

OUR VISION:

"WE ARE CONTINUALLY ATTRACTING PEOPLE TO ST LUKE'S AND EVERYONE WHO ENGAGES AS A MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY IS TRANSFORMED IN EVERY AREA OF THEIR LIFE BY HAVING A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS."



First Reading

Ex 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Second Reading

Heb 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect

sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Have you thought? You are what you eat Many religious traditions have rules about what can or cannot be eaten or in what manner certain foods should be eaten. The two with which we tend to be most familiar are the Jewish *kosher* and Islamic *halal* restrictions. Both share common requirements about the way in which meat is to be slaughtered and drained of blood. Kosher food laws also separate the cooking and eating of meat and dairy products. Certain foods are regarded as being

'unclean' and consequently are forbidden: pork and shellfish are both forbidden to Jews. Prohibitions on foods are a statement about relationship with God and relationship with the world. They often have basic health standards as their basis but have taken on religious significance.

- Greg Sunter



WANT TO GIVE TO ST LUKE'S WITHOUT TOUCHING ANY CURRENCY?

The details for giving electronically to our regular collections are:

1st Collection

(living costs of clergy in our Diocese):

BSB: 067 950

Account: 000 04265

Account Name: Diocese of Parramatta BOM (Board of Management)

Reference: 'Marsden Park' and your name (it's important to include this reference).

2nd Collection

(costs of running St Luke's Community)

BSB: 067 950

Account: 0004026

Account Name: St Luke's Marsden Park

Reference: Your name

OR:



Scan the QR Code using your phone camera and click the link

Choose '**MARSDEN PARK – St Luke's Catholic Faith Community**'

St Luke's Building fund

(for a future Church building)

BSB: 067 950

Account: 0004307

Account Name: St Luke's Marsden Park

Reference: Your name

Please consider making these recurring payments (weekly).

We welcome this week as our Celebrants:

Fr Andrew Hennes (Vigil)

Fr Peter Williams (10am)

Fr Bill Goldman (11.30am) (First Comm)

PLEASE NOTE: The dispensation from attending Mass for all Catholics in our Diocese remains in place. If you have cold or flu symptoms or an allergy, please stay at home.

Bookings are still required for Mass. Please use the Eventbrite ticketing system as follows:

The 'ticket' booking links are:

Saturday Vigil (5.30pm) Mass

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/110582713874>

Sunday morning (10am) Mass

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/110583072948>

BAPTISMS

For inquiries about the Sacrament of Initiation (Baptism) contact Deacon Tony at marsdenpark@parracatholic.org

ST LUKE'S 2021 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

This year's schedule is:

First Reconciliation

Preparation sessions: Wednesdays at 6pm:

July 21, 28

Sacrament received on Wednesday, August 11 from 6 – 7.30pm.

Confirmation

Preparation sessions: Wednesdays at 6pm:

October 6, 13, 20, 27.

Sacrament on Sunday, Oct 31 with Bishop Vincent.

Preparation sessions at the College at 6pm. Parents will need to attend formation sessions with their children. Enrolment Forms available at our Welcome Table.

Return to Deacon Tony or email to marsdenpark@parracatholic.org

Reconciliation will now be offered on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, **after** the 5.30pm Vigil Mass.



Sunday 10am Mass via zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/93918900500>

Positions Vacant:

*Private Secretary to the Bishop of Parramatta

*Secretary to the Vicars General
Applications close Monday 14 June
More details

at: parracatholic.org/employment

Please support our seminarians to answer God's call to the priesthood

At our Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park, young men are training to become future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. Your caring gift and prayers are needed to support our seminarians to prepare for a life of service to our community. Please give generously via the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal giving envelopes or online

at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. Thank you for your kind accompaniment.

Get vaccinated for the common good

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

Fan the Flame – Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many' – *Mark 14:12-16,22-26*
"The Lord has redeemed all of us, all of us, with the Blood of Christ. And this Blood makes us children of God of the first class! [W]e all have a duty to do good. If we, each doing our own part, if we do good to others ... we will make that culture of encounter." (*Pope Francis Homily, May 2013*)
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/

Journey of Faith: 28 May – 25 June

You are invited to a short course on spirituality to reflect on your image of God and how God is present in your life as well as to explore faith through the ages, using input, song, ritual and prayer. These sessions, facilitated by Cecilia Zammit, will be held from 10am to 2pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. BYO lunch and your bible. Please register with Maree at maree.collis@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3486.

Safe Parishes Week

Find out how we are making our parishes safer. The Diocese of Parramatta starts its inaugural Safe Parishes Week this Sunday 6 June. During the week, we will be featuring online talks, posts and articles on how everyone in our parishes in the Diocese is working towards a Church that keeps everyone safe. Find out what's happening at catholicoutlook.org/safeparishesweek2021

Ordination to the Diaconate of Dr John Collins and Dr Michael Tan: 11 June

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and the Diocese of Parramatta invite you to the Ordination to the Diaconate of Dr John Collins and Dr Michael Tan at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on 11 June at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served in the Cathedral Hall following the Ordination. The Mass will be livestreamed on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRqZaG81glo>

Glenbrook Parish Women's Retreat: 12 June

St Finbar's Parish is hosting a women's retreat filled with peace, prayerfulness, adoration, Mass, Reconciliation, guest speakers and praise and worship. It will be held at the parish on 12 June from 8.30am to 8.30pm.

The cost is \$60; register now at <https://forms.gle/KkBaTAvm1qkYYCzm8>.

Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB Public Lecture: 28 June

Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB, Archbishop of Perth and President of the Plenary Council, will be speaking on the coming Plenary Council at a public lecture in the Diocese of Parramatta at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on Monday 28 June at 7pm. Bookings are essential, as limited spaces are available. Please RSVP by 25 June to mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org



Weekly Novena to the Mother of Perpetual Help:
Wednesdays at 7.30pm via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/624180454>

Youth Corner

The next 'Saints in Training' gathering will be on Friday 11th June, meeting in the Hub at St Luke's Catholic College. All high school aged students are welcome!

For details please email: saintlukesyg@gmail.com

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 10.00am

RECONCILIATION

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month after the Vigil Mass

Baptisms available most Sundays after Mass. Apply via email.

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