



Parish of Our Lady of the Way

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Sunday 13 January 2019 – The Baptism of the Lord

Not from the Pulpit: Fr Andrew Bullen SJ

Although we are not all back at work, the New Year is well under way. To make sure that it is indeed going well and will keep so, let's get Spiritual:



Spiritual

Give me the reticent bravura of dance
when the music is slow,
the gestures supple, quick;
let it be sassy, Lord, and statuesque,
sweaty-tranquil,
and inside itself, like water;
intent like the body,
mobile and inventive, and
- spiritual.

Andrew Bullen SJ

Etiquette with Angels – Selected and New Poems by Andrew Bullen SJ

Parish Notices



An Ignatian Journey with Fr Andrew Bullen SJ & Alex Gorman

Monday nights from 11 Feb to 15 Apr 2019 | 7.30 - 9.15pm

St Francis Xavier Church Hall, 17 Mackenzie Street, Lavender Bay

A 10 week Ignatian Journey - Focussing on love, joy, peace and gratitude

Cost: \$300.00 Enquiries: Alex Gorman 0415 768 330

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/ZRAM

This course is designed to present participants with the key foundations and practices of Ignatian Spirituality. Participants will be invited into meditation, reflection journal writing and discussion through an "Ignatian Process". The course will cover the life of its founder, St Ignatius, Ignatian images of God, our response to God, types of Ignatian Prayer, the Daily Examen, Gifts and Talents, Dreams and Desires, Detachment and Discernment.

Participants will also be introduced to the links between Ignatian Spirituality and Positive Psychology, a new emerging field that looks at the conditions in which people flourish and thrive.

Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their own spiritual journey in relation to the key Ignatian constructs in the hope of building greater love, joy, peace and gratitude in the lead up to Easter. In order to gain the most spiritual nourishment from this course participants are strongly advised to attend all 10 sessions. We look forward to welcoming you to this course.

Fr Andy Bullen SJ and Alex Gorman

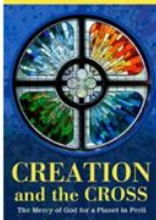


Affordable Housing Community Forum

Wed 13 Feb @ 7.00pm, Ron Dyer Centre

Many people in our community are struggling to pay rent, to find an affordable place to live and some are at risk of homelessness. Hear more about this critical issue and how to make affordable housing a reality in our community. Facilitated by Geraldine Doogue. An initiative of Sydney Alliance and St Vincent de Paul. Book at: www.trybooking.com/ZRNY

ELIZABETH A. JOHNSON



Ecology Group Book Club

7.30-9.00pm 18th Feb, 18 Mar, 8 Apr, 13 May @ Ron Dyer Centre

The Ecology Group invites you to participate in a four-part “book club” discussion on American theologian Elizabeth Johnson’s latest book, *Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril*. As Google so succinctly puts it, “Confronting the woeful legacy of a centuries'-old theology, Johnson shows how the beauty of our faith tradition is deepened by being rooted in ecological reality.

She lays out the foundations in scripture, the teachings of Jesus, and the early Church for an understanding that emphasizes the love and mercy of God, showing how this approach can help us respond to a planet in peril.” Read the book and bring it with you. We will discuss it in four parts. Please RSVP for the first session by Monday 11 February to pagemell@tpg.com.au.

Plenary 2020 Listening & Dialogue Session Draft Report

Copies of the report collating discussions had on the 18th of October in preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 are available in all churches for your interest and to make comment. The summary is also available on the Parish website: www.northsydney Catholics.com. All comments should be emailed to youth@northsydney Catholics.com by the 25th of January 2019 in order to be included in the final submission.

Save the Dates – 2019 First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Preparation classes for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at OLW will be held in Term 2. Registration for enrolment in preparation classes opens 29 January @ 9.00am and closes 12 April @ 5.00pm. Register at: www.trybooking.com/BAFDM

Due to administration constraints, NO ENROLMENTS will be accepted after the registration site closes. Please check all relevant dates on the website: www.northsydney Catholics.com

Attendance at the Information Night for all participants and a parent is required on Tue 19 March @ 6:00pm in St Mary’s Church. As this is a home-based program, parents are invited to become leaders of small groups. All training and resources are provided. Depending on numbers, we need 15 group leaders. Please contact Claire at sacraments@northsydney Catholics.com if you are interested.

NO 9.00am Mass at St Mary’s – THIS SUNDAY

Sunday’s Readings

First Reading

[Is 42:1-4, 6-7](#)

In the desert make ready the way of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 28:1-4, 9-10, R. v.11](#)

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

[Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30, R. v.1](#)

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading

[Acts 10:34-38](#)

God anointed Jesus with the Spirit and with power.

[Tl 2:11-14, 3:4-7](#)

Gospel Acclamation

[See Mk 9:8](#)

[See Lk 3:16](#)

Gospel

[Lk 3:15-16, 21-22](#)

The Holy Spirit descends on Jesus at his baptism.

In Our Prayers

Baptisms

Joshua Bury, Alice Ting, Patrick Allas, Ollio McElnill, Rafael Mc Elnill

Sick

Sr Natalina Todeschini, Brian McClosky, Rosa Maria Santos, Sandra Tsui, Mary O’Connor, Josephine Rowe, Lew Smith, Helen Hlavac, Will Wise (12 yrs), Helen Kong, Daphne Dunne, Doug Haywood, Grace Spencer, Helen Trew, Anne Stayner, Fran Herd, Russ Mills, Ian Haylen, Joan Brennan, Ian Johnston, Liliana Feher (22 months), George Bidder, Mark Shore, Olivia Harrison (4yrs), Rex Alvarez, Ashley Xu (6yrs), Peter Kennedy, James Russell, Alex Noble (current student St Ignatius’ College), Helen Goddard, Frank Burrows

Recently Deceased

Helen Lavac, Andrew McPhee, Patricia Smith, Mary Burkemeier, Joanna Suchy, Chris Virgona

Anniversaries

Cassandra Vrisakis, Robert Quarrell, Albert Quarrell, Rita Greig, Timothy O’Brien (SAC 2013)