



## Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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### 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](http://www.holynamewahroonga.com.au).

### *Sunday 19 January—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

#### **Vinnies Bushfire Appeal**

A Special Collection will be held next weekend (25/26 January) to raise funds for the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal. Donations can be made in cash on the day or online at [www.bushfireappeal.com.au](http://www.bushfireappeal.com.au). Donations raised will go to people directly impacted by the bushfires. For more information please see our website

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/bushfires/resources>

Please be sure to read Fr David's letter on our Diocesan response to the National Bushfire Crisis.

At every weekend Mass, at the conclusion to the Prayer of the Faithful, we shall pray "For those Affected by Fire and Drought" available at the entrances to the church.

**Next Wednesday, 22nd January  
7.15pm Schola Rehearsal**

#### **50s and Over Singles Group**

A meeting is to take place in the Sunroom Holy Name Parish Wahroonga on Saturday 25th January 2020 at 10.00am to plan the year's outings for the 50's And Over Singles Group for 2020. All are most welcome to attend and to put forward any ideas and suggestions that you may have for the excursions.

For further information contact  
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**Good wishes to all our school students and their families as their summer holidays begin to come to an end, and as thoughts arise of the return to school!**

**May they all be kept safe and be refreshed ahead of the start of school again on 28 January (teachers) and the children to follow later that week!**

#### **PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY BUSHFIRE AND DROUGHT:**

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land, on our starving and displaced animals, on our failing crops and burning farms, towns and forests.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires, those who have lost family, friends, property and stock.

Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of essential services.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain to quench the fires and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:  
Renew your faithful people;  
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians –  
Pray for us.  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop –  
Pray for us.



## *Parish Masses This Week*

Monday	20 January	No Mass	Weekday, Ordinary Time Week 2
Tuesday	21 January	9.15am Mass	St Agnes, virgin, martyr
Wednesday	22 January	9.15am Mass	Weekday, Ordinary Time Week 2
Thursday	23 January	9.15am Mass	Weekday, Ordinary Time Week 2
Friday	24 January	9.15am Mass	St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor
Saturday	25 January	5.00pm Mass	Vigil Mass for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	26 January	9.15am and 5.30pm	3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## *Please Remember in your Prayers*

### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Anne Walker (Lillas Roche and Bishop David Walker's sister in law), Sylvia Arnett (mother of Max, aged 108, died 6 January), Geoffrey Ranson (Fr David's father, died 15 December aged 88 years), Helen McKeon (Fr Jim McKeon's mother, died 10 December, aged 86), Colin Randazzo, (the father of Bishop Anthony died Saturday 7 December), Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, died 16 November).

### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Bettina Luca (10th anniversary on 7 January) and Amedeo (Laurie) Luca (25th anniversary on 8 January -parents of Greg Luca, Daniela McGrath and Julian Luca), Damion (Sri Wijetunga's brother, 50th anniversary, 31st January, Tod Walker (Lillas Roche's brother, 4th anniversary 20 January), Muriel Molnar (4th anniversary, 21 January ), Joan Clarke (3rd anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 3rd anniversary, 23 January), Joseph El-Daher (Denise Kassis' brother, 59th anniversary on 21 January, Cheble El-Daher (father of Denise Kassis - 33rd anniversary on 23 January), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony, 19th anniversary), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony - anniversary 13 January), Margaret Couch (Paul's mother 2nd anniversary on 25 December) Mario Severino (14th anniversary, 26 December), Joseph Sydney McElhenny (1st anniversary 3 January), Elisha Foti (7th anniversary on 4 January), Emile Nassar (9th anniversary on 6 January), Ricki Hayes, (friend of Cecilia Kean, 2nd anniversary on 7 January), Tim O'Brien (son of Paul and Jenny, 4th anniversary on 8 January ), Charlie Deguara (husband of Sue and father to Brendan, Ben, Sam and Jared, 1st anniversary 20 December), Doreen Mary Fox, (mother of Julie McElhenny 4th anniversary on 20 December), Joe DeGuara, (father of Damian, 2nd anniversary on 19 December), Hilda May Cutler (Grandmother of Jennifer Gregory, 50th anniversary on 24 December), George Thornton (2nd anniversary on 15 December), Tony Coutinho (husband of Lucinda, 6th anniversary on 16 December), Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 5th anniversary on 7 December), Paul Limbers (father of parishioners Jane Watson, Julia Burfitt, Peter and John Limbers, 1st anniversary on 30 November), Marie Shortis (2nd anniversary on 27 November), Frances Sim (2nd anniversary on 30 November), Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 14th anniversary on 29 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 1st anniversary 10 November), Arie van der Plaats (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 4th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 2nd anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 52nd anniversary on 16 November), Ron Young (father of Monica Dinnar, 3rd anniversary 5 November).

### **FOR THE SICK:**

Conor McCreton, 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, Isla Bishop (Grand-daughter of Irene Bishop), James Madden (son of Julie and Chris), Dennis Morgan, Matthew Murney (son in law of Burt Schaafsma), Molly Sheppard, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Baby Thomas Joseph Elley, Jacinta Limbers, Peter Reidy, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Mary Peachy (Brigid Wright's sister), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Fran Cuddy (St James Turramurra, KCEA), Steve Ralph, Margaret Woodlands, Helen McGrath (friend of Jo and Frank Waldron), Hildegard McLaughlin, Barbara Dunning, Joan Dell, David Coombes, Liz Rodgers (friend of the Waldrons in Melbourne), Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Philip Stanley, Thomas Nash, Donna Lucas, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Eunice Spangaro, Maureen Ritchard, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Denise Waudby (Patrice Buzinskas' sister), Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

**We journey towards the Season of Lent which commences with Ash Wednesday 26 February 2020  
Now it is onward and upward towards Easter ... it's only 12 weeks away you know!  
Good Friday 10 April and Easter Sunday 12 April**

## From Fr David

Dear friends

It has been wonderful to have our Parish Secretary, Jackie back with us after the Christmas period, and to begin the preparation for the year ahead. Here are just some of the exciting events planned for our parish in 2020:

- Lenten Dinners with a focus on the forthcoming Plenary Commencing 27 February for the 6 weeks of Lent
- Tuesday 24 Marc Concert: Tenebrae with Thomas Wilson and Anna Fraser
- From the end of June though to October: Parish Forums on the Plenary Council at the service of developing a parish pastoral plan for the coming years
- Bach Akademie Concert: 5 April, 7 June. 23 August, 15 November
- Parish International Food Fair: 31 May—Pentecost Sunday.

Recently, we learnt that Dennis Morgan has moved to McQuoin Park, Waitara given his need now for advanced care. Dennis has been such a significant member of our parish community over so many years. It was he who was the architect of the elegant refurbishment of the sanctuary in our church some fifteen years ago, and he has given such an enormous contribution to our Parish Schola for many, many years. We will much miss seeing him as part of our wonderful choir. I take this opportunity to record our community's deep gratitude to Dennis and to Patricia, and assure them both of our continued prayer.

As many will recall, towards the end of 2017 our Parish was a beneficiary in the will of the late Marie Shortis. Some \$92,000 was given to the Parish to be distributed to those whom the Parish considered to be in necessitous circumstances. After much deliberation this money has now been acquitted. Our Parish has been able to assist the refurbishment of CatholicCare's "Kate's Place" for autistic children with a grant of \$50,000, Cana Communities with a donation of \$20,000, and a donation of \$12, 979.99 to Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter with the intention of the same amount to The Dish mobile kitchen for homeless in Hornsby. All have been profoundly appreciative of this generosity and assistance. Thank you Marie!

### A Summer Holiday for our Musicians

We are gifted with the remarkable generosity of many musicians and singers in our Parish! They enable our celebrations to be ones of joy and prayer for which we are profoundly grateful. This year we have decided to revert to a practice of years past—of giving our musicians and singers a holiday during the month of January. During our weekends in January therefore our Masses will have a more simple presentation without music.

Our warm thanks to all our singers and musicians!

## Update on Davin and Sharon

**Our friends have now been discharged from Royal North Shore Hospital!**

### Tuesday 14 January Day 36.

Five weeks since the volcano eruption and another milestone passed. Davin, Sharon & Leanne are now in Mt Wilga Hospital in Hornsby, which specialises in rehab. Sharon moved here yesterday. And whilst we originally thought that Leung might be another week or so at the burns unit in RNS, the doctor told him that he could be released today. So he walked onto the ambulance himself and here we are. As Mt Wilga Hosp doesn't have a burns unit, the 3 of them will need to go back to RNS twice a week to have their dressings changed and wounds assessed.

We have started asking for photos every time Davin gets his dressings changed. We were pleasantly surprised to see some significant improvement in the condition of the wounds on his arms and legs between the last 2 sets of photos. Davin is walking around quite freely now. And regaining strength slowly. There is still a lot of pain in the arms and hands when the pain medication wears off. He still admits to waking up several times each night, in pain, and having to ask for extra pain relief. Overall, considering the extent of his injuries, he is doing remarkably well.

Sharon had her first short rehab session today to work out a baseline for her starting point. Initial exercises include trying to curl their fingers into a fist. Something all 3 of them can't do at the moment because of the tightness of the skin. The physio has mentioned that sometimes, it might not be possible to regain full flexibility in the injured limbs. We pray that won't be the case here.

Family members are taking turns to cook something for their dinners almost every night. Dawn, Sharon & Leanne's mum (Adeline), my mum, other aunties, etc. Even I'm chipping in with a lamb stew for tomorrow night. The food at Mt Wilga is apparently much better than RNS. But still can't beat home cooking.

### Your 'Tap' Helps our Parish 'Go'

We deeply appreciate the financial support of the parishioners and visitors to Holy Name Catholic Parish. No Cash? No problem! Our machines are set to either \$5 or \$10 per tap.



*Thank you for your generosity.*

## Parish Diary in the Coming Week

Wednesday	23 January	7.15pm	Schola Rehearsal - Church
Saturday	25 January	10.00am	Planning Meeting for Over 50s group - Parish Sunroom

Please let the Parish Office know when any regular meetings/groups etc are recommencing for 2020!

## Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

Parish Priest	Fr David Ranson VG	david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au <b>Twitter: @FrDavidRanson</b> <b>Blogsite: davidranson.com.au</b> (homilies posted)
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Sacristan and Co-ordinator Altar Society	Mrs. Rosalie Talty	
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 9.15am and 5.30pm.

**Mass on Tuesday to Friday:** 9.15am

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

**Friday evening:** Holy Hour from 7.00pm (not in January)

### Mass is also celebrated:

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara: Monday 9.30am

St Leo's College: Friday 12.55pm during school terms

### Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

(Vespers with Dominican Lay Chapter 3.00pm on 2nd Sunday )

### 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

### Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass

### Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020

Gemma McDermott, Chrissie Goldrick, Tess Denham-Fabry, Tom Waugh,

Giovanna Flores-Clarke, Ian Edmunds, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong, Ed Scully, Roger Bohlsen, along with Sue Bevan (Prouille) and Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Terry O'Keefe (St Edmunds)

### Parish Finance Committee

Marinela Mendes, Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty

### 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](http://www.dbb.org.au)) **EFTPOS Available in Parish Office**

EFT: Wahroonga Catholic Parish Account BSB: 062-784 Account No: 1389 8001 CBA- 48 Martin Place, Sydney

**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—All monies are for the support of our Parish**

*We seek to grow as a Welcoming and Inclusive Community, supporting  
Life's Journey, through God's Grace and Mercy*