



Not from the Pulpit: Fr Andrew Bullen SJ

In the table below you will find material from the 2016 Census Results. Who are we? In North Sydney, Lavender Bay and Kirribilli, and the surrounding suburbs?

We are between 25 and 39 years old, usually married, usually with a first educational degree, born in Australia (though 48.4% are not), in full-time employment, usually professionals and/or managers, more likely to be a couple without children than a couple with children, living in an apartment, and with a high income.

So who is your God? What form of worship meets who you are best and takes you to that God? How do you express your belief? What do words like “spiritual” or “Catholic” or “worship” mean for you?

And does what our parish offers you meet you where you are, let alone takes you to where you want to go? I suspect every parish in Australia is, or could, or should, ask commensurate questions in the light of the growing realisation that “we” are changing throughout the country.

Who are we, and who is our God?

2016 Census Results: Australian Bureau of Statistics					
% responding		2060	2065	2061	Australia
		North Sydney	Crows Nest	Kirribilli	
Female		51.8	52.2	52.1	50.7
Median age		37	36	41	38
	25-39 yrs.	35.9	35.9	33.0	21.1
Marital status	Married	40.8	45.5	42.2	48.1
	De facto	16.7	15.1	15.7	10.4
Education	Bachelor degree and above	54.6	54.8	54.3	22.0
Country of birth	Australia	51.8	53.6	47.4	66.7
Catholic		21.5	20.9	20.5	22.6
Employment	Full-time	71.6	71.1	71.0	57.7
Occupation	Professionals	46.6	45.7	45.4	22.2
	Managers	20.3	19.4	24.2	13.0
Undertaking voluntary work		22.3	21.8	21.8	19.0
Family structure	Couple without children	58.6	49.4	65.9	37.8
	Couple with children	29.6	39.0	23.1	44.7
Living in apartment		69.8	66.4	91.2	13.1
Household income	More than \$3000 gross weekly	38.1	41.0	41.9	16.4

Parish Notices



Jesuit Refugee Service Parish Appeal
Sun 29 Oct - THIS WEEKEND



At JRS we help by listening, offering a safe space, advocating for services and support, and providing emergency relief when needed. We combine frontline work with targeted advocacy efforts to change the system. Government policy means Samir’s family is likely to receive a final departure visa, ending all housing and financial assistance. JRS is already supporting people seeking asylum who were on Nauru and Manus and came to Australia for medical reasons, and whose support and accommodation have been stopped. They have been given the choice to return to Manus or Nauru or go back to their countries — they can’t do this, as the vast majority are refugees.

Please support our appeal. Read more at www.jrs.org.au

Manresa Group Cruise – Seven Islands of the Lower Hawkesbury

Wed 1 Nov – Bus departs Ridge St @ 8.45am

Cost: \$65.00 pp. Includes: bus, cruise, morning tea and lunch. Bookings: Therese 9922 7137

Diwali Mass

Sun 5 Nov @ 6.00pm, St Mary's Church

Parishioners are invited to the special celebration of India's most important festival, Diwali or the Festival of Lights, to welcome and share the spirit of inter-faith with our Indian friends. Afterwards there will be Indian treats at the back of the church. All welcome.



Melbourne Cup High Tea – its on again!

Tues 7 Nov @ 2.00-4.00pm, Ron Dyer Centre

Bring your friends to watch the race in the Gathering Area at the Ron Dyer Centre. Enjoy a glass of sparkling on arrival and sumptuous afternoon tea in front of a big screen.

Tickets \$5 with all proceeds going to the Emerton Parish Community.

Bookings essential: <https://www.trybooking.com/SKLM> or call Judy Tusino: 8918 4147

Host Families Wanted for Youth travelling to ACYF

Wed 6 Dec – Sat 9 Dec

Please contact the Youth Minister: michaelp@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. As we await the coming of Christ into the world, we reflect on the waiting we do in our own lives. With the guidance of Holst, Rutter, Bach and more, we will have the opportunity to more deeply reflect on the meaning of God's presence in our lives. The evening will present performances of works from Handel's Messiah, Bach's Christmas Oratorio, as well as Holst's Fantasies on classic carols, and contemporary arrangements of age-old carols. This is a not-to-be-missed event.

Prayer and Reflection

Sacred Space: The Prayer Book 2018 is based on the daily prayers and meditations developed and produced by the Irish Jesuits since 1999. Also available Sacred Space for Advent and the Christmas Season. More Information: sales@garrattpublishing.com.au or 1300 650 878

2018
Enrolments



2018 Enrolments – Jesuit College of Spirituality

JCS is a work of the Australian Province of the Society of Jesus. JCS specializes in the study of Ignatian spirituality, leadership and pastoral formation for ministry in the Ignatian tradition. Enrolment Period: 20 Nov to 20 Dec 2017 & 9 Jan to 9 Feb 2018. Contact the Registrar, Katica Buccheri: registrar@jcs.edu.au

WE NEED
YOUR HELP

Emerton / Wilmott Parish Community Stores

Stores at Emerton are running very low on goods they are in desperate need of grocery and kitchen items (pots, pans, cutlery & crockery) Donations can be left in the foyer under the steps in the Ron Dyer Centre. Thank you.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Is 45:1,4-6

[I am the Lord, there is no other.](#)

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10. R. v.7](#)

Second Reading

[1 Thes 1:1-5](#)

Paul greets the Thessalonians.

Gospel Acclamation

[Phil 2:15, 16](#)

Gospel

[Mt 22:15-21](#)

Render to Caesar what is Caesar's.

In Our Prayers

Baptisms

Arnold Redfeam, Isla Conroy, Indigo Toussaint

Weddings

Samantha Hicks & Alexander Johnson

Sick

Ron Whitmore, Sr Natalina Todeschini, Brian McClosky,

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

Juliana Siow, Veronica Johnson, Tony Breslin, Gavin O'Connor, Barry Collis, Fr Tony Smith SJ, Joseph Meagher

John Fitzgerald, Margaret Mary Collis, Sandra Tsui, Neave Mackey (17 yrs)

Recently Deceased

Fr John Wilcken SJ, John Goldrick, Harris John van Beek, Margaret McDonald, Fr Paul Coleman SJ, Fr John Doenau SJ, Didier Bertini,

Rosemary May Middleton (mother of Fr Chris SJ), Connie Koning (mother of Fr Robin SJ), Fr Ken McNamara SJ, Tony Bland, David Gillingham, Adrian Fica

Anniversaries

Michael Roche, John and Dorothy Rosenthal, John Hord