

“...but unless you repent you will all perish...”



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20th March- Third Sunday of Lent

From Fr Paul

Dear Parishioners

We have now reached **the third Sunday of Lent**. I encourage you to continue to enter into this season of 40 days to prepare for Easter – commemorating the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. In the Gospel today, we hear the Lord call us to repentance - with God's grace, to turn away from sin and turn toward the Lord as our source of life.

We welcomed members of **Pregnancy Help Sydney** during the week to celebrate Mass and hold their annual meeting. They run a 24/7 phone line for anyone to call with pregnancy-related concerns. They offer nonjudgmental support. May the Lord continue to bless their ministry.

It was good to join the Prouille staff and students for a **St Patrick's Day Prayer Service**. Fr Sam, Sally Oong and I continue with the Confirmation preparation for the forty-two children (in Grade 4 or higher), both school based and Parish based. We wish them and their families all the best during this week as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, 27 March. Bishop Anthony has given me delegation to confirm the 42 candidates. We pray it is a blest time for them and for the Parish. There is **practice** for this on Wednesday evening at 6.30pm.

We welcome the baptism of **Emily Jasmine** this weekend, and we congratulate her doting grandparents, **Joe and Mavis Pulis**, who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. We have a good number of babies booked in for Baptism in the months ahead. We are also preparing several school-aged children who have asked to be baptised.

We were pleased to welcome so many people to our third Lenten Dinner and Discussion Group on Thursday evening. Everyone is welcome. We ask for catering purposes, you let the Parish Office (9489 3221) know if you would like to come to the remaining session on 24th March. It is entitled **“the Supper of the Lamb”**, offering a teaching, reflection and discussion on the Eucharist. I express my appreciation to Fr Sam for his technical and spiritual support, and to our team of servers and preparers: Jackie, Sally, Kerri, Ken, Anne-Louise, Ian and Annette.

Remember also that all are welcome at the Friday night **Stations of the Cross in Lent**. (6:00pm Adoration; 6:30pm Stations of the Cross).

In preparation for Easter, our **Easter Pop Up choir** is getting ready for their **first rehearsal on 27th March**. If you would like to be part of this choir, please see Page 5 for details.



We continue to deal with the fallout from the recent very heavy rains. Some may have noticed this week the lights in our Parish Sunroom and Gallery are not working. This is also the case for the lights in the priests' residence (the Priory). We have had an electrician look at this and he found the problem relates to the **age of the wiring**. He was able to do a temporary repair, so the residence has a working light in the foyer. However, to replace the old cloth wiring is a costly repair. We have no choice but to proceed with this. It is something contained in our overall Maintenance Plan.

Likewise, we have had to engage a **plumber** to unblock some pipes overgrown with tree roots. Again we are faced with a substantial bill. Whilst we are not permitted to cut down any trees, we have been granted permission from Kuring-gai Council to have some trees in parish grounds 'dead wooded' and a large and dangerous gumtree in the priests' backyard lopped. We hope to be able to do this in the not too distant future as finances permit.

The **Parish Finance Committee (PFC)** met during the week. PFC Members supported and approved these works (electrical, drainage and trees, cited above) being undertaken. I am grateful to parishioners who continue to support the parish through **Planned Giving** and for some government support through the Pandemic. I have endeavoured to contain the running costs of the parish.

I hope your own homes have survived the heavy rains. I know some of you have had trouble with minor flooding etc. In the midst of our own concerns, we continue to support and pray for the people badly affected by the floods and **the people of the Ukraine** at this time especially.

We celebrate the **Solemnity of the Annunciation** this Friday, 25th March. It is as if **Mary said YES to God** on behalf of all humanity; she is indeed 'the highest honour of our race' and 'source of our joy'. May she continue to guide us and pray for us. With my prayers and best wishes for all the Parishioners of Holy Name, especially that Lent is a special time of grace for each person and for each family. *Fr Paul*

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	21 March	No Mass			Monday of the 3rd week of Lent
Tuesday	22 March	Mass	9.15am		Tuesday of the 3rd week of Lent
Wednesday	23 March	Mass	9.15am	7.30pm	Wednesday of the 3rd week of Lent
Thursday	24 March	Mass	9.15am		Thursday of the 3rd week of Lent
Friday	25 March	Mass	9.15am		The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD
Saturday	26 March	Mass	5.00pm		Saturday of the 3rd week of Lent
Sunday	27 March	Mass	8.00am	9.30am 5.30pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Nilo Zolezzi (father of Steve, died in South Africa, 10 March, aged 89 years), Fidela Frez, (mother of Fr Joey, died 3 March), Maria Mood (close friend of Rose and Graham Raward), Dennis Morgan (husband of Patricia, died 22 February aged 93), Kerry Lupton (died 20 February, wife of Vic, former parishioner and friend of Jen and Barry Clibborn), Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe, died 22 February), Fr Peter Preston SDS (friend of Mike Tighe), Paul Hotchkis (died 7 February aged 68 years, husband of Jane, brother in law of Paul and Gemma Couch), Pellegrino Ballarin (father of Antonella Foti, died 25 January), Mary Faulder (sister and sister in law of Ken and Carol Faulder, died 29 January), Sylvester 'Ves' McGrath (died 26 January aged 96yrs, father of Dominic, Damien and Justin), Helene Babski (aunt of Monica Caly, died 21 January), Fr Manoj Manuel (died in India on 17 January, aged 45 years), Michael Phoebus (died 6 January, aged 58 years, husband of Deborah, father of Benjamin, Nicole, Michael "Jonathon" and brother of Michele, Mark and Melanie).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 21st anniversary on 23 March), Joan Sutherland (30th anniversary on 27th March), Gus Almgren (3rd anniversary 23 March), Noreen McGarry (wife of Brian, 18 year anniversary on 18 March), Anne Hanna (5th anniversary on 31 March, wife of Harry, beloved mother and grandmother), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 13 year anniversary on 14th March), Helen Gait (wife of Tom, 1st anniversary, 9 March), Ottaviano Praturlon (husband of Elsa, 26th anniversary on 6 March), Ina Alsaka (mother of Suzanne Cooke, 8th anniversary on 9 March), Jonas Buzinskas (father of Peter, anniversary on 9 March), Brian Fraser (husband of Devona, 6th anniversary on 10th March), Roger Thrum (11th anniversary, 13 March), Lizeth Andreina Albornoz Gonzalez (2nd anniversary, sister in law of Veronica Acevedo), Jack Jones (brother in law of Jo and Frank Waldron, 1st anniversary 21 February), Tom Anderson (father of Margaret MacMillan) anniversary 22 February), Eleanora Poletto (mother of Giordana Praturlon, 5th anniversary 26 February), Reg Kirkwood (brother of Patrick, 4th anniversary on 14 February), Roy Woodall (father of Sue, 1st anniversary 14 February), Bernadette Bevins (1st anniversary 20 February), Maureen Taylor (Carol Reidy's mother, 11th anniversary on 13 February), Chris Roche (Lillas' son, 4th anniversary on 12 February), Burt Schaafsma (husband of Mary, 1st anniversary 3 February). Margaret Bizannes (10th anniversary on 7 February), Evelyn Waters (cousin of Margaret MacMillan, 1st anniversary 9 February).

FOR THE SICK:

Fr Robert Borg, Leon D'Apice, Bill Northcott, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Patricia Morgan, Max Arnett, Cyril Littrich, Greg McNally, John Clark, John Fisher, John Lyons (son-in-law of Halina Brzowzski), Sinead Joyce (friend of Dot & Mike Tighe), Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Gerard Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), Edda Fragiacomio, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Hildegard McLaughlin, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Grant Jepson, Noeline 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, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.



Congratulations to the
Magpayo-Szeto and Hinit Families

Noah Logan and Emily Jasmine

will be baptised this weekend



What does the Word say to us today—the Third Sunday of Lent?

First Reading (Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15). We are shown God's concern for his oppressed people. This is what you must say to the children of Israel: "**I am** has sent me to you".

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12). What happened to the Israelites in the desert is a warning for us Christians.

Gospel (Luke 13:1-9). We see how Jesus rejected the popular belief that accidents which befall people are inflicted by God as punishment for sin. Still, sin calls for repentance. And Jesus tells the Jews that they will lose the promises unless they repent. The barren fig tree symbolizes the barren state of Israel. God is patient. There is still time to repent, though that time is getting short. "Unless you repent, you will all perish as they did."

Quotes for Reflection this week

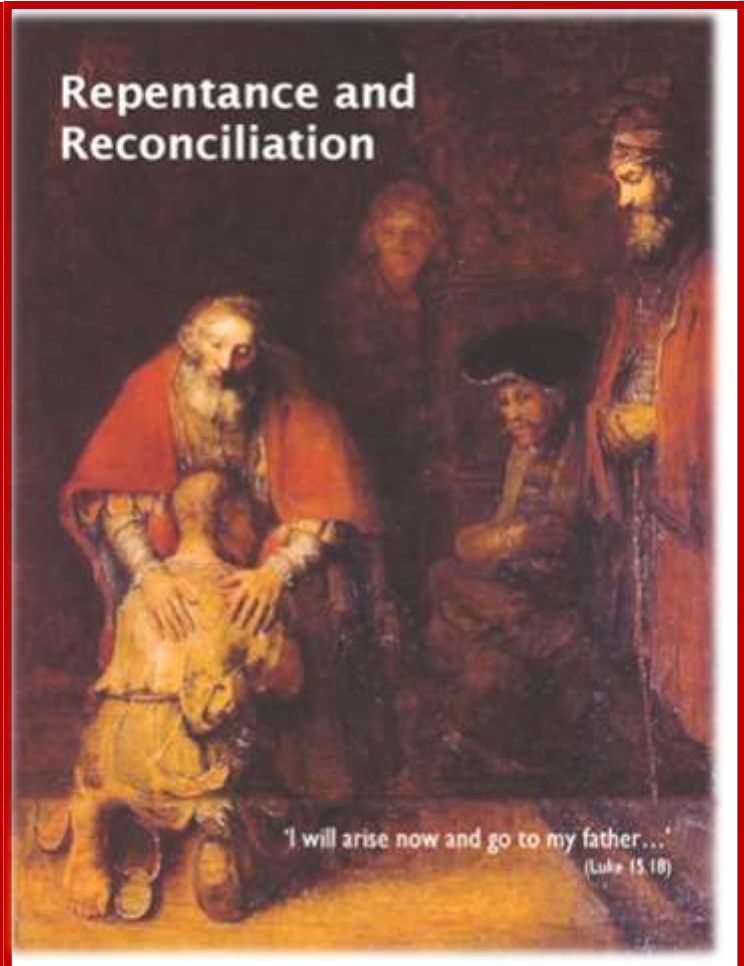
"Holiness does not consist in never having erred or sinned. Holiness increases the capacity for conversion, for repentance, for willingness to start again and, especially, for reconciliation and forgiveness." **Benedict XVI**

In Catholic Theology, repentance is fundamental for forgiveness. Jesus' call to conversion and penance ... does not aim first at outward works ... but at the conversion of the heart, interior conversion (CCC, n1430).

The essential parts in the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession or Penance) are:

1. confession of sins
2. exhortation by the confessor
3. imposition of a penance
4. absolution by the priest.

(CCC, n1480)



"Earth's crammed with heaven, and every common bush afire with God,
But only he who sees takes off his shoes; The rest sit round and pluck blackberries."

Elizabeth Barrett Browning



"Keeping a good Lent" 2022



Stations of the Cross

Will be prayed in the Church each Friday evening during Lent at 6.30-7.30pm. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm. All are welcome.

The Church is open for private prayer.

Throughout Lent, Holy Name church is open for private prayer from 8.00am to early evening.

Lenten Gathering on Thursday evenings:

- **Final this Thursday 24th March.**

You are invited to join other parishioners on four Thursday evenings in Lent at Prouille hall. The evenings will consist of a simple meal, watching a video series (one per evening), group discussion and closing prayer.

For catering purposes, if you would like to join us, please register by **either**:

- Clicking on this link:
- <https://forms.gle/mmeEsAjwutV6je1CA>
- Through the Parish Office **9489 3221** or
- Email: Holynome@bbcatholic.org.au
- Put your details on the Sign Up Sheet in the Church



Lenten Resources:

1. "Restoring Freshness in the time of Lent"

(Garrett publication) - One per family. \$5.00 donation appreciated

2. **Online:** Sign up at: <https://stpaulcenter.com/journey-through-lent/>
(See below for further information).

Lenten Groups:

You are invited to form your own groups to meet to reflect on the coming Sunday's Gospel in Lent. You are invited to use these resources (above) or another suitable resource. Please see Fr Paul or Fr Sam if you would like suggestions with leading a group.

Wednesday mornings at 10am: there will be a Lenten group in the Sunroom.

Thursday morning at 10am: CAYA group will follow a Lenten program from the Diocese of Wollongong

Second Rite of Reconciliation

This will be celebrated at Holy Name on Wednesday evening **6 April at 7:00pm**

Important Dates for Lent and Easter

Important Dates:

Looking ahead to the next season of the Church's year:

Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent

(6:00pm Adoration - 6:30pm Stations of the Cross)

Palm Sunday	10th April
Holy Thursday	14th April
Good Friday	15th April
Easter Sunday	17th April

Second Rite of Reconciliation 6th April (Wednesday at 7:00pm)

Join the Pop Up Choir this year—All are welcome!



Popping up for Easter

Would you like to participate in the joyful Easter celebrations while also learning new skills, having fun and getting to know your fellow parishioners a little better?

Join the Pop-Up Choir this year.

The choir will be back in full flight on Easter Sunday morning.

No prior experience needed, just a love of singing. Scores and training provided.

New singers must attend all rehearsals.

Please register with Chrissie Goldrick via email chrissiegoldrick@gmail.com or sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

Our rehearsals will be as follows:

Sun 27th March 11-12.30pm Sunroom

Sun 3rd April 11-12.30pm Church

Sun 10th April 11-12.30pm Sunroom

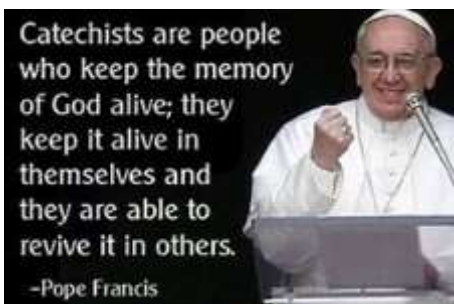
Easter Saturday 16th April at 9.30-11am Church

Also pre Mass warm up at 9am on Easter Sunday morning



2 Catechists Needed

We are in desperate need for 2 Catechists. Training and resources provided



Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; they keep it alive in themselves and they are able to revive it in others.

—Pope Francis

Warrawee Public School

(Year 1) Wednesdays 8:55am—9:35am

Wahroonga Public School ("the Bush School")

Thursdays 10:40am—11:20am

Please contact Cecilia Kean 0400 356 199 for further details.

Parish Safeguarding Message

As a parish, we are committed to safeguarding our children and vulnerable adults. We pray that the children of the Parish, and indeed the whole world, will have the love, protection, education and guidance which is their birthright.

From Fr Paul - Prayer this Lent

Prayer this Lent

In today's Gospel, Jesus, Peter, James and John "went up the mountain to pray".

Some reminders about prayer during this season of Lent:

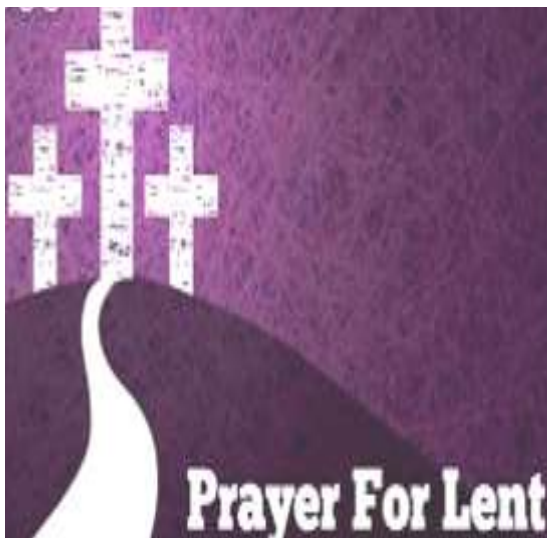
Do I pray?

*in praise of God,
in love of God,
simply being in the silent loving presence of God,
in gratitude,
in seeking forgiveness,
in petition.*



PRAYING LENT
**Experiencing his love
and following him
more deeply.**

- ◇ Morning prayer
- ◇ Prayer time during the day
- ◇ Night prayer
- ◇ The Divine Office
- ◇ Examen of Conscience
- ◇ A Gratitude Journal
(what am I grateful to God for today?)
- ◇ Mass
- ◇ Daily readings during Lent
- ◇ Rosary
- ◇ Other forms of prayer to Mary
- ◇ A Daily Devotional
- ◇ Divine Mercy Chaplet
- ◇ The Stations of the Cross
- ◇ Sacrament of Reconciliation
- ◇ Making a visit to the Blessed Sacrament
- ◇ Christian Meditation
(see Fr Laurence Freeman OSB)
- ◇ Centering Prayer
(see Fr Thomas Keating OCSO)
- ◇ Lectio Divina (sacred reading)
- ◇ Devotion to a Saint
- ◇ Prayerful reading of the Lives of the Saints
- ◇ Spiritual Reading
- ◇ Inviting the guidance of the Holy Spirit
- ◇ Prayerful Listening to uplifting CDs
- ◇ Podcasts and websites that inspire me to prayer and reflection
- ◇ Retreat: one day; several days
- ◇ Special visit to a Catholic sacred place
(eg: tomb of Mary MacKillop; Schoenstatt shrine; special church; retreat centre; monastery)
- ◇ In nature: to celebrate God's creation; to praise and give thanks



How might I pray? When might I pray?

Do I have a special place of prayer?

Learn more about Prayer (Catechism of the Catholic Church: Part 4; nn 2558-2565)

Further quotes on prayer:

*Ask, and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;
knock and the door will be open to you.*

Be still and know that I am God.

Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

When you pray, go into your inner room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is in that secret place. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD - Friday, 25th March

The Annunciation (from Latin *annuntiatio*), also referred to as the Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Annunciation of Our Lady, or the Annunciation of the Lord, is the celebration of **the announcement by the angel Gabriel to Mary** that she would conceive and bear a son through a virgin birth.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, we celebrate the day that the Angel Gabriel visited the Virgin Mary announcing that she was going to be the mother of Jesus. Even though Mary did not understand completely, she trusted God's plan for her life, and she said yes to becoming the mother of God and our mother.

The words of the "Hail Mary" come from the Angel's greeting: "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you." God's grace lives in each one of us, but Mary was full of grace because she was born free of Original Sin.



*Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou
amongst women
and blessed is the fruit of
thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour
of our death.
Amen.*

*“The Church Fathers (after the New Testament period) were fond of exploring the relationship between Eve, mother of all the living, and the new Eve, Mary the Mother of God. Where Eve grasped and lost, Mary surrendered and received; where Eve said no to the alluring mystery, Mary said yes. The angel of the Lord — an agent from a realm beyond what can be seen and known — appears to the maid of Nazareth and greets her in the language of heaven:
Hail, full of grace.”*

Bishop Robert Barron

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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Cecilia Kean	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mrs Pam Koroknay: Mr Chris Madden. (Housebound) Mr Paul Sutherland	
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 (and FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am)
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 during Lent: Adoration 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

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

Baptism: Preparation - last Sunday of the month.

Baptisms - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.00am.
Bookings essential 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.

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021: 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 Elizabeth Webster (St Lucy's) and a representative from 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

The Parish Bank Account Number: The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) with whom the parish banks, has changed some of its processes. This means we have a new account number. In the past, we would provide the details here, however, in late 2020, the Diocese of Broken Bay advised we were no longer to advertise our bank account details in the parish bulletin or on our website. **SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?** If you deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the new account number. There is no change to regular credit card contributors.

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

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

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY: Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest. It is located near the entrance to the church, next to the notice board. 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.