



Holy Name Catholic Parish

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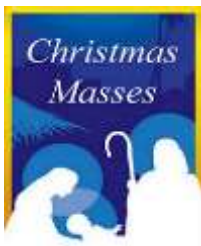


Sunday 20 December— Fourth Sunday of Advent

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.

**Our Second Rite of Reconciliation will be on
Monday 21 December at 7:30pm**



Christmas Eve

5:00pm Childrens Mass
(Carols start at 4:30pm)

Inside Church seating for this
Mass is FULL

7:30pm Mass

Inside Church seating for this Mass is FULL

Midnight Mass

Seating still available for this Mass
Book at: <https://trybooking.com/692301>

Christmas Day 9:00am

Seating still available for this Mass
Book at: <https://trybooking.com/692301>

Christmas Day 11:00am

Seating still available for this Mass
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We are offering outdoor screens at our Masses for those who haven't secured seating inside the Church. Please bring your own chair.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Holy Name Christmas Masses!

Our Advent Wreath



Priest:

The fourth candle, which is often named the Angel Gabriel Candle is for those messengers who bring God's Word into our world.

Lord Jesus, you established the house of David to be secure forever and from which the Saviour would be born (First Reading). Jesus is the cornerstone. We are a Christ-Centred Church. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you alone are wisdom and as St Paul declares, you will give us the strength to live the Gospel (Second Reading). By living a prayerful life centred on the Eucharist may we open ourselves to your wisdom and the Spirit working in the community of the Church. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you sent the angel Gabriel to give the good news to Mary so that she would bring Jesus into the world through the power of the Spirit (Gospel). Giving birth is painful. Change can be frightening. Mary trusted in God and let herself be led by the Holy Spirit so that we can say: **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Priest: [Collect: Fourth Sunday of Advent]

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **R. Amen**

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

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	21 December	No Mass				Monday of 4th week of Advent
Tuesday	22 December	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of 4th week of Advent
Wednesday	23 December	Mass	9.15am			Wednesday of 4th week of Advent
Thursday	24 December	Mass	5.00pm	7.30pm	12pm Midnight	Thursday of 4th week of Advent
Friday	25 December	Mass	9.00am	11.00am		The NATIVITY of the LORD (Christmas)
Saturday	26 December	Mass			5.00pm	St Stephen, the first martyr
Sunday	27 December	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	The HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Felix Vindurampulle, Diane Poirrier (sister of Mike, aunt of Sally Oong), Fr Luke Rawlings (died in New Zealand, 3 November), Betty Hoskings (died 27th October, mother of Bob (deceased) and Paul).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Couch (mother of Paul, 3rd anniversary on 25 December), Mario Severino (son of Sam and Elizabeth, 15th anniversary on 26 December), Ingrid Tighe (35th anniversary on 29 December), Geoff Ranson (Fr David's Dad, 1st anniversary on 15 December), George Thornton (3rd anniversary on 15 December, Tony Coutinho (husband of Lucinda, 7th anniversary on 16 December), Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 6th anniversary on 7 December), Paul Limbers (father of parishioners Jane Watson, Julia Burfitt, Peter and John Limbers, 2nd anniversary on 30 November), Frances Sim (3rd anniversary on 30 November), Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 15th anniversary on 29 November), Marie Shortis (3rd anniversary on 27 November), Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 1st anniversary 16 November), Arie van der Plaats (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 5th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 3rd anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 53rd anniversary on 16 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 2nd anniversary 10 November), Dr Joseph Couch (Paul's father, 11th anniversary on 25 October), Dr Anthony Lopes (brother/brother-in-law of Quinnie & Tony Machado - 6th anniversary on 19 October), Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma and Martin, 3rd anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 9th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 2nd anniversary on 21 October). Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo's mother, 7th anniversary 23rd October), Sarah Royle (ex Prouille student, daughter of Jill and Peter, sister of Leah, 20th anniversary), John Vince (Cecilia Kean's father, 35th anniversary on the 9 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas' Mum, 11th Anniversary on 9 October).

FOR THE SICK:

Caterina Randazzo (Bishop Anthony's mother), 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, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), 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, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Philip Stanley, Thomas Nash, 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, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.



Congratulations
to Melanie O'Connell and James Madden



Freya, Darcy and Jasper
were baptised on Saturday, 19 December

<p>Why are Christmas trees like bad knitters? <i>They both drop needles!</i></p>	<p>What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? <i>Claustrophobic!</i></p>	<p>What Christmas carol is a favourite of parents? <i>Silent Night!</i></p>	<p>What do you get if you cross Santa Claus with a detective? <i>Santa Clues!</i></p>
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From Fr David

Dear friends,

Last Tuesday morning we lost power to the Priory and to the Parish Office. The Church has remained unaffected. Upon consultation with our electricians and AusGrid, we recognised that we were faced with a major problem. The wiring behind our meter board (which showed itself to be the original 1930s wiring) had burnt out. We are very fortunate that we did not have a house fire. However, further investigation revealed that the problem not only lay with the board and is ancient wiring but with the cable on our property that brings the power from Chilton Parade to the Priory. Consequently, this has made the repairs a major and very expensive project. A new cable is now required as well as a new meter board. Excavation for the cable is required. In the face of such a crisis, we are grateful that we do still have a house (!), that the situation developed when it did and not a week later, and that we were able to locate a company who could undertake the work that was required. The company has been very diligent and we have confidence that we are working with the right people. Already, new cables and conduits have been ordered, a new compliant meter box has been installed, and excavation for the cable has commenced, and will progress over this weekend. **Subsequently, the egress to Chilton Parade has been closed off to all traffic and will remain closed until Christmas Eve.** We are hopeful that electricity will be restored to the Priory and the Parish Office on Tuesday or Wednesday. Inevitably, the project is expensive. **The total cost will be \$37,400.** As you can imagine, this is quite an expected cost. However, we have had no option other than to proceed. Thankfully, given the current healthy financial position of the Church Account we can manage such expenditure, even though of course it represents a considerable dent in our cash reserve. Notwithstanding, it is for such emergencies that we have building up our reserve. Some years ago we would have needed to take out a loan in such an event. Still, if anyone may be in a position to assist us to meet this expenditure, even in a small way, your generosity would be deeply appreciated. What a challenging year it has been! However, we keep smiling! My deep appreciation to Jackie, our Parish Secretary, and to Fr Anselam for their good humour during this time when we have had to keep the engine room of the Parish going in the face of such limitation. Necessity is the mother of invention, but great humour is also the midwife!

This last week has seen the end of the school year! It was a joy to celebrate Mass at Prouille on Wednesday morning and with the staff of St Leo's on Friday morning. The new year will see a significant change in staff at our primary school of Prouille, We thank Mrs Sue Bevan for her leadership of the parish school over the last 3 years, along with Mr Mark Catazanrity who has been acting REC for the past twelve months. Next year we welcome a new leadership team of Genevieve Smith (Principal), Sharon Kelly (Deputy Principal), and Samantha Sheather (REC). Having met all three new leaders, I am very confident that with our new Parish Priest, Fr Paul Durkin, there will be a wonderful experience of collaboration between our parish and school.

Parish Events



St Dominic's Playgroup

**Playgroup is back on! Monday mornings 9:30-11:30
All ages (including babies) welcome
Come enjoy a play in the beautiful Holy Name
Church grounds.**

2020 Dates



**Monday 21st December
Free Play**

All welcome, for more details Kylie 0422763091

**Playgroup will be cancelled if it is raining so we are able
to maintain social distancing and remain COVID safe.**



**Christmas EVE 5:00pm
CHILDREN'S Mass**

Practice: Monday 21 December in the Church
10:00am—12 noon

Children, Singers and Musicians—total run through
Nativity, Readings etc and Carols.

Please contact Sally Oong 9489 3221 for all details, including
additional practices and other information or email
secretary@holyamewahroonga.com.au



**Be JOYFUL in hope,
PATIENT in affliction,
FAITHFUL in prayer.**

ROMANS 12:12

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

Parish Priest :	Fr David Ranson VG	david.ranson@bbcatholic.org.au Twitter: @FrDavidRanson Blogsite: davidranson.com.au (homilies posted)
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Parish Secretary :	Mrs Jackie Thornton	secretary@holynamewahroonga.com.au
Sacramental Coordinator:	Mrs Sally Oong	sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au
Office Hours :	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8.30am—5pm	
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Prouille School :	5 Water Street Wahroonga NSW 2076	
School Principal:	Mrs Susan Bevan	
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

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday (Suspended)

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

(Suspended until further notice)

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

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 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, 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.