



# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PARISH, North Ryde

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Under the care of the Congregation of St. Michael the Archangel (Michaelite Fathers)



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**Parish Priest:** Fr Stan Kluk CSMA      **Assistant Priest:** Fr Peter Kaupa CSMA

**SUNDAY MASS:** Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am & 6:00pm.  
**WEEKDAY MASS:** Mon. 8:30am; Tues. 7:00pm; Wed. 8:30am; Thur. 8:30am;  
Fri. 7:00am; (& 9:30am School Term Only); Sat. 8:30am  
**Public Holidays: 8:30am**

**FILIPINO (TAGLISH) MASS:** Fourth Sunday of the month at 12:15pm  
**SPANISH SPEAKING MASS:** Every Sunday 12:30pm  
**BAPTISMS: 11.00am each Sunday** One month's notice required.  
**Preparation Nights held monthly** Application forms at Parish Office  
**Next Preparation Night:** Thursday 21 December at 7:00pm.  
**MARRIAGES:** By Appointment (6 months' notice required).  
**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday after morning Mass or by appointment.  
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** 9:00am to 3:00pm Mon – Fri

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL REGIONAL HELP CENTRE:** 9809 2757

**Next Week: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Advent (A):** Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12.

*Fr Stan writes.....*

**Today is the First Sunday of Advent**, which is also the first Sunday of the new liturgical year. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas.

If we listen carefully to our Mass readings, we will see how during Advent we recall the history of God's people and reflect on how the prophecies and promises of the Old Testament were fulfilled. This gives us a background for the present. Today we can reflect on the past track record of God and so begin to understand what it means to us now for the sake of what is to come, in our own future and that of our world.

We welcome into our Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism *Dylan Brian Burns* and *Leo John Moodie* and congratulate their families.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM):** The AGM of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held **TODAY**, Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am in the Parish Centre.

*All parishioners are invited to attend.*

**INVITATION:** The catechists warmly invite their pupils and families to join them for a special celebration on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, beginning with Mass at 7:00pm** and followed by supper. All our wonderful prayer partners are especially invited to be a part of this Advent celebration.

**ARTES CHRISTI**, the Sydney-based Catholic Choir will be singing at our parish **this weekend at the 6pm Sunday night Mass**, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. Lessons and Carols will follow at 7pm, which will run for approx. 40 minutes. BBQ to follow afterwards. Last Christmas, Artes Christi toured Europe and sang at the Vatican and Notre Dame Paris so we are delighted to welcome them to North Ryde.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** To all who contributed to the **Charitable Works Fund (CWF)** appeal earlier this month. **\$8,585** was collected, still short of our quota but a great effort nevertheless. **THANK YOU!**

**CALLING ALL CHILDREN!** Come and celebrate Jesus' birth during our special outdoor Mass at 6:30pm on Christmas Eve. Any child wishing to take part in the Christmas pageant during the Mass should be present at a meeting on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 3:30pm** in the church. All who come will be involved. There will be a final practice on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 10:00am** in the school quadrangle.  
For all enquiries please call Nadia on 0419 269 692.

**'PARISH 2020' LAUNCH NEXT WEEKEND.** Next weekend Parishes, Chaplaincies and communities across the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney will be presented with a Pastoral Letter and DVD from Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, announcing the launch of a new pastoral project for the Archdiocese called 'Parish 2020'. The launch of this project marks the commencement of an exciting new chapter as we plan for the future of the Archdiocese of Sydney.

**IGNITE YOUTH GROUP:** On the weekend of the 17/18 December, IGNITE Youth Group will be running a Cake stall to raise funds to keep the youth group going and continue to minister at Holy Spirit Parish. We are asking for assistance from any parishioners who are willing to bake an item to be sold at one of the masses that weekend. Goods needed for all masses. **Please call Jess 0421 930 320 or Max on 0424 345 014.**

**IGNITE Youth Group** will be hosting the Holy Spirit Christmas Party on **10<sup>th</sup> December**.  
Come along for Mass, Carols and a Picnic.  
Where: Blues Point – Blues Point Rd, North Sydney  
Time: 5pm  
What: Mass, Carols and BYO Picnic.  
Who: All are welcome!  
**Please contact Jessica on 0421 930 320 to register your interest.**

**OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS SHOP!** The Christmas Shop is located next door to our **Flame Café and Gifts**. Full size Christmas Trees are available that can be delivered to your home at no extra cost; Decorations; Christmas Cards; Wrapping Paper; Nativity Sets and much more ... come and check it out!

**The ORDER OF MALTA** invites all parishioners to **Lourdes Day Mass 2016** to be celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral on **Saturday, 3 December at 10:00am**. A blessing of the sick will take place during the celebration with water brought from the spring of the Shrine of Lourdes. Those receiving the blessing will also be provided with a bottle of Lourdes Water for their personal use.

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING:** Names will normally only be published with an individual or family member's permission. Lin Lim, Christina Keow.

**PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF:** Bill Moody recently deceased.