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25th August - 21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

In the Masses this weekend we hear from the gospel of St. John on Jesus as the Bread of Life, concluding with his pronouncement that: his flesh is real food and his blood real drink!

Certainly Jesus's teaching is a complex one, and many leave him today because for them, his teaching is just too hard. His way of life, taking up one's cross and following him each day requires making that choice.

In the gospels, it is Peter who is often asking Jesus the question: 'having left everything behind in following Jesus, what can he possibly give in return?' But today, when Jesus asks the questions of the disciples, as to whether they want to leave him too, Peter says: 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This deeply spiritual insight I think is the key to the challenge of belief in the Eucharist. Peter, has grown deeply in his faith relationship to Jesus. Peter knows that food and drink become part of us, but, through consuming the food and drink of Jesus, His Body and Blood, we become individually and communally the Body of Christ. Where people unite as one for some ideal, Jesus presents us with a way of life which is both sustained by his presence with us, and understood through his example of service and love for all.

May Christ endow us with spiritual insight into him as the Bread of Life sent by God to give life to the world.

Blessings,

Fr. Kelvin

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the new carpet will now be installed in the week beginning Monday, 16 September.

The Parish Office will only be open on Wednesday this week. Please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Parísh Masses Thís Week									
Monday	26 August	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 21			
Tuesday	27 August	Mass	9.15am			St Monica			
Wednesday	28 August	Mass	9.15am			St Augustine, bishop, doctor			
Thursday	29 August	Mass	9:15am			The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr			
Friday	30 August	Mass	9:15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 21			
Saturday	31 August	Mass	5:00pm			Weekday, Ordinary Time 21			
Sunday	1 September	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME			

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Remedios Florungco Mabuti (Great aunt of Thomas Castro, died in Hawaii 18 August), Tony Kassis (died 3 July aged 87—brother in law of Denise Kassis), Henry Weaver (father of Anthony, died 23 July aged 89), Michael (Mike) Poirrier died 2 August aged 86 (husband of Mary, father of Sally Oong (our Sacramental Co-ordinator), Anne-Marie, Jo and Ged and much loved grandfather of their children), Rina Robb (past parishioner, died 5 August aged 78), Maureen Dalziel (former Prouille teacher, died 17 July aged 96yrs), John McEvoy (brother of Mary Poirrier, uncle of Sally Oong, died 14 June aged 79).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Patricia Loneragan (sister of Fred, 7th anniversary on 26 August), Jean Goldrick (Chris' Mum, 9th anniversary on 27 August), Giuseppe Abignano (brother of Gennaro Abignano, 1st anniversary 31 August), Wanda Abram (mother of Madeline and Lauren, sister of Francis Guvlekijan and family, sister of Sylvia Zadeian and family, 13th anniversary on 15 August), John Kirkwood (brother of Patrick, 29th anniversary on 16 August), Joseph Malouf and Julia Pinkerton (husband and daughter of Yvonne Malouf—anniversary), Lorraine Gaffey (mother of Trish Migdoll and Peter Gaffey 2nd anniversary 17 August, Louis Planas (18th anniversary on 19 August), Betty Laing (Ken's Mum, 6th anniversary, 22nd August), Rose Leong (aunt of Caroline Ho, 4th anniversary, 18 August), Augusta Matejovski (sister in law of Amalie Gunzenhauser, 3rd anniversary on 9 August), Mary Bourke (Grandmother of Rosalie Belsey, 8th anniversary on 10 August), Patrick Madden (brother of Chris, 8th anniversary on 10 August), Catherine Bourke (daughter of John and Penny Bourke, 9th anniversary, 11 August), John McGarry (husband of Linda, much loved parishioner, 2nd anniversary, 12 August), Takehisa Koyanagi (brother in law of Michael Calvi, 11th anniversary on 13 August), Peggy Smyth (Chrissie Goldrick's mum, 5th anniversary on 4 August), Des McCarthy (much loved uncle of Kathy and Paul Sutherland, 1st anniversary 5 August), Patricia Smyth (sister of Chrissie Goldrick - 13th anniversary on 5 August), Tomas Thrum (1st anniversary 25 July), Barbara Wing (2nd anniversary 31 July), Bill Wallington (father of Joanne Dummer 29th anniversary on 23 July), Bruce Phillips and Enid Phillips (parents of Megan Khannah, 22nd anniversary on 23 July and 16th anniversary on 15th May), Amanda Therese Duggan (daughter of Therese and John, 18th anniversary on 26 July), Jim Johnson (5th anniversary 30th July), Brian Oong (husband of Gwen, father, father in law of Sally and grandfather of Natalie, Katie, Chloe and Zara, 3rd anniversary 21 July), Paul Joseph Mitchell (father of Michael Mitchell, 2nd anniversary 21 July), Barbara Wing (2nd anniversary 31 July), Julie Raftery (Gemma McDermott's mother, 3rd anniversary 16 July), Norman Li (husband of Jennie, 4th anniversary on 13 July), Ethel Christenson (mother of Paul and Linda, mother in law of Virginia, and nana of Isabella, Alana, Claudia, Nick and Daniel) 3rd anniversary 13 July), Gabrielle Quirk (sister of Rosalie Talty, 7th anniversary on 14 July), Andre Henriks (father of Yvonne van den Berg, 5th anniversary 17th July), Joan Kirkwood (21st anniversary on 15 July).

FOR THE SICK:

Sr Patricia Woodbury, Noeline Mannix, Gemma McDermott, Rosalie Talty, Tina Northcott, Mike Tighe, Mark Vinson Vallarta, Margaret Du Moulin (Edwina Potiris' mum, friend of Dominic McGrath), Conor and Leila McCreton, Margaret MacMillan, Jonathan Tighe (nephew of Caroline Montouro), Will Green (aged 11yrs, friend of the Madden family), baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), 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), Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Pam Gallagher, 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).

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday -21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:	Josh 24:1-2, 15-18:	We will serve the Lord Gord, because he is our God.
Second Reading:	Eph 5:21-32::	This is the great mystery, it applies to Christ and the Church. Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Jn 6:60-69:	Lord, who shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.



St Monica—**27 August** Saint Monica's life is a testament to the two virtues of Patience and Perseverance. These two virtues, though seemingly the same, are slightly different. The virtue of Patience helps people remain calm and not to complain when other people otherwise would. Most of the time, this virtue is practiced in relationships with other people and in situations where many things go wrong.

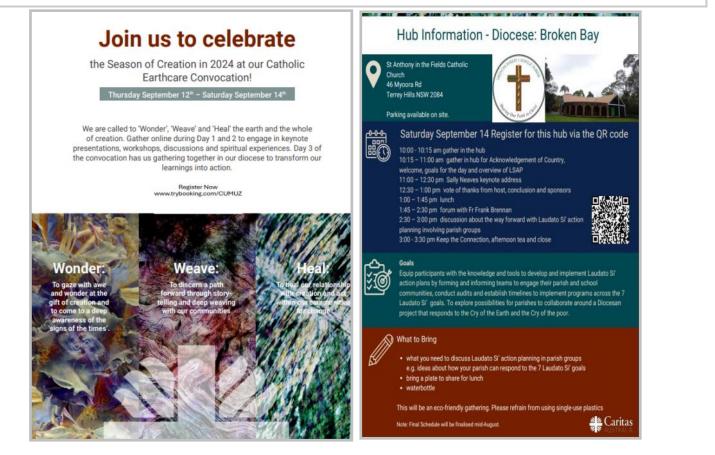
The virtue of Perseverance might demand greater moral strength. Although it is based on the virtue of Patience, it is also the strength to keep going in difficult situations where you feel like giving up.

Saint Monica is an example of these two virtues because she practiced them with her husband and his mother, and especially with her son, Augustine.



St Augustine—28 August Saint Augustine was one of the wisest persons in the Catholic Church. His teachings and writings are still studied to this day. The experience of his life, especially his conversion, serves as a great example of our journey to God as Christians. One of his speeches, which is still quoted today, is: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

Season of Creation - Catholic Earthcare



CONFIRMATION Program - 2024 Commences this Saturday

Confirmation, Baptism and Family Masses



Start with: CONFIRMATION

Enrol: https://www.trybooking.com/CQPST

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised, aged 8 or older and be in at least **Year 3** at school. In our Diocese of Broken Bay, the Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated **before** Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Parents and Carers - Welcome and Information Evening: Attendance is compulsory for one Parent/Carer on either Wednesday 24th July or Tuesday 30th July, 7.00-8.00pm in the Veritas Hall at Prouille School, 5 Water Street, Wahroonga. This is an information evening for parents/carers, which includes refreshments. Children usually do not attend, but discuss this with Sally if necessary.

Group Leader Training: (Leaders only) Tuesday 6 August, 7.00pm, Sunroom at the Church

Sacramental Preparation Groups: These are held at Prouille School Hall on:



Lesson 3: Saturday, 24th August at 3.45pm, Lesson 4: Saturday, 31st August at 3.45pm,

with each lesson followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church (compulsory) and a sausage sizzle for the family.

Practice: Tuesday, 3rd September, 6pm at Church.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Church: Thursday 5th September at 6.30pm

It is a condition of enrolment that **100% completion** of this Program is required in order for your child to celebrate Confirmation. Please contact Sally Oong if you need to discuss these requirements.

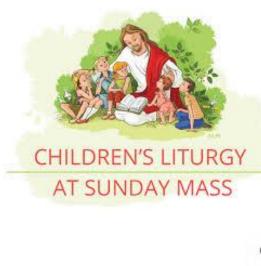


Matthew 19:14 Parish Family Mass

Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in our regular Family Masses, which feature modern music and always have delicious refreshments afterwards.

Prouille Kindergarten and Year 6 will be hosting Family Mass on Saturday, 7 September at 5:00pm

Thanks to our wonderful group of volunteers, Children's Liturgy is back !



Children's Liturgy is held during the 9:30am Sunday Mass (Term time only).

Fr Kelvin invites the children to come forward and the group leader for that week will run the group in the Parish Sunroom. Parents are welcome to join their children if they wish. Feel welcome to join in, even if after the group has started.

The leader discusses the day's Gospel with the children and age appropriate worksheets, pens, pencils etc. are provided. The children return to the Mass at the Offertory,



Support our Parish Primary School—Prouille 2024 Trivia Night

Get Ready for a Night of Global Trivia Fun!

Join us for an unforgettable evening at the **Prouille P&F Association Trivia Night 2024**—a battle of wits with questions that span across the globe!

Date: Friday, 13 September 2024 Venue: Prouille School Hall, 5 Water Street, Wahroonga

Time: Doors open at 6:30 pm (decorate your table); Trivia starts at 7:00 pm Enjoy a night of laughter and excitement with your host and Trivia Master, Jason Montgomery—Aussie Actor & Logie Nominee. Expect a mix of hilarious games and engaging trivia that will keep everyone on their toes!

Ticket Price: \$25 per person (tables of 8)

Tickets Include: Entry to Trivia, Lucky Door and Fancy-Dress Prizes, Prize for Best-Decorated Table, and entry to Surprise Challenges!

What to Bring: BYO food & drink—think of it as an indoor adult picnic!

Bookings Close: Wednesday, 4 September or until sold out. Please note, this is an adults-only event.

Register and purchase your tickets now to secure your spot and get ready for a night of international trivia and entertainment. Let's see who will be crowned the trivia champions!



Parísh Events



Operation Winter Warmth Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to all the amazing contributors of "*Operation Winter Warmth"!* Our team of dedicated knitters, knotters, and loomers has crafted over 150 beanies, scarves, snoods, and baby booties for the

Parish St Vincent de Paul winter outreach.

Your generosity and creativity are making a real difference in our community! #OperationWinterWarmth #CommunityKindness #StVincentDePaul #WarmthInWinter #PracticalCharity

This has been a real community effort, Prouille parents, the Parish Senior Ladies group, parents from Scared Heart Pymble (Shoutout to Cindy for co-ordinating there), yarn and needle donations from all over the North Shore (quite literally) and generous donations from people not connected with the school who saw our call out and got involved.



Amazing!

From Jacqui Van de Velde (Parent Engagement Co-Ordinator)

Around and About



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Volunteer needed please.				
Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823, Mr Ken Laing				
(Treasurer), Mrs Candy Cosgr	iff (Secretary)			
Baptism: Preparat	ion - by appointment with Fr Kelvin			
	d 3rd Sunday of the month at 11.00am.			
Bookings essential through the Parish Office.				
Marriage:				
•	By appointment, at least six months in advance.			
Mass				
Any time day or night.				
Please call 0484 581 647 out of office hours.				
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Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council: Rosalie Belsey, Nick Chapman, Anne-Louise Deakin, Chrissie Goldrick, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Patrick Kirkwood, Sally Oong, Libby Ringrose, Sajanee Senn, Samantha Vieira, with Genevieve Smith (Prouille), Vanessa Dillon (St Edmunds) and a representative from St Lucy's.

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 <u>AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube</u> in case of an emergency.