



Not from the Pulpit: Fr Andrew Bullen SJ



This sculpture, by Timothy Schmalz, is called “Jesus the Homeless”. At first glance it looks like “X the homeless” until one looks at the feet. It can be found in downtown Toronto, near SJ Regis College. Ironically the sculpture itself was not wanted at a few other (rather grand) church sites before coming to Regis. Matthew’s gospel scene of the last judgement is the gospel for the concluding Sunday of the Church’s liturgical year, this Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King. Jesus tells us in that gospel where to find him.

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Being central, as we are, within a big city means that our community and built landscape is constantly evolving. More boomers moving in. Lots of younger couples. All increasingly living in high density homes. What follows is the need for schools, health care and aged care.

With support and encouragement from the Archdiocese, we are undertaking some preliminary scoping work to ascertain how we might be able to respond to these needs. Central to our thinking is that the parish is a centre for Christian ministry. We want our churches to be connected – both pastorally and physically – with schools and social ministries. Consequently, we are looking at ‘whole of precinct’ plans rather than just school or health/ aged care project: integrated approaches to access, vehicular and foot traffic, open spaces, flexible spaces, and so on.

First cab off the rank is the St Mary’s precinct. Concepts and plans are some way off: right now we are focused on ‘what might be’. More on this as things develop.

Parish Notices



St Aloysius’ College Community Mass – THIS SUNDAY

Sun 26 Nov @ 6.00pm, St Mary’s

Followed by a BBQ and cake stalls at the RDC



Healing Mass

Wed 29 Nov @ 10.30am, Ron Dyer Centre

+ Roster Sunday for 9.00am Family Mass

Sun 3 Dec after the 9.00am Mass

+ Manresa Group Christmas Lunch

Tues 5 Dec @ 12 noon, Harbour view Hotel, North Sydney

Cost: \$35.00pp. RSVP: Rosemary 9955 2997 by Sun 3 Dec.

+ ACYF – Australia’s Biggest Catholic Mass

Sat 9 Dec @ The Domain, Sydney

Thurs 7 – 10 Dec @ 7- 8.30am, Ron Dyer Centre – Volunteers needed to cook breakfast for youth

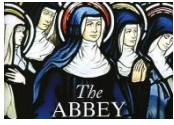
If you can assist please contact: youth@northsydney Catholics.com



Tidings of Comfort and Joy

Wed 13 Dec @ 8.00pm, St Mary's North Sydney

Join the Parish for Reflections on Advent, accompanied by Chamber Choir and Orchestra. This is a not-to-be missed event. No bookings required.



Women in Leadership: a gift for the world – Residential Program

April 13-15, 2018, Benedictine Abbey, 695 Mountain Road, Jamberoo

A workshop for women of any age and experience in leadership Cost: \$200. Accommodation fees are extra. Bookings: cottageretreats@jamberooabbey.org.au



Advent Reflection Day with Frances Tilly

Sat 9 Dec @ 9.30am – 4.00pm, Peter Canisius House, 102 Mona Vale Road, Pymble

Francis Tilly is a spiritual director and giver of the Spiritual Exercises. Her background is in European languages and literature, education and pastoral ministry. She has extensive experience in adult faith formation and accompaniment through the prism of Ignatian spirituality. Bookings: 9488 4524 or www.pch.org.au



Spring wine offer

For every six-pack sold, Sevenhill will donate \$10 to the Parish's fundraising for Jesuit Refugee Services. Order forms are available at the back of all churches. Free delivery.



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Emerton/JSS Christmas Appeal

This Christmas we are looking to support Jesuit Social Services in the Emerton and Wilmott area through a toy appeal. We welcome gifts of unwrapped toys for children of various ages (as below) which can be left

in the sacristies or under the steps in the Ron Dyer Centre. Toys should be new and gifts of food non-perishable.

- Toys & games - Babies through to 17 yrs
- Christmas party food: Cakes, sweets and biscuits
- Cash donations will also be most welcome. For cash donations please use the appeal envelopes located at the back of all churches. All Donations are 100% tax deductible. Please include your name and address. Thank you from the JSS team.

+ October Update from Mt Druitt

There has been much progress at the Wilmott community hub. A full update from Dave and the team at Jesuit Social Services can be found on the Parish website.

+ No 9.00am Family Masses at St Mary's over the Christmas and New Year period

Sundays: 24 & 31 Dec, 7 & 14 Jan

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Catechists needed to teach children from Kinder – Year 10

Full training provided. If you can help please contact the parish office: 8918 4101.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Ez 34:11-12. 15-17

[The Lord will rescue his sheep.](#)

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 22:1-3. 5-6. R. v.1](#)

Second Reading

[1 Cor 15:20-26. 28](#)

When all has been subjected to Christ, all will be one in Him.

Gospel Acclamation

[Mk 11:9-10](#)

Gospel

[Mt 25:31-46](#)

Whenever you serve the least of people, you serve Christ.

In Our Prayers

Baptisms

Liam Iltas, Imogen Norris, Finn Young, Alexander Drummond, Archer Bible, Alexa Goh, Finn Ewing

Weddings

Sick

Ron Whitmore, Sr Natalina Todeschini, Brian McClosky,

Craig Chase, Rosa Maria Santos, Vedran Simunovic, Bruce Horsfield,

Tony Breslin, Gavin O'Connor, Fr Tony Smith SJ, Joseph Meagher, Sharon Collins, John Fitzgerald, Margaret Mary Collis, Sandra Tsui, Neave Mackey (17 yrs), Mee-Na Cheok, Mary O'Connor,

Recently Deceased

Robin Pearce, Clive Jewel,

Anniversaries

Robert William Quarrell, John Muller

This month we pray for All Souls and our Jesuit Fathers's, Peter Quinn SJ, Ardi Handoseno SJ, Ken McNamara SJ, Paul Coleman SJ, Tom O'Hara SJ, John Wilcken SJ