

*"Let us go on to the neighbouring towns,
so that I may proclaim the message there
also; for that is what I came out to do."*



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4th February—5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

'Mother Teresa refused an offer of money from a rich Hindu gentleman to build a home for the dying. Why? Because he stipulated that it must be a vegetarian house.

Mother Teresa tries to give every person their last wish. Generally it is something like water from the Ganges (for a Hindu); sometimes a cigarette or a toffee apple; occasionally a chicken leg or a chicken wing. In a vegetarian home she would not be able to give anyone chicken.' (Anon)

This simple story highlights the need to give whatever we can when someone is suffering or dying. The readings this week from Job (7:1-4, 6-7) and the gospel of Mark (1:29-39) present us with mystery of suffering. We know that God doesn't punish people through suffering as was often believed in the Old Testament.

Jesus, comes to alleviate suffering and dispel that misnomer through his compassion and mercy for those who suffer. Our response is to imitate the response of Jesus in the midst of suffering.

St. Mother Teresa's compassionate ministry reflected the work of Jesus to care for those who suffer by entering into the mystery that is, other people's suffering. In this way, we take on the suffering of others' to become more like Christ.

Blessings,

Fr. Kelvin

Preparing for Lent and Easter

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 14th February - leading to Easter Sunday 31st March

**ASH WEDNESDAY
LENT BEGINS**

Emphasizes our mortality and our need for ongoing repentance.

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The 40 days of Lent are based on two accounts: the 40 years of wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.

*Ash Wednesday
Masses:*

9:15am

and

6:30pm

DAYS OF FASTING
ASH WEDNESDAY
GOOD FRIDAY

WHAT IS FASTING?
One full meal and two smaller meals.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE
ASH WEDNESDAY
GOOD FRIDAY
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?
No meat.

**PILLARS
OF LENT**

PRAYER
FASTING
ALMSGIVING

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	5 February	No Mass				St Agatha, virgin, martyr
Tuesday	6 February	Mass	9.15am			St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs
Wednesday	7 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Thursday	8 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Friday	9 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Saturday	10 February	Mass	5.00pm			St Scholastica, virgin
Sunday	11 February	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Chris Le Gras (died 20 January, aged 93), Elizabeth Kral (Cyril Littrich's sister, died 16 January).

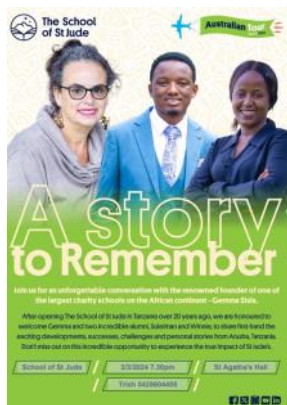
ANNIVERSARIES:

Kay Elizabeth Ann Baguley (mother of Jo Toomey, 25th anniversary on 2nd February), Margaret Bizannes (12th anniversary on 7 February), Evelyn Waters (cousin of Margaret MacMillan, 3rd anniversary 9 February), Lasserre Gomes (father of Linette Sardinha, 1st anniversary 28 January), Marie Gibbons (sister-in-law of Reg Gibbons, 1st anniversary 28 January), Eileen Goldstein (mother of Pam Gallagher, anniversary on 29 January), Ves McGrath (father of Dominic, brother-in-law of Reg Gibbons, 2nd anniversary 26 January), Joan Clarke (7th anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 7th anniversary, 23 January), Agnes Pochyly (Cecylia Ramsden's grandmother, 60th anniversary 21 January), Patricia McGrath (1st anniversary, 17 January), wife of John, mother to Catherine, Julie, Lynette, 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:

Margaret MacMillan, 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), 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, Conor and Leila McCreton, Tina Northcott, 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).

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



An Invitation:

Gemma Sisia who in 2002 opened The School of St Jude in Arusha, Tanzania with just three students, to bring free quality education to children experiencing poverty is coming to Australia. St Jude's has grown to three schools with 1,800 students including a girls only secondary school.

Gemma is speaking at **St Agatha's Parish Hall, Pennant Hills on Sunday 3rd March 7.30pm** about the School of St Jude so please come and join us.

For more information, please contact Trish 0428 604 405

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday - 5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7: I am filled with sorrow all day long.
Second Reading: 1 Cor 9:16, 22-23: Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel. Alleluia, Alleluia!
He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!
Gospel: Mk 1:29-39: He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.

Farewell Morning Tea for Fr Sam

Fr Sam will be leaving Holy Name Parish as our 'Priest in Residence' on 8 March to take up residence at 'Watsonville', the home of Bishop Anthony. To celebrate his time with our Parish and wish him well in his new home, we will have a **Farewell Morning Tea following 9:30am Mass on Sunday, 25th February**. We hope you can join us then.

Parish Groups

**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. In preparation for Easter, our Lenten Program will be "Pieta" - produced by the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong. Please come along and join in a friendly and inclusive discussion. All welcome.

Patrick Kirkwood and Annette Stuart-Robertson



2024

- ◆ **HNW Men's Group Rosary/Bible Study Meetings:**
- ◆ **February:** 13th and 27th.

Contact Tomasz Grzech 0413 802 069 for more information.

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

THIS SATURDAY—3 FEBRUARY—MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE is a movement of men publicly offering reparation & repentance to God on the 'First Saturday' of each month in honour of Our Lady of Fatima and her requests. #mensrosarycrusade For more information call Tomasz on 0413 802 069.

Our Lady of Fatima's request to pray for peace, making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and fulfilling the First Five Saturday's Devotion has never been more important. Confession from 11.30am and Holy Mass at 12pm in St Mary's Cathedral. Men, it's time for ACTION - join us, share the message, invite others and bring your mates and sons along. Rain, hail or shine it's on! *Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.*

World Day of Prayer - Friday, 1st March 2024

World Day of Prayer Service will be held at
11:00am on Friday, 1st March at:

Holy Name Catholic Church
35 Billyard Avenue, Wahroonga

The service for 2024 has been written by the people of Palestine. It is entitled:

'I beg you...bear with one another in love'.



World Day of Prayer 2024



Palestine

'I beg you...bear with one another in love'

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.