

“Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”



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3rd April - Fifth Sunday of Lent

From Fr Paul

Last Sunday we celebrated the **Confirmation of 41 of our young people in the Parish**. It was our first Confirmation since 2019. This is a wonderful opportunity to reinvigorate the Sacramental Program of the parish after the lockdowns of recent years.

I thank Fr Sam, Sally Oong, Samantha Sheather and Saree Zaragoza who, together with their parents, joined me in preparing the children in recent weeks. We congratulate the children and pray that this conferring of the Sacrament has been a true experience of the Holy Spirit in their lives and the lives of their families and Sponsors. **Our thanks** to Sally Oong for organising groups and helping prepare the beautiful Mass of the Holy Spirit, which included the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thanks to Natalie and Chloe Oong for the music, to Chris Madden, Bella & Matthew Ringrose for serving, and Ken, Katrina and Michelle and all those who helped in any way with preparation and serving food afterwards. (see photo tribute on page 7).

We wish the school children of the parish all the best for the **holidays** which begin this coming Friday. May it be an enjoyable and special time for you and your family. I hope families will remember to celebrate the highpoint of our faith at Easter time. (see information about ceremonies on page 5).

Congratulations to Lakmalie and Chaminda Perera on their 25th wedding anniversary. They are marking this occasion with a special Mass and celebration. I am always happy to acknowledge any special anniversaries or events in the lives of parishioners.

We look to the **preparations for Easter** in the coming week. Note on Wednesday evening (6th April) Bishop Anthony will conduct a **Penitential Service**, followed by the opportunity for individual Confession (see page 4).

On Thursday (7th April) Fr Sam and I will celebrate a special Mass at Hammond Care. We think of and pray for those in our parish who are housebound and very unwell at this time.

Today the Gospel reading tells of Jesus' encounter with the woman caught in adultery. May we be drawn anew to the merciful love and compassion of God. Jesus calls us all to repentance and a new life in communion with God. "Go and sin no more" he says to the woman and to each of us. (see reflections on page 3).

May you experience the Lord in some special way in this final week of Lent before the beginning of Holy Week on Palm Sunday. God bless,

Fr Paul



Parish Masses This Week

Monday	4 April	No Mass				Monday of the 5th week of Lent
Tuesday	5 April	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of the 5th week of Lent
Wednesday	6 April	Mass 2nd Rite of Reconciliation	9.15am 7.00pm			Wednesday of the 5th week of Lent
Thursday	7 April	Mass	9.15am			Thursday of the 5th week of Lent
Friday	8 April	Mass	9.15am			Friday of the 5th week of Lent
Saturday	9 April	Mass	5.00pm			Saturday of the 5th week of Lent
Sunday	10 April	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Nilo Zolezzi (father of Steve, died in South Africa, 10 March, aged 89 years), Fidela Frez,(mother of Fr Joey, died 3 March), Maria Mood (close friend of Rose and Graham Raward), Dennis Morgan (husband of Patricia, died 22 February aged 93), Kerry Lupton (died 20 February, wife of Vic, former parishioner and friend of Jen and Barry Clibborn), Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe, died 22 February), Fr Peter Preston SDS (friend of Mike Tighe), Paul Hotchkis (died 7 February aged 68 years, husband of Jane, brother in law of Paul and Gemma Couch).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Dora Ballarin (Antonella Foti's mother, 2nd anniversary 5 April), Athol Higgins (husband of Norma, 3rd anniversary 30 March), Anne Hanna (5th anniversary on 31 March, wife of Harry, beloved mother and grandmother), Raymond McGarry (brother of John, 4th anniversary on 1 April), Brian MacMillan (brother of Pat, 4th anniversary on 1 April), Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 21st anniversary on 23 March), Joan Sutherland (30th anniversary on 27th March), Gus Almgren (3rd anniversary 23 March), Noreen McGarry (wife of Brian, 18 year anniversary on 18 March), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 13 year anniversary on 14th March), Helen Gait (wife of Tom, 1st anniversary, 9 March), Ottaviano Praturlon (husband of Elsa, 26th anniversary on 6 March), Ina Alsaka (mother of Suzanne Cooke, 8th anniversary on 9 March), Jonas Buzinskas (father of Peter, anniversary on 9 March), Brian Fraser (husband of Devona, 6th anniversary on 10th March), Roger Thrum (11th anniversary, 13 March), Lizeth Andreina Albornoz Gonzalez (2nd anniversary, sister in law of Veronica Acevedo), Jack Jones (brother in law of Jo and Frank Waldron, 1st anniversary 21 February), Tom Anderson (father of Margaret MacMillan) anniversary 22 February), Eleanora Poletto (mother of Giordana Praturlon, 5th anniversary 26 February), Reg Kirkwood (brother of Patrick, 4th anniversary on 14 February), Roy Woodall (father of Sue, 1st anniversary 14 February), Bernadette Bevins (1st anniversary 20 February), Maureen Taylor (Carol Reidy's mother, 11th anniversary on 13 February), Chris Roche (Lillas' son, 4th anniversary on 12 February), Burt Schaafsma (husband of Mary, 1st anniversary 3 February). Margaret Bizannes (10th anniversary on 7 February), Evelyn Waters (cousin of Margaret MacMillan, 1st anniversary 9 February).

FOR THE SICK:

Pam Gallagher, Margaret MacMillan, Fr Robert Borg, Leon D'Apice, Bill Northcott, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Patricia Morgan, Max Arnett, Cyril Littrich, Greg McNally, John Clark, John Fisher, John Lyons (son-in-law of Halina Brzowzski), Sinead Joyce (friend of Dot & Mike Tighe), Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Gerard Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Hildegard McLaughlin, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

What does the Word say to us today - the Fifth Sunday of Lent?

First Reading (Isaiah 43:16-21). The prophet assures the Jews exiled in Babylon that there will be a new Exodus. This message of hope should inspire us also.

Second Reading (Philippians 3:8-14). Paul has willingly sacrificed everything for the privilege of knowing Christ. He hasn't yet arrived but is still running the race of salvation.

Gospel (John 8:1-11). Jesus refuses to condemn a woman caught in adultery to death by stoning.

The aim of the Scribes and Pharisees was to set a snare for Jesus. If he pardoned the woman, he could be accused of encouraging people to break the law of Moses. If he agreed that she should be stoned, he would lose his name for mercy, but Jesus turned the tables on her accusers by suggesting that they look at their own sins.

We see God's love and compassion in Jesus' treatment of the sinful woman.

Next Weekend's Readings:

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56.

Quotes for Reflection this week

"The Church Fathers (after the New Testament) teach us that a shattered heart is the most pleasing gift to God. It is the sign that we are conscious of our sins, of the evil we have done, of our wretchedness, and of our need for forgiveness and mercy."

- **Pope Francis**, *The Name of God is Mercy*

"Sin is more than a stain. Sin is a wound; it needs to be treated, healed. The place where my encounter with the mercy of Jesus takes place is my sin."

- **Pope Francis**, *The Name of God is Mercy*

"The quality of mercy is not strain'd;
it droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
upon the place beneath.

It is twice blest:

it blesseth him that gives and him that takes.

'Tis mightiest in the mighty;

it becomes the throned monarch better than his crown...

It is enshrined in the hearts of kings.

It is an attribute of God himself.

And earthly power doth then show likest God's
when mercy seasons justice."

- **William Shakespeare**, *The Merchant of Venice*



"The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future."

Oscar Wilde

We are still in desperate need for 2 Catechists. Training and resources provided

Warrawee Public School

(Year 1) Wednesdays 8:55am—9:35am

Wahroonga Public School ("the Bush School")

Thursdays 10:40am—11:20am

Please contact Cecilia Kean 0400 356 199 for further details.



**CATECHIST
WANTED!**

HELP NEEDED

An elderly parishioner, who struggles with mobility, has reached out asking if there is anyone who might lend a hand by picking up a few groceries on her behalf each week. She is otherwise cared for by assisting living services and Meals on Wheels, but is often in need of some extra basics (fruit, bread, etc).

If you would be willing to volunteer your time in helping her, please contact the parish office. **Fr Sam**

Penitential Service Wednesday 6th April



**RITE FOR RECONCILIATION OF SEVERAL PENITENTS
WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

with Candidates for Full Communion with the Catholic Church

Presider

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo

Bishop of Broken Bay

Wednesday 6th April

**The Lenten Penitential
Service** for the
North Shore Deanery
will be held at
**Holy Name Parish on
Wednesday evening
6th April
at 7.00pm.**

Bishop Anthony Randazzo
will be presiding.

**All are welcome to
attend the Service and
individual Confession
and
Absolution will be
offered.**

*Preparing for Holy Week 2022
Palm Sunday - next Sunday, 10 April*

Holy Week is the week before Easter Sunday, beginning seven days before with ***Palm Sunday.***

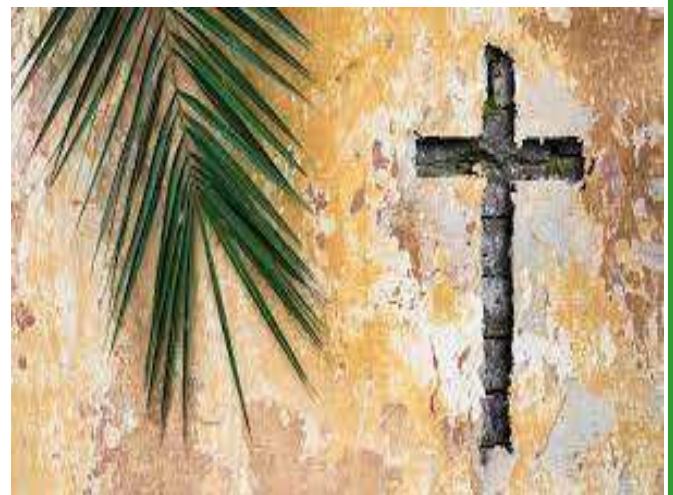
It ends with Holy Saturday. Easter is not part of Holy Week, but rather the beginning of the Easter season of the Liturgical year.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday.

On this day, we celebrate the triumphant entry of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, into Jerusalem, riding a donkey. On that day, the people laid palms before Him, a gesture reserved for triumphant leaders.

We celebrate this at Mass by distributing palms to the faithful who may keep them for a time for use as devotional objects. The palms are blessed at Mass. Sometimes craft portions of palm fronds are crafted into crosses.

Eventually, these palms are returned to the Church where they are burned. Traditionally, their ashes are saved and distributed at next year's Ash Wednesday services.



Chrism Mass - Tuesday 12 April 2022

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12 April at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration with Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo to renew their priestly commitment. During Mass, the oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the Chrism is consecrated and then taken back to each parish for use in various Sacramental liturgies throughout the year.

Parishioners are warmly invited to join together in this celebration and are most welcome to attend. There is no longer a capped number for attendance following the easing of COVID restrictions.

Please contact the parish office before Monday 4 April should you wish to attend.

HOLY WEEK

There will be **NO morning Mass** on Holy Thursday or Good Friday.

14 April - Holy Thursday
7.30pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper

15 April - Good Friday
10am Stations of the Cross

3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord



Palm Sunday

Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday before Easter. Commemorates the Last Supper. Often observed with foot washing, stripping of the altar, and overnight prayer vigil to keep watch with Jesus in the garden.



Good Friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the Stations of the Cross and three hours of silent prayer while Jesus was on the cross.



Holy Saturday

Saturday before Easter. Observes the day Jesus was in the tomb. This is a day of somber reflection, reflecting on what we'd miss in a world without Jesus.



Easter Sunday

Hallelujah! Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.



EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

16 April - Easter Saturday
Easter Vigil 7pm

Note: Supper held after the Vigil.

17 April - Easter Sunday
Easter Sunday Mass at 8.00am
Mass of the Resurrection at 9.30am

There will be Morning Tea and an Easter Egg Hunt for our Parish Children after 9.30am Mass.



(note: No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday)

Some matters for your consideration...

- ◆ **Would you like to attend the 2022 Chrism Mass?** The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7:30pm on Tuesday, 12th April at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. See Page 3 for full details.
- ◆ **Acolytes, Readers, Collectors, Eucharistic Ministers needed for our Easter Services** - sign up sheet at the entrance to the Church.
- ◆ **Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?**
Why not think about participating in our RCIA program.
Speak to Fr Paul or Fr Sam for further details.
- ◆ Do you have a Parish **Pyx** (special container for carrying Holy Communion to the sick) at home?
Please return to the Sacristy.



This SATURDAY—2 April at 1:00pm



MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE at St Mary's Sydney Cathedral Forecourt.

Our Lady of Fatima's request to pray for peace, making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and fulfilling the First Five Saturdays' Devotion has never been more important. Confession is available from 11.30am and Holy Mass at 12pm in St Mary's Cathedral.

Men, it's time for ACTION - join us, share the message, invite others and bring your mates and sons along.
Rain, hail or shine it's on!

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us

MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE is a movement of men publicly offering reparation and repentance to God on the 'First Saturday' of each month in honour of Our Lady of Fatima and her requests.

#mensrosarycrusade

St Leo's College Youth Ministry Team are collecting pre-loved/used jewellery:

Beads, bracelets, bangles, earrings, necklaces, rings...



**for women who are victims of
Domestic Violence at a facility they
visit at Woolloomooloo.**

If you are able to help, please drop into the Parish Office
or place in the basket in the Church foyer.

Thank you.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation - Sunday 27th March, 2022

Last Sunday we celebrated the Confirmation of 41 of our young people in the Parish. It is our first Confirmation since 2019. This was a wonderful opportunity to reinvigorate the Sacramental program of the parish after recent lockdowns.



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

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St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):	Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823, Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer), Mrs Candy Cosgriff (Secretary)	

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm (and FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am)
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm
and 7.30pm at Loreto College Normanhurst during school terms

Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am

8.00am— 8.30am *Silent Prayer*

8.30am— 8.45am *Morning Prayer of the Church*

8.45am— 9.00am *Rosary*

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening during Lent: Adoration 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Mass is also celebrated: :

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara— Monday 7.00am

St Leo's College, Wahroonga Friday 12.55pm during school terms

Baptism: Preparation - last Sunday of the month.

Baptisms - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.00am.
Bookings essential through the Parish Office.

Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls:

Any time day or night.

Please call 0408 350 885 out of office hours

Confessions:

Saturday 11.30am or by appointment. The list of times in surrounding parishes is on our parish website. We recommend you call the parish in advance to confirm times.

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021: Tess Denham-Fabry (Deputy Chair), Ed Scully (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Tom Waugh, Giovanna Flores-Clarke, Ian Edmunds, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong and Roger Bohlsen, along with Genevieve Smith (Prouille) and Elizabeth Webster (St Lucy's) and a representative from St Edmunds.

Parish Finance Committee: Marinela Mendes, Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien

Parish Fundraising Committee: Noel Kean (Chair), Meredith Baume, Anthony Weaver, Lyn Saul, James Toomey

The Parish Bank Account Number: The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) with whom the parish banks, has changed some of its processes. This means we have a new account number. In the past, we would provide the details here, however, in late 2020, the Diocese of Broken Bay advised we were no longer to advertise our bank account details in the parish bulletin or on our website. **SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?** If you deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the new account number. There is no change to regular credit card contributors.

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests. It is greatly appreciated.

- The 1st Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.
- The 2nd Collection taken up at Mass is for the running and upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by joining a Planned Giving scheme. Please contact the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach.

Alternatively see the "Make A Payment" tab on www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY: Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest. It is located near the entrance to the church, next to the notice board. It is designed to be used by everyone. Please familiarise yourself with the use of this device at [AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube](#) in case of an emergency.