



*"Come, follow me," Jesus said,
"and I will send you out to
fish for people."
At once they left their nets
and followed him.*



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21st January—3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

One of the most intriguing stories in the bible is the Book of Jonah. The first reading this Sunday is taken from the Book of Jonah. We might call him the 'runaway' prophet. Jonah is called by God to convert the pagan city of Nineveh, but Jonah has other ideas. He decides to go Spain and flee from God's request. Wrong move! He boards a ship and when the seas get rough, he tells the sailors that he is the reason for the storm. The reluctant sailors throw him overboard when he is swallowed by a whale. After three days the whale expels Jonah onto the beach.

The message is clear: Jonah is being called to repentance himself, and then, once he accepts the call of God to convert the city of Nineveh, the whole city is converted.

Jonah's story is often our story: we, are the reluctant prophets of God. We go into denial, head in the opposite direction and refuse to co-operate with the will of God. The image of Jonah in the belly of the whale is a time of darkness, solitude and conversion.

Amidst the trials and storms of our own life, God is with us as he was with Jonah calling us to believe in ourselves, and in turn help others to turn to God for their salvation. Today's psalm reflects our desire to follow the Lord:
'Lord, make me know your ways. Lord teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour.' (Ps 24)

Blessings,

Fr. Kelvin



A Prayer for

Friday, 26 January

Australia Day



We bless you, God of the universe, for this land, for its contrasts of landscape and climate,
for its abundance of wealth and opportunity.

We bless you for our history, with all its struggle in adversity, its courage and hope.

Give us in our diversity, tolerance and respect for each other and a passionate commitment to justice for all.
Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Good wishes to all our school students and their families as their summer holidays 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.
The educational year for 2024 commences for Teachers on Tuesday 30th January.

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	22 January	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 3
Tuesday	23 January	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 3
Wednesday	24 January`	Mass	9.15am			St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor
Thursday	25 January	Mass	9.15am			The Conversion of St Paul, apostle
Friday	26 January	Mass	9.15am			Australia Day
Saturday	27 January	Mass	5.00pm			Weekday, Ordinary Time 3
Sunday	28 January	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	4th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Elizabeth Kral (Cyril Littrich's sister, died 16 January), Dympna Hayes (sister of Maureen Kippax), Lachlan Kean (nephew of Cecilia and Noel, died 15 September, aged 37), Sr. Margaret Hill OP, Fr Albert Yelds msc, Colin Maclean (past parishioner, husband of Bianca, father to Cara and Alexander (Sandy)), Katie Mutter (friend of Cecylia Ramsden).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Agnes Pochly (Cecylia Ramsden's grandmother, 60th anniversary 21 January), Patricia McGrath (1st anniversary, 17 January), wife of John, mother to Catherine, Julie, Linda, Anthony, Sean and David), Muriel Molnar (8th anniversary, 21 January), Helene Babski (aunt of Monica Caly, 2nd anniversary 21 January), Joan Clarke (7th anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 7th anniversary, 23 January), Toufic Kassis (brother of John, 4th anniversary 20 January), Joseph El-Daher (Denise Kassis' brother, 63d anniversary on 21 January, Cheble El-Daher (father of Denise Kassis - 37th anniversary on 23 January), Tod Walker (Bishop David Walker and Lillas Roche's brother, 8th anniversary 20 January), Sylvester 'Ves' McGrath (2nd anniversary 26 January, father of Dominic, Damien and Justin), Eileen Goldstein (mother of Pam Gallagher, anniversary on 29 January), Damion (Sri Wijetunga's brother, 54th anniversary, 31st January).

FOR THE SICK:

Stephen Reidy (son of Caroline), Jonathan Tighe (nephew of Caroline Montouro), Will Green (aged 11yrs, friend of the Madden family), Tobias Vieira (son of Samantha and Jose), Tim McGrath (nephew of Dominic McGrath), Lima Sadeik (sister of John Kassis), Baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), Robert Waring (brother in law of Denise Kassis), and Greg Hayes (brother-in-law of Maureen Kippax), Henry Alan Field (4yrs—grandchild of dear friend of Cecilia Kean), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Mike Tighe, Chris Le Gras, Conor and Leila McCreton, Tina Northcott, Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Pam Gallagher, Margaret MacMillan, Leon D'Apice, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Greg McNally, John Clark, Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Joe Pulis, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister).

Names on the Sick List will be removed after 4 weeks unless otherwise advised. Thank you.



News from Fr Sam

Dear Parishioners and Families of Holy Name,

As we approach the joy of Christmas, I write to you with a heart full of gratitude and a touch of sadness. After three wonderful years at Wahroonga Parish, serving as a deacon, assistant priest, and most recently as "Priest in Residence," the time has come for me to say goodbye.

Though I'll be continuing my service as the Vocations Director in Broken Bay and Director of Joseph House of Discernment, I will be transferred from here to become Priest in Residence at Watsonville (The Bishop's House) in March 2024.

It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve in this parish community. Your witness of faith, as well as your love and support have been foundational in helping me grow as a priest. I thank you sincerely for the gift you have been to me, and I ask that you keep me in your prayers as I take this next step in the service of God and his people.

With sincere gratitude,

Fr. Sam French

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday - 3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Jonah 3:1-5, 10:* The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.

Second Reading: *1 Cor 7:29-31:* The world as we know it is passing away. Alleluia, Alleluia! The Kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel: *Mk 1:14-20:* Repent, and believe the Good News.

Parish Groups

Men's Rosary & Bible: The men of HNW meet every fortnight on a Tuesday night to pray the rosary and read the Gospel. All men welcome.

Program

7:00pm Silent prayer in the church

7:10pm Rosary

7:45pm Gospel reflection & discussion

2024



HNW Men's Group Rosary/Bible Study Meetings:



January: 30th



February: 13th and 27th.



Come as You Are RECOMMENCING Thursday 8 February

Our *Come as You Are* reflection and discussion group meets on Thursday after morning Mass about 10.00am. Please come along and join in a friendly and inclusive discussion. All welcome.

Patrick Kirkwood and Annette Stuart-Robertson
0439 649 906

Senior Ladies Group RECOMMENCING Thursday 1 February

We meet in the Parish Sunroom at 2:00pm on the first Thursday of the month. Casual group who meet for a chat and a cuppa. Everyone welcome.

Contact Jo Waldron for further information:
0412 018 819

We have a variety of groups and ministries we are always looking for new participants for:

ie Catechists, Children's Liturgy, Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick/Housebound, Readers, Servers...

Please talk to Fr Kelvin if you are able to assist. If you have a group or event you would like us to put in the bulletin, please let the Parish Office know 9489 3221 or holynome@bbcatholic.org.au

Welcome to Holy Name Fr John

Fr. John Puliparambil has moved in to take up his appointment as **Priest in Residence** at Holy Name Wahrenoona. I know you will warmly welcome Fr. John to our community.

Fr Kelvin



~WEEKEND COLLECTIONS~

1st Collection: LEAVES the parish and goes to a common fund outside the Parish to support priests.

2nd Collection: STAYS in the parish to pay for all our costs, including insurance, maintenance, wages, Church and office expenses, telecommunications, Pastoral programs, the Priest's car and petrol etc and is ESSENTIAL for our PARISH to FUNCTION FINANCIALLY.

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Hayley Edmunds	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mrs Judy Dalton (SAN— Tues): Mr Barry Clibborn (SAN—Fri) (Housebound) Mr Paul Sutherland	
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:	Volunteer needed please.	
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

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 evening during Lent: 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 1:15pm during school terms

Baptism: Preparation - by appointment with Fr Kelvin
Baptisms - 2nd and 3rd 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 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: 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: 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 would like to deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the 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.