

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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			Vacant—(Secretary)
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator :			
St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):			

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.

Friday evenings Holy Hour: 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

St Leo's College, Wahroonga - Friday 1:15pm during school terms

Baptism: Preparation - by appointment with Parish Priest

Baptisms - 11.00am—2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month 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.

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, Nick Chapman, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Patrick Kirkwood, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong, with Genevieve Smith (Prouille), Vanessa Dillon (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.

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16 November 2025

33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

'THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS WILL SHINE WITH HEALING IN ITS RAYS'

Today the first reading speaks to us about the sun, not the sun above in the sky. It tells us about another kind of sun. In God's name prophet Malachi says, "For you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine with healing in its rays".

Prophet Malachi speak of two kinds of people: the evil doers and those who fear the Lord. The evil-doers will be burn up by a burning furnace and those who fear the Lord will be healed by "the sun of righteousness". What does fear of the Lord means? We know what fear is: fear of being sick, fear of death; fear of wild animals or fear of what can enemy do to us. We should not fear God in this way. This is not what God want from us. When we talk about fearing God, we mean that we should have for Him the respect and love of a child of child who wants to please his father/mother in everything. He is careful not to do anything to hurt his father/mother. In this way, we could say that this child is afraid of causing sorrow to the father he loves.

This is how it should be with us and God, our Father. We should have great respect for Him. Because we love Him, we should be careful not to do anything that offends Him. And doing all we can to please Him in all things.

The gospel speaks frightening words. Today is the 33rd Sunday of the year. We are coming to the end of the liturgical year 2025. Next Sunday will be the last Sunday. And that is why the gospel tells us about the end of the world. Jesus says: "All these things you are staring at now...the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed". Hearing this, His Apostles are wondering how they will recognise that is about to happen? Master, when will this happen, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?"

Jesus answer to His Apostles is what is happening right now in our backyards and in front of our noses. In the TV and Newspapers news of the hour, day, week, months and years are scary to watch and read. And Jesus adds: "There will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven". In Mathew's gospel 24:29- "The sun will be darkened". Is Jesus frightening us? NO. But a warning: "Take care not to be deceived". The are likely to happen but it is not the end. The end of the world as we know it, Not the end of everything. Remember God's promise: "The sun of righteousness will shine with healing in its rays".

The Sun of God's love, mercy, God's forgiveness, and compassion for His children will endure forever. As the sun in the sky does for our bodies, the loving-mercy of God bring healing to our hearts.

Fr Gaspar Mushi Cssp.



**Farewell Gift
for
Fr John**

Please place cash/cheque inside this envelope or, if you wish to contribute by credit card, please provide your details on the back of this envelope.

Place sealed envelope into the Collection boxes. Thank you.

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has appointed our Assistant Priest, Fr John Puliparambil to another parish (yet to be announced), effective from 1 December 2025.

Fr John's last day with us will be Sunday 30 November. Following the 9:30am Mass there will be a special Farewell Morning Tea for him, combined with a belated Welcome Morning Tea for Fr Gaspar and Fr Jules-Davy.

If you would like to contribute toward a farewell gift for Fr John, envelopes are available in the Church.

Parish Masses This Week						
Monday	17 November	No Mass				St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious
Tuesday	18 November	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Wednesday	19 November	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Thursday	20 November	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 33
Friday	21 November	Mass	9.15am			The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday	22 November	Mass	5.00pm			St Cecilia, virgin, martyr
Sunday	23 November	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Clark (husband of Joan (dec), father of Julie, Cathryn and David, died 4 November aged 96), Gennaro (Jim) Abignano (died 24 October aged 93, husband of Maria, Dad to Nina, Luisa, Biagio, Joe, Mario and Pierre,), Robert Malonga (Fr Jules-Davy’s father—died 14 October aged 86), Nancy Joan Parsons (aunt of Jenny Gregory, died 11 October aged 100), Walter Sutcliffe (died 9 October - Director of Music at Holy Name and long time friend of the Holy Name Community), Tony Machado (husband of Quinnie, father to Elaine and Tonia, died 30 September aged 86).

ANNIVERSARIES: Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 58th anniversary on 16 November), Brian O’Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 6th anniversary 16 November), Peter McDermott (son of Julie, & stepson of Brian McGarry, 3rd anniversary 17 November), Bill McPhillips (brother & brother-in-law of Jennifer and Barry Clibborn, 4th anniversary 17 November), John Fleming (friend of Patrick Kirkwood, 4th anniversary 11 November), Jean Carroll (mother of Irene Jenkins, anniversary 12 November), Arie van der Plaat (Sandi Candotti’s Dad, 10th anniversary on 13 November), Barbara Woodfine (mother of Michael, 3rd anniversary 15 November), Joe Couch (Paul’s Dad, 16th anniversary on 25 October, Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma Couch, 8th anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 14th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 7th anniversary on 21 October), Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo’s mother, 12th anniversary 23rd October), Dennis Vincent McCarthy (Kathy Sutherland’s Dad, 22nd anniversary on 19 October), John Hamilton Cutler (Jennifer Gregory’s grandfather, 46th anniversary 19 October), Marianne Pochyly (Cecylia Ramsden’s Mum, 14th anniversary, 19 October), Josephine Wallington (20th anniversary on 12 October—Joanne Dummer’s Mum), John Vince (Cecilia Kean’s father, 40th anniversary on the 9 October), Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean’s Mum, 4th anniversary, 15 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas’ Mum, 16th Anniversary on 9 October), Dan Gibbons (brother of Reg Gibbons, husband of Maria and father of Annette and Diane, 5th anniversary 1 October),

FOR THE SICK: Peter and Jan Van de Velde (Jacqui’s parents), Jannette Mary Cameron (sister of Tom Gait), Peter Dewar (good friend of Reg Gibbons), Jenny O’Brien, Lawson Wynter, grandson of Marilyn Orrock, Megan Khannah, Jenny Southam, Alison Robinson (daughter of Vince and Bev), Tammy Ibda (friend of Dominic McGrath), 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), baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), Henry Alan Field (grandchild of dear friend of Cecilia Kean), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Pam Gallagher, 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).



From Fr Gaspar:
Some parishioners have reported receiving messages purporting to be from me requesting they ring me and/or purchase Apple Gift cards for me: this is not me! Please disregard and delete such messages immediately. Thank you.

PWBB - Pastoral Works Broken Bay

November 2025 Appeal
Continues - 15th and 16th November

Pastoral Works November 2025 Appeal

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)

Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care

Together, we bring hope and healing across our Diocese
Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB)
November Appeal

Our Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) November Appeal begins next weekend, 8–9 November 2025.

Through your generous support, PWBB helps fund vital ministries and programs across our Diocese including hospital chaplaincy, CatholicCare assistance, faith education for children in public schools.

The quota provided by the Diocese for our parish is \$33,961.00. **Any shortfall must be met by parish funds.** If you have an automatic authority in place, this has been processed - thank you.

Your gift makes a difference in the lives of people who turn to the Church in times of need.
All donations over \$2.00 are 100% tax-deductible.
Please give generously if you can.

Getting Ready For Christmas

WANTED: AGAPANTHUS – WHITE ONLY!!!

Plants and seeds

We are looking to establish and grow our own supply of **white agapanthus** to use for the floral displays in the Church. If you have white aggies at home and could donate a couple of plants or if you are able to collect some seeds after they have flowered, please bring them to the Church office.

If you’re not sure if they’re white, please wait until they flower in a few weeks and then donate the plants or seeds after that. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Oong at the Church office (sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au) Thank you!

Handel's Messiah

Calling all Choristers

An ecumenical combined massed choir performance of the best-loved highlights of **Handel's Messiah** will again be presented in Hornsby to welcome the Christmas season.

Who is this Choir?

- ♦ We are Choristers with a love of singing Handel's Messiah.
- ♦ We come from Hornsby's surrounding areas and beyond for six rehearsals and one performance every year since 2009.
- ♦ We welcome everyone who enjoys singing Handel's Messiah, or has always wanted to sing it. Please join us for this year's performance on

Thursday 11 December in Holy Name Catholic Church Wahroonga.
No audition required this is an inclusive choir experience.

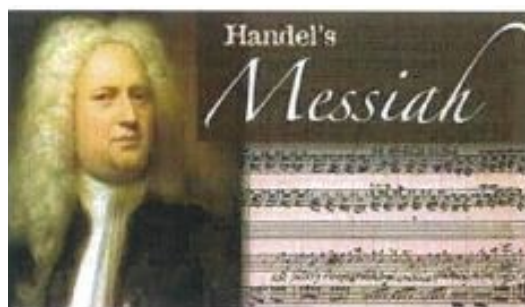
Rehearsals: St Swithun's Anglican Church
Cnr Merrivale Rd & Telegraph Rd
Pymble

7:30pm Wednesday 12, 19, 26 November
and 3 December.

Final rehearsal at Holy Name Catholic Church Wahroonga Wednesday 10 December

Musical Director, Phillip Linquist, organist Heather Boyd and the choir will be joined by an ensemble of musicians and young professional soloists singing favourite arias.

Interested choristers; single or groups, either contact Sharon at: hcmessiah@gmail.com or register via Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1411890>



Jubilee of Choirs—22 November



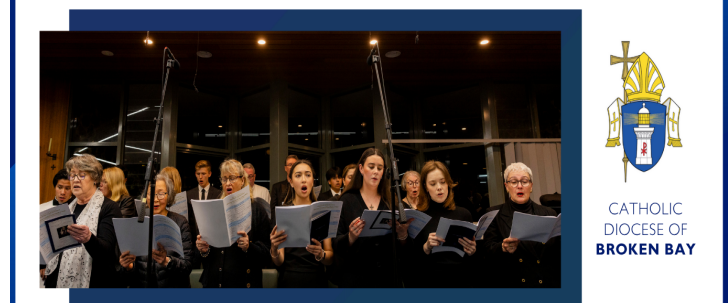
JUBILEE OF CHOIRS

A CHORAL FESTIVAL OF SONG

All are invited to this Jubilee event at
Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral
on Saturday 22 November: the Feast of Saint Cecilia

♪ 5pm: Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King, celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo DD JCL (light supper to follow)

♪ 6:30pm: Jubilee Concert in the Cathedral, featuring Choirs from across Broken Bay Diocese (free admission)



NEXT SATURDAY:

Bishop Anthony will celebrate the 5:00pm Vigil Mass on 22nd November (the Feast of St Cecilia), at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

A light supper will follow Mass.

At 6:30pm to commemorate the Jubilee of Choirs, a Festival of Song will be held. Members of our parish will be in the choir and we invite everyone from Holy Name to there and support them.

Admission is free.



What do the Readings say to us this Sunday

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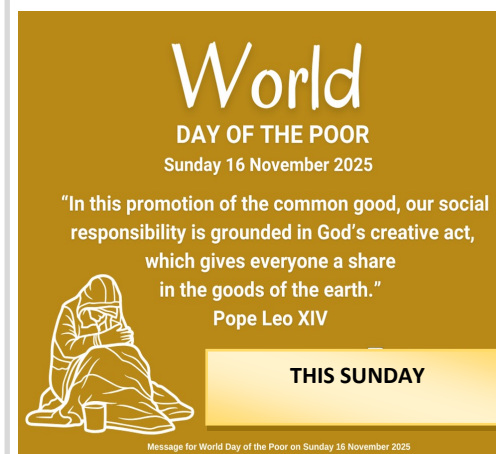
First Reading: Mal 3:19-20: The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

Second Reading: 2 Thess 3:7-12: Do not give anyone food who refuses to work. Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Gospel: Lk 21:5-19: Your endurance will win you your life.

2025

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR and ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL



World Day of the Poor is a Catholic observance established by Pope Francis in 2017 to reflect on poverty and renew commitment to social justice. It is celebrated annually on the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - this Sunday. This day serves as a call to action for communities and individuals to help those in need and address the systemic causes of poverty.

Next Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, we will launch our **2025 St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal**. Please take a tag(s) and supply a hamper(s) so those less fortunate can have some added joy in their Christmas this year.



November Appeal for Pastoral Works Broken Bay continues throughout November

See Page 7 for more details.

Parish Events

SENIOR LADIES GROUP: Thursday, 4 December

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA - in the Parish Sunroom. RSVP by 30 November is **essential**
Call Jo Waldron 0412 018 819



MORNING ROSARY GROUP

Everyone is welcome to join our Rosary Group following the **9:15am Mass Tuesday to Friday** and after the First Saturday of the Month 9:15am Mass.



FRIDAY EVENINGS

HOLY HOUR from 6:30pm



COME AS YOU ARE (CAYA)

Discussion & Reflection Group
THURSDAYS after 9:15am Mass
in the Sunroom



Men's Rosary & Bible Study

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

Program - next meeting 18 November

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



An Invitation from KCEA



Ku-ring-gai High School
Celebrating 60 years
of Harmony in Diversity

We warmly invite past and present students, staff, and families back to our school grounds for a special evening of connection, celebration, and reflection.

Generations Gala
Bringing generations of Ku-ring-gai together on one stage

SCHOOL TOURS **HERITAGE + ART EXHIBITIONS**
+ FACULTY DISPLAYS **FOOD TRUCKS**

6:00PM - 9:00PM
FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Enjoy the natural beauty of our school and relax under the evening sky — bring a chair or picnic blanket for the outdoor concert.

Use the QR code to RSVP and let us know you'll be joining the celebration.

For further information, or if you would like to perform, please contact Ku-ring-gai High School.
(02) 9144 3477 | kuringgai-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Ku-ring-gai High School wish to share an invitation from recognising the enduring partnership between KCEA (Ku-ring-gai Christian Education Association) made up of 8 local Churches including Holy Name providing full time scripture teacher at Ku-ring-gai High School since 1989.

In celebration of their 60th anniversary, Ku-ring-gai High School has warmly invited KCEA supporters—and members of our churches and families with a current or past connection to the school—to attend a special Celebration Evening.

Event Details:

📅 Friday, 21st November

🕒 6:00pm – 9:00pm

📍 Ku-ring-gai High School

This invitation is a testament to the relationship we've shared over the decades. Please forward as appropriate to any within your church or family networks who may be interested in attending.

Have you ever wanted to know what Catholics actually believe? Have you ever considered becoming Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

is a formative process by which those interested in learning more about Christianity and the Catholic Church are invited to attend sessions with our priests and RCIA Team over an extended period of time.

They are presented with a variety of essential topics which cover the key pillars of the faith: our profession, celebration, lifestyle, and our prayer.

At different stages of the process, individuals are given the invitation to continue on their journey towards the Easter Sacraments and reception into the Church.

We also offer a special Baptism program for children 5 years and over.

For further information, please contact the Parish Office or speak to our priests directly.

Urgent Appeal for More Catechists - Can you please help?

The original meaning of “catechist” is one who “echoes God’s word”, however catechists are much more than that. Facilitating a child’s faith formation is a rewarding experience that does not require a teacher’s degree or an advanced degree in theology: all it requires is enthusiasm, as well as generosity in sharing your time with others.

Are you looking for a new way to give back to the community? Have you thought about volunteering? You may or may not be aware, but there is a shortage of volunteers instructing Catholic children in public schools within our area. Public schools in NSW offer Special Religious Education each week which is volunteer driven.

As baptised Catholics, we are called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and one of the most rewarding ways to fulfil this call is to be part of the parish team of catechists. We have Catechist classes at Warrawee Public School on Wednesday mornings and at Wahroonga Public School (“The Bush School”) on Thursday mornings. The lessons are for 30 minutes.

All resources are supplied and training is offered by the Diocese of Broken Bay. We have a wonderful group of dedicated Catechists doing this, but many are taking multiple classes or have combined groups as we need more volunteers.

Please contact Hayley 0438 948 947 if you can help or would like some more information.



A Prayer for Catechists

Loving God, Creator of all things,
you call us to be in relationship with you and others.

Thank you for calling me to be a catechist,
for the opportunity to share with others
what you have given to me.

May all those with whom I share the gift of faith
discover how you are present in all things.

May they come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide my heart and lips,
so that I may remain constant in loving and praising you.

May I be a witness to the Gospel and a minister of your truth.
May all my words and actions reflect your love.

Amen.

Preparing for Christmas 2025

WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO BE PART OF OUR CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS?



HOLY NAME CATHOLIC CHURCH, WAHROONGA

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS PRACTICES

35 Billyard Avenue, Wahroonga ph 9489 3221 ALL WELCOME

First Practice: Tuesday December 9th 3.45pm-4.30pm

- **Children** - Allocation of roles, jobs (prayers and readings etc), and sorting out costumes
- If you cannot make this practice, please contact Sally Oong asap to discuss a role for your child.
- All children can be an Angel or a Shepherd, as long as they can attend the 2nd or the 3rd practice.

Second Practice: Saturday December 13th (11am to 1pm)

- **Children, Singers, Dancers, Musicians** - run through of Nativity Play for Gospel, some carols plus children to practise Readings, Angels' Dance, Drummer Boy, 3 Kings, Prayers.

Third Practice: Saturday 20th December (11am to 1pm)

- **Children, Singers and all Musicians** - total run through Nativity, Readings etc and all the carols

MASS: Christmas Eve Mass 5PM on Wednesday 24th December

Carols from 4.30pm, then Mass at 5.00pm

PLEASE arrive by 4pm to organise costumes and seating

For more details, please contact Sally Oong, Children's Sacramental Co-ordinator
email: sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or at the Parish office - phone: 9489 3221

The more Shepherds, Angels and Animals, the merrier!

ALL PARENTS/CARERS are very welcome to come and help, please.

