

St John Bosco Memorial Garden

The 3rd Annual Report

June 30, 2017.

Preamble

The overwhelming support of parishioners continues to make the Memorial Garden a successful project. The garden is being maintained and managed by a small team of parish volunteers, who provide some comfort to parishioners who have lost a member of their family. The garden provides a modest income to the parish, but it provides much more to the Parish and Parishioners. It is a beautiful area beside our beautiful church, where parishioners visit and pray for friends and relatives. It provides great comfort to parishioners to have a garden devoted to those who have returned home to God.

In view of the continued support of parishioners, the St John Bosco and St Mary Mazzarello walls were almost fully reserved by the beginning of 2016. So two new walls were added in July 2016. The St Francis de Sales and St Mary of the Cross MacKillop walls were installed in July 2016. These have also proven very popular with only 35 of the 67 niches in the St Mary MacKillop wall remaining available.

People Inured during the year ended June 2017.

The garden is dedicated to the memory of all people who walked this land before us: The Dharawal People, Early Pioneers and Parishioners of St John Bosco.

Please pray for these people, and particularly those people inured during the past 12 months:

Thomas Leo ANDERSON

John Roy BOWERING

William DINGLEY

Margaret Anne LENNON

Carole Patricia NAIRN

Eileen Mary NEIL

Ken ROBINSON

Joyce Mary STRUDWICK

Earl Sidney STRUDWICK

Financial Report

The following chart details the purchases of niches and plaque:

Number of niches	31
Number of niche plaques	12
Number of Tree of Life leaves	12

Total income from niche and plaque sales, interest and donations: \$42,020

Expenditure on columbarium walls, plaques and maintenance: \$24,275

Net income **\$17,745**

Funds Transferred to the Memorial Reserve Fund \$ 7,200

Included in the above expenses was the final payment for the purchase of the two additional walls \$17,170 and the plaques for the ends of the walls \$3,069.

The Memorial Garden transferred surplus funds of \$22,000 to the Parish accounts during the year.

Further information.

Full information about the Memorial Garden is available on the Parish website in the "Memorial Garden" pages.

Committee.

Brian Carnegie	Joan Moylan	Helen Duthie
Helen & Kevin Gurney	Annette Milross	Fr Mick Court