

ROSTER: 17/18 FEBRUARY 2018			
	6.00 pm	8.00 am	9.30am
COMMENTATOR & READERS	Dan Kensey Anne Deutscher Clare Holland	Kevin Egan Lynne Egan Kay Walker	Marianne Castor Richard Sheehan Don Robens
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Mitchell Sutton Michael Manton Marion Betker	Nicholas Adamcewicz Pat Edwards David Clements	John Cowen Lily Cowen Lew Zammit Lisa Samojlewicz Beth Nowland
ALTAR SERVERS	Lachlan Armour	Christopher & Nicholas Howell	Clare Roser & James Samojlowicz
MUSIC	Jim, Nilo, Patrick & Adrian	Victor & Team	Richard Caws & Team
HOSPITALITY	Rita Manouk & Belinda Tehan		
KID'S LITURGY	Michael Griffiths		
MONEY COUNTERS	Group 3: Paul & Bernadette Hoolahan & Marilyn Potts		
ALTAR SOCIETY	Group 2: Jackie Powell Kate Oxford & Jo Von Schomburg		
GROUNDS TEAM	Team 2: Brad & Connor Snedden Greg Spowart & Kevin McGee		

Sacramental Dates for 2018

Eucharist

Parent Information Nights	Wednesday 9 th & Thursday 10 th May 7.30 pm
Enrolment Weekend	Sat 12 th 6pm / Sun 13 th 8am & 9:30am May
Classes (3)	The week of Monday 21 st & 28 th May & 4 th June
Rehearsal 1	Wednesday 20 th June 7.30 pm
Mass 1	Sunday 24th June 11.30 am
Rehearsal 2	Wednesday 27 th June 7.30pm
Mass 2	Sunday 1st July 11.30am

Confirmation

Parent Information Nights	Wednesday 1 st & Thursday 2 nd August 7.30 pm
Enrolment Weekend	Sat 11 th 6pm / Sun 12 th 8am & 9:30am August
Classes (3)	The week of Monday 20 th & 27 th August & 3rd Sept
Rehearsal	Mon 17 th Sept 7.30 pm
Confirmation Mass	Thursday 20th September 2018.

PARISH LIBRARY: The Parish Library has been available on a weekly basis since the early 1990's for parishioners to borrow books and DVD's. The Library will now be open on the **1st Sunday of each month after the 8am and 9.30am Masses.** A catalogue of all items available for borrowing, can be viewed in the Library or sent electronically to you.

Depending on the response by the parishioners in the next 3 months, consideration will be given to the closure of the Parish Library due to lack of patronage. There will be a box for return of books etc., in the church foyer.

Any enquiries may be made to Marilyn Potts on 0412 483 092.

SCRIPTURE MEETING:

This will be held on the [12th February at 9.30](#) in the Parish Office. (It's important all Catechists attend to complete 2018 paperwork.)

SCRIPTURE COMMENCES on Tuesday the 13th February and Thursday the 15th February.

Anyone interested in helping with scripture is welcome to attend this meeting.

PARISH GROUPS

Parish Library:

1st Sunday in March, April & May after 8am & 9.30am Mass

Meditation Group:

Monday evenings: 7.30 pm in the Parish Meeting Room

Tai Chi Exercises:

Christie Wood 0431 149 131
Monday evenings: 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall

Playgroup:

Tuesday mornings: 9.30 am school weeks in the Parish Hall. For carers of 0-5 yr olds.

Parish Knitters:

Tuesday mornings: 9.30 am in the Parish Meeting Room (**March—November**)
Knitting squares for 'Wrapped with love' blankets.

Cuppa & Chat :

After 1st Friday Mass - in the parish hall. **All welcome!**

Catholic Before & After School Care in Parish Hall
Phone: 9840 5726

Parish Schools

Our Lady of the Way Primary

Phone: 4777 7200
Principal Mrs. Sue Veling

McCarthy Catholic College

Phone: 4735 3211
Principal Mrs. Tania Cairns

Please for Recently Deceased: Elizabeth Kay and for the Anniversaries of; John Vanderloo, Sam & Grazia Gauci

Please pray for those who are sick in our community:

June Thomas, Gary Robertson, the Walker family, Grace Perry, Kevin Rose, Daniel Colussi, Tim Organ, Floren Melgar, Karen Gulliksen, the Beale family, Harry Beasley, Maddison Farrugia, Leone Kirton, Robyn Nelson, Greg Kay, Vicki Wells, Mark Simmonds, Melissa Hargraves, Max Scott, Anita Glynn, Bayley, Mrs. Haddad, Libby Lawson, Paul Dalton, Michelle Teitzel, Michael Merceica, Patty & Bernie Payne, Les Coburn, Graham & Christine Hall, Michelle Gardam, Melissa Reardon, Christine Small, Brian O'Hara, Jacob Thomas, Belinda Pagnucco, Jacqui Walker, Maryanne Mifsud, Mary Berkout, Alan Barton, Jenny Rist, Christine Small & Patricia Brooks.



What does the LORD require of you
but to act justly, to love tenderly, and
to walk humbly with your God.

MICAH 6:8



OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARISH

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest
Fr. Michael O'Callaghan
Parish Secretary
Chris Rannaste
Pastoral Council Chairperson
John Cowen
Finance Committee
Chairperson
Jim Prendergast

CONTACT US

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MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses
Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 9:30 am
3rd Sunday of the Month
Filipino Mass 11:30 am
Weekday Masses 9.00am
Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
No Mass on Tuesday
Children's Liturgy
During 9.30 am Mass on the
1st & 3rd Sundays each month
**1st Friday Mass each
month Anointing of the Sick**

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00 pm-5:45 pm

Baptisms: By appointment

Weddings: By appointment

**First Holy Communion
and / or Confirmation**

Please contact Parish Office
olowpar@pnc.com.au

R.C.I.A : The process for
adults interested in becoming
Catholic. Office: 4735 1041

LOW SCHOOL MASS: The opening School mass for the year will be held tomorrow, Monday, 12th February. Mass will commence at **9.15am**. Children from the school will attend to readings and singing.

ASH WEDNESDAY: We commence Lent with the celebration of Ash Wednesday, next Wednesday, the 14th February. **Masses at Our Lady of the Way will be at 9.00am and 7.30pm.** Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others.

RECONCILIATION—PARENT INFORMATION MEETING: For those families whose children will be making their **First Reconciliation this year**, please note the time set out below.

First Reconciliation Parent Information Meeting; Tues. 13th February 7.30pm **OR** alternate meeting Thurs. 15th February 7.30pm.

Celebration of Reconciliation Liturgy: **Thursday 22nd March—7.30pm.**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ACOLYTES & SENIOR SERVERS:
MEETING SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY—9.30am for 9.45am in the Parish Office.**

THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION: *The Catholic Foundation Appeal* which replaced the Diocesan Works Fund, needs to raise \$2.5 million annually to sustain the works of the Church in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains—including the formation of our seminarians, providing Christian education in public schools, empowering our disabled with job training, supporting our deaf and assisting single mothers facing homelessness. What sets these works apart from many other charities is that these are the official works of the Diocese of Parramatta. These are our collective works.

The Catholic Foundation appeal will occur this weekend - **10/11 February.**

Envelopes are available on the seat. Thank you for your support.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 INFORMATION EVENINGS: Every three years WYD provides an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) to be immersed in the beauty, intensity and adventure of our Catholic faith as we unite with the youth of the world in the presence of Pope Francis. Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta invite young people of our Diocese on a journey to the host city of Panama in Central America during January 2019. Unique to our Diocese, we will be immersed in a sharing of faith, culture and local experiences in the shadow of ancient Pyramids, Basilica's and the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe as we pass first through Mexico. Visit www.parrawyd.org and join us for one of three upcoming information evenings to learn more.

Monday 12 February—St. Andrew's parish, Marayong. 7pm—8.30pm

Thursday 15 February—St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. 7pm-8.30pm

Tuesday 20 February—Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St. Mary's. 7pm-8.30pm

LENTEN RETREAT AFTERNOON FOR FAMILIES: 25 FEBRUARY

Open to families of all ages and constellations. From 2pm—4.30pm at Mt. Schoenstatt. Event. Afternoon will include: Talks and testimonies on "*Joy & Suffering*" a children's programme and Babysitting. Prayer, Adoration, Confession, Benediction closed with Afternoon Tea at 4pm.

This event is Free but registration is essential for catering and planning of the volunteers needed for the children's programme. <https://www.trybooking.com/TRFL>

For more information contact Sr M Julie: juliebrcar@gmail.com.