

“His teaching made a deep impression on them because ... he taught them with authority”
(Mark 1.21)



Holy Name Catholic Parish

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31 January 2021—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome!

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Holy Name please visit our parish website at www.holynamewahroonga.com.au. We hope you enjoy your time here at Holy Name Wahroonga. Please visit us again soon.

With the beginning of the school year, there is a real sense that holidays are over, and 2021 has begun in earnest!

As we look forward to another year, the parish and each school community within the parish acknowledges Jesus as our light.

He said *“I am the Light of the World”*.

The faith of the Church is that Jesus is *“God from God, light from light, true God from true God.”*

May we all be inspired by Minnie Louise Harkins’ (1875-1957) famous poem ‘At the Gate of the Year’.

*I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year
‘Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.’*

*And he replied, ‘Go into the darkness and
put your hand into the hand of God -
that shall be to you better than light
and safer than a known way!’*

So I went forth and finding the Hand of God

Trod gladly into the night

He led me towards the hills

and the breaking of day in the lone east.

So heart be still!

What need our human life to know

If God hath comprehension?

In all the dizzy strife of things

Both high and low,

God hides his intention.”

May we each step out in faith and recognise God’s blessings in this coming year.

May we continue to support each other as a community of faith in 2021.

- Fr Paul.

Morning Prayer at Holy Name

Holy Name Parish has commenced the practice of a “Holy Hour” from 8:00am-9:00am before the 9:15am Mass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays



The Holy Hour begins with 30 minutes of silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament followed by Morning Prayer and the Rosary.

8.00am— 8.30am Silent Prayer

8.30am— 8.45am Morning Prayer of the Church

8.45am— 9.00am Rosary

The texts for Morning Prayer (or Lauds) will be taken from the “Liturgy of the Hours,” which together with the Mass constitutes the official public prayer of the Church. The Liturgy of the Hours is prayed throughout the world by clergy, religious, and lay people alike. It is a beautiful way for us to gather as a community of faith to pray for the needs of the whole Church.

Note: If you would like join us in prayer, the texts for Morning Prayer can be accessed through the app called “Universalis” available on both the App Store (iPhone/iPad) and the Google Play Store (Android). The app costs between \$16-\$19. Alternatively, you could purchase the 3 volume set by contacting any Catholic bookshop (can cost up to \$400).

Morning Mass at Holy Name

A reminder that Mass is celebrated at 9:15am at Holy Name, Tuesday to Friday. Please join us if possible in this great prayer of praise and thanksgiving, where we are nourished by his Word and by the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

We seek to grow as a Welcoming and Inclusive Community, supporting Life’s Journey, through God’s Grace and Mercy

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	01 February	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 4
Tuesday	02 February	Mass	9.15am			The Presentation of the Lord
Wednesday	03 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 4
Thursday	04 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 4
Friday	05 February	Mass	9.15am			St Agatha, virgin, martyr
Saturday	06 February	Mass			5.00pm	St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs Vigil of the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	07 February	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Charles (Charlie) Attard (brother of Ray, brother-in-law to Lynne and uncle of Ryan, died 27 January), Graham Wogan (friend of Pat and Margaret MacMillan, died in New Zealand on 24 January), Roger Le Moy (ex-parishioner of Holy Name, husband of Anne and father to Christian,, Monique and Martine) Phyllis Wijundsera, (Charles mother, died 31 December), Caterina Randazzo (Bishop Anthony's mother, 29 December), Philip Stanley (27 December), Felix Vindurampulle, Diane Poirrier (sister of Mike, aunt of Sally Oong), Fr Luke Rawlings (died in New Zealand, 3 November).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Eileen Goldstein (mother of Pam Gallagher, anniversary on 29 January), Kay Elizabeth Ann Baguley (mother of Jo Toomey, 22nd anniversary on 2nd February), Joan Clarke (4th anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 4th anniversary, 23 January), Toufic Kassis (brother of John, 1st anniversary 20 January), Joseph El-Daher (Denise Kassis' brother, 60th anniversary on 21 January, Cheble El-Daher (father of Denise Kassis - 34th anniversary on 23 January), Sylvia Arnett (mother of Max, 1st anniversary 6 January), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony, 19th anniversary), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony - anniversary 13 January), Damion (Sri Wijetunga's brother, 51st anniversary, 31st January, Tod Walker (Lillas Roche's brother, 5th anniversary 20 January), Muriel Molnar (5th anniversary, 21 January), Margaret Couch (mother of Paul, 3rd anniversary on 25 December), Mario Severino (son of Sam and Elizabeth, 15th anniversary on 26 December), Ingrid Tighe (35th anniversary on 29 December), Joseph Sydney McElhenny (2nd anniversary 3 January), Elisha Foti - 8th anniversary on 4 January), Geoff Ranson (Fr David's Dad, 1st anniversary on 15 December), George Thornton (3rd anniversary on 15 December, Tony Coutinho (husband of Lucinda, 7th anniversary on 16 December), Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 6th anniversary on 7 December), Paul Limbers (father of parishioners Jane Watson, Julia Burfitt, Peter and John Limbers, 2nd anniversary on 30 November), Frances Sim (3rd anniversary on 30 November), Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 15th anniversary on 29 November), Marie Shortis (3rd anniversary on 27 November), Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 1st anniversary 16 November), Arie van der Plaats (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 5th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 3rd anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 53rd anniversary on 16 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 2nd anniversary 10 November).

FOR THE SICK:

Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), John Clarke, Bill Murrell, Danielle Uskovic, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Nonoy Tad-y (cousin of Rose Raward), Colin Higgins, Candy Cosgriff, Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Nancy Den Hertog, Walter Sutcliffe, Karen Tighe (daughter of Mike), Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Mike Tighe, Cyril Littrich, Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Baby Thomas Joseph Elley, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, Margaret Woodlands, Hildegard McLaughlin, David Coombes, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), , Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Maureen Ritchard, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR MEMORY? UNSURE WHERE TO TURN?

CatholicCare's Memory Innovations Centre improves quality of life, wellbeing and helps support positive brain health for seniors in our community. Our professionally run programs focus on having fun, connecting with others and stimulating your brain. The programs combine science and social activity and are run by experienced facilitators to ensure you get the best outcomes for your health and wellness. Our programs are simple, enabling people to use the strategies at home. A cozy, warm and welcoming environment awaits you at our centre in Waitara, with a team who are always on hand for a cuppa and a chat. Alternatively you can access our programs from the comfort of your own home. Programs in art, mindfulness and relaxation, dance, exercise, navigating technology, cooking and brain training available. For more information visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/mic or call (02) 9481 2659. Leaflets are available in the Church and Parish Office.

From Fr Paul

The first reading this Sunday (Deuteronomy 18:15-20) presents Moses as the ideal prophet. A true prophet never speaks on his own authority, but speaks on behalf of God. The Jews believed that God would raise up in the last days a prophet like Moses. The early Christians regarded Jesus as the awaited prophet, the Messiah and Saviour. His teaching was given with authority and confirmed by miracles, the sign that God was with him. In today's Gospel we see how Jesus spoke with authority, and how the ordinary people recognised this.

Today there is an accent on Jesus, the great teacher: 'He entered the synagogue and *taught*'. They were astounded at his *teaching*'. He *taught* as one having authority'. What is this? A new *teaching* - with authority!'

Everything about Jesus, not just what he said, carried authority, for it brought people in touch with the very author of life. Today, we ask God's blessing on our teachers throughout the parish, and throughout our land.

We wish all the school teachers and students of the parish a happy and successful year at school. A special thought for 'Kinders' beginning school, Year 7's beginning high school, any who are beginning at a new school and those in Year 12. It has been inspiring to celebrate Mass with school staffs this past week, and I look forward to celebrating Mass for students and staff at some of our schools this coming week.

A special word of thanks and support for our Parish catechists (coordinated by Cecilia Kean) as they prepare to share their knowledge and love of the Faith with children in the two local state primary schools. We wish Mr Stephen Gorringer every support and blessing in the position of Special Religious Education teacher at Ku-ring-gai High School. Stephen was appointed by Ku-ring-gai Christian Education Association (KCEA), a ministry supported by Holy Name parish.

Welcome from PPMC

This weekend, Gemma McDermott, Chair of our Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council will speak at all Masses to officially welcome Fr Paul and Deacon Sam to our Parish. Following the 9:30am Mass, we will have Morning Tea. Please join us.



Feast Day of St Agatha—5 February

St. Agatha, also known as Agatha of Sicily, is one of the most highly venerated virgin martyrs of the Catholic Church. Throughout her life, She was faced with torture and possible death.

Prayer of St Agatha from prison in 251AD, as she prepared to die for her faith

'Lord, my creator, you have protected me since I was in the cradle. You have taken me from the love of the world and given me patience to suffer. Now receive my spirit.'

St. Agatha is the patron saint of Sicily, bellfounders, breast cancer patients, Palermo, rape victims, and wet nurses.

This is a timely celebration as we recognize Grace Tame as Australian of the Year 2021.

Parish Events

St Dominic's Playgroup—Mondays from 9am to 11am Our first 2021 Playgroup will be on Monday 1 February

Holy Name runs a playgroup Monday mornings for children from birth to school age and their parents/carers. Come along for a casual catch up with other adults while the children play with the extensive and ever changing toy collection in our beautiful surrounds.

Everyone is welcome, there is always an interesting and diverse mix of people and we'd love to see you. We meet in the sunroom during Term time.



Come As You Are (CAYA) Discussion and Reflection Group Recommences Thursday, 4 February.

Come as You Are reflection and discussion group meets in the sunroom 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

Community Pantry Fusion

Hello everyone,

Volunteer opportunities for "Community Pantry Fusion" are now open. We have offered to stock the pantry once a week on Saturday or Sunday. It is not very large and would be filled by 8-10 pantry items or toiletry supplies. Useful items are cans of soup, noodles, rice, muesli bars, biscuits, cereal and soap, deodorant, toothpaste etc.

The goods can easily be dropped up to Fusion at 5 Jersey St, Hornsby anytime over the weekend and placed in the small pantry out the front. Alternatively we now have a basket in the foyer of the church and goods can be placed there and will be collected.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: volunteersignup.org/BPFYK To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Thank you for volunteering!

Hayley Edmunds
hedmunds42@gmail.com



Food Pantry



Lent

The journey towards
Holy Week commences with
Ash Wednesday 17 February 2021

Stay posted for what we will do as a Parish!

Note: Good Friday 2 April and Easter Sunday 4 April

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Cecilia Kean	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mr John Boswell; Mr Chris Madden; Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)	
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

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

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday (Suspended)

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening: Holy Hour from 7.00pm (Suspended)

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

Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

(Suspended until further notice)

Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am.

Please make an appointment 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.

Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020

Gemma McDermott (Chair), 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 Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Jason Scanlon (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

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests—it is very much 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 upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by committing to a Planned Giving scheme. Please see the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Another way to assist our parish is to consider a gift in your will. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach. Please contact the parish office for a confidential discussion or more information.

(Alternatively see the "giving" pages at www.dbb.org.au) **EFTPOS Available in Parish Office**

Our Parish has Tap n Go Facilities at the entrance to our church. The money donated at these terminals contributes to our Parish Planned Giving—These monies are for the support of our Parish and Clergy.