



# HOLY FAMILY COMMUNITY

UNDER THE CARE OF THE AUSTRALIAN JESUIT PROVINCE



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We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

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## MASS TIMES - HOLY FAMILY CHURCH - EMERTON

Saturday Vigil Mass : 5.30 pm

Sunday: 9.00 am and \*10.30 am

(\*Sunday 10.30am Mass will be celebrated in the church and the school hall)

### JOHN TERRY CHAPEL (DAY CHAPEL)

Monday 8.30am Mass  
Tuesday 6.00pm Mass  
Wednesday 6.00pm Mass  
Thursday 8.30am Mass  
Friday 9.00am Mass  
Saturday 9.00am Mass

### MASS AT WILLMOT CHURCH

Sunday 7.30am  
Cnr Pelsart & Carteret Ave Willmot

### RECONCILIATION AND HOLY HOUR—EMERTON

Saturday from 9.30 am to 10.00 am



### MASS FOR YOU AT HOME



10.30am—Archdiocese of Sydney  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHTnC8gGMDg>

11.00am—Diocese of Parramatta  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/ParramattaDiocese/>

## REFLECTION FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

### 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are asked to walk with Jesus, be a companion of Jesus. Pope Francis asks us to reclaim the centrality of Jesus Christ in our daily lives. To truly do this we need to develop a new spirit and a new heart – we need to learn to listen differently to the voices and movements around us. We can then listen more attentively and deeply to others, we can walk more gently upon the earth, and can find Jesus more easily by our side.

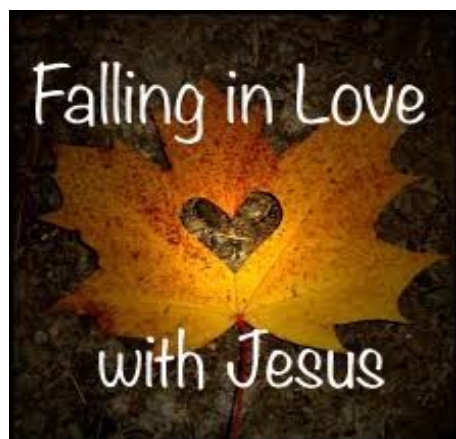
Think about these parables presented to us today – what has been the yeast that has leavened our lives? What tiny seed has been planted that might grow into something extraordinary? What weeds have been planted that are hindering our growth and productivity for our full enjoyment of the Gospel? – spend some quiet time with one of these parable-images.

Now speak to God about the evil dandel that has sown in our lives, but that God allows to persist along with all the good seed. Speak to

God about the seed that is planted in darkness waiting to grow, or just coming into life, promising abundance. Speak to God about the yeast that seems to make whatever it touches blossom, and rejoice in this blessing.

“Listen anyone who has ears!” Listen, not to yourself, but to God. When you go to the Doctor to tell him your problems, you do not then get up and walk out, but you stay to hear him give you some diagnosis or advice. God, who loves us so deeply, wants to show us the kingdom of God (which is the whole point of these parables!), so learn to listen to God in prayer too.

Walk with Jesus. Listen to him speak to you in stories and in parables. Reflect, meditate. Talk with Jesus. Listen again.



Fr Gregory



## SCRIPTURE READINGS—YEAR A YEAR OF MATTHEW 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LET US HEAR AND RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD



*Let both grow together  
until the harvest*

### **FIRST READING:** Wisdom 12:13,16-19

*In the place of sin, you give repentance.*

There is no god besides you, Lord, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly. For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose.

Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 85:5-6,9-1,15-16 R. v5

#### **Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

You, O Lord, are good and forgiving,  
abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.  
Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;  
listen to my cry of supplication. R.

All the nations you have made  
shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,  
and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things;  
you alone are God. R.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.  
Turn to me and be gracious to me.  
Give your strength to your servant. R.

### **SECOND READING:** Romans 8:26-27

*The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.*

Brothers and sister: The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

**Alleluia!**

### **GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:24-43

*Let them grow together.*

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and went away. When the new wheat has sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull out the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in their field; it is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest shrubs and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

### READINGS FOR THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME IN YEAR A SUNDAY 26th JULY 2020

**FIRST READING:** 1 Kgs 3:5,7-12      **SECOND READING:** Rom 8:28-30  
**GOSPEL:** Mt 13:44-52



Although the life of a person is a land full of thorns and weeds,  
there is always a space in which the good seed can grow.

**You have to trust in God!**

- Pope Francis

### **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

**BAPTISMS:** We welcomed into our community Honey Seiuli who was baptised on Sunday 5th July, and Gabrielle Buhagiar and Sophia Allen who was baptised on Sunday 12th July, 2020.

**LIST OF THE SICK:** Georgette Sioufi, Vailemani Selui, Laurie Taylor, Vaa Lauvao, John Agius, Sue Pickervance, Margaret Kearney, Eleanor Petterson, John Healey, Margaret Joyce, Mary Facer, Antonia Beemster, Lopisoni Makario, Faith Nimmo, Janette Queensell, Vaha Vave, Barry Barrakett, Shirley Chapman, Kenny Clements, Paul Cusack, Maria Hannelas, Ian Watts, Corina Valentine, Jeffrey Bonnici, Jose Lay, Fay Iffland, Mayda Attachian, Tim Meagher, Ray Fenech, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Fara Vargas, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Adi Teimumu Loloe, Luies Farrugia, Dick Gale, Ronald Andrade, Frances Bullus, Paul Kelly, Pat Thompson, Mary Stevens, Tarcing Saga, Portia Enario, John Jordon, Irene Turbit, Wilhelmina Kroon, Jim Filewood, Betty Filewood, Elizabeth Filewood, Jack Beemster, Lorraine Rens, Betty Baker, Peter Balcombe, Sr M Michael Fitzgerald, Maria Teuma, Ellen Thoroughgood, Joan Smith, Robert Bidwill (Bob), Michelle Dunn, Elaine Bridge, Mavis Hastings, Colin Jackson, Stephen Bednars, Leslie Pini, Charlie Borg, Lawrence Ueese, Mary White

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Henry Hall, Mary Grima



## PARISH COLLECTIONS—SUNDAY 12th JULY 2020

1st Collection—For the priest's of the Diocese of Parramatta: \$ 527.35  
 2nd Collection—For Holy Family Parish: \$1,990.85

## PARISH COLLECTIONS

- If you would like to make a donation towards the Diocesan Priests' Pastoral Revenue, i.e. 1st Collection, you can do so via:  
**Acc Name: Parramatta Diocesan Clergy**  
**BSB: 067 950 Acc No.: 00004265**  
**Make sure to Reference: 6024 Donation**
- If you would like to make a donation to our parish, please make a direct transfer payment to:  
**Commonwealth Bank**  
**Acc Name: Mount Druitt Catholic Church**  
**BSB: 067 950 Acc No.: 00446**
- For Planned Giving Envelope contributions, please either:
  - drop your envelopes off to the parish office,
  - hold on to them until we continue having Masses in the church,
  - OR make a direct transfer payment to the parish account (details above), and reference your envelope number.

## FAMILY PRAYER (WEEK BY WEEK)

### by Liturgy Brisbane

## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Sometimes we are quick to judge people. We might think it is easy to recognise a 'good' person or a 'bad' person. It is important to remember that every person is capable of both bad and good deeds. We don't always know the full story behind someone's actions. For example, we might condemn a child who takes other children's lunches. Yet, how would we think differently if we knew that child came to school hungry each day without any lunch? Jesus tells us to accept everyone, because only God truly knows a person's heart.

## THE STORY

Today's gospel from Matthew is another parable with an agricultural context. A man sows good seed in his field but during the night an enemy comes and sows weeds. They both grow together, the good and the bad. The servants want to pull up the weeds immediately but the wise farmer says, leave them to grow together until harvest time and then it will become apparent which is weed and which is wheat!

## PRAYER

**Guardian Angel Prayer:** O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard to rule and guide. Amen.

## FAMILY DISCUSSION

Talk together about what makes a plant a weed. When you are weeding the garden, how do you tell which plants you want to keep and which plants are weeds? In last week's gospel when Jesus was talking about seeds, he was really talking about us. What does Jesus mean in this reading when is talking about good seed and weed seed? Why didn't the farmer want the weeds pulled up as they were growing? What would happen to the wheat?

## FAMILY ACTIVITY

You will need two bowls or baskets, pens, pencils and paper. Label one of the bowls/baskets GOOD SEEDS, and the other WEED SEEDS, and place them in the middle of the dinner table. During the week, family members write or draw about GOOD SEEDS (people who bring us closer to Jesus) or WEED SEEDS (people who lead us away from Jesus). Add the stories and drawings to the appropriate container. When you have time as a family, go through the containers and talk about whether you are all being GOOD SEEDS or WEED SEEDS for the people in your lives.

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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

## MASS SCHEDULE:

## Weekday Masses:

Monday & Thursday: 8.30am  
 Tuesday & Wednesday: 6.00pm  
 Friday & Saturday: 9.00am

## Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm in the church only.  
 Sunday at Willmot: 7.30am  
 Sunday: 9.00am in the church only.  
 10.30am in the church and school hall.

## BOOKINGS FOR MASS:

- If you have previously booked in for our Masses via 'Trybooking' or over the phone, you DO NOT need to book in again each week. Your name is now permanently listed (unless advised otherwise).
- For all NEW BOOKINGS, please register your details via: <https://forms.gle/oaT4zrhxBrcwYnCX7>

## ARRIVING FOR MASS:

- Register/ sign off your name(s) when you enter the church
- Sanitise your hands.
- Maintain social distancing.
- If available, please help with cleaning/ wiping down seats after Mass.

As a reminder, Catholics from the Diocese of Parramatta are dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligations until further notice. So, we strongly advise that if you are unwell and experiencing respiratory symptoms (runny nose, sore throat, a fever or a cough) that you stay at home. And, as current NSW health advice recommends, please get a COVID-19 test. Find your nearest COVID-19 testing clinic via: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/how-to-protect-yourself-and-others/clinics#find-a-covid-19-testing-centre-in-nsw>.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Parish Office during office hours (02) 9628 7272.

Monday—Thursday: 9.00am—4.30pm  
 Friday: 9.00am—3.30pm  
 CLOSED ON WEEKENDS.

Join Fr Pat on Wednesday evenings, for Christian Meditation.

After the 6.00pm Mass in the Mary Mackillop





# Parents Passing on the Faith

## CHOOSE YOUR FRIENDS

It makes sense to cultivate good friends with common values. They become significant other adults in the lives of our children. As relatable role models, they give credibility from a different perspective to all that we try to teach.

Think about arranging to go to the same Mass together and maybe going to the beach or a BBQ afterwards. In this way, other families can become like extended family and bring healthy fun into our lives.



-Parents Passing on the Faith resource from Diocese of Parramatta. Published with acknowledgment to the Bishops Commission for Family Youth and Life.

Image: Holy Family Young Adults

## 'A CHEERFUL HEART IS A GOOD MEDICINE'

### OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD'S KIDS

A small boy told a Sunday school teacher: "When you die, God takes care of you like your parents did when you were alive—only God doesn't yell at you all the time."

(Rev. Dennis R. Fakes, Lodi, CA)

A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the little girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mummy say," the mother said.

The little girl bowed her head and said: "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

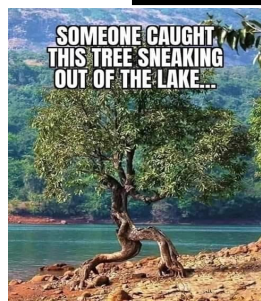
(Charles Laine, Franklin, TN)

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One day I was helping mum in the kitchen. I stopped for a moment and asked a spiritual question, "What is God's will? It is so difficult to know.

She looked at me and said, "Right now, God's will is for you to finish washing the dishes".

(@Fr Goyo)



SAINT MARY  
MAGDALENE

Pray For Us

Feast Day: 22nd July



The story of Mary of Magdalene reminds us all of a fundamental truth...A disciple of Christ is one who, in the experience of human weakness, has had the humility to ask for his help, has been healed by him and has set out following closely after him, becoming a witness of the power of his merciful love that is stronger than sin and death.

— Pope Benedict XVI —

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## Diocese of Parramatta Notices

### Positions Vacant:

- Human Resources Adviser – Diocese of Parramatta
- HR Project Officer – Payroll and Talent (Permanent position) - Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited – **Applications close Monday 20 July**
- Head of People and Culture – CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains – **Applications close Tuesday 28 July.** More details at: [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

### Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Office For Worship's Liturgical Ministry Formation course will recommence in August at both the Institute for Mission, Blacktown and St Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith. Two workshops on Liturgical Ministry will also be provided in October at St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook. Note: due to restrictions there are limited places available. For more information, contact the Office for Worship on [anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org)

### Saturday Sessions

Join with others as we create community online to share and grow faith, every Saturday from 11am - 12pm with Saturday Sessions, hosted by the Pastoral Planning Office. Listen to the pre-recorded presentation about a topic of faith and then join an online group discussion via Zoom. Visit the Diocese of Parramatta's Facebook page each week for details. Contact Lisa Bright on [lisa.bright@parracatholic.org](mailto:lisa.bright@parracatholic.org) to join the mailing list to receive session information.

### Plenary Council Discernment Papers released

You are encouraged to take the discernment papers from the six national Plenary Council writing groups for your own discernment about how to bring to life a Christ-centred community in your area. These papers can be found at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>. The Pastoral Planning Office can accompany you in reflecting on these papers. Please contact [pastoralplanning@parracatholic.org](mailto:pastoralplanning@parracatholic.org) to discuss ways to engage with these discernment papers.

### Institute for Mission – Reflective Ministry Program available online

The Institute for Mission's Reflective Ministry Program (Word and Mission) is going ahead starting from 18 August. Register here to participate ONLINE <https://www.ifm.org.au/reflective-ministry> or contact Sr Grace on [grace.roclawski@ifm.org.au](mailto:grace.roclawski@ifm.org.au).



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