John the Baptist Parish

Bonnyrigg Heights

(incorporating Bonnyrigg Heights, Green Valley, Edensor Park, Abbotsbury and Cecil Hills)

YEAR OF GRACE
"Starting afresh from Christ"

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)
21st and 22nd September, 2013

MASSES THIS WEEK

PSALTER WEEK 1

'Prayer of the Church' prayed at John the Baptist 10 minutes before weekday Masses Morning and Evening Prayer

Monday - No Mass
St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
Tuesday - 9:10am
Wednesday - 7:00pm
Thursday - 9:10am
Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs
Friday - 9:10am
St Vincent de Paul, priest
Saturday - 9:10am
St Wenceslaus, martyr
St Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs

SUNDAY 28/29 SEPT
(26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30pm
Sunday Masses :
8:00am
10:00am
5:30pm

1st Sunday of Month:
5:30pm Youth Mass
4th Sunday of the Month:
5:30pm Mass in Tagalog

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.15 - 5.00pm

What's coming up in the Parish.....

- Holy Hour after the 7pm Mass every Wednesday 7:30pm - 8:30pm
- Bereavement Group will meet again on Tuesday 8th October at 7pm in the Parish Centre.
- Baptism Preparation Meeting Sunday 6th October at 4pm in the Parish Hall

Reflection Questions.....

- Jesus uses the dishonest steward to teach me that.....
- The choices I am making now that lead to "eternal [dwelling]" place are.....
- Some samples which show that I am serving God over "mammon" are..... I am using my "mammon" to serve God whenever I.....

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation within the parish community. We thank Bishop Brady for his presence among us and the prayerful manner in which he celebrates. I also thank the members of the Core Group who organised the preparation and celebration of the Sacrament in the parish, the group leaders who hosted and lead the groups in preparation, the host homes, the parents who presented the candidates and supported them, the sponsors who stood with the candidates and finally those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation over this weekend. Well done everyone and may all the gifts of the Holy Spirit be yours in abundance.

To keep the Spirit alive in our hearts we all need to pray daily and personally, be open to the word of God and read the scriptures, be faithful to our weekly celebration of the Eucharist each Sunday and take every opportunity to serve God in our neighbour especially those in need. To have a faith is a privilege and to share that faith is a duty. Each of us has a unique life and opportunity to be God's people in the world and to bring his message of love and forgiveness to others. Each week on Wednesday night after the 7pm Mass we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction at 8.30. This special time of prayer is open to everyone – you can come and spend a few minutes or stay the whole time – any time of prayer is very valuable and we all need some down time or quiet time in our lives – please come and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

This week we have the Parish Pastoral Council meeting followed by the Finance committee meeting . If you have any matters to place before the parish for consideration please contact one of the members of the council or the parish office. Please keep our year 12 students and families in your prayers as they now make the final preparations for the HSC.

Yours in the Lord Jesus Christ,
Fr Michael L McLean

CONFIRMATION: Bishop Terence Brady will celebrate Confirmation with our candidates this weekend. Please keep the Candidates and their families in your prayers.

Group Leaders: If you have not returned your leaders book, could you please return to the basket in the Meeting Room as soon as possible. Thank you.

Thank you for putting faith and action together by responding to the Catholic Mission Church Appeal. Together as a Church we raised $4,373.55. Your generosity has helped missionaries in India and across the world reach out in the name of Christ, rescuing children from horrific situation such as child trafficking, child labour and extreme poverty-helping them hope for the future. Please consider becoming a "Friends in Faith Partner" with a regular monthly gift to continue your support of our vital work. Call 1800 257 296 for more information or to sign up today.

CFC Singles for Christ invites all single men and woman, ages 19-40, to attend their Christian Life Program (CLP) starting Friday, 27th September at John the Baptist Parish, in the demountable behind the Church, starting 7:30pm.
The Christian Life program is about renewing and strengthening our relationships with Christ through a series of talks, sharing, discussions and songs. These sessions include understanding the basic truths of Christianity, how to live authentic Christian life and growing with The Holy Spirit.
Any questions contact Werner on 0425 361 275 or Joe 0420 424 263

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Assistant: Rev Fr Epeli Qimaqima
Email: curate@johnthebaptist.org.au

Youth Ministry Co-ordinator: Tomasz Juszczak
Contact: The Parish Office on 9823 2572 Email: tomaszj@johnthebaptist.org.au

Parish Pastoral Centre:
45 Mount Street, Bonnyrigg Heights
Presbytery: 9823 2572
Fax: 9822 9954
Email: info@johnthebaptist.org.au
website: www.johnthebaptist.org.au

Your Prayers are requested for the following, for whom Mass will be offered:

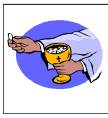
Sick: Hazel CABRERA, Mary FITZSIMONS, Mia Angel BRIDGES, Solomon MANNOUN, Linh DOAN, Jeremy SAYAVONGSA, Emmanuel POLJAK, Leonardo and Marianne MAMONE, Anne BERNARD, Fr. Paul STENHOUSE, Wayne ANDERSON, Presley PETILLA, Nathaniel MICALLEF (2 ½ years old), Robyn MUSOLINO, Frank MUSOLINO, Elizabeth VELLA, Pedro AMPARO, Carmelo EMANOELE, Janelle BRYCE, Hazel BROOKES, Apollo, Ceasat, Evangeline, Helen, Olive, Divina, Agustin, Hiroshi, Amber, Valentin, Siliako LOLESIO, Natalie DUNN, Anne RILEY, Kui LAI, Bob Antoni MILCZARSKI, Leah FERNANDEZ, Robyn EBERL, Angela ROMEO, Frank CAPARROTTA, Marianna FOTI, Salvatore Giuseppi FOTI, Rocco AGOSTINO, Geoff MASTERTON, Rina FAVOTTO, Grace KENNY, Michela GIORGIO, Michelle CARUANA, Leonora MENDOZA

Recently Deceased: Charles FENECH, Mary VELLA, Rogelio PADILLA, Bonifacio De OLIVERIA, Bishop William BRENNAN, Fr Peter CONNELLY (Emeritus Pastor of Springwood Parish), Frank MARONEY

Anniversary: Violet ANDERSON, Luciano MORASUT

Other: Rebecca VOLANGE, Jean Claude VOLANGE, France MARTIN, Very Special Intention, Josephine VELLA

TEEN TALK GAVEL CLUB
(Public Speaking for Students in Years 5 - 12)
will meet again next Sunday 29th September at 11:30am in the Parish Hall. Our apologies for change of date.



GLUTEN FREE HOSTS are available. Please see Father prior to the commencement of Mass. Thank you.

REMEMBERING MARRIAGES AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
Those married at St Mary's Cathedral are invited to return with their families for a special **Mass of Thanksgiving, Blessing and Renewal of Vows on Sunday 13 October at 10.30am**, followed by a lovely morning tea on the Crypt veranda. Certificates will be presented for 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversaries. Those with ancestors married at St Mary's are also invited to join in this wonderful celebration. To register your interest, RSVP the Event Coordinator via email valentina.markovina@sydneycatholic.org or phone **Helen** on **(02) 9220 0414**.

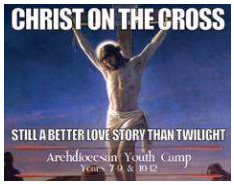
YOUTH CORNER

YOUTH FAMILY MASS
Attention all High School aged and older students and their families!

The next Youth Group Family Mass will be held at 5.30pm on Sunday 6th October, 2013. All are welcome to attend!

For more information see the WYD/Youth Group bulletin board or call Mary Fraser on 0403 647 399 or Tomasz on 9823 2572

Christ on the Cross... Death... Life... Love.
What's it all about? What's it got to do with you?
Find out these School Holidays at the Archdiocesan Youth Camp. With unique programs for years 7-9 and 10-12, join Catholic Youth Services and the NET team for three awesome days of fun, friends, food and faith!
DATE: 2ND-4TH October, 2013
COST: $125 (discounts available for siblings)
VENUE: The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops (a free bus will depart from and return to Catholic Youth Services, Homebush West). For more information, please contact Tomasz on 9823 2572 or at tomaszj@jonthebaptist.org.au and stay tuned for further notices!



Deanery of Origin
Where do the toughest Catholics originate from?...
Come to our Deanery of Origin RAW challenge and represent the famous Western Deanery against those other guys from the East! Challenge yourself and beat the Easties in this 6km mud run full of 30 different obstacle courses. It will be held in Doyalson on Saturday 28th of September with a bus taking us there and back from All Saints Liverpool. So come and show your colours and defend your Catholic Origins! Show the others that the West truly is more blessed! For more information, please contact Tomasz on 9823 2572 or via email at tomaszj@johnthebaptist.org.au

Youth Leaders' Formation Course
The Youth Leaders' Formation Course (YLFC) is an incredible opportunity for youth leaders within the parish to grow closer to Christ whilst being formed in the Catholic faith. The 4 weeks away will be an experience of intense learning, personal reflection, prayer, leadership, community and will include faith formation wish is spiritual, intellectual, human and pastoral. As the course is designed to form young leaders within the community in their faith, it is open for all youth from 18-30 years of age. The course dates are 25th Nov – 21st Dec. The cost is $495 for the whole month which includes all meals, fees and accommodation. There are a limited number of places for the course and applications will close on October 11, so if you're interested, please speak with Tomasz ASAP on 9823 2572 or at tomaszj@johnthebaptist.org.au. Brochures available on tables.

Antioch
The Bonnyrigg Antioch team will be celebrating mass with Bishop Peter Comensoli on Sunday 22nd September as part of the Antioch Anniversary mass! They will also be listening to an amazing talk given by Kath Evans (who is the second official healing miracle of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop). Anyone in the parish who is interested in celebrating mass with the Antiochers is more than welcome to come! Mass will be celebrated at Mary MacKillop chapel in North Sydney at 3pm. If you are unable to make it, your prayers for the Antiochers will be most welcome!

Jordan Youth
A reminder that our next Jordan youth group will be on ***Friday 18th October.*** *Permission slips will be available for first-timers on the night. Anyone else who is in yrs 5-6 and interested in coming by, please contact Tomasz on 98232572 or via email on tomaszj@johnthebaptist.org.au*

RECONCILIATION: ENROLMENTS HAVE NOW CEASED.

Reconciliation Preparation lessons will begin on the **FIRST WEEK OF TERM 4.** All lessons **MUST** be completed before candidates are able to make their First Reconciliation.

Reconciliations will be held on 12th-16th November, 2013

CATECHIST NEWS:

This Sunday 22nd September, 2pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Cardinal Pell will concelebrate a special End of Year Catechist Mass. At that Mass the following will receive:

Nina Laureti - 25 years of Catechetical Service Medallion
Lucy Papalia - 20 Years of Service
Julie Di Filippo - 20 Years of Service

and Cardinal Pell will also present certificates to the Freeman College students who are attending scripture classes at Bonnyrigg Heights, Cecil Hills and Governor Philip King Primary Schools.
Congratulations to all recipients.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM!

A HOLY HOUR WITH JESUS
TRULY PRESENT IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AFTER 7pm Mass
7.30pm - 8.30pm

NEWS FROM JB SCHOOL

Fun–a-thon: John the Baptist had their major fundraiser of the year on Thursday. The day was filled with lots of fun, games and activities. All fundraising donations will go towards the purchase of new iPads for the classrooms.

Book Fair: Last week all children participated in a Book Fair. Children and parents had the opportunity to browse and buy books, as well as having visits from Authors. The school received $5,000 from the book sales to support resources for their library.

PARISH SUPPER AND MORNING TEA

Parishioners are invited to stay after all Masses next weekend 28th & 29th September for a cup of tea or coffee. Please bring a plate of food to share.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2013/2014 are now available for collection after all Masses this weekend.

If any Parishioner is interested in joining our Planned Giving Envelopes there will be clipboards available for you to place your names on the request forms. If you wish to have your contribution direct debited there will be yellow Standing Authority forms available also. Thank you.

TAXATION RECEIPTS

Taxation Receipts for the 2012/2013 Envelope Contributions, Charitable Works Fund, Project Compassion and Priest Retirement Foundation are available for collection after all Masses this weekend. We thank you for your generous support of the Parish.

If you have any queries please contact Mary Wallace on Monday or Thursday at the Parish office on 9823 2572 between 10am and 3pm. Thank you

PARISH HOUSIE The Parish has received its Permit and we are now conducting Housie each Saturday between 2:00pm and 4:30pm at the Liverpool Catholic Club . Please let your family and friends know. To attend Housie you must be a member of the Liverpool Catholic Club or be signed in by a member. Membership forms are available at The Parish Office or at the Club.

Think! About your choices
Gambling More, enjoying less?
For free and confidential information and advice about problem gambling, please contact
Gambling Help 1800 858 858
www.gamblinghelp.nsw.gov.au

PARISH SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Baptisms are usually held on Sundays however, it is necessary to make a booking through the Parish office on 9823 2572 as occasional parish events require the need for changes to baptism dates and times.

Baptism preparation meetings are held on the first Sunday afternoon of each month commencing at 4:00pm in the Parish Hall. For further information please contact the presbytery on 9823 2572.

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation/Confession will take place on 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th November, 2013. **Enrolments have now ceased.**

First Holy Communion took take place on 1st and 2nd, 8th and 9th, 15th and 16th and 22nd and 23rd June, 2013.

Confirmation will take place on 21st & 22nd September 2013 (First week of the School Holidays). **Enrolments have now ceased.**

Baptism Preparation:

All parents wishing to have a child baptised in October, November or after are asked to attend a preparation session on Sunday 6th October**,** 2013 at 4:00pm in the parish hall. Please book if you wish to attend.

Notice for Parents: Fr Michael regards Baptism as an important Sacrament. If you wish to Baptise your child here or in another Parish you must now complete the Baptism Preparation before your Baptism date is confirmed. Your Baptism will only be pencilled in. The Baptism booking will only stand if the Baptism Preparation is attended.

BIBLE STUDY: Every **Thursday 10:00am - 11:00am** in the **Church Meeting Room** (after the 9:10am Mass and Rosary). For further information please contact Meding on 9823 7121 or 0410 177 673.

Bereavement Support Group:
Our parish has a group to assist people who have lost someone dear to them whether it has been recently or a while ago to help them cope with their loss. We will meet fortnightly and our **next meeting is Tuesday 8th October at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre.** This group will be fairly informal but we will have resources to guide us through.
If you need any information please do not hesitate to contact Josie on 9607 3973. You are able to join this group at anytime.

RCIA

We have six enquiries about our Catholic faith.
We need parishioners who are willing to share their faith with others. Please contact Fr Epeli or Frank Foti 0419 221947 or the Parish Office.

Those wanting to know something about the Catholic faith are welcome to the group.
Meeting at the Parish Pastoral Centre.
45 Mount Street Bonnyrigg Heights
Tuesday 7:00pm - 8.30pm

JOHN THE BAPTIST HISTORIC PIPE ORGAN

CD's are available for purchase featuring music played on our Historic Pipe Organ and four other Parish Organs. A booklet on the Historic Organ is also available.

Sponsorship of a Pipe is still available. These are a great gift idea for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptisms etc.

You can find Sponsorship forms, CD's and the Booklet on a stand beside the Historic Organ.

If you require any further information please contact Mary on Monday or Thursday in the Parish Office on 9823 2572.

BULLETIN EXTENSION NOTICES

ST BENEDICT'S ARCADIA
6 Fagans Road, Arcadia

ANNUAL SPRING CARNIVAL FETE
Sunday 22nd September, 2013
10am to 4pm

For everyone's enjoyment there will be stalls with lots of goodies, raffles, chocolate wheel, books, DVDs, toys, jewellery, trash and treasure, clothes, plants, trees, local fresh farm fruit and vegetables, animal farm, rides, fairy floss, face painting, gourmet barbecue and much more! Lots of fun for the kids! A great family fun day!

See Church noticeboard for more information.

PUBLIC SEMINAR: Lumen Fidei

All are invited to a public seminar on Pope Francis' first encyclical *Lumen Fidei,* The Light of Faith presented by the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Speaker: Peter McGregor. The seminar will take place at The Catholic Centre, 3 Keating Street, Lidcombe on Thursday, 10th October, 2013 at 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start. Supper will follow. RSVP to Maree on 9646 9010.

Retrieving the Vision of the People of God: a time of Crisis and Opportunity

An open seminar organised in response to the strong desire among Catholic laity for change in our church.

At the Grail Centre, 22 McHatton Street, North Sydney
Saturday 19th October, 2013 10:30am - 3:30pm
RSVP: 12th October, 2013 Tel: 9955 3053 or to
grailsdydney@ozemail.com.au
Donation: $20 (waged), $10 (unwaged) or what you can afford.
Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee provided.
See Church noticeboard for more details.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The New Evangelisation: What is it and what difference does it make?
Fathers Maurice Nutt and John Fahey-Guerra, from the United States, will be conducting a Summer School at St Clement's Retreat Centre, Galong, NSW, 17-24 January, 2014.
Maurice and John bring their enthusiasm and expertise to these questions and we can bring our questions and understanding.
Ph: (02) 6380 5222 or email: info@stclement.com.au for details.

The Sisters of Charity Companions will meet on Sunday 22nd September, 2013 from 2:00pm - 4:00pm at Loreto Place, Liverpool Parish. Anyone wishing to attend will be most welcome. Enquiries: Sr Jean Montgomery 9600 6056 or Kerry Kenny 0419 626 976

ACU—Australian Catholic University
How should we care about people in our changing environments? Master of Clinical Counselling. See Church noticeboard for more details.

Santa Sabina College

Middle and Secondary campus, Years 6-12, Information Morning Tuesday 22 October 9:30-11:30am

Please join us for an information morning, to be welcomed by the Principal Dr Maree Herrett and members of the College Executive and Leadership team. Take a tour of Middle and Secondary school led by teachers and students; explore the classrooms, facilities and grounds. You are invited to share morning tea with the Dr Maree Herrett, key staff and current parents in the boardroom at the conclusion of the tour.

Please reserve your place at:
http://www.ssc.nsw.edu.au/enrolment/visit-us

VOCATION DISCERNMENT DAY FOR YOUNG MEN

The Dominican friars will be holding a vocation discernment day for young men considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. It will be held at Notre Dame University and St Benedict's Church, 104 Broadway, on 28th September, 2013 from 9:00am to 5:30pm. Speakers include Fr Dom Murphy OP and Fr Paul Rowse OP. For more information and for free registration contact Br James Baxter OP by 23rd September - james.baxter@op.org.au

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE
Renewing the light of hope
Peer Support for those who have suffered a loss through death, divorce or separation

The next Beginning Experience weekend will be held on 11th-13th October at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville.

For information and an application form please contact: Lynne 2627 2084, Kevin 4981 0626 or Lee 9449 5317
or email to: beginningexperiencesydney@live.com.au

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend –
relationship enrichment for married couples
8 – 10 November
at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW

bookings: 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au
Information: www.wwme.org.au

CATHOLIC MASS AND DEVOTION
3:30pm Mass Every Sunday in the Liverpool Hospital Chapel
(Clinical Building, Level 2, near ICU)

Join us also in praying for the sick and dying,
in devotion to the Divine Mercy
EVERY FRIDAY 12:00pm - 1:00pm
In the Hospital Chapel

"The Light of Faith"
Vatican II to POPE FRANCIS
When: October 9, 16, 23, 30 and November 6, 13
Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Where: Catholic Institute of Sydney
99 Albert Road, Strathfield, 2135
Cost: **$120.00**
Bookings: (02) 9752 9500 or (02) 9752 9501
mcassar@cis.catholic.edu.au or cisinfo@cis.catholic.edu.au

Thinking Things Through:
Essays in Philosophy and Christian Faith
A book by Father Andrew Murray.
The book contains one-page essays, first written for the "Reflections" column in the Catholic Weekly, which thoughtfully explore aspects of Faith and contemporary issues. Please see Church noticeboard for more details.

Donate now to support CatholicCare runners

On Sunday 22 September, CatholicCare Sydney supporters will make a difference by running in the Blackmores Sydney Running Festival and raising funds the The Emmaus Project.

The Emmaus Project is a CatholicCare program that provides a safe place to stay for children and young people aged 10-17 years who have been charged with an offence and need accommodation in order to be granted bail. Registrations may have closed by it's not too late to help CatholicCare reach its fundraising target and make a real difference in the lives of homeless young people.

Simply visit http://bsrf2013.gofundraisw.com.au/page/CatholiCare to make a secure online donation.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

FREE ONE DAY WORKSHOP. **Christian Decision Making** with Fr Michael de Stoop and Sr Anthony Mary RSM. **Friday, 27 September** from **9.30am-4pm** at the Catholic Adult Education Centre, 3 Keating Street, Lidcombe. Explore St Ignatius' tried and tested insights into Christian decision making and vocational discernment with practical tips and real life examples. **Registration essential: 9390 5970** or vocations@sydneycatholic.org .

CAEC PUBLIC SEMINAR. All are invited to a public seminar on Pope Francis' first encyclical Lumen Fidei, The Light of Faith presented by the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Speaker: Peter McGregor. The seminar will take place at The Catholic Centre, 3 Keating St, Lidcombe on **Thursday, 10 October 2013** at **7:00 pm for a 7:30pm start**. Supper will follow. **RSVP** to **Maree on 9646 9010**.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH? In the Year of Faith? CAEC Sydney can help! Classes start at Lidcombe on **Thursday, 17 Oct**: **Letters of St Paul** with Thomas Waugh and **The Virtues** with Fr Bernard Gordon. For more information and to enrol visit www.caec.com.au, email study@caec.com.au or call **02 9646 9010**. Start your Certificate in Faith Education, Maronite Studies, Youth Ministry or RCIA Formation today.

CATHOLIC FAITH TEACHING IN THE SUBURB. You can learn more about your Catholic Faith in a suburb near you. **Tuesday nights** from **15 Oct to 19 Nov**, Peter El Khouri will be presenting **Maronite History** at St Joseph's Maronite Catholic Church Croydon. For more information and to enrol visit www.caec.com.au, email study@caec.com.au or call **02 9646 9010**. Start your Certificate in Maronite Studies today.

FERTILITY EDUCATORS NEEDED. Natural Fertility Services is looking for suitable applicants in the Parramatta and greater Sydney area to train as Fertility Educators. Thorough, in-depth training over a 12-month period is provided to successful applicants. Some prior experience of Natural Family Planning is desirable but not essential. Sessional work is available to those who complete the training and become accredited educators. The 2014 Training will commence in March 2014. For more information and application forms call **The Manager NFS (02) 9390 5156.**

LAZARUS AT OUT GATE – SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY STATEMENT. We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on **29 September**. This year's Social Justice Statement is titled "Lazarus At Out Gate - A critical moment in the fight against world poverty". The Statement urges all Australians to focus on our obligation to help the world's poorest and to work to combat poverty wherever it is found. Although progress has been made over the past decade in the fight against extreme poverty, one billion people still live on less than $1.25 per day, and 20 percent of the world's poor live in countries near Australia. For further details about the Social Justice Statement visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or call **(02) 8306 3499**.

INVITING YOUNG WOMEN AGED 18-35 TO DISCOVER - a self-knowledge weekend on identity, personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission. From **11 - 13 October** at Mount Schoenstatt Retreat Centre. Registration essential. For further information or to register contact Sr M Julie Brcar: juliebrcar@gmail.com

Young Men of God National Conference – 11-13 October at Stanwell Tops. The 2013 YMG National Conference promises personal transformation. An opportunity to meet inspiring Catholic men from around the nation. Thought provoking and challenging talks. A time to retreat and reflect on your journey. Encouragement as you walk in the faith. An opportunity to go deeper. The YMG Conference is like no other gathering, as young men come together for brotherhood, prayer, formation and the sacraments. With this year's theme "The truth will set you free" we will be taking the real issues faced by young men head on. For men aged 16-35. Register at www.ymgmovement.org.

POSITIONS VACANT for 2014 - Family Educators

Applications are invited for the position of Family Educator based in Catholic Primary schools in Menai, Liverpool, Bonnyrigg Heights, Mt Pritchard, Panania, Sefton, North Leichhardt, Meadowbank, Strathfield, Oatley, Sans Souci, Kensington, Balmain, Rockdale and South Hurstville (temporary 12 months). www.ceosyd.catholic.edu.au Click on Employment, Position Vacant, CEO Sydney, Family Educator Role to download the application pack. **Applications close Wednesday, October 2, 2013**. For further information contact meredith.lemos@syd.catholic.edu.au

CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES

Evenings with Pope Francis

These six discussion evenings will be an opportunity to look at some of the topics that are close to our beloved Pope's heart. Each week will be led by a different Franciscan or Jesuit Priest.

Date/s: Thursday Nights 26th Sep, 10th Oct, 17th Oct, 24th Oct, 31st Oct and 7th Nov

Venue: The Mill Hotel, 189 Beaconsfield Street, Milperra NSW 2214

Time: 6:30pm for dinner and drinks. 7:30pm for discussion and dessert.

For more information email events@cys.org.au or on 97644357.

Justice and Peace Gathering for Parishioners
Saturday 19th October at St Patrick's Church, Summer Hill

Parishioners who are passionate about justice and peace, parish pastoral council members, social justice groups are warmly invited to an upcoming social justice gathering for Archdiocesan parishioners on **Saturday, 19 October** from **10.30am– 3.30pm** at St Patrick's, Summer Hill. Hear from an exciting panel of speakers from Caritas, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Sisters of St Joseph, Catholic Mission, Capuchin Friars, and Micah Challenge, as we break open the 2013-2014 Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement, "Lazarus at Our Gate: A Critical Moment in the Fight Against World Poverty." Share lunch and ideas with other parishioners and learn how we can practically bridge the chasm of inequity, injustice and conflict in our world, as we ask ourselves, "who is at our gate?" Please **RSVP** by **10 October** for this free event to qwayne.guevara@sydneycatholic.org or phone **(02) 9390 5935**.

Maltese Language Classes

Available for students from 6 years to adults
All language levels
Fully qualified and experiences teachers
For more information: 0402 002 454
Classes start week of 9th October, 2013
Enrolments at the first class, just turn up!

Proudly supported by the 16 Maltese associations affiliated with the Maltese Community Council of NSW

Horsley Park Public School
1759 The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park
Saturday 9:30am - 12:00 noon

Seven Hills
The Meadows Public School, Fuller Street, Seven Hills
Wed 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Schofields
Terra Sancta College, Hambeldon Road, Schofields
Wed 2:00pm - 4:00pm

FOREST LAWN MEMORIAL PARK
Cemetery & Crematorium
Camden Valley Way, Leppington

Raising Funds For Careflight

Join us for our OPEN DAY 2013

Saturday 26th October, 2013
10:00am—3:00pm

- Nanga Mai Corroboration Display
- Careflight Helicopter Simulator
- Historians
- Funeral Directors
- Tours of the Park & Crematorium
- Information Talks in our chapels
- Pipers
- Horticulturists
- Horseback Parade
- Butterflies
- Doves
- Coffins
- Bugle Players

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Service
12:45 for a 1pm Service

Blessing of the New Crypts

Ph: 9606 5822 / www.forestlawn.com.au