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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 evenings Holy Hour: 6:30pm

Weekend Masses:

FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

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 Parish Priest

Baptisms - 11.00am—2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month 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: Rosalie Belsey (Chair), Anne-Louise Deakin (Co-Chair), Sajanee Senn (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Nick Chapman, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Patrick Kirkwood, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong, with Genevieve Smith (Prouille), Vanessa Dillon (St Edmunds) and Courtenay Peters (St Lucy's).

Parish Finance Committee: Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien.

The Parish Bank Account Number: BSB: 062-784 ACC: 100010626 (Wahroonga Parish EFT Account)

SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? If you would like to deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), please use the above account number. 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

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 of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

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

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest.

It is located on the right hand side as you enter the Church next to the notice board behind the last pew.

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.

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26th October 2025 — 30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

"SOME PEOPLE PRIDED THEMSELVES ON BEING VIRTUOUS".

This phrase repeats itself in so many areas of life, does it not? I am sure all of us have met people who see themselves as perfect and boast about it. And the others who are aware of their limitations and are ready to learn.

Jesus met these people in His life. He tells us a story, and Jesus's story not new to us: "The Pharisee and the Publican". "The Pharisee stood there and said his prayer to himself. 'I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly I am not like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get'.

"The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner'.

Jesus' words about this Pharisee is "he said this prayer to himself". This is something surprising, He comes before God but thinks only of himself. Boasting. Worse he despises the tax collector thanking God he is "not like the rest of mankind and particularly not like this tax collector here".

How does the tax collector appear before God? He "stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast (as a sign of sorrow for his sins) and said, God, be merciful to me, a sinner'. He trusts God.

Jesus says, "This man, I tell you went home again at rights with God; the other did not". The Pharisee is full of himself; he did not allow God to be God.

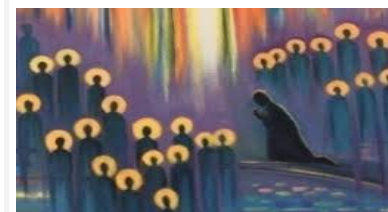
We ask ourselves some questions: When I come to God: Are my eyes turned to God, or to myself? Is my heart centred on God or am I thinking of myself? Is my prayer made of good things I see in myself? Am I satisfied with the way I am, or aware of my need? Do I compare myself with others thinking I am better?

Last Sunday, the good widow persistently cried of the just. God heard her. Today, a sinner who prays to God for mercy and greatly, God hears the sinner's humble prayer also. The only prayer which God cannot respond is that of the self-righteous who effectively say to God, I don't need you. The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

Fr. Gaspar Mushi, Cssp.



Remembering our Deceased during November



We welcome everyone to submit photos of their deceased relatives and friends for display during this coming November. The back of the framed photo (no larger than A4) should identify the deceased, together with the name and contact number of the contributor. The photos may be left at any stage during November (commencing Saturday, 1st November) in front of the lectern on the sanctuary.

In November we pray for the Holy Souls, those who have gone before us in faith. In some places and cultures, people go to the cemetery to visit and pray at the graves of their loved ones. Throughout November, we shall have the **Book of Remembrance**. You are invited to record the names of your deceased family members and friends for whom you wish to have Masses offered throughout November. Special envelopes are available to make an offering.

Parish Masses This Week						
Monday	27 October	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 30
Tuesday	28 October	Mass	9.15am			Sts Simon and Jude
Wednesday	29 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 30
Thursday	30 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 30
Friday	31 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 30
Saturday	1 November	Mass	9.15am*	5.00pm		*First Saturday of the Month Mass ALL SAINTS
Sunday	2 November	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	The COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:
Robert Malonga (Fr Jules-Davy’s father—died 14 October aged 86), Nancy Joan Parsons (aunt of Jenny Gregory, died 11 October aged 100), Walter Sutcliffe (died 9 October - Director of Music at Holy Name and long time friend of the Holy Name Community), Tony Machado (husband of Quinnie, father to Elaine and Tonia, died 30 September aged 86).

ANNIVERSARIES: Joe Couch (Paul’s Dad, 16th anniversary on 25 October, Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma Couch, 8th anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 14th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 7th anniversary on 21 October), Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo’s mother, 12th anniversary 23rd October), Dennis Vincent McCarthy (Kathy Sutherland’s Dad, 22nd anniversary on 19 October), John Hamilton Cutler (Jennifer Gregory’s grandfather, 46th anniversary 19 October), Marianne Pochyly (Cecylia Ramsden’s Mum, 14th anniversary, 19 October), Josephine Wallington (20th anniversary on 12 October—Joanne Dummer’s Mum), John Vince (Cecilia Kean’s father, 40th anniversary on the 9 October), Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean’s Mum, 4th anniversary, 15 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas’ Mum, 16th Anniversary on 9 October), Dan Gibbons (brother of Reg Gibbons, husband of Maria and father of Annette and Diane, 5th anniversary 1 October), Thomas James Clements (Mary Kirkwood’s father, 25th anniversary, 28 September), Robert Muir (27th anniversary, 29 September), Michael and Emily Matejovski (parents of Amalie, 27th and 15th anniversaries), John Crow (Hayley Edmund’s father, 6th anniversary 25 September), Mary Philomena Lynch (27th anniversary 25 September), Bruce Leung, Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, 5th anniversary 21st September), Elizabeth Anne Schmitz (daughter of Susanne and Terry, past parishioners, 4th anniversary 26 September).

FOR THE SICK: Peter and Jan Van de Velde (Jacqui’s parents), Jannette Mary Cameron (sister of Tom Gait), Peter Dewar (good friend of Reg Gibbons), Jenny O’Brien, Lawson Wynter, grandson of Marilyn Orrock, Megan Khannah, Jenny Southam, Alison Robinson (daughter of Vince and Bev), Tammy Ibda (friend of Dominic McGrath), Ray Kassis (brother of John Kassis), Yvonne Malouf (mother of Joanne Klostermann), Noeline Mannix, Tina Northcott, Mark Vinson Vallarta, Margaret Du Moulin (Edwina Potiris' mum, friend of Dominic McGrath), Conor and Leila McCreton, Margaret and Pat MacMillan, Jonathan Tighe (nephew of Caroline Montouro), baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), Henry Alan Field (grandchild of dear friend of Cecilia Kean), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Pam Gallagher, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon’s sister).



Memorial Service for Walter Sutcliffe:

The **Memorial Service** will be held on **Monday 3 November at 2pm.**

St James Church, 173 King St, Sydney

October—Month of the Rosary



MORNING ROSARY GROUP

Please feel welcome to join our Rosary Group following the 9:15am Mass **Tuesday to Friday** and after the First Saturday of the Month 9:15am Mass.

We have new stock of Rosary Beads available in the Piety Store.



October is The Month of the Holy Rosary. **The feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary is 7 October.** It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary. The Rosary is appealing and simple. The purpose of the Rosary is to

The mysteries are grouped into sets: The Joyful Mysteries, The Sorrowful Mysteries, The Glorious Mysteries, The Luminous Mysteries (which were announced in 2002 by Pope John Paul II)

help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Every time we pray the Our Father we are reminded that Jesus’ Father is the initiator of salvation. Praying the Hail Mary reminds us that we are joining with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. In addition, they help to make us aware that Mary was and is still intimately joined with her son, Jesus, in all the mysteries of earthly and heavenly existence. The constant repetition of prayer creates an atmosphere of contemplation. The traditional fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary were finalised by the sixteenth century.

Please join in the Rosary and draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

Pray The Rosary

The Rosary consists of 20 Mysteries divided into four distinct parts – The Joyful, The Luminous, The Sorrowful and The Glorious Mysteries. Each Mystery is represented by a Decade made up of the Our Father, Ten Hail Marys and a Glory Be.



"Of course, the Rosary belongs to every month, but in October the Church celebrates this prayer in a special way: reminding us of its simple beauty and gentle power. It is a time of grace for us to return to this prayer if we have let it slip away: or perhaps to discover for the first time, in the company of Mary, how the Rosary can guide us into unpretentious prayer". Bishop Michael McKenna

White Agapanthus Wanted



WANTED: AGAPANTHUS – WHITE ONLY!!!

Plants and seeds

We are looking to establish and grow our own supply of **white agapanthus** to use for the floral displays in the Church. If you have white aggies at home and could donate a couple of plants or if you are able to collect some seeds after they have flowered, please bring them to the Church office.

If you’re not sure if they’re white, please wait until they flower in a few weeks and then donate the plants or seeds after that. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Oong at the Church office (sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au).

Thank you!

Handel's

Calling all Choristers

An ecumenical combined massed choir performance of the best-loved highlights of **Handel's Messiah** will again be presented in Hornsby to welcome the Christmas season.

Who is this Choir?

- ◆ We are Choristers with a love of singing Handel's Messiah.
- ◆ We come from Hornsby's surrounding areas and beyond for six rehearsals and one performance every year since 2009.
- ◆ We welcome everyone who enjoys singing Handel's Messiah, or has always wanted to sing it.

Please join us for this year's performance on

Thursday 11 December in

Holy Name Catholic Church Wahroonga.

No audition required this is an inclusive choir experience.

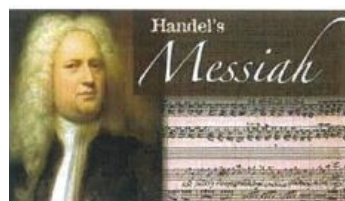
Rehearsals: St Swithun's Anglican Church
Corner Merrivale Road & Telegraph Road
Pymble

7:30pm Wednesday 5, 12, 19, 26 November and 3 December.

Final rehearsal at Holy Name Catholic Church Wahroonga Wednesday 10 December

Musical Director, Phillip Linquist, organist Heather Boyd and the choir will be joined by an ensemble of musicians and young professional soloists singing favourite arias.

Interested choristers; single or groups, either contact Sharon at: hcmessiah@gmail.com
or register via Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1411890>



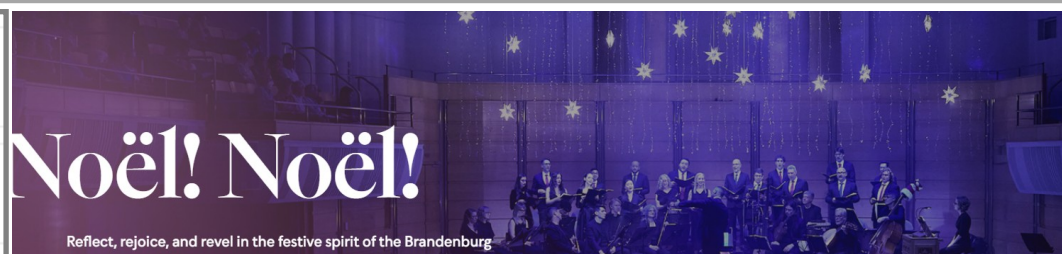
The Australia Brandenburg Orchestra - Here at Holy Name Wahroonga!
Monday 15th December at 7:00pm.

Adult
Tickets starting at \$70.00

Australian Pensioner
Tickets starting at \$40.00

Student
Tickets starting at \$40.00

Family of Four (Select Four)
Tickets starting at \$179.00



Get your tickets now through the ABO website

<https://www.brandenburg.com.au/live-concerts/events/noel-noel-2025/>

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday

30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19: *The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.*

Second Reading: 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18: *All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me. Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!*

Gospel: Lk 18:9-14: *The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.*

Parish Events



FRIDAY EVENINGS
HOLY HOUR from 6:30pm

SENIOR LADIES GROUP

Next meeting: Thursday, 6 November at 2:00pm
in the Parish Sunroom. Everyone welcome!
Call Jo Waldron for further information: 0412 018 819



COME AS YOU ARE (CAYA)

Discussion & Reflection Group

THURSDAYS after 9:15am Mass in the Sunroom

MORNING ROSARY GROUP

Everyone is welcome to join our Rosary Group
following the **9:15am Mass Tuesday to Friday**
and after the First Saturday of the Month
9:15am Mass.



Men's Rosary & Bible Study

The men of HNW meet every fortnight on a Tuesday night to pray the rosary and read the Gospel.

All men welcome.

Program - next meeting 4 November

7:00pm Silent prayer in the church

7:10pm Rosary

7:45pm Gospel reflection & discussion

Contact: Tomasz Grzech 0413 802 069 or Alexander Fletcher O.P 0452 524 119
for more information



Catholic Mission

Donation envelopes are available in the Church. Please give generously if you can. Thank you.

Last Sunday was Mission Sunday and this weekend we continue our appeal in support of Catholic Mission.

Your support to this appeal can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia. Thank you.



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.

catholic mission Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



ALLIANCE OF THE HOLY FAMILY INT'L (AHFI)

JOIN US IN

VIGILS OF REPARATION

FOR THE HOLY YEAR JUBILEE 2025

31 Oct - 1 Nov, 2025

PRAYER INTENTIONS

- End to ALL wars and global unrest
- Restore sanctity of family life, marriage, and life in general
- Reparation for ALL desecrations against the Eucharist and the Sacred; offenses and blasphemies against the Blessed Virgin Mary
- End to widespread corruption, criminality, and immorality
- TRIUMPH of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC CHURCH
35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga

COMMUNION OF REPARATION VIGIL SCHEDULE

Friday, 31 Oct 2025
6.30pm - Silent Adoration
7.30pm - Holy Mass
8.00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Great Salutation Prayer
Self Offering
8.15pm - Scriptural Rosary
8.35pm - Rosary (not scriptural)
8.50pm - Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart
10.45pm - Scriptural Rosary
11.15pm - Scriptural Rosary
Litany of the BVM
11.35pm - Office of the Blessed Virgin Msry
- Family Consecration
Saturday, 1 November 2025
12:05am - Benediction
12:15am - Holy Mass

REGULAR VIGIL SITES
You are warmly invited to join the Reparation Vigil EVERY FIRST FRIDAY-SATURDAY of the month at:
• St. Joachim's, Lidcombe
• St. Patrick's, Kogarah
• St. Margaret Mary's, Merrylands
• Sacred Heart, Mt Druitt
• Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Varroville

FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT: Patricia Lim 0412 689 933

Here at
Holy Name
Wahroonga
Next
Friday

31 October 2025

Communion
of Reparation Vigil

All
Welcome

From the Diocesan Liturgical Commission

Liturgy Notes:

Please note the following in relation to upcoming Solemnities and Commemorations:

- 1 November – All Saint Solemnity.**

As a Saturday, this will only be celebrated on the morning of the 1 November.

- 2 November – Commemoration of all the Faithful departed (All Souls)**

Celebrated at the Vigil Mass on Saturday 1 November, and the day Masses of Sunday 2 November.

As it is a Mass of the Dead, even though on a Sunday, there should be **no Gloria**. However, the Creed does remain. Please note there is an error in the Ordo in relation to this.

- 9 November – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – Feast**

Celebrated at the Vigil Mass on Saturday 8 November, and the day Masses of Sunday 9 November.

Welcome Rev Fr Edward Khaemba CSSp



During the week, we had the pleasure of meeting and hosting Fr Eddie—Superior of Australia & PNG Congregation of the Holy Ghost Fathers Oceania (Spiritans). He came to see how our new priests are settling in, but mostly to offer support and comfort to Fr Jules-Davy following the death of his father Robert Malonga last week. Here is some insight into the life of Fr Eddie:

Image: Diocese of Geraldton

Words: Matthew Biddle

More than 12,000km from his home and family in Kenya, Fr Eddie Khaemba CSSP says while it has taken some time to become accustomed to life in a new country, he feels completely at home now as one of Australia's many migrant priests.

The youngest child of a family of 11, Fr Eddie was ordained in 2011 in Kenya for the Congregation of the Holy Spirit – often known as Holy Ghost Fathers or Spiritans – an international religious congregation with members based in almost 50 countries around the world. Australia is home to nine active and two retired Spiritan priests. Although he knew his priestly ministry would take him to new parts of the world, Fr Eddie says it was challenging when he was sent to Germany after his ordination. A major hurdle was learning the German language. He failed his first test, but passed three months later. “When I left home to go to Germany, you feel like you have lost some part of you,” he says. “As much as we were trained to be missionaries, you miss your family and your connections. “It’s a challenge. But, as time goes by, I think you end up adapting.”

After several years in Germany, Fr Eddie responded to a call for priests to minister to Aboriginal communities in Australia, having spent some time Down Under as part of his pastoral experience program as a deacon. During his seven years in the Western Australian dioceses of Broome and Geraldton, Fr Eddie says he quickly observed great benefits from getting involved in the lives of community members. “When I was in Broome, what helped me was going out for activities like camping and fishing, and getting involved in sports,” he says. “When you go out and involve yourself in those activities, you meet people in their original state.”

His interactions with the Aboriginal communities were particularly rewarding, Fr Eddie adds. “The Aboriginal people are very welcoming and very generous,” he says. “Every time they go out fishing or hunting, they bring you something, and they invite you to go out with them. “They are very spiritual people even though they don’t come to church... they still have a lot of respect for the Catholic religion.”

Unlike his home in Kenya, where priests have to sneak away from large crowds of people seeking them, Fr Eddie says the Australian context requires priests to go out to the people. “In Africa, the people come to us, but here you have to make an effort after Mass to stand outside the church and say ‘hello’ to people,” he says. “It’s so different, and that’s why, as a new priest, you really need to take time just to learn the culture.”

Ministering in some of the most remote parts of the country provided additional challenges, Fr Eddie says. “The first challenge is the big distances you have to go to meet people,” he says. “When I was in the parish of Bidyadanga La Grange, I used to go to the desert communities almost 900km away. “Then I would go there and there would only be five people for Mass. Even if it is only one person, they represent the Body of Christ, but it can be frustrating.” While such numbers attending Mass may reflect the overall decline in Mass attendance in Australia over recent years, Fr Eddie says the same issues facing the Church in Australia are also present in other parts of the world.

Now based at Holy Spirit Parish in Bray Park, in the Archdiocese of Brisbane, Fr Eddie says his advice for migrant priests coming to Australia is to participate in the regular activities and gatherings of the community as much as possible and to be patient.



“Take time to learn, because we do things differently where we come from,” he says. “Don’t be in a rush to make an impression, don’t be in a rush to solve things, don’t be in a rush to prove what you are worth.”



L-R: Fr John, Fr Eddie, Fr Jules-Day and Fr Gaspar enjoy lunch together.

Just take time and learn from the people; and join them in their activities because I think that’s very helpful in getting used to the culture.”