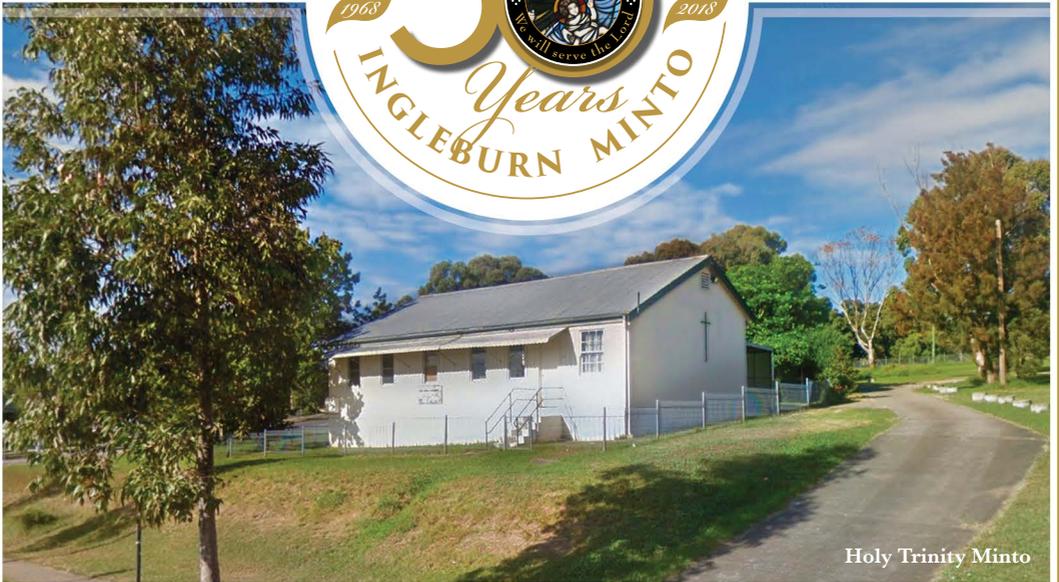


HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Celebrating 50 Years



Holy Family Ingleburn



Holy Trinity Minto



FOREWARD

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary is a significant milestone in the history of the Holy Family Parish of Ingleburn - Minto, which was once a part of the Campbelltown Parish and the nearest Catholic place of worship was the Catholic Army Chapel built at Ingleburn Army Camp during the second World War.

From the appointment of Fr Frank O'Hara as its first Catholic Priest in 1968 until now, much has been achieved to the honour of God, for the spread of the Gospel, the growth of God's Kingdom and the salvation of souls, by the dedication of its Priests and the generous commitment and support of the faithful parishioners.

Land, which had been part of a dairy farm, was purchased in Oxford Road by the Wollongong Diocese, and on it a rectangular building was erected by Fr Leo Kearns, who succeeded Fr O'Hara. The building was designed to be converted into a Parish/School Hall after the Holy Family Primary School and the new Holy Family Church would be completed.

The population of the Parish has grown considerably just in the past ten years and is still growing. There is much spiritual growth and evangelisation needed in the Parish.

We give thanks to God, and to all present and past parishioners, for all that has been achieved and contributed for the welfare of the Parish.

As we read in this booklet the beginning and past history of our Parish, we look forward with hope, confidence and trust in the generous Grace and Love of God, and in faith-filled priests and parishioners.

FR PETER CARUANA
Parish Priest
13 October 2018

THE PAST 25 YEARS

The History of Holy Family Parish, Ingleburn

And so another twenty five years have passed in the history of our lives and of our Parish. They have been momentous years and somewhat tumultuous. We have seen three Popes leading the Church, John Paul II, Benedict and now Francis. Our first Saint, Mary MacKillop was canonized by Pope Benedict on the 17th of October, 2010 and the progress for our second Saint, Eileen O'Connor, the founder of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor, (the Brown Sisters), is well on the way, and of course, many of you took in pilgrims attending World Youth Day in July 2008. These are the positive things about our Faith. On the negative side many of us have been disturbed by the revelations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse during the past five years. Accusations have been made against a wide range of Church organisations and punishments applied. Two senior members of the Catholic Church have faced court, not because of actions of theirs, but because of apparent failures to report information given to them when they were young priests. One, a former Bishop of this Diocese has been convicted and the other, Cardinal George Pell still maintains his innocence and the process against him continues.

There have been four Bishops of the Diocese of Wollongong, Bishop Murray 1975 – 1996, Bishop Phillip Wilson 1996 – 2000, Bishop Peter Ingham 2001 – 2017 and our current Bishop Brian Mascord from the 22nd of February, 2018.

In the political sphere we have had a swinging door approach to our Prime Ministers, eight so far and the year is not yet over. We have not fared much better in the State sphere with seven Premiers ranging from Bob Carr through to Gladys Berejiklian. The positive note about all of this is that we have had relatively good Government and we still enjoy the freedoms of a growing Democracy.

In the sporting arena, we have had major events such as the celebrated success of the 2000 Olympic Games here in Sydney and the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne in 2006 and Gold Coast in 2018, plus, of course a myriad of other successes and failures, We won the Ashes, we lost the Ashes, our Rugby Union side has rarely bested the All Blacks, it is only recently that the NRL NSW State of Origin side have been able to overcome the dominance of Queensland, and so on.

In our Church there have been major changes. As a Parish we moved into our magnificent new Church before Christmas 2016 and Bishop Ingham officially opened it in February the next year. In giving thanks Fr Caruana praised the countless parishioners over the past 27 years that the Church has taken to come to fruition, many of whom who have now passed on and who all contributed to the building of the new church. The church has achieved a highlight with the installation of six bells which will be (hopefully) rung for the first time as part of the celebration of 50 years as a Parish.





The old church, now the new school hall

The completion of the Holy Family School and the refurbishment of our old Church (opened on the 26th of January, 1975) and originally established by Father Leo Kearns as the Parish Hall to be used while his dream of a new Church was never fulfilled, into the School Hall which was blessed by Bishop Mascord and officially opened by Mr Peter Turner, Director of Schools for the Catholic Education Diocese of Wollongong on the 25th of May, 2018.



The new school hall blessed by Bishop Mascord and opened by Mr Peter Turner

As I gaze around the parishioners of both of our churches, I see many new faces and also lots of greying and white hair, and I am reminded of the stalwarts who have gone to their just reward over the intervening years. My memory is strong for many of them but rather that name any in

case I miss a name here or there, I will mention just one, Father Stephen Reeves, who was a parishioner and an organist at Holy Family, and in March, 1991 following his successful completion as a seminarian at St Paul's Seminary, Kensington, was ordained at Our Lady of Sorrows, Macquarie Fields. During these past 25 years Steve has left us to take up a new role in heaven as one of God's chosen.

To all of our parishioners, your faith in the Church continues to inspire us all and I am reminded of the words written by St Polycarp to the infant church at Philippi – these words are still appropriate today.

"It does my heart good to see how the solid roots of your faith, which have had such a reputation ever since early times, are still flourishing and bearing fruit for Jesus Christ."

Having said all of that I want now to introduce three constants in our Parish. One of them have been with us for over 34 years, the second will complete 34 years in December 2018, and the third is someone who moves easily between our Parish and that of Macquarie Fields, and is part of both, and who celebrated his 97th birthday this year on October 2nd. One could say, we have one Priest, Two Nuns and a three times thirty two and a third year old, that is if one wanted to say that!

The first is Father Peter Caruana, PP, who was appointed Parish Priest in January, 1984 (over 34 years ago), and has faithfully served this community, nurtured it and watched it grow all of those years. No one cannot deny his commitment to the Catholic Church and to his role as a Priest. When one



Fr. Peter Caruana

watches him celebrate the Eucharist, there can be no doubt in one's mind that a miracle has taken place and that the bread and wine have been transformed, in a spiritual sense, into the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If he never did anything else but that, he has still fulfilled his vocation as a Priest!

But he has done more than that! In the past 34 years he has taken one holiday, a trip to his native Malta. Any other break has been a couple of days here or there, locked away with family members in Wollongong during school holidays. How many of us will have worked willingly for seven days in each week, doing a multitude of tasks on one's own, with little support and infrequent recognition for ANY period of time. Many priests take Monday off as their day of rest, but not our priest! He says Mass every week day and then four Masses on the weekend with an additional Mass on the first Saturday morning, plus any other Mass that is asked for!

So what have been some of his achievements? A completed Primary School which is debt free and a new Church which is also largely debt free. Personally he has a great love for the children of the School, and indeed the whole Parish. The children, particularly the younger ones, respond to him with great love and affection. That, in itself, is all the achievement that a Parish Priest should need!

When next you see him and go to thank him for his faithfulness in his chosen role as a servant of God and the Pastor of the Holy Family Parish, be aware that he is a most humble and private man.

Second are the two Sisters from Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor, Srs Patricia Murphy and Kerry MacDermott. Unfortunately the Lord decided that Sr Patricia's work here in the Parish, had been done, and He took back for her just reward on the 13th of June this year. You can get an understanding of the love that she had for this Parish, her Church and the people of her faith community at Holy Trinity Church, when you read part of Sr Kerry's reflections on the Holy Trinity Church later in this booklet.



Srs Kerry MacDermott and Patricia Murphy

You will get a much better understanding of Sr Patricia when you read Sr Kerry's three-page Eulogy of her which is now on the Parish website. Don't know the URL? It is printed every week in the masthead of the Parish Bulletin!

We are all individuals and Sr Kerry is certainly one. In addition to the love she has shared for 34 years for this Parish, she has gone beyond the Parish and brought others back into the Church and into Holy Trinity Church in particular. Rather than try and give her the credit that is due to her I am going to use the words of one of my favourite politicians, Chris Hayes, when he was the Federal Member for Werriwa on the 11th of February, 2009. In Parliament he made the following statement:

"A special job requires a special person. Today I would like to talk about Sister Kerry MacDermott, who is a member of the religious community of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor, better known as the 'Brown Nurses'. Sister Kerry lives at Minto and oversees a very active Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, which is run by the Diocese of Wollongong. Sister Kerry helped found the Winga Myamly Minto Reconciliation Group in 1993; each year it organises a memorial ceremony at Cataract Dam on the site of the Appin massacre of the Dharawal people in 1816. Her efforts in establishing proper recognition of the massacre have seen the realisation of an opportunity each year for reconciliation and healing for the Indigenous as well as the European community. In 2007 Sister Kerry spent three months working in a remote Aboriginal community outside Alice Springs, tending to the needs of those people. In February 2008 she travelled to Canberra with a group of local Indigenous people to hear the historic apology from the Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd.

What makes Sister Kerry so special is her total commitment to the people who need help—in particular, the Indigenous people of south-west Sydney. Sister Kerry has upheld the order's aim of assisting the poor in their homes and always giving them the utmost respect and love. Every day there is an example of this respect and love. Sister Kerry is fearless in

her approach and certainly goes out of her way to ensure that she is respected at all levels of government. Sister Kerry has always gone about her work in a way that draws people to her. I very much recognise her strong will, which is necessary for her advocacy, but she certainly displays tenderness and empathy that make the most vulnerable, particularly children, feel wanted and secure. She is always ready to assist anyone in need, whatever the time of day or night, and her own needs are usually placed second to the needs of others.

Sister Kerry is not one to seek praise or recognition for her work, as her love for those she cares for and the desire to improve their situation are her only ambition and driving force. Her whole being is dedicated to acting for and loving the poor, and her respect for people, whatever their origin or circumstances, is her trademark. Sister Kerry is a woman to whom the community owes a great debt. She is truly a great Australian and the community of the south-west of Sydney are very much privileged to have known her. It is certainly my privilege to be associated with Sister Kerry MacDermott.”

I am not erudite enough to improve on that except to add that in 2010 she won, from Western Sydney University, one of their Women of the West Awards. Again she had been nominated by Chris Hayes and the following was recorded at the time of the award.

“Sr Kerry is an active and compelling campaigner for Reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities. For 26 years, Sr Kerry has worked to build mutual respect and improve understanding in the Minto community and is a founding member of the Winga Myamly Reconciliation Group. Through this group and their activities held throughout the year, Sister Kerry aims to bring people together in remembrance, in the hope of paving a way towards mutual respect and improved understanding between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.”

All of this only goes to show the calibre of this Lady and the respect and love she shares with all those who know and love her.

The third constant is Julius Medvecky. Julius is an enigma, he lives in Macquarie Fields and spends time in both Holy Family and Mary Mother of the Church, where he reads each Thursday morning, and will read at Holy Family also if the elected reader is not quick enough to get to the Pulpit. Why is this important information to share? Well on the 2nd of October, 2018, he celebrated his 97th Birthday.

To give you another example of the substance of this man, Father Peter recently gave Cliff Pereira and myself, permission to repair some of the problems with the kneelers in the new Church. While we are capable of lifting and replacing kneelers and the screws that hold them, we are not carpenters, and three of the kneelers were broken and needed to be picked. Who is our chosen carpenter? You guessed it!



Julius Medvecky

Julius Medvecky! Alright so he complains about the fact that the manufacturers of the kneelers should fix them but, as I explained they are not going to send someone from Greenacre to fix a couple of kneelers and so Julius fixes them and does so in a most professional manner.

To find out more about Julius, I went to the History of Mary Mother of the Church (mmotc.com.au) and discovered some information that he had provided. I have edited it a little but basically it reads like this:

“The early history of Macquarie Fields was an outpost of the Campbelltown Parish, until finally becoming a separate Parish in 1977 (he failed to mention that they were once also a member of the Ingleburn Parish from 1968). The history cannot be told without due acknowledgement of the work of Julius Medvecky. Julius is Hungarian from Slovakia (he also fails to mention [we believe] that during WW2 he fought with Germany against the Russians and is lucky to be still alive). Julius arrived in Australia with his wife Karen, who was from Estonia, in 1949, and came to this area in 1957. He realized

that the lack of a local church was a great deprivation. Together with others Julius learned of a Church being built in Macquarie Fields and invited people to join regularly at Sunday Mass which was celebrated in the Community Hall in Fields Rd. (Now you can understand why the Church bought and built the three identical churches at Minto, Macquarie Fields, and Glenfield. All of the communities were using Halls for their celebrations.)

In 1961 Julius bought a car and he committed to drive every Sunday to the Franciscan Friary, "Maryfields" to bring the priest for Mass. He did this for well over twelve months. Julius built a collapsible altar that could be stored when Mass was over. When the present site of the Church in Edgar St, became available for a building, it was full of rubbish and Julius single-handedly cleared the land. (On the 2nd of September, one of the three new Churches, this one "Our Lady of Sorrows" was consecrated by Bishop McCabe, and remains there to this day as an example of what the three of them looked like.

For many years and with different Pastors, Julius has been a participant in the life of the Church. As I wrote earlier, definitely an enigma but a gentle and loving one just the same.

There is a structure just inside the main gate of Mary Mother of the Church, which is designed to be a spire on the roof of the Church. It is my understanding that Julius built this himself!



"Our Lady of Sorrows" Macquarie Fields



Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Ingleburn

(an edited report written by Mr Paul Moroney,
Principal of Holy Family School)

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Holy Family Catholic Primary School began in the minds of the people of the northern Macarthur region long before it actually opened in 1982. During the 1970s when the Campbelltown area started to develop and the population increased rapidly, the only Catholic primary school between Camden and Liverpool, St John's in Campbelltown, quickly outgrew demand for places.

A group of interested parents formed a committee in an endeavour to have a Catholic school in the northern Macarthur area. This group of dedicated parents worked tirelessly over a number of years to bring their dream to fruition.

Plans were finally drawn up for a school in Ingleburn. Originally, the plan was for a three-stream school, but these were modified to a two-stream school as funding could not be obtained.

It was at this point in time that the Sisters of the Good Samaritan were invited to provide support through the appointment of a founding Principal. Sr Bernadette Nichols

was chosen and she met the challenge of establishing Holy Family School in time for its first students and staff. This meant making decisions about such things as school uniform, new buildings, temporary accommodation, staffing, furniture and equipment.

In 1982 one hundred and twenty students commenced across Kindergarten to Year 2. Accommodated initially in temporary buildings, it took six months before the school could move into the new buildings. By 1988, all classroom and administration buildings were completed and enrolments filled all fourteen classrooms. The Library was completed in the early 1990s. In 2010, using the federal government's Building the Education Revolution incentive package, all classrooms and toilet facilities were refurbished. The most recent refurbishment then occurred in 2017 when the old parish church was converted to a hall.

In 1998, one of our Teachers, Jennine Meehan, passed away and went to her just reward in Heaven. Loved by all that knew her, Jennine had taught at the school for six years and at one time was the Religious Education Coordinator. A special garden at the school was created to preserve her memory and this plaque is located today in the garden under the window of the Staff Room.



Over the years, the number of students in the school has remained consistently around four hundred. These students come from suburbs such as Ingleburn, Macquarie Fields, Glenfield, Minto and Leumeah. We currently employ thirty-three staff, inclusive of classroom teachers and support staff. We enjoy a positive working relationship with the parish, particularly Fr Peter, as we endeavour to support the children in their spiritual, emotional, academic and physical development.

MINTO REFLECTIONS: Holy Trinity Church

An edited report by Sister Kerry

Minto's first Mass Centre was established in the School of Arts Hall in the summer of 1957. At that time Minto was part of the Parish of Campbelltown. The first Catholic Church in Minto was built in 1962 and was consecrated by Bishop McCabe on the 2nd of September 1962 and named as the Holy Trinity Church. It was of brick construction and cost about £7000 including the land. On that same day the Bishop also consecrated identical buildings in Macquarie Fields "Our Lady of Sorrows" and in Glenfield "Christ the King". The only one of this type that still exists today is the Church Hall at Mary Mother of the Church, Macquarie Fields. A photo of this church exists above in the story of Julius Medvecky.

This is a reproduction of the Foundation plate if the Holy Trinity Church still existed in its original location today.

Note that Fr Grant at that time was the Administrator of the Parish of Campbelltown. The Church was located across Monaghan St, basically where Sarah Redfern Library is now, and the Parish owned 5 acres



of land. At that time the street was known as Stafford St. In December, 1968 the Parish of Ingleburn which comprised the districts of Ingleburn, Macquarie Fields, and Glenfield was established. Minto remained as part of the Campbelltown Parish. In February 1977, the parishes of Ingleburn and Macquarie Fields were further defined when Macquarie Fields and Glenfield became a separate Parish and Minto was added to the Parish of Ingleburn. In 1978 the State Education Department resumed the land and demolished the Church. In return they gave the Parish about 3.5 acres of land,

“Holy Trinity Church” Minto



\$45,000 to build a new Church and two conjoined demountable classrooms which continue to exist today as the Church of the Holy Trinity.

The priests who have celebrated Mass at Holy Trinity from 1957 onwards have been many. They include Fathers Grant, Duck, Bach, Comensoli, Fox, Healy, Hall, Smitzer, Ryan, Whitten, Kearns, Caruana and Carmelite Fathers Patrick, John Power and Ray. From 1986-1991 Fr Harry Morrissey MSC looked after the pastoral needs at Minto offering daily mass in the Church. Sr Patricia Murphy OLN was instrumental in asking the MSC Provincial for Father Harry. The MSC Fathers bought the small demountable house near the Church for him to live in. After Fr Harry moved Father David O’Brien replaced him. Later the Franciscan Fathers procured a house at Minto and the pastoral needs were met by Fathers Mario, Dan Neylor, Kevin Goode and Andrew Granc. Currently the needs of the Church are looked after by the return of the Carmelite Fathers and include Fathers Greg Burke, Johnny, George, Ferdinand, Paul Maunder, Gerrard Moran Aloysius Rego and John McCaffrey.

The strength of the Holy Trinity Church has always been its people. They have remained faithful in spite of the many changes and difficulties. They have made it the great community it is today, welcoming, friendly and open-hearted. The music ministry has been a great draw card over the years and the Catechists and Sacramental Programmes, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, Ground Crew, Flower Arrangers and Church Cleaners help everything to run smoothly. The Collection Counters keep us operating.

On the 14th of December, 1984, Srs Patricia Murphy and Kerry MacDermott of Our Lady’s Nurses for the Poor (The Brown Sisters) took up residence at Minto in a Department of Housing house so as to live alongside and minister to the poor and disadvantaged of the surrounding suburbs of the Macarthur area. Sister Patricia was the Congregational leader of the Order at that time. Prior to their arrival an extensive investigation and discernment process was carried

out by the Sisters into needy areas across NSW. Minto was chosen, and with encouragement from various agencies, Father Michael Ryan SJ and our Father Peter Caruana, Sister Patricia approached the Housing Department and after several months was granted a house. We lived for 27 years in that house before, like many, they demolished the homes and we were relocated to Macquarie Fields.

Sr Patricia and Sr Kerry have worked amongst the poor, offering friendship and support in people's homes to those in crisis, or in need of long-term support. Listening to people, advocating for them and offering bereavement and night phone support is a big aspect of our Ministry – always treating people like friends and family, never seeing them as clients; building relationships of trust and loving support. Our Ministry flows from our Foundress, Eileen O'Connor's way of seeing "Be with the poor as Jesus was – never judge. Go to them because they are poor and in need!"

Sr Patricia belonged to many groups, one being the Spiritual Adviser to St Christophers' (it was formed in the old church in Stanley Rd) St Vincent de Paul Conference in Ingleburn. [Thirty two years ago I was the President of the Conference which met in the demountable every Tuesday night. Father Peter also said Mass and had Devotions on that night, so I asked Sr Patricia if she could be our Spiritual Adviser – she graciously accepted and for the many years I remained a member of that Conference she faithfully attended every week and guided us through the days when we were doing up to 30 calls each weekend, mainly in the Minto Housing Commission area! She continued with this work until she passed away on the 13th of June this year. We know that God loves you and thank you for your service]. Sr Kerry wrote a three page eulogy which she read at Sr Patricia's funeral, where the Holy Trinity Church could not contain all of the faithful who wished to farewell her. There is a copy of that Eulogy now on the Parish Website. I defy any of you who read it not to have tears in your eyes!

Sr Kerry, along with Aunty Muriel Brandy and other Aboriginal friends began the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry in 1985

from the Holy Trinity Church, with the approval of Bishop William Murray and Fr Peter. In our Church the Aboriginal Community feel welcome and appreciated. There is a monthly Aboriginal Mass, and Baptisms when required. Fr Tony Day was the first appointed Chaplain and we have had Fr John Pickering OFM, Fr David O'Brien, Fr Greg Burke and now Fr Aloysius Rego OCD. We are praying that the Church House can be used permanently as an Aboriginal Outreach Centre commencing in October. Three Aboriginal people are currently resident in the house. They are Alf Shillingsworth and his son Kitchel, and also Uncle Stan Mitchell.



EARLY HISTORY OF THE PARISH

For those parishioners who are new to the Parish, to those Parishioners who do not recall the early history, and to those of you who wish to humour me, I will present an abbreviated history. Maybe in 25 years time this can be used as a starter for the next booklet!

The history of our Parish can be traced back to 1822 when the first Mass was celebrated in Campbelltown. It was to be held in Mawson Park but because of rain was moved into the unfinished Anglican Church of St Peter. Father John Joseph Therry established the Church on the Hill above Campbelltown, on the corner of what is now George St and Sturt St, when the foundation stone of the Church of St John was laid on the 12th of December 1824. The first Mass was offered in the Chapel on the 27th of July 1834 and on the 20th of September 1835 Fr Therry commenced duty as the

Parish Priest of Campbelltown. In those days the Parish was a part of the Archdiocese of Sydney and extended beyond Yass in the far south and included Illawarra and Argyle. There were 310 Catholics in Campbelltown.

Move forward to the 1930's!

At some time between now and then (I believe 1933) the Diocese of Wollongong was formed and the Parish of Campbelltown became part of that Diocese. It extended, at least in our direction, as far as Glenfield. Masses in our area were generally held in homes or in local halls. In fact, the first Catholic "Church" in the area was created by Widower Robert Ellis at his home on Collins Promenade, when he added a Chapel to his home and called it "St Angela" after his late wife. Mass was said there on the first Saturday of the month and confessions were held in one of the bedrooms.

It was not until 1952 that the Parish Priest from Campbelltown, Fr McHugh purchased 8.25 acres on the corner of Stanley Rd and Louise Ave. Unfortunately he passed away the next year and it was not until 1955 that the Administrator of the Campbelltown Parish, Fr Ekerick, arranged for an Army Hut to be placed on the land. With the addition of a second hut, and later another room as a Presbytery, St Christopher's was born. It remained the only



"St. Christopher's" Circa 1955

Catholic Church until 1962 when the three identical Churches were established and consecrated at Minto, Macquarie Fields and Glenfield. And now you should understand why such a Church was not located in Ingleburn as well.

Its name was a commemoration of all those servicemen who served during WW2. Of course there was already a Chapel in the area up in the Ingleburn Army Camp. After WW2 it had become the defacto Church for parishioners in Denham Court and in the Married Quarters of the Camp. When the Camp died about 2015 the Chapel died with it although its memory is still preserved in the foyer of Holy Family today.

St Christopher's remained in use until January 1975 when the new Church Hall/Church was opened by Monsignor M.H. O'Reilly. By this time the former Parish Priest, Fr F. O'Hara had been removed and replaced by Fr Leo Kearns in November, 1971. Fr Kearns was responsible for the planning of the Church and had plans for a New Church in the area in front where the car park is now located. One of the notable Priests who have blessed us with their presence was Fr Peter Comensoli, (October, 1973 to April, 1974) who was just recently appointed as the Archbishop of Melbourne. In January 1984, Fr Peter Caruana was appointed as our Parish Priest, and we are blessed by his continued presence.



Ingleburn Army Camp Chapel - Circa 1940. The 'Cross' is still preserved in the foyer of Holy Family Church Ingleburn today.



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Twenty five years ago I had the privilege of putting together the booklet that was provided at that time and here I am again, doing the same job and grateful to God and the Church for the opportunity.



Wal Glynn

As normal I need to thank a large body of people for their help, research and support, to Father Peter, who continues his inspiration, Noel Santos for putting this all together and the absolutely marvellous Logo he has produced (in addition to the ones for Holy Family, and Mary, Mother of the Cross Parishes).

Holy Trinity Church and Holy Family School have helped with an update of their development over the past quarter of a century and I thank them. I am particularly grateful to Mrs Theresa Clarke who was able to resurrect a copy of the first booklet which has allowed us to pick the eyes out of the first to make the second so much better. If you missed getting a copy of the first booklet I intend to place a copy of both on the listings of the Campbelltown Library, where they can be used for research and for whomsoever takes on this task in 2043 so that they have something with which to work. There are many of us currently alive, who will not see the year 2043.

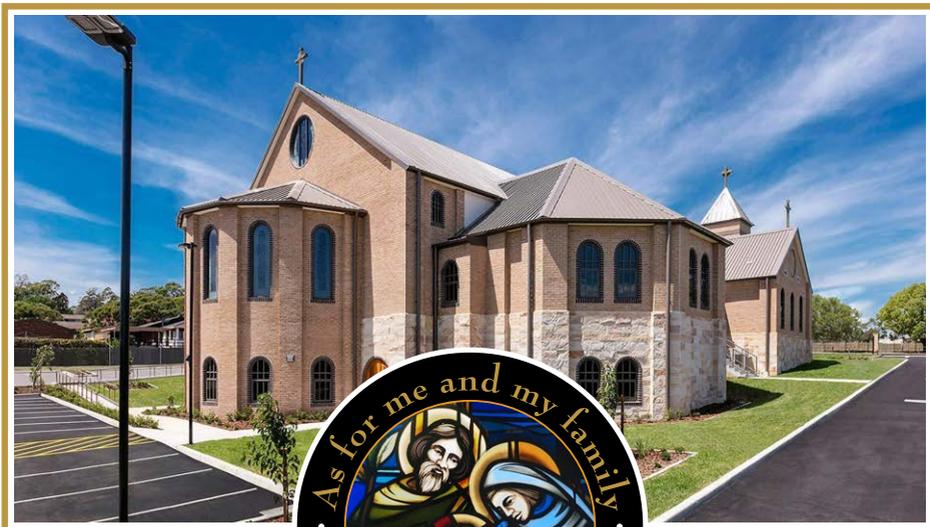
The current Parish Pastoral Council also needs thanks for their guidance and support. No individual names here because they all shared in the work.

We have had 250 copies (in colour) printed of this booklet and they should only be taken one per family. If you have not been fortunate to receive a copy, do not worry. The complete file has been placed on the Parish Website and you will be able to read and/or download a copy from there.

Finally, I must thank the love of my life, Nell, for her badgering me while I overcame illness in order to get this publication to the printer on time.

I apologise if I missed anyone who should have been mentioned here (there are dozens of you) and also for any assumptions I have made which may later prove to be inaccurate. For those whose names I have used both here and in the body of this history, I make no apologies. You deserve the recognition!

Wal Glynn



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