

7 DAYS TO GO UNTIL OUR PARISH MISSION

PARISH MISSION: NOVEMBER 9 - 13



YOU ARE INVITED TO "COME AS YOU ARE".

What is a parish mission?

The renewal or mission offered by the Thomas More Centre is best compared to a retreat. We invite people to take time during the five days to attend as many sessions as possible, given the busy schedules we all have, to consider their relationships, with God, with family and with the broader community. It is a time of relaxation and refreshment.

Our talks are all based on Scriptural themes. We believe that most Catholics have a lot of "catching up" to do with regard to understanding the Scriptures and so we make this a priority.

SESSIONS

The renewal begins Sunday evening and concludes Thursday evening. There is a two hour session each evening and each morning in that span of time. There are nine sessions. **EACH SESSION IS A DIFFERENT TOPIC.**

The format for each session is:

- * **Opening Hymn**
- * **Prayer**
- * **Preaching (30 - 40 minutes approx)**
- * **Break (15 minutes approx)**
- * **Question Time**

During question time, the whole audience is invited to ask questions of the Preaching Team. The open discussion period is one of the most valuable parts of the entire renewal.

TIMETABLE FOR OUR PARISH MISSION

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'SPIRITUALITY FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM'

SUNDAY EUCHARIST: 9.30am

Parish Barbeque: 5.30pm

Evening session: 7.30pm – 9.30pm

MONDAY EUCHARIST: 9.00am

Morning Session: 9.30am – 11.30am

Evening Session: 7.30pm – 9.30pm

TUESDAY EUCHARIST: 9.00am

Morning Session : 9.30am – 11.30am

Evening Session : 7.30pm – 8.30pm approx.

FAMILY RECONCILIATION
(WORD SERVICE NOT A MASS)

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST: 9.00am

Morning Session : 9.30am – 11.30am

Evening Session : 7.30pm – 9.30pm

THURSDAY EUCHARIST: 9.00am

Morning Session : 9.30am – 11.30am

Evening Session : 7.30pm – 9.30pm

REFLECTION MORNING:

The Sisters of Charity invite you to a morning of quiet prayer and reflection to be held at 227 The Mall, Leura on **Saturday, 8 November** from 10am to 12 noon. Theme: "Our Inner Garment". Enquiries: 4784 2055

Happy Birthday



Tony Perriam
for Today
Joseph Schmude - 2 today
John Paul Lillis
for 3rd November
Jane Nolan
for 3rd November
Barbara Hodgkinson
for 4th November
Bridget Carroll
for 5th November
Stephen Gauci
40 on 5th November
Marj Cullen
for 8th November

Twilight Youth Encounter

A retreat in Schoenstatt's Spirituality for young adults (16-35) who are searching for more after WYD08.

Program:

Mass, talk and workshop 'Choices'
Guest speaker: Chris Allen.
Where: Mt Schoenstatt, Mulgoa.
When: 14 November.
Time: 5.30-8.30pm.
Cost: \$5 BYO dinner.

Details: Sr M Luka Juenemann
(02) 4773 8338, sr.m.luka@bigpond.com

Counselling Courses 2009

The Institute of Counselling offers a Graduate Diploma in Counselling course. This course is Higher Education accredited. All Courses are held at the Australian Catholic University, Strathfield Campus. Free-Help Available. Information Evening: **Wednesday, 19 November at 6.00pm.** Please visit our website at www.institutecounselling.nsw.edu.au
Inquiries: 9746 8800

St Columba's Alumni School Reunion 1979 - 2007

To all ex students and staff, You are invited to come back and join together for an evening of reminiscing, **Saturday, 15th November, 4pm to 8pm in the St Columba's Quadrangle.** Free sausage sizzle available, BYO drinks, nibbles, picnic. If you are able to come, please contact the school office on 4754 1022 ~ Karen Delany

Please pray for those who are ill:
Roger Johnstone, Travis Kingston, Chelsey Laird, Cec O'Brien, Irene Peacock and David Ridout.



Sacred Heart Care Group

This is just a reminder that our Care Group is here to assist parishioners in times of need. Please contact our Care Group if you think we can help. Carmel Vanny 47878706 / Michelle Funnell 47572638

Mass at St Paul's Church at Mt Victoria this Friday, 7th October at 7pm.
All welcome.

Bereavement Support: Upper Room Gathering

The Diocesan Solo Parent Ministry offers an opportunity for those who are over 50 and grieving the death of their partner or spouse, to come together to share their experience, to learn more about the impact of grief and how best to deal with it and to experience care and support during this very difficult period. We meet on the **second Thursday of each month from 11.00am - 12.30pm at 8 Victoria Rd Parramatta** (Corner of Villiers Street and Victoria Road - enter off Villiers Street.) **Our next gathering is on Thursday, 13th November.** Please contact Sr Eileen to indicate your attendance. Ph 9890 2968 or equade@bigpond.com

Catholic Outlook out now

- * News from our Catholic schools
- * Listing of DWF Appeal ministries
- * Damien Leith: you can't take the Irish out of the boy
- * Fr Basil Rosen remembered
- * Questions bishops are asked: on pre-Vatican II liturgies
- * The spirit within: Sr Naomi and Fr Phil CWLA-NSW state conference report

The Imam and the Pastor Open Forum

Meet Imam Ashafa and Pastor James Wuye, who led opposing armed militias in the ethnic and religious conflicts that rocked Nigeria. Now the pair are co-directors of the Muslim-Christian Interfaith Meditation Centre. When and Where: 13 November at Bowman Hall, Blacktown Civic Centre. Campbell Street, Blacktown. Time: 7pm. Admission free but bookings are essential. Phone 9839 6000. Parking available.



Love stronger than death Death is strong: it has the power to deprive us of the gift of life. Love is strong: it has the power to restore us to the exercise of a better life. Death is strong, strong enough to despoil us of this body of ours. Love is strong, strong enough to rob death of its spoils and restore them to us. Death is strong; for no one can resist it. Love is strong; for it can triumph over death, can blunt its sting, counter its onslaught and overturn its victory.

Baldwin of Canterbury (died 1190)

Happy Anniversary
Ken and Iris Austin
for 6th November



Vision Youth Leadership Breakfast Nourishing the nourisher.

Ever found it hard to keep going in ministry without getting burnt out? Join Bishop Manning and youth leaders, co-ordinators, youth teams, movements, teachers, and all involved in ministry with young people. **Guest speaker: Alice Priest with music by Basic Gift** from St Clair Parish. **Where: St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta.** **When: 15 November.** **Time: 8.30-10.30am.** RSVP is essential by Monday 10 November. For more information and bookings: (02) 8838 3418, youth@parra.catholic.org.au