



St Vincent de Paul Society  
*good works*

~ Homeless Persons Forum ~

Keynote Speaker:

**Dr Andy Marks**

Spokesperson on Social Justice for the St Vincent de Paul Society, State Council.

Date: Wednesday, 17th September  
Venue: Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Wentworth St, Blackheath.  
Time:  
10.30am Morning tea.  
11.00am Forum begins with prayer.  
12.30pm A delicious lunch provided.  
2.30pm Forum concludes.

The Forum after lunch will include speakers from other agencies as well as a person who has been homeless. This is an open Forum.

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**Be reconciled**

The Lord Jesus warns that when you ask pardon for yourself it is then above all that you should remember to grant it to others, so that your prayer will be reinforced by your good works. The apostle Paul also teaches that when you pray you should not be angry or involved in a quarrel with anyone, so that your prayer will not be unsettled or spoilt...



St Ambrose (c.339-397)

**BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY**

**Sunday, September 7**  
In 2006, Bishop Manning established the Clergy Support Foundation of the Parramatta Diocese to assist in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese, and last year authorised an annual special appeal, "The Bishop's Collection for Retired and Sick Priests" to be held on Father's Day each year. It is hoped to raise \$150,000 each year through this appeal. Last year, you gave over \$182,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution. This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held next weekend. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope. Please place your donation in the envelope provided and place it on one of the collections. Thank you for your generosity.

**Spirituality in the Pub "Journeys from the Edge"**

Wednesday, 10th September  
7.30pm - 9.00pm

Guest Speakers  
**Sister Mary-Louise Petro**  
Sister of Mercy, Teacher, Youth Worker for the Mamre Project.

**Kerry Enright**  
Lawyer, Theologian, National Director of International Relationship for the Uniting Church.

Gardners Inn Hotel,  
255 Great Western Highway,  
Blackheath.  
Bistro meals at 6.00p.m.  
For further information,  
contact Elizabeth on 4787 6198.

**UPPER ROOM GATHERING: BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

On the second Thursday of each month the Solo Parent Ministry provides an opportunity for those who are over 50 and who are grieving the loss of their spouse/partner, to come together for friendship and support. With the assistance of facilitators, participants are assisted in their long and painful journey of grief. We meet at 8 Victoria Rd, Parramatta (cnr Victoria Rd and Villiers St, entry off Villiers St) from 11.00am to 12.30pm this Thursday, 11th September. Please let Sr Eileen know if you intend to join us. Ph 9890 2968.

**St Canice's School Raffle:** Please support St Canice's Primary School, Katoomba by purchasing a raffle ticket for \$1.00 from Moira after church today. **1st Prize:** John Wilson Original Oil Painting (Retail value \$1200); **2nd Prize:** Huge Toy Hamper (Retail Value \$250); **3rd Prize:** 2 Dozen bottles of wine in a hamper (Retail Value \$250). Raffle tickets will be sold outside the Church. **Raffle will be drawn on the 14th September.**

*Father Paul Roberts' mother, Norrie, died on 3rd September. Norrie's funeral will be on Monday, 8 September at 10.30am at St. Patrick's Church, Sutherland.*

**Happy Birthday**  
**Erin Cater** for 7th September  
**Yvonne Thomas** for 7th September  
**Michelle Funnell** for 7th September  
**Lance Hodgkinson** for 8th September  
**Fiona Evans** for 13th September

~MARRIAGE SUNDAY~

Our Diocese has designated Sunday, 21st September, as Marriage Sunday. This provides us with an opportunity to highlight the vocation of Marriage. At St Patrick's Parramatta, Bishop Kevin Manning will be joining married couples from the parishes in the Diocese for a Reflection Afternoon on "Marriage as Imaging God". This will start at 3pm and will finish with Mass at 6pm. Please see the notice board for "Thoughts for Marriage Sunday", take a flyer from the back of the church with further details of the Reflection Afternoon or call 9630 7788 to register. There is no cost for attendance.