. Mass for You at Home (MFYAH) on Network Ten (6am) and Foxtel's Aurora Channel 173 (10am) are available. The same Mass is available on Network Ten's streaming platform 10play.com.au and the MFYAH website massforyou.com.au

Sunday 18th September

Wollongong: 6.45am & 7.30pm

Fairy Meadow: 7pm

Balgownie: 8.30am, 10am & Vietnamese Mass 4.30pm

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd September

Wollongong: 6.45am

Saturday 24th September

Gwynneville: 7pm

Sunday 25th September

Wollongong: 6.45am & 7.30pm;

Fairy Meadow: 7pm

Balgownie: 8.30am, 10am & Vietnamese Mass, 4.30pm

LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH DINNER: 1 DEC 2022

You are warmly invited to our first Lumen Christi parish dinner, to be celebrated later this year on **Thursday 1st December at 6.30pm** at the Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow. Where we will gather together as one parish community!



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER J.D. Barrett is an Australian television writer and script editor. She has worked on the writing teams for Love My Way, East of Everything, Bed of Roses, Wonderland, Love Child and The Secret Daughter. The Secret Recipe for Second Chances was her bestselling debut novel.

Tickets are \$55.00 Per Head

Make a table of 10 or join a table of 10

SOMEONE WILL RECEIVE THE LUCKY DOOR PRIZE OF \$500 CASH!

To purchase your tickets please visit our parish website.

Go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/parishdinner

MONTHLY PARISH LUNCHEON



Come to our Parish luncheon held on Thursday 4th August, 12pm at the Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow. All are welcome!

ence. He, and we, need to learn the language of Heaven and we begin that on earth.

There are two partners of conversation we need: With God we call it prayer. The Our Father is the conversation of the children of God with their heavenly Father. With other people, real dialogue might reveal something about them such that we need to respond wholeheartedly.

And then, draw closer to Our Lady who was the greatest conversation partner with God: 'Be it done unto me according to Thy word.' She is constantly trying to draw us into her conversation with God.

We could pause for a moment to ask Our Lady to help us to learn and practise the language of Heaven: 'now, and at the hour of our death.' Amen.

120TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MT KEMBLA MINING DISASTER OF 31 JULY 1902

An article commemorating the 120th anniversary of the Mt Kembla Mining Disaster of 31 July 1902. 96 miners including 25 Catholics died in this disaster. In the anniversary of parishioners who died section we read: "The 96 victims of the Mt Kembla Mining Disaster of 31 July 1902" A very special thank you to Mr Neil Dwyer for his research work into this event. To download online go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/archives

MAJOR REPAIRS IN OUR PARISH

Dear Parishioners,

Some of our parish properties have been adversely affected by the recent heavy weather and rainfall. Prolonged rainstorms have caused serious damage to a number of our parish buildings requiring serious repair work.

Based on conversations with our appointed insurance assessors about whether a water intrusion damage is covered by insurance or not, there seems to be a grey area to navigate. Generally, insurance policies are designed to cover sudden and accidental damage, so they may only cover damage that has been caused by a sudden and unforeseeable weather event as a direct effect of wind, hail, storm and flash flood. This means that our insurance policy may not cover the recent water damage as a result of water penetration because of failing waterproofing repairs and maintenance.

The truth is our buildings are ageing and the upkeep of maintenance is a very costly exercise for the parish on account of the increasing cost of materials and trades. This week repair work for our parish office facade, eave and roofing will continue until Friday. Please be careful as you approach the front of the parish office and its surrounds.

Thank you all for your continuing support.

Fr Bernard

For more information on our Columbarium please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 69:2,6

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is re-

newed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

Communion Antiphon

Wis 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Stop Talking to Yourself!

Conversation is what makes us human: we are word animals. Anyone who has been in hospital for some time knows that it is the lack of conversation which starts to tell. We need mouth to mouth resuscitation.

Did you notice in today's Gospel that the rich landowner is constantly murmuring to himself. He poses questions which he answers. He is so bound up with his possessions that there is no room in his life for real conversation with people or with God.

In muttering to himself, the rich man was becoming dehumanised and in danger that at the moment of death, he could find himself monologuing for all eternity, and that is a Hellish exist-

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