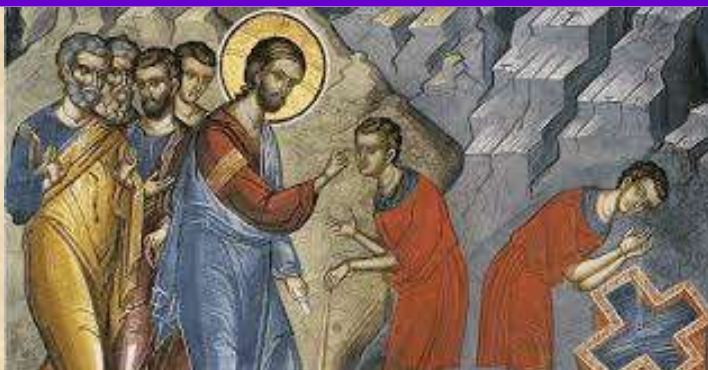


*“God so loved the world,
He sent His only son....”*



Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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14 March 2021—Fourth Sunday of Lent

Welcome!

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Holy Name please visit our parish website at www.holynamewahroonga.com.au. We hope you enjoy your time here at Holy Name Wahroonga. Please visit us again soon.

From Fr Paul

Dear Parishioners,

Just two months ago I began here at Holy Name, Wahroonga. It has been a time of becoming familiar with you the people and the culture of the parish, knowing the roles of parish team members, meeting various ministry and group leaders, visiting and ministering to the schools within the Parish boundaries, and becoming familiar with the hospitals and aged care facilities. I have sought to make the ongoing celebration of the sacraments and Liturgy my initial focus, along with the beginning-of-school-year and the Lenten season. We have established a regular Holy Hour (8-9am) to begin the day prior to Morning Mass. Much of this I have shared with Fr Anselam and Deacon Sam.

Fr Anselam, Deacon Sam and I had some hours at St Lucy's School during the week. It was an opportunity to visit several classes, meet with the Principal (David Raphael) and the REC (Vanessa Dillon), and gain a sense of the history, current operations and plans for the school's ongoing development. David and Vanessa expressed their appreciation that the school has a close connection with the Holy Name community. It is our privilege to serve these children with special needs, and their families. Of the "little ones" Jesus said, "to such as these does the kingdom of heaven belong".

I have met with the Parish Finance Committee (PFC) reviewing our financial position, checking revenue and expenditure during the Covid period. A report is being prepared for the parish. According to Canon Law and diocesan guidelines, a new Parish Priest is to establish a new Parish Finance Committee, not excluding members of the previous Committee, within three (3) months of taking office. I shall continue to work with the current committee and address changes to the PFC during the year.

This week there was a Change of Parish Priest Review. The Review covered the Finance and Accounting areas and the Operations and Administration areas of the Parish. I shall make the findings known to the PFC and PPMC.

This week I have met with Gemma McDermott, Chair of the Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council (PPMC) to be briefed about the work and vision of the current PPMC. We shall have our first meeting on 22nd March. I shall endeavour to make the vision and workings of the PPMC as transparent and accessible as possible to the parish community.

Wishing you a blessed week as we continue our preparation for the great solemnity of Easter. *Fr Paul*

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	15 March	No Mass				Monday of the 4th week of Lent
Tuesday	16 March	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of the 4th week of Lent
Wednesday	17 March	Mass	9.15am			ST PATRICK, bishop
Thursday	18 March	Mass	9.15am			Thursday of the 4th week of Lent
Friday	19 March	Mass	9.15am			ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Saturday	20 March	Mass			5.00pm	Saturday Vigil of FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
Sunday	21 March	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Helen Gait (wife of Tom, died 9 March), Jack Jones (brother in law of Jo and Frank Waldron, died 21 February), Bernadette Bevins died 20 February, aged 95 years), Evelyn Waters (cousin of Margaret MacMillan, died in New Zealand, 9 February), Ron Woodall (father of Sue, died in Adelaide 14 February), Amelia Faulkner (mother of Elaine Wilson, died in Ireland 31 January, aged 85 years), Charles (Charlie) Attard (brother of Ray, brother-in-law to Lynne and uncle of Ryan, died 27 January), Graham Wogan (friend of Pat and Margaret MacMillan, died in New Zealand on 24 January).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Roger Thrum (10th anniversary, 13 March), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 12 year anniversary on 14th March), Noreen McGarry (17 year anniversary on 18 March), Gus Almgren (2nd anniversary 23 March), Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 20th anniversary on 23 March), Ottaviano Praturion (husband of Elsa, 25th anniversary on 6 March), Ina Alsaka (mother of Suzanne Cooke, 7th anniversary on 9 March), Jonas Buzinskas (father of Peter, anniversary on 9 March), Brian Fraser (husband of Devona, 5th anniversary on 10th March), Lizeth Albornoz Gonzalez (sister -in-law of: Verónica Acevedo , 1st anniversary on 28 February), Tom Anderson (father of Margaret MacMillan) anniversary 22 February), Sue Roche (2nd anniversary, 22 February), Eleanora Poletto (mother of Giordana Praturion, 4th anniversary 26 February), Maureen Taylor (Carol Reidy's mother, 10th anniversary on 13 February), Vincent & Leo Tighe (father and uncle of Mike Tighe), Reg Kirkwood (brother of Patrick, 3rd anniversary on 14 February), Margaret Bizannes (9th anniversary on 7 February), Chris Roche (Lillas' son, 3rd anniversary on 12 February), Eileen Goldstein (mother of Pam Gallagher, anniversary on 29 January), Kay Elizabeth Ann Baguley (mother of Jo Toomey, 22nd anniversary on 2nd February), Joan Clarke (4th anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 4th anniversary, 23 January), Toufic Kassis (brother of John, 1st anniversary 20 January).

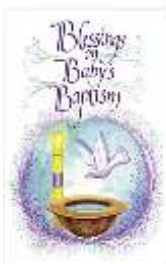
FOR THE SICK:

Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Stephen Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), John Clarke, Bill Murrell, Danielle Uskovic, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Nonoy Tad-y (cousin of Rose Raward), Colin Higgins, Candy Cosgriff, Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Nancy Den Hertog, Walter Sutcliffe, Karen Tighe (daughter of Mike), Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Mike Tighe, Cyril Littrich, Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, Baby Thomas Joseph Elley, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, Margaret Woodlands, Hildegard McLaughlin, David Coombes, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noline 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, Maureen Ritchard, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

Congratulations
to the
Leyden Family

Victoria Rose

will be baptised this
Sunday at 11:00am



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Geoff Bugden will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on **Thursday 18th March 2021.**

The evening commences with Mass at **6.00 PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting. **Following the meeting** we will be showing a video presentation given by Bishop Anthony **Randazzo in 2018 on the life of Eileen O'Connor and her path to Canonization. It is an important message which should not be missed.** Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see". *Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations.* Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you would like to attend.



Our Parish Preparation for Easter



Lent:

Thank you to all those who participated in our Lenten gatherings the past three Wednesday nights. Each week we had a further ten participants!



Holy Hour, Reconciliation and Stations - Friday evenings from 6:00pm

Stations will be prayed in the Church each Friday evening during Lent at 7.00pm. All are welcome. Holy Hour from 6:00pm, concluding with Benediction. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during this time.

Second Rite of Reconciliation in Preparation for Easter

We gather together to prepare and then there is the opportunity for individual Reconciliation.

This Wednesday evening, 17th March, 7.30pm

(We will have 3 visiting priests assisting)

Pope Francis has encouraged all the faithful to return to the practice of regular Confession (the Sacrament of Reconciliation). The Code of Canon Law states: After having reached the age of discretion, each member of the faithful is obliged to confess faithfully his or her grave sins at least once a year. (CIC 989) That said, "it is recommended to the Christian faithful that they also confess venial sins" (CIC 988). This sacrament is a celebration of the mercy and forgiveness of God, gifts which we must actively receive.

Blessings in regular Confession in the Sacrament of Reconciliation

There are many blessings in regular confession (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church 1425-1498).

Among such blessings are the following:

- It restores divine life if I have lost it through mortal or serious sin.
- It increases grace and my capacity for grace, and helps me to grow in Christian maturity.
- It brings order and peace into my life by causing me to pause at regular intervals and ask myself the all-important question: *Where am I in my relationship with God?*
- It improves personal relations with others by making me aware of attitudes and actions that cause pain to other, and keep me in a state of alienation from God and others.
- It motivates me to practise the essential Christian virtues: faith, hope, charity, humility, self-denial, repentance, detachment from the ways of modern life which lead me away from God.

Making a good Confession entails contrition (sincere sorrow for offending God), confession of sin (confronting our sinfulness in an honest manner) and satisfaction (making amends by following the priest's advice and doing the penance he gives). A good Confession requires of me preparation by prayer, examining my conscience and the making the resolve to try not to sin again.

Saints of the Week

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We celebrate the Solemnity of two great saints in the coming week:

Tuesday 17th March

St Patrick

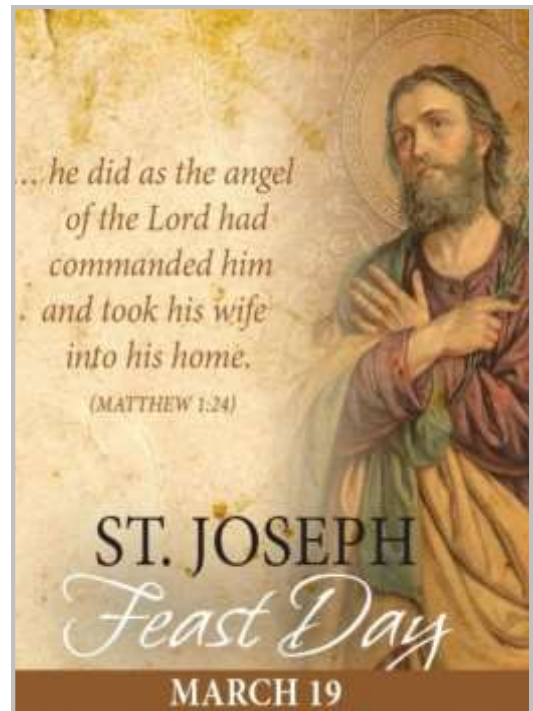
Patron Saint of Ireland



Thursday 19th March

St Joseph

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Important Dates for Holy Week

Holy Week commences on Palm Sunday, 28 March and leads into the

Easter Triduum



The **Easter Triduum** is the high point of the liturgical year. The Easter Triduum is the **one great liturgy** over three days, beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, then the solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday and ending with the celebration of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated on **Easter Sunday** morning.

Thank you to all those in our community who will help in any way with the preparation of the Church and all that is needed for the liturgy. A special word of acknowledgement to our musicians who have begun preparations.

We look forward to this great celebration of the Paschal (Easter) Mystery - the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

HOLY WEEK

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

Our Holy Week Schedule:

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| 1 April
7.30pm | Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by silent adoration before the Eucharist until 10.00pm |
| 2 April
10.00am
3.00pm | Good Friday:
Stations of the Cross
Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion |
| 3 April
7.00pm | Easter Saturday:
The Celebration of the Easter Vigil
Our Parish Schola will be singing.
Parishioners are invited to gather afterwards in the portico for light refreshments |
| 4 April
8.00am
9.30am | Easter Sunday
Easter Sunday Mass
Mass of the Resurrection
(with our uplifting "Pop-Up" Choir) |

There will be Easter Eggs for the children following our 9.30am Easter Sunday Morning Mass!

This Week's Readings and Reflection

First Reading: 2 Chron 36: 14-16.19-23

Because of their sins God allowed his people to be exiled to Babylon. But his mercy is seen in their home-coming.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 136

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Second Reading: Eph 2:4-10

It is not through our own efforts that we are saved, but through the love and mercy of God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Jn 3:14-21

In his love for us, God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn us, but to save us.

Reflection

The First Reading shows how God remained faithful to his people in spite of their infidelities. God's promises were not nullified by the sins of his people. It was because of their sins that God allowed his people to be exiled to Babylon, but his mercy is seen in their home-coming.

This leads into the Gospel. God's love and mercy are seen in the fact that he sent his Son to save us. Jesus came into the world as a light. Sadly, some preferred darkness to light, thus sealing their own condemnation. Judgement is not passed by God; people judge themselves by their response to the light.

The reading from Ephesians stresses the enormity of the love God has shown us in Christ. It makes it clear that we owe our salvation, not to our own efforts, but to the goodness of God.

Reflection:

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Second Reading (Ephesians 2:4-10) stresses the enormity of the love God has shown us in Christ. It makes it clear that we owe our salvation, not to our own efforts, but to the goodness of God.

Gospel (John 3:14-21) In his love for us, God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn us, but to save us.

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.' We hear these marvelous words in today's Gospel. They are a summary of the Good News.

Mercy is the Lord's most powerful message.

It is not easy to trust oneself to the mercy of God - but we must do it.

From Jesus, we will not hear words of contempt or condemnation, but only words of Love, of mercy, that invite us to conversion.

"Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more.."

The problem is that we get tired of asking for forgiveness.

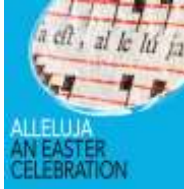
Pope Francis: untying the knots by Paul Vallely.

Parish Events

BACH AKADEMIE ALLELUJA - AN EASTER CELEBRATION [2] Saturday 27 March 2:00-4:00pm Holy Name Church Easter offers us an opportunity to both reflect and celebrate at this special time of year.

In our first concert of 2021, we present a program of both reflection and celebration, starting with Bach's early Easter cantata 'Christ lag in Todesbanden' BWV 4.

For those who love the jubilant instrumental works of Bach, we present his lesser known reconstructed Triple Violin Concerto, a treat for lovers of the violin. Containing only the Kyrie and Gloria, it is none the less a substantial work of genius meriting him with the title of one of the greatest composers who ever lived.



Program: 'Christ lag in Todesbanden' BWV 4: Triple Violin Concerto BWV 1064R: 'Singet dem Herrn' BWV 225: Missa Brevis in A BWV 234

COVID safe event—The health and safety of our audience, artists and staff is a priority for us. As a result, additional health and safety guidelines will be in place for this event. Due to covid restrictions A MAX OF 2 PEOPLE PER ORDER Brochure available in the church.

To purchase tickets, go to: <https://alleluja2.floktu.com/> or contact the Parish Office

The Pop Up Choir is coming back for Easter !

After a prolonged absence the choir will be popping up for Easter Sunday's 9.30am mass. Everyone is welcome to join this choir. No auditions, no experience necessary, just a love of singing.



The rehearsals will be as follows in the church:

Saturday 27th March 9.30-11am

Saturday 3rd April 9.30-11am.

Please email Chrissie Goldrick on chrisiegoldrick@gmail.com or call on 0438 625 056 or fill in the sheet at the back of church.

We need to know the numbers so we can ensure social distancing arrangements and that we have enough music prepared for you. If you have sung with this choir before and still have your 2018 music booklets, please let me know as this will save some trees. Bring a pencil and water to all rehearsals.

DEMENTIA NORTH TURRAMURRA



The monthly meeting of the Alzheimers' Discussion/Education Group is held on the third Monday of each month (except December) at the Richard Geeves Centre, 10 Murrumbidgee Road, Turramurra, commencing at 7.00pm.

Our next meeting is this Monday 15 March. Our Guest Speaker is Michelle Dickson who will speak on "Maintain Brain Health"

For further information please contact:

Tom Heath 9144 5223 Joan Perkins 0418 652 194

Margaret MacMillan 9489 4743

Spirit of St Lucy's

Our Reading and Maths Programs

We continue to facilitate our reading and maths programs for our students. These programs are overseen by our Literacy and Maths Learning Facilitator with the wonderful help and generosity of our many amazing volunteers.

The benefits that these programs bring for our students are far-reaching as it enables them to develop the skills they need to read, comprehend, represent, analyse and interpret so as to transfer this knowledge into their every day lives.

If volunteering at St Lucy's is something that you are interested in knowing more about, please feel free to get in touch with our Volunteers Coordinator, Cassandra Brading, on cassandrab@stlucys.nsw.edu.au



**St Leo's Catholic College
WAHROONGA**

OPEN DAY & Expo

**Come and see
what all the BUZZ is about!**

All welcome!

Tuesday 16 March, 4-7pm
Register at: stleos.nsw.edu.au

Lord,

Make the door of this house
wide enough to receive all
who need human love and
fellowship, narrow enough to shut
out all envy, pride and strife.

Make its threshold smooth
enough to be no stumbling
block to children, nor to
straying feet.

Make this house a house of
prayer and a gateway to your
kingdom.

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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School Principal:	Ms Genevieve Smith	
Phone:	(02) 9489 3233/ School Website: www.prouilledbb.catholic.edu.au	
CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Cecilia Kean	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mr John Boswell; Mr Chris Madden; Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)	
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:	Mr Chris Goldrick cgoldrick@optusnet.com.au 0450 963 596	
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

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: Holy Hour from 7.00pm (Suspended)

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

Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am.

Please make an appointment 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.

Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021

Gemma McDermott (Chair), 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 Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Jason Scanlon (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

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests—it is very much 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 upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by committing to a Planned Giving scheme. Please see the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Another way to assist our parish is to consider a gift in your will. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach. Please contact the parish office for a confidential discussion or more information.

(Alternatively see the "giving" pages at www.dbb.org.au) **EFTPOS Available in Parish Office**

Our Parish has Tap n Go Facilities at the entrance to our church. The money donated at these terminals contributes to our Parish Planned Giving—These monies are for the support of our Parish and Clergy.