



*12 April - SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY*

"JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU"

Dear Parishioners,

The Second Sunday of Easter is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday, inviting us to delve deeply into the mystery of God's mercy, fully revealed in the Risen Christ.

Today's Gospel presents two powerful moments. First, Jesus appears to His disciples, gathered behind closed doors, and uncertain. The Risen Lord's first words are not of reproach, but of peace: "Peace be with you!" This special greeting is followed by a symbolic act of breathing on them, preparing them for receiving the Holy Spirit. Jesus recommends that they forgive sins along the mission. This is the birth of the Church that does not condemn, but a church that heals and restores.

The second instance is the story of Thomas the Apostle, who is often remembered for his doubt. Thomas wants proof. He wants to see and touch. Yet when he finally encounters Jesus, his doubt turns into one of the most beautiful professions of faith ever heard before: "My Lord and my God."

Dear parishioners, Thomas reminds us of something very special about doubt. In fact, it is not the end of Faith. Doubt can be a doorway to a deeper encounter with Christ. This deeper encounter marked the lifestyle of the first Christian community. The second reading tells us that the early Christians lived in unity, sharing everything, praying together, and caring for one another. They became a living witness of God's mercy, visible and contagious. This is to say that in our modern time, people are drawn to us as Christians not just by word but by the way we love one another.

In a world often marked by division and judgment, we are called to become a sign of mercy. In the footsteps of the early believers, let us build communities of compassion and forgiveness. Like Thomas, we may also struggle or hesitate, but Jesus comes to us and assures us patiently not to be afraid. He wants us to believe.

May this Divine Mercy Sunday and this new week bring us the grace of faith. Let us open our hearts to God's mercy and receive His peace by becoming instruments of His Love in our families and our parish community.

Let us not be separated from God's Love. May our prayer always be: "Jesus, I trust in You"!

Fr. Jules-Davy



Easter Thanks

Thank You: To all the volunteers who have contributed generously to the Liturgies throughout Holy Week, up to and including Easter Sunday Masses. This includes welcomers, readers, altar preparers, servers, extraordinary ministers of Communion, counters, sacristans, flower arrangers, cleaners and all who helped in the preparations for our Easter liturgies. A special word of thanks to the musicians and singers for your hours of preparation and the sharing of your gifts and talents.

Project Compassion Appeal: With the end of Lent, this appeal comes to an end. The boxes/envelopes can be left in the basket provided at the entrance to the church or placed on any of the collection baskets.

First Collections: The First Collection is for the priests of the Diocese.

Second Collection: The Second Collection is for the running costs, upkeep, administration and all other associated expenses of our own Parish. This is our main source of income and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Easter Offering: This money goes to the Clergy Remuneration, Retirement and Sick Priest Fund of the Broken Bay Diocese to assist in the upkeep and welfare of the priests of the Diocese. Envelopes for this purpose are available at the entrances to the church and can be placed on any of the collection baskets. Thank you.

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	13 April	Mass	9.15am			Monday of the 2nd week of Easter
Tuesday	14 April	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of the 2nd week of Easter
Wednesday	15 April	Mass	9.15am			Wednesday of the 2nd week of Easter
Thursday	16 April	Mass	9.15am			Thursday of the 2nd week of Easter
Friday	17 April	Mass	9.15am			Friday of the 2nd week of Easter
Saturday	18 April	Mass	5.00pm			Saturday of the 2nd week of Easter
Sunday	19 April	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED: Dr Jock Shumack (uncle of Rosalie Belsey), Don Reade (husband of Jeanette, father of Mark and Michael, died 22 February aged 92), Mary Toomey (mother of James, died in the UK on 6 February), Geoffrey Fonseca (brother of Mark, died in Canada on 7 Feb), Daisy Chiu (longtime parishioner, sister of Lily Wong, mother to Celine, Bernard and Felix, died 6 January), John Bourke (uncle of Rosalie Belsey, brother of Pat Baxter, died 8 January), Nancy den Hertog (died 14 December), Judith (Judy) Allan (died 6 December, mother of Philippa, Vincent and Sonia).

ANNIVERSARIES: Andy Watson (son of Maurice and Jane) 7th anniversary on 13 April, Richard Blake (husband of Jo, 1st anniversary 6 April), Giovanni (Jack) Cincotta (father of Trish Maiolo, 51st anniversary on 16 April), Brian MacMillan (brother of Pat, 8th anniversary on 1 April), Philip Clump (husband of Simone, dad of Oliver and Estelle, son of Brenda and Carl, 1st anniversary 2 April), Helen Nader (sister of John Kassis, 16th anniversary on 1 April), Yamami (Lima)Sadeik (sister of John Kassis, 2nd anniversary 2 April), Dora Ballarin (Antonella Foti's mother, 6th anniversary 5 April), Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 25th anniversary on 23 March), Rose Maiolo (2nd anniversary 27 March, (wife of Noel, mother of Christine, Melissa and Sarah, sister in law of Trish and Tony Maiolo), Donald Dunning (brother of Leila McCreton, 3rd anniversary, 27 March), Athol Higgins (husband of Norma, 7th anniversary 30 March), Roger Thrum (15th anniversary, 13 March), Robyn Miller (sister-in-law of Jackie Thornton, 1st anniversary 11 March), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 17 year anniversary on 14th March), Noreen McGarry (wife of Brian, 22nd anniversary on 18 March), Marceli Pochyly (45th anniversary on 19 March, father of Cecylia Ramsden), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England, 3rd anniversary 20 March), Peter Hunt (husband of Sue, longtime parishioner, 1st anniversary 7 March), Peter Brink (Dot's husband, 2nd anniversary 25 February), Ottaviano Praturlon (husband of Elsa, 30th anniversary on 6 March).

FOR THE SICK: Julie Madden, Peter and Bernadette Vince (brother and sister-in-law of Cecilia Kean), Joseph Akkary (great-great-nephew of Denise and John Kassis), Pam Gallagher, Stevan Dind (friend of Dominic McGrath and Spiros Potiris), Megan Khannah, José Joaquim De Sousa (son of Ines), Shannon Van Der Bergh (nephew of Amalie G), George Ozelins, Peter and Jan Van de Velde (Jacqui's parents), Jannette Mary Cameron (sister of Tom Gait), Jenny O'Brien, Lawson Wynter (grandson of Marilyn Orrock), Jenny Southam, Alison Robinson (daughter of Vince and Bev), Ray Kassis (brother of John Kassis), Yvonne Malouf (mother of Joanne Klostermann), Noeline Mannix, Tina Northcott, Mark Vinson Vallarta, Margaret Du Moulin (Edwina Potiris' mum, friend of Dominic McGrath), Conor and Leila McCreton, Margaret and Pat MacMillan, Jonathan Tighe (nephew of Caroline Montouro), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister).

Spiritual Care Series

Catholic Healthcare invites parishioners to the *Spiritual Care Series* a world leading program in the spiritual care of older person. This **free** eight week course equips and empowers those interested in volunteering in aged-care settings, carers and those accompanying older people. Topics include exploring understanding ageing journey, dementia, spirituality in later life, good communication, and the power of faith and hope.

***A second information evening will be held in the Parish Sunroom
on Thursday 7 May, 7.00–8.00pm,***

The course will run from MID MAY 2026 (Exact Dates to be confirmed).

Contact Adrian at 0421 407 270 or spccvolunteers@chcs.com.au for further information or to register.

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday
SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47: The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

Second Reading: 1 Pet 1:3-9: He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead. Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe. Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 20:19-31: After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

THIS SUNDAY at HOLY NAME WAHROONGA



You are invited to celebrate



Holy Name Catholic Church
35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga

Program

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| 12:00pm | Reconciliation |
| 1.30pm: | Welcome
Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image
Exposition of Blessed Sacrament |
| 2.00pm: | Eucharistic Procession & Holy Rosary |
| 2:30pm: | Chaplet of Divine Mercy |
| 2:45pm: | Benediction |
| 3:00pm: | 3 o'clock Prayer |
| 3:15pm- 3:45pm: | Holy Mass and
Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image |

All Welcome

Our 2026 Easter Vigil - Saturday 4 April



Parish News and Events

SAVE THESE DATES:

Sunday 12 April - Fr Jules-Davy's Birthday - don't forget to wish him



Tuesday 28 April - Parents and Carers—Welcome and Information Evening for the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist.

Saturday, 9 May - Parish Celebration for Fr Jules-Davy's birthday after 5:00pm Mass. Everyone is invited!
- First of four Sacramental Preparation Groups for First Holy Eucharist.



I OFFERED A
HOLY HOUR
FOR YOU

**Holy Hour
Recommences**
Friday 10 April - 6:30pm

All Welcome

Senior Ladies Group

Meets on the first Thursday of the month at
2:00pm in the Parish Sunroom

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 7 MAY



Men's Rosary & Bible Study

The men of HNW meet every fortnight on Tuesday night to pray the rosary and read the Gospel.
All men welcome.

Program - next meeting 21 April

7:00pm Silent prayer in the church

7:10pm Rosary

7:45pm Gospel reflection & discussion



Contact : Tomasz Grzech 0413 802 069 or
Alexander Fletcher O.P 0452 524 119
for more information.

**Our next Youth Group will be held in the Sunroom at Holy Name on
Friday 1st May from 4 pm to 6 pm.**

Drinks and snacks will be provided—JUST COME ALONG!



The students will engage in activities for their age group lightly intertwined with Catholic principles. The youth group will run fortnightly over Term 1 and include as many young people from the area as possible. **Contact Sally Oong: hnwsally@gmail.com** for more details.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST (FIRST COMMUNION)

Eligibility: Candidates must be in at least Year 4 and must celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation & Reconciliation before the Sacrament of First Eucharist (First Communion).

Parents and Carers - Welcome and Information Evening

Tuesday 28 April, 7-8pm in Holy Name Church, 35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga.

This is a compulsory information evening for parents/carers, which includes refreshments.

Attendance is compulsory by one parent/carer on 28 April, 2026.

Group Leader Training:

Tuesday 5 May, 7.00pm, Sunroom at the Church (Leaders **only**)

Sacramental Preparation Groups:

Meet each week at the Prouille School Hall before 3.45pm.



Lesson 1: Saturday, 9 May at 3.45pm,

Lesson 3: Saturday, 23 May at 3.45pm,

with each lesson followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church and then a sausage sizzle.

(All lessons and Masses are compulsory to attend)

Lesson 2: Saturday, 16 May at 3.45pm,

Lesson 4: Saturday, 30 May at 3.45pm,

Practice: Wednesday 10 June at 6.00pm at the Church

Celebration of the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist at the Church:

Sunday 14 June at a special 11.00am Mass

What is the Divine Mercy?

What is the Divine Mercy message in a nutshell?

To quote from the **Diary of St Faustina**:

Ask God for His Mercy -

"...be willing to talk openly with your God of Mercy who wants to speak words of pardon and lavish his graces on you" Diary #1485 and "... Do not lose heart coming for pardon, for I am always ready to forgive you. As often as you beg for it, you glorify My mercy". Diary #1488;

Be merciful to others -

The Merciful shall be shown Mercy ... "three ways of exercising mercy - by deed, by word, by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy..." Diary # 742; and

Trust in Jesus completely -

"... if your trust is great, then my generosity will be without limit" Diary #548 and

"...Your great trust in Me forces Me to continuously grant you graces ..." Diary # 718.




"I shall sing forever the Lord's mercy" (Ps 89 [88]).

This year, Sunday 12 April is recognised by the Church as Divine Mercy Sunday. Between 1930 and 1938 Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. She was canonised on April 30, 2000, the Sunday after Easter, the Feast of Divine Mercy. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Sr Faustina make a special novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. Jesus also asked that a picture be painted according to the vision of Himself as the fountain of mercy. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the chaplet at three o'clock each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy).

Pictured is the original image of the Divine Mercy painted by Eugene Kazimierowski when Sister Faustina was in Lithuania. It currently hangs in the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Vilnius, Lithuania

Everyone is welcome to be part of our Divine Mercy Sunday proceedings commencing with Reconciliation at 12:00pm and concluding with Holy Mass at 3:15pm. (Full program on Page 2).

Around and About



HORNSBY CATHEDRAL PARISH


INVITES YOU TO

The Secret of The Holy Face

AUSTRALIAN TOUR

"JOIN THE RANKS OF SAINT THERESA AND OTHER SAINTS IN THE ARCHCONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY FACE AND CONTEMPLATE HIS FACE TO HELP RESTORE CHRISTENDOM"

SPEAKER:




FR LAWRENCE CARNEY


AUTHOR - THE SECRET OF THE HOLY FACE: "THE DEVOTION DESTINED TO SAVE SOCIETY"

SATURDAY, 18 APRIL 2026
7:30PM - 9:30PM
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL
23 YARDLEY AVE, WAITARA NSW 2077


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SERRA

Vocations Ministry
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pymble

Guest Speaker


Fr Rosan Mathew

— A Journey to Priesthood —

Recently ordained for the Diocese of Broken Bay, Fr Rosan Mathew shares his inspiring journey of faith, discernment, and service.

Beginning his vocation in India with a religious order, and continuing his formation in Australia, Fr Rosan has spent over a decade responding to God's call. Following his ordination by Bishop Anthony Randazzo, he now serves the People of God with dedication and joy.

*I'm really excited...
I'm looking forward to serving the people of God.*



Event Details

Venue: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pymble
Date: Thursday, 16th April 2026
Mass & dinner meeting: 6:30 p.m.
RSVP: Terry Scanlan M: 0438 887 295
E: terry_scanlan@bigpond.com
Hosted by: Serra Vocations Ministry

— **All Welcome** —

Join us for an evening of faith, vocation, and fellowship.

Engaged Encounter Weekends 2026

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life.

We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship.

For further information visit our web site:

www.engagedencounter.org.au

Choose any of the coming Weekends:

May 23-24, Aug 8-9



Carmel House Retreats

2026

MAY
20-24

Pentecost Intensive
RUAH

"He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit'". Jn 20:22
The Ruah (breath) of God renews each soul that receives its power. Embrace the gift of the Holy Spirit through fellowship, inputs, prayer and practical workshops and help renew the face of the earth
<https://www.trybooking.com/D1DAV>

JUNE
27

GARDENS
Day Retreat

"Grieve not as those who have no hope." 1 Thess 4:13
Spend a day reflecting on how while we experience pain, grief and loss in life, we can also discover in such moments that God is renewing us and doing "a new thing" (Rev 21:4) within us.
<https://www.trybooking.com/D1DBD>

AUG
28-30

HOMECOMING
Silent Retreat

"His father saw him, ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him." Lk 15: 20
Your heavenly Father waits for you to come away with him for a weekend of silently soaking in his great love for you. Embrace this opportunity for encountering deep peace and serenity.
w/e: <https://www.trybooking.com/D1DBK>
extensive: <https://www.trybooking.com/D1DBU>

OCT
16-18

Hand Made
Creative Healing Retreat

"In his hand is the life of every creature." Job 12:10
Come away for a weekend of reflection on how carefully God has made and upheld your life through different creative prayer experiences.
<https://www.trybooking.com/D1DCB>

NOV
14

ALIVE
Holy Spirit Family
Retreat Day

Your family has been carefully chosen and put together by God and has an important mission entrusted only to you.
Discover as a family the power of the Holy Spirit to live with boldness and love!
<https://www.trybooking.com/D1DCJ>

Missionaries of God's Love

Sisters



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Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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Postal Address:		P O Box 385 Wahroonga NSW 2076
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School Principal:		Ms Genevieve Smith
Phone:	(02) 7256 2146	School Website: www.prouilledbb.catholic.edu.au
CCD Coordinator:		Mrs Hayley Edmunds
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:		Mrs Judy Dalton (SAN - Tues) Mr Barry Clibborn (SAN - Fri) Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:		Volunteer needed please.
St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):		Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823 Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer)

Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am (8:45am Morning Prayer)
Rosary after Mass Tuesday—Friday and after 1st Saturday Mass
Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Holy Hour: Friday evenings 6:30pm (except during Lent—
when we have Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm).

Weekend Masses:

FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

Mass is also celebrated: :

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

**McQuoin Park, Waitara: Fr Jules-Davy celebrates Mass on
Sundays at 11:00am**

Baptism: Preparation - by appointment with Parish Priest
Bookings essential through the Parish Office.

Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls:

Any time day or night. Please call 0484 581 647 out of
office hours. Fr Jules-Davy visits Hornsby Hospital on a
regular basis and the SAH (The SAN) by arrangement.

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: Rosalie Belsey (Chair), Anne-Louise Deakin (Co-Chair), Sajanee Senn (Secretary),
Chrissie Goldrick, Alex Fletcher, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Patrick Kirkwood, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong, with Genevieve
Smith (Prouille), Rebecca Kirwan (St Edmunds) and Courtenay Peters (St Lucy's).

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

The Parish Bank Account Number: BSB: 062-784 ACC: 100010626 (Wahroonga Parish EFT Account)

SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? If you would like to deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad
hoc basis), please use the above account number. 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

**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 of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

The **2nd Collection** taken up at Mass is for the running, maintenance and upkeep of the Parish.

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest.

It is located on the right hand side as you enter the Church next to the notice board behind the last pew.

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.