



Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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28 June - 13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

COST OF DISCIPLESHIP AND ITS REWARDS

The Gospel for today can be a difficult one to hear. It calls us to place our discipleship before our loyalty to family and even before our own life.

To better understand Jesus' message, it is important to place this passage in the broader context of not only the chapter in which it sits, but also within the Gospel as a whole and the true meaning of living our baptism. This passage appears at the conclusion of Chapter 10 in the Gospel of Matthew. The entire chapter deals with the commissioning and sending out of the disciples to 'proclaim the gospel, and the healing ministry of Jesus (heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy and drive out demons.)' (Mt 10:8).

The previous chapter concludes with the words, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.' (Mt 9:37-38). We heard this message in the readings of the last two Sundays. Therefore, Chapter 10 is a response to this call. Jesus sends the disciples to 'work the harvest' through proclamation, healing and exorcism. At the end of the chapter, having spelt out all the difficulties a disciple must face, Jesus assures them that even the smallest act of welcoming the disciple will be rewarded.

It's also important to understand that the Jewish audience of the Gospel of Matthew found themselves under increasing persecution and there was often division within families between those holding to Orthodox Jewish beliefs and those following the new Christian way.

For some early Christians, there was the very real choice to be made between following their faith and remaining loyal to family. The Gospel of Matthew repeatedly affirms Jesus as the promised Jewish Messiah; as the fulfilment of Jewish prophecy. For early followers of the Christian way, this difficult message about being a follower was in the context of an affirmation that the message of Jesus was deeply grounded in their Jewish faith.

Fr Gaspar Mushi, Cssp



Peter's Pence Collection

On Sunday 5th July we join parishes across the world in taking up the Vatican's annual **Peter's Pence Collection**.

PETER'S PENCE 5th JULY 2026

"May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all."
(1 Thess. 3:12)

SUPPORT THE HOLY FATHER

- with prayer for his intentions;
- with an offering to Peter's Pence for his apostolic mission, charitable initiatives, and humanitarian aid.

Thanks to donations to Peter's Pence, it has been possible to fund 239 projects in 66 countries.

The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV, including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disaster, war, oppression and disease.

Your generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion.

You can make a gift using the Peter's Pence collection envelope available in the pews.

May God bless your generosity.



Parish Masses This Week

Monday	29 June	No Mass				Sts PETER and PAUL, apostles
Tuesday	30 June	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 13
Wednesday	1 July	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 13
Thursday	2 July	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 13
Friday	3 July	Mass	9.15am			St Thomas, apostle
Saturday	4 July	Mass	9.15am*	5.00pm		*First Saturday of Month Weekday, Ordinary Time 13
Sunday	5 July	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	14th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED: Elizabeth McGregor (mother of Deacon Kevin McGregor passed away this week), Andy Lukas (husband of Donna, father of Andrew, David and John Paul, died 19 June, aged 79 years), Mrs Robyn Duncan (died 15 June, aged 84, mother of James, Cathy, Justine, David and Nick), Patricia Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Mum, died 12 June, aged 99yrs), Maria van den Boogaardt (died 5 May aged 104, mother of Pauline Henebery and Godelieve Ghalas), Eva Tulinsky, Ray Kassis (brother of John Kassis, died 17 April aged 82), Dr Jock Shumack (uncle of Rosalie Belsey).

ANNIVERSARIES: James (Jim) Miller (Jackie's Dad - 16th anniversary on 30 June), Br Michael Stanley Madden cfc (Chris Madden's brother 2 July, 5th anniversary), Daniel McGarry (son of Brian, 16th anniversary on 2 July), Vincent McGarry (father of Brian, 21st anniversary on 3rd July), Tony Kassis (2nd anniversary 3 July —brother in law of Denise Kassis), Ramon Moraza (brother of Rose Planas, 10th anniversary on 4 July), Kevin Francis Lynch (cousin of Jennifer Gregory, 11th anniversary on 5 July), Susan Woodfine (daughter of Barbara and Maurice, sister of Michael, 4th anniversary 6 July), Margaret Woodlands (wife of Brian, mother of Joanne, Elizabeth and Kristin, 5th anniversary 6 July), Paul Pribila (9th anniversary on 26 June beloved husband and father), John Fisher (husband of Yvonne, 4th anniversary 13 June), Joan Crawford (aunt of Jenny Southam, 8th anniversary on 15 June), Richard Doran (husband of Frankie, 15th anniversary on 16 June), Maurice Woodfine (Michael's father), Joe Tulinsky (brother in law of Cyril Littrich, 7th anniversary 17 June), Felicity Gallagher (20 June—55th anniversary), Thomas Allan Wah (father of Noreen Pang, 21 June), Jason Booker (nephew of Trish and Tony Maiolo, 4th anniversary 5 June), Mario Joseph Severino (birthday 9 June), David MacMillan (Pat's brother, 10th anniversary 9th June), Elaine McCarthy (aunt of Kate Sutherland, 1st anniversary 10 June), Joseph Burke (Brother in law to Patrick Kirkwood, 5th anniversary 11 June), Estelle Smith (mother of Dot Brink, 32nd anniversary on 11 June), Sam Severino (Betty's husband, 5th anniversary on 31 May), Joy George (1st anniversary 26 May), Maria Ruth Gomes (13th anniversary 26 May, mother of Linette Sardinha), Harley John Cutler (uncle of Jennifer Gregory, 21st anniversary on 27 May), Peter Reidy (6th anniversary on 23 May), Peter Anderson (nephew of Frank and Jo Waldron, 12th anniversary on 19th May), Maria Maiolo (Tony's mum, 12th anniversary on 20 May), Annis Zouki (brother in law of John Kassis, 4th anniversary, 29 May), Brendan Thomas Stubbs (12th anniversary on 30 May).

FOR THE SICK: Julie Madden, Peter and Bernadette Vince (brother and sister-in-law of Cecilia Kean), Joseph Akkary (great-great-nephew of Denise and John Kassis), Pam Gallagher, Stevan Dind (friend of Dominic McGrath and Spiros Potiris), Megan Khannah, José Joaquim De Sousa (son of Ines), Shannon Van Der Bergh (nephew of Amalie G), George Ozelins, Peter and Jan Van de Velde (Jacqui's parents), Jannette Mary Cameron (sister of Tom Gait), Jenny O'Brien, Lawson Wynter (grandson of Marilyn Orrock), Alison Robinson (daughter of Vince and Bev), 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), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), 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).



Calendar of Events at Holy Name

Sunday	05 July		Peter's Pence Appeal at all Masses
Thursday	16 July		Fr Jules-Davy 15th Anniversary of Ordination

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday 13TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16: That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

Second Reading: Rom 6:3-4, 8-11: Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life. Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mt 10:37-42: Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Can You Help the Venezuelan Earthquake Victims?

We pray for all who suffer from the earthquakes in Venezuela. Strengthen those who rescue, heal, and care for others. Bring peace to the frightened, hope to the grieving, and courage to all who serve.

Tax-deductible donations may be made through Caritas Australia to support those affected.

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/venezuela-earthquake>



Around and About in our Parish

Men's Rosary & Bible Study

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

Program - next meeting 30 June

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.



Senior Ladies Meeting

Our Senior Ladies Group meets on the 1st Thursday of the month.

The next meeting is Thursday, 2 July.

For further information, contact Jo Waldron 0412 018 819

Holy Hour
Friday - 6:30pm

All Welcome



CAYA Come As You Are

Discussion & Reflection Group

ARE TAKING A SHORT BREAK

We will let you know when they are back!



Holy Name Youth Group will
not meet during the school holidays.

Anything you would like to let the Parish know about?
Contact the Parish Office to
have it included in our bulletin.



Sunday Snippets

Growing Interest in the Catholic Faith - A US study published on the 18 June, 2026, has highlighted a growing interest in the Catholic faith, particularly among young adults searching for truth, purpose, peace and spiritual depth. The 20 dioceses involved reported record levels of participation in adult faith formation programs. Many participants said they were drawn to the Church's liturgy, teachings and rich tradition, while others began exploring Catholicism through prayer apps, podcasts, videos and social media. Researchers noted that spiritual motivations ranked far above political or social considerations. Seventy-seven percent of participants cited a desire to grow in virtue, 76 percent sought a deeper understanding of truth, and 72 percent reported a search for greater inner peace.

At the same time, the study noted that many people, especially those 40 – 54 years, can feel hesitant about taking the next step. Some worry they are not spiritually ready, unsure if they will be accepted by the parish community, or anxious about participating in the liturgy. This is a reminder that our parish communities have an important role to play. An invitation, a warm welcome, personal accompaniment and genuine hospitality can help newcomers feel at home as they journey into faith.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2026-06/ocia-study-united-states-interest-catholic-faith.html>



Receiving the Precious Blood:

Last week, we wrote about the return of Holy Communion from the Chalice, noting that receiving Communion under either species is equal. The Church has always taught that Christ is fully present in both the consecrated bread and the consecrated wine. Receiving from the Chalice is not obligatory.

For those who choose to receive, please approach the minister with the Chalice after receiving the Host. When the minister says, "The Blood of Christ," respond, "Amen," take the Chalice in your hands, drink a small amount, and return it carefully to the minister.

Please note that self-intinction, dipping the Host into the Chalice yourself, is not permitted. This is liturgically improper and may also raise hygiene concerns, particularly if fingers come into contact with the Precious Blood.

What Song Are We Singing?

A reflection on today's Psalm 88: Sometimes when we worry, our minds can become busy places. We replay conversations, imagine future arguments, and conduct imaginary court cases in our heads where we prove ourselves right. Yet many of these battles never happen. Instead of bringing peace, they rob us of it. Jesus offers a different way. Rather than rehearsing arguments against our enemies, he calls us to love them and pray for them. This moves us from resentment to trust, from anxiety to peace.

We should also be careful whose voices we allow into our minds. Those who constantly complain, criticise people and institutions, or delight in tearing others down can quietly shape our own thinking. Before long, their bitterness becomes our inner dialogue. The psalm points us to a better path: **"I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord."** Let that be the song that fills our hearts.

When we choose God's faithful love over endless rumination, our minds become less like courtrooms and more like places where Christ's peace can dwell.

Year 4 Family Mass Participants



A BIG THANK YOU to our Prouille Year 4 students who attended and participated in our Family Mass last Saturday evening. Thanks also to their families for their support and supplying delicious desserts for everyone to enjoy after the sausage sizzle. It was very special to see their teachers who took time out from their weekend schedule to attend.

We hope the teachers and students enjoy their final week of Term 2 and enjoy the school holidays which begin at the end of this week.

PLANNED GIVING

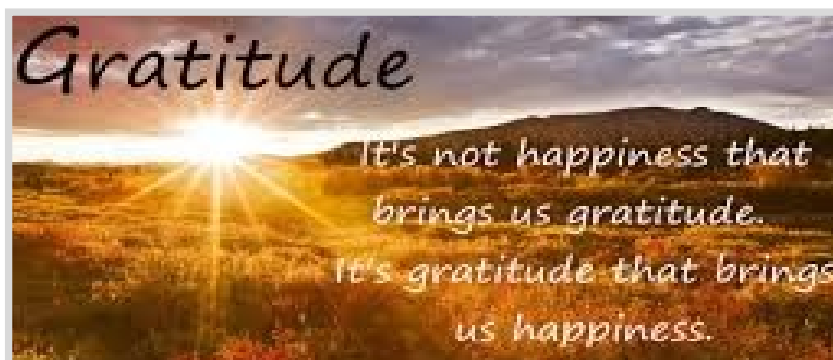
Planned Giving envelopes for the 2026/2027 Financial Year are now ready for collection from the back of the Church. We are very grateful for your ongoing support and generosity. If you would like a set of Planned Giving Envelopes, please complete the form in the Church and put in the collection plate.

Alternatively you can go onto our automatic credit card deduction system whereby your chosen amount is deducted once a month (on or around 15th of the month). Forms for this are also available in the Church or contact the Parish Office 9489 3221.

~ WEEKEND COLLECTIONS ~ Where does the money go?

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 Priests' cars and petrol etc and is ESSENTIAL for our PARISH to FUNCTION FINANCIALLY.



Ignite Conference 26 - Last Chance to get your tickets!

IGNITE CONFERENCE 26

Ignite Conference is an event of Ignite Youth, a national Catholic youth ministry that springs out of the Emmanuel Community, Brisbane.

Check us out at

Sydney

9-12 July 2026

Broken Bay Cathedral Precinct, Waitara

"I am delighted the Diocese of Broken Bay will be hosting the Ignite Conference this year. Ignite is a dynamic event for students, young adults and their families. It provides wonderful opportunities for faith formation in a creative and fun environment while encountering the living Christ. Let's all pray the Ignite Conference brings new hope and life to our community of the Church."

Archbishop Anthony Randazzo

Apostolic Administrator of Broken Bay

Tickets are selling fast, don't miss out:

<https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney>



Hosted in and supported by the Diocese of Broken Bay

Check us out at igniteyouth.com

Celebrating 75 Years of Jesuit Mission

This year, Jesuit Mission Australia celebrates 75 years since the first Australian Jesuits arrived in Hazaribag, India, in 1951. This milestone is an opportunity to reflect on a shared history of faith in action and partnership with communities across Asia.



For 75 years, Jesuit Mission has worked alongside communities to expand access to education, healthcare, sustainable livelihoods, refugee support and disaster response, helping people build brighter futures for themselves and future generations.

We invite parishioners to watch our special 75th Anniversary video and celebrate this milestone with us at

<https://jesuitmission.org.au/who-we-are/75-years/>

As we approach the end of the financial year, please consider making a tax-deductible EOFY donation to support Jesuit Missions work with vulnerable communities across Asia:

<https://jesuitmission.org.au/give/bhagya/>



CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Start with: CONFIRMATION

Enrol: <https://www.trybooking.com/DNIEK>



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: *attend one of these evenings*
Attendance is compulsory for one Parent/Carer on either Wednesday 23 September or 14 October, 7.00-8.15pm in Holy Name Church, 35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga.
This is an information evening for parents and carers, which includes refreshments at the start. Children usually do not attend, but may do so - we suggest you bring a silent activity for them.

Group Leader Training: (Leaders only - please volunteer at the Info Night)
Tuesday 20th October, 7.00pm, Sunroom at the Church

Sacramental Preparation Groups: (Prouille School, 5 Water St, Wahroonga)
Parents/children meet in a group at Prouille School Hall each week for:

Lesson 1: Saturday, 24th October at 3.30pm,
Lesson 2: Saturday, 31st October at 3.45pm,
Lesson 3: Saturday, 7th November at 3.45pm,
Lesson 4: Saturday, 14th November at 3.45pm,
with each lesson followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church (compulsory)
and a sausage sizzle for the whole family.

Practice: Wednesday 18 November, 6pm at the Church.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation: Holy Name Church
Saturday 21 November 2026. Time TBA (afternoon)



For more information about our Holy Name Parish
Children's Sacramental Preparation Programs
please contact Mrs Sally Oong, Sacramental Preparation Co-Ordinator
sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or 9489 3221 (Parish office)

BAPTISM FOR OLDER CHILDREN (5-12 years old)

We are taking registrations for Parish children aged 5 years and over to join Fr Gaspar Mushi and Sally Oong for a Program of Preparation for Baptism:

- **Attendance at two Preparation lessons for Baptism** for parents, Godparents and children
- **Dates: Saturday 19 September and Saturday 17 October** at 2.30pm in the Church,
- Followed by attendance afterwards at the **5pm Family Mass** on **both** of these dates.
- Complete the Baptism registration form and provide Godparents' Baptism certificates.
- **Baptisms** will be celebrated on **Sunday 25 October at 11am.**

Please email Sally Oong asap for a form to register your children.

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

Parish Priest:	Fr Gaspar Mushi Cssp	gaspar.mushi@bbcatholic.org.au
Assistant Priest:	Fr Jules-Davy Malonga Cssp	jules-davy.malonga@bbcatholic.org.au
Deacon Richard Houwing:	(02) 8379 1753	richard.houwing@bbcatholic.org.au
Parish Secretary:	Mrs Jackie Thornton	jackie.thornton@bbcatholic.org.au
Parish Office:	Email	holynam@bbcatholic.org.au
Sacramental Coordinator:	Mrs Sally Oong	sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au
Office Hours:		Weekdays* 9:00am to 5:00pm (*CLOSED Tuesday)
Phone:		(02) 9489 3221
Postal Address:		P O Box 385 Wahroonga NSW 2076
Prouille Primary School:		5 Water Street Wahroonga NSW 2076
School Principal:		Ms Genevieve Smith
Phone:	(02) 7256 2146	School Website: www.prouilledbb.catholic.edu.au
CCD Coordinator:		Mrs Hayley Edmunds
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:		Mrs Judy Dalton (SAN - Tues) Mr Barry Clibborn (SAN - Fri) Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:		Volunteer needed please.
St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):		Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823 Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer)

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.

Holy Hour: Friday evenings 6:30pm (except during Lent—
when we have Stations of the Cross at 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

**McQuoin Park, Waitara: Fr Jules-Davy celebrates Mass on
Sundays at 11:00am**

Baptism: Preparation - by appointment with Parish Priest
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. Fr Jules-Davy visits Hornsby Hospital on a
regular basis and the SAH (The SAN) by arrangement.

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, Anne-Louise Deakin (Co-Chair), Hayley Edmunds, John George,
Chrissie Goldrick, Alex Fletcher, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong, with Genevieve Smith (Prouille),
Rebecca Kirwan (St Edmunds) and Courtenay Peters (St Lucy's).

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

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.**