

## Parish Notices

- Parish Formation Nights in the PARISH HALL @ 7PM this Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February – “Understanding the MASS”.
- Family Book of Remembrance - death anniversaries that fall in February can be documented.
- Registration for Sacrament of **CONFIRMATION 2022** are open from February 1<sup>st</sup>. Children in Year 7 and upwards are eligible to receive this Sacrament. Registration form at the back of the Church or from the Office.
- We will have an adult Confirmation at the 9am Mass on 6<sup>th</sup> February.
- The weekend of 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> February we will have the registration of all parish members after Communion in all Masses. This will allow us to have a digital register of all parishioners which include sacraments received.
- The World Day of the Sick Mass that was scheduled for 11 February 2022 at St Patrick’s Church, Blacktown has now been cancelled.



### CATHOLIC WEEKLY

Buy your Catholic Weekly from the back of the Church (\$2.00). There are a few back issues that you can take home for free or small donation to cover the costs.

### PATORAL COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 @ 7PM

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022 @ 7pm

### NEOCATECHUMENS Meeting

on Wednesday Nights @ 7.30pm in the Parish Hall commencing Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

**SICK:** Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave, Stella Edwards, & Fara Vargas, Marjorie Tonks; Alice Cassar.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Marija Blazevic; Paul Wood; Clifford Blas Ulep, Ester Obra Blando

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Tony Frernandez; Marie McLeod; Owen Davoren; Alfred Schembri; Candida Funelas; Florence Andrews; Flora Toledo; Lynlay Matthews; Lorenza Cabrera, Lorenzo Ona; Isidro Llave Sr & Caridad Llave; Remedios & Loy Ocer Helen & Arturo Relevo.

**Names submitted to Parish for prayers will show for 4 weeks at a time.**



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### **From Fr. Florito's desk.**

### **Brief Historical Development of Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration has existed since early times. From the 3rd century, the early hermits (solitary monks) reserved the Eucharist in their cells. The immediate purpose of this reservation was to enable the hermits to give themselves Holy Communion.

Then in the Council of Nicea (325 AD) the Eucharist began to be reserved in the churches of monasteries and convents. Its sacred character was recognised and the place of reservation was set off from "profane usage."

Pope Urban IV (1195-1264) instituted the Feast of Corpus Christi in the thirteenth century. When establishing the feast, the Pope stressed the love of Christ who wished to remain physically with us until the end of time (cf. Mt 28,20).

The Council of Trent (1545-1563) emphatically declared that, "The only-begotten Son of God is to be adored in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist with the worship of latria (supreme worship allowed for God alone), including external worship.

Before the end of the sixteenth century, Pope Clement VIII in 1592 issued an historic document on what was called in Italian Quarant' Ore (Forty Hours). The devotion consisted of forty hours of continual prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed.

The Code of Canon Law in 1917 (Pope Benedict XV) suggested that all churches should participate in a solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at least once per year.

Pope Pius XI associated the worship of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament with expiation for sin. Among the ways to make reparation to the Heart of Christ, the Pope urged the faithful to "make expiatory supplications and prayers, prolonged for a whole hour—which is rightly called the 'Holy Hour'" (Misericordissimus Redemptor, May 8, 1928).

Building on the teaching of his predecessors, Pope John Paul II has come to be known as the Pope of the Real Presence. In one document and address after another, he has repeated what needs repetition for the sake of emphasis: "The Eucharist, in the Mass and outside of the Mass, is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, and is therefore deserving of the worship that is given to the living God, and to Him alone" (Opening address in Ireland, Phoenix Park, September 29, 1979).

May we invite you all to join us in Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction after every 7PM Wednesday Mass.

God Bless you all

**Fr Florito**

**Sunday Masses**      **Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil.** 4th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (C)

**Weekday Masses & Communion Services**      **Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am:**

Monday 9.10 am      **St John Bosco** – *Communion service*

Tuesday 9.10 am      4th week in Ordinary time

Wednesday 7.00 pm      **Presentation of the Lord**

Thursday 9.10 am      4th week in Ordinary time

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Saturday 9.10 am      **St Agatha** - *Communion service*

**Confessions**

Saturday: 5.30pm Fr. Florito Apalias

**Pastoral Director:**

**Deacon Roderick Pirotta**

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**Fr Florito Apalias**

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**Baptisms & Weddings:**

By arrangement.



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**ADORATION  
every  
WEDNESDAY  
after the  
7pm MASS  
for ½ hour**

**Parish Formation Nights in the  
PARISH HALL @ 7PM on  
THURSDAYS during February.**

Come and keep your faith alive. 4  
nights of faith formation: February  
3<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> for 1 hour.

**PRESENTER:** Fr Florito –  
“Understanding the MASS”.

<b>Readers</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>7.30am</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>29/30<sup>th</sup> January</b>	W. Farquharson. E. Gemzon	E. Merjudio T. Merjudio	M. Buhagiar B. Buhagiar
<b>5/6<sup>th</sup> February</b>	J. Salazar L Villapana	J. Mendes V. Nagaraja	H. Cruz M. Zore
<b>12/13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	H. Villarica S. Fernandez	A. Wiggins J. D’Rosario	F. Antown J. Bugayong

**Entrance Antiphon:** Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

**Responsorial Psalm:** I will sing of your salvation

**Gospel Acclamation:** The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

**Communion Antiphon:** Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

**Celebrating Holy Week formation workshop for Acolytes and Ministers at the Altar: 26 February**

The Office for Worship is conducting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers at the Altar on Saturday 26 February from 9:30 am to 3pm at the Bede Heather Centre (formerly the IFM), Blacktown. The workshop will be an opportunity to refine one's skills in their ministry with a special focus on Holy Week celebrations. If you are interested or would like to RSVP, please contact the Office For Worship at [anne.stanton@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.stanton@parracatholic.org) or (02) 8838 3456.



Tonga is reeling after a violent underwater volcano eruption triggered tsunamis, destroyed telecommunications and blanketed the country in ash and rock. Roads, bridges, and homes are damaged. Water supplies have been contaminated by volcanic ash and saltwater. Tonga needs your prayer and support urgently. Give now to help with emergency response.

Visit:

[www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific](http://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to make your donation.

## DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

### **Diocese of Parramatta launches Plenary Council resource website**

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. Beyond the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, visit [parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/](http://parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/) to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more as we move into a time of prayer, reflection, maturation and development.

### **Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses 2022**

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will begin in February 2022. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or [anne.stanton@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.stanton@parracatholic.org) or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

### **St Josephine Bakhita Feast Day Mass: 8 February**

Join us for the livestream as Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv celebrates Mass on the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita, Patron Saint of South Sudan and Sudan and of the Victims of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking on Tuesday 8 February 2022 at 7pm via the Mary, Queen of the Family Parish Facebook page or the Diocese of Parramatta YouTube channel.

### **COVID-19 Rules in places of worship.**

- 1, Do not come to Church if feeling unwell or have flu-like symptoms.
2. Use hand sanitizer before and after leaving Church.
3. Wearing of face masks in the Church is mandatory.
4. QR code when entering the church is mandatory.
5. Keep doors and windows open for good circulation
6. No capacity limits in the church but try to keep 1.5 metres from anyone that is not your family.
7. Social gatherings are discouraged.