

We acknowledge the Dharawal people, traditional owners and custodians of this place. They are part of the world's oldest living human culture, deserving of our deepest respect. May we walk gently on this land.



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MARRIAGES and BAPTISMS
by appointment

SUNDAY MASSES in the Church

9am each Sunday and

5pm every 3rd Sunday for

Youth/Young families

NOTE
TIME
CHANGE

WEEKDAY MASS/PRAYER
in Jenkins Chapel

Monday: 5pm Prayer; 5.15pm Mass

Tues-Sat: 7am Prayer; 7.15am Mass

ALL WELCOME

TODAY WE CELEBRATE:
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR B: 10 MAY, 2009

'Cut off from me you can do nothing'. How
are you connected to Christ?

What fruit do you bear?

DID YOU KNOW?

The vineyard was one of the ancient images of the people of Israel, God's chosen people, and God is the vinedresser.

In John's Gospel the term 'I am' has a special significance. When Moses encountered God in Mt Sinai, God revealed himself as "I am who am". Jesus reveals himself as Son of God in the use of this term and tells something of his mission: I am the living water, I am the good shepherd, I am the way, the truth and the life, I am the light of the world, I am the bread of life.

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL THE MUMS AND
GRANDMOTHERS AND



WE REMEMBER THE SICK...

Todd McRae, Sue Gay, Christine Sullivan, Trish Coleman, Colin Gannon, Jim Forsyth, Noel Trompp and Fr Steve still recuperating.

CONFIRMATION... Bishop Ingham has agreed to come and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. We need to know how many people wish to enrol, and if we will have enough people to warrant his visit. If you are interested, please see Trish after Mass. Enrolment and the first lesson will take place after 9am Mass on Sunday June 7.

THE ROSARY this week... will be held at 7.30pm at the home of Pauline and Harry Delany, 3 Campbell St Picton. If you would like to host the Rosary please fill in roster on table at back of church.



Maria gratia plena

RCIA PROGRAM...

we hope to begin an RCIA program later in the year for people interested in finding out about the Catholic faith and/or wishing to become a Catholic. Invite anyone you think might be interested. **IF YOU DON'T INVITE THEM, WHO WILL?** And, if you do know anyone who might be interested, please see Fr Steve.

YOGA... will begin again at 9am on Monday May 11.

TODAY WE WELCOME... Amelia Grace Vera Carpentee into our Christian community. Together with her parents Timothy and Kate we give thanks to God for the gift of Amelia to their family and to our community.

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are needed to see this picture.

DISABILITY AWARENESS MASS

11am, May 17, Holy Family Parish, Lot 9 Oxford Rd Ingleburn. Families with members who have special needs are especially invited to attend.

DIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES

STEWARDSHIP 2-DAY CONFERENCE 2-3 JULY at Campbelltown Catholic Club. Contact: Helen Bennett 4253 0934.

PALMS AUSTRALIA 2-day Focus Workshop at The Hermitage Mittagong, 10am 23-2pm 24 May. \$160 accomm Sat + Meals both days. 9518 9551.

JUSTICE, PEACE, ECOLOGY AND FAITH GATHERING 3 Bond St Bellambi, 23 May 10am-12.30pm, morning tea. Jane Edwards 4253 0900

FORMING GENEROUS HEARTS - IN THE SPIRIT OF VAT II, 4 July Chevalier College Bowral 10am-3pm \$30/15/don. Morning tea/lunch RSVP essential Jane Edwards 4253 0900.

BEGINNING THEOLOGY INFO SESSIONS 21 MAY: St Paul's Albion Park, 10.30am-12.30pm; St John's Campbelltown 7.30-9pm. Jane Edwards 4253 0900

MENALIVE WEEKEND RETREAT St Therese Parish 30-31 May - \$49. Vince 0417 249 741, Peter 0418 123 824, Jeff 0423 183 627 or Phil 0434 894 589.

BIBLICAL SPIRITUALITY, LIVING A LIFE OF FAITH TODAY St Mary Star of Sea College Wollongong 6 June 10.1m-3pm. Jane Edwards 4253 0900

Leaflets/Brochures available at back of Church