

OUT OF HOURS MEDICAL EMERGENCY
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"He must increase, I must decrease"

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5pm;
Sunday 7.30am, 9.15am, 6pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday-Friday 7.45am (Monday & Tuesday with Lauds)
Saturday and Public Holidays 9am.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK First Friday
4pm Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Friday
after morning Mass; First Friday
3.30pm; Saturday 9:30am (after
morning Mass) & 4.30pm; Sunday
7.00am.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Baptism
Preparation - 9.30am second and
fourth Sunday of the month
Sacrament of Baptism - 11.00am first
and third Sunday of the month . Please
contact the parish office for more
information.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT Saturday after 9am Mass
until 10am Monday until 9am (Public
Holidays 10.15am) Thursday 7.30pm-
8.30pm for the needs of the Parish.

PARISH CHOIR Enquiries: 4341 3367
Practice Wednesday nights in the
church @ 7pm.

Christian Meditation Thursday
afternoons from 2-3pm and Monday
evenings 6-7pm, in the Leo Mahon
room. All welcome!

St John the Baptist Church

Cnr Blackwall and Victoria Roads, Woy Woy

Ethel Cox Parish Centre

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Parish Office: Open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 4.00pm

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Psalm Response

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am
gentle and lowly in heart. *Alleluia!*

Readings: 8th September 2019

Wisdom 9:13-18; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

Keep Us In Your Prayers OF YOUR CHARITY PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF:

Recently Deceased: Kathleen Elizabeth Glodek, Harry Morrison,
Timothy Fischer,

Anniversaries: Tom Smith, Mossie Lumsden, Safaa El-Khatib, John
Catania

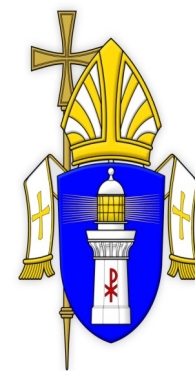
Rembrances: Fawkner, Floyd & Mathew Families, Jovita Espiritu,
Frank, Mary & Katerina Justic

Sick: Irene Beck, Kerry Baldwin, Brian Smith, Jason Simon, Vicki Pirie,
Patricia Dwyer, Donna Vella, Donna Briemer, Oscar James Morreti,
Betty Fraser, Luis Emilio Garrido, Pam Player, Audrey Kirkman, Malin
Tugaga, Pamela Power, Mary Scarf, Louis Aloisio, Amanda Sheridan,
Audey Barsenbach, Marta Panczyna, Sue James, Mary Wood, Therese
Horner, Jack Dummett, Jo Farrelle, Anne Singleton, Tina Cohen,
Janice Green, Robert Parker, Maureen Wardrop, Ros Harbig, Sheila
Rogan, Karen Chorazyczewska, Ian Wilks, Michael Hourigan, John
Horriggan, Ed Hyland, Daphne McNab, Shirley Crotty, Ada-Primrose
Murphy, Tim Parker, Lorraine Smith, Larry Cresswell, Ken Joyce,
Alison Richmond, June Townsend, Josie Weate, Andrew Muggs,
Sheila Houghton, Chryssine Toms, Frank Levy, Dorothy Fulton, Roger
Mitchell.

Quotes from Amoris Laetitia... 'The Joy of Love'

Pope Francis

*Indeed, in many countries where the number of marriages are
decreasing, more and more people
are choosing to live alone or simply to spend time
together without cohabiting*



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St John the Baptist Catholic Church

Mission and Vision

Bringing Jesus Christ to ALL, through:

Worship and Liturgy

Outreach

Our Parish School

Hospitality

Adult & Child Faith Formation



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st September, 2019, Year C (Psalter Week 2)

Prayer for a New Bishop

Heavenly Father and Eternal Shepherd,
you watch over and govern your flock with
vigilance and concern.

In your immense love, grant to your Church a
pastor who will please you by his holiness
and aid us with his unfailing care.

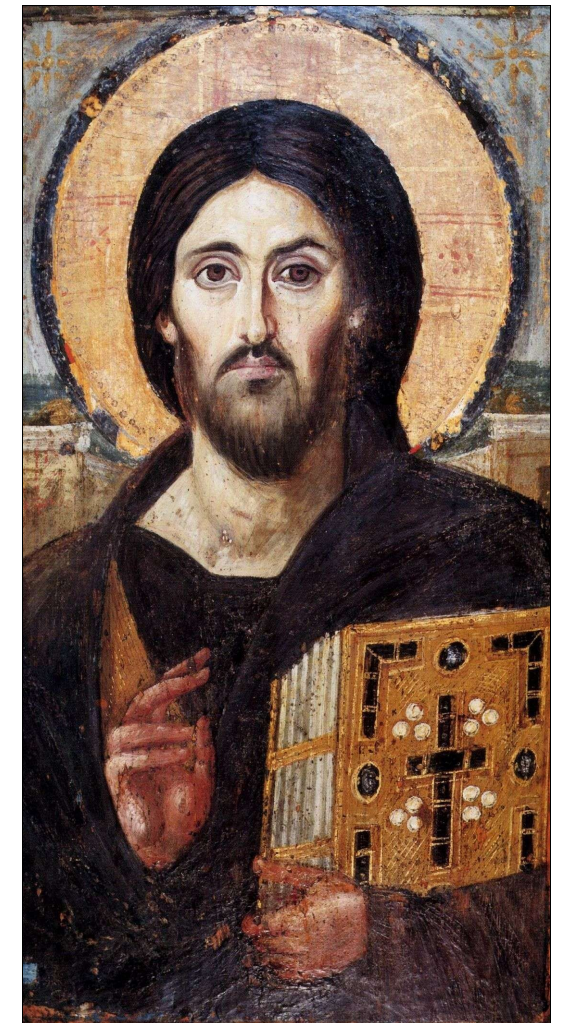
In your time, grant us the joy of welcoming a
shepherd formed
after your own heart.

May he be an example of virtue to your people
and, imbued with the power of the Holy spirit,
fill their minds with the truth and beauty of
the Gospel.

Grant wisdom, O Lord, to those now discerning
your holy will in the selection of our new
bishop.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord
and through the intercession of our mother,
Mary Star of the Sea.

Amen



Parish News...

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed for the following 2 wednesdays, 4th and 11th September. Sorry for any inconvenience.

LED Lighting: If you would like to donate, envelopes are on the gathering table. We are thankful for your kind and generous support towards this project.

Justice of the Peace: Jeff Freeman is a registered J.P. If you are requiring his service he will be available before 5pm Mass every Saturday.

Planned Giving Envelopes: Planned Giving Envelopes are available for collection in the gathering area.



The Labyrinth of Chartres, a Cathedral in France, is part of the pilgrim's quest on their journey to the holy land. The Chartres Cathedral labyrinth is the most famous of these, but labyrinths began to appear all over Europe in the 12th century.

The Chartres Labyrinth was almost certainly built in the early 13th century and became a symbol for pilgrims, who walk the labyrinth as part of their pilgrimage. (This site holds significance as the Chartres Cathedral is the home of the tunic worn by the Virgin Mary at Christ's birth). The Chartres Cathedral is now a UNESCO World Heritage site.

By Diana Berryman on 19 January 2018, <https://tomaandcoie.com/blog/labyrinthchartres-spiritual-pilgrimage/>

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation - 1 September 2019. Christian churches all over the world celebrate the *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation* on 1 September, and the *Season of Creation* between 1 September and 4 October – the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. This year's theme is "The Web of Life: Biodiversity as God's Blessing". We pray that all people may learn to respect and celebrate the goodness of God's gift of creation in all of its variety. For further information and resources please visit SeasonofCreation.org. Join the global community by using the #SeasonOfCreation hashtag on social media.

NEXT MONTH (SEPTEMBER) IS SAFEGUARDING MONTH IN THE DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

This year the Diocese of Broken Bay is celebrating the theme; *A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging.*

All clergy, parishioners and the wider community are invited to the Diocesan **Liturgy** which signifies the start of SAFEGUARDING MONTH.

LITURGY OF INCLUSION AND CARE, Tuesday 3 September 2019, Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara, 7.00pm.

Rosters

Volunteer Church Cleaning 20/09/19:

Children's Liturgy 22/09/19:

Morning Tea

Bus Trip celebrating the month of the Rosary to the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary Shrine and Retreat Centre. Departs 0800 Thurs 10 October. Cost approx \$15-\$20. Contact Carrie Shepherd 0403 147 776.

International speaker, Sherry Weddell, will be visiting our Diocese next month. This is an important opportunity for our parishes to be part of a conversation Presented by Sherry Weddell

(Author of *Forming Intentional Disciples*)

SRE Catechists, Sacramental Teams and all those working in Children's Ministries

Date: Friday 13th September 2019
Time: 10.00am – 2:30pm
Registrations Essential

Colleen Smith
registrations@bbcatholic.org.au
or 8379 1643

RSVP by 6th September
morning teas /Lunch and morning are provided

Topics include:

- Exploring Intentional Discipleship
- Thresholds of discipleship, with a focus on ministry to children
- Discerning our own calling as disciples, and identifying our gifts

Venue:
Caroline
Chisholm
Centre,
Building 2,
423 Pennant
Hills Road
Pennant
Hills

Limited
parking
available

Four
minutes'
walk from
Pennant
Hills Station

Fostering intentional discipleship amongst our parishioners.

Date: Saturday 14th September 2019
Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm
Registrations Essential

Pina Bernard faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au
or 8379 1627

RSVP by 6th September
Lunch and morning / afternoon teas are provided

Topics include:

- The nature of intentional discipleship and the thresholds of discipleship
- Supporting people from one threshold stage to the next through a variety of entry points
- Practical ways that ministries and parish activity can foster intentional discipleship
- The importance of discerning our gifts and using them to live the mission of Jesus

Do not look forward to the changes and chances of this life in fear; rather look to them with full hope that, as they arise, God, whose you are, will deliver you out of them. He is your keeper. He has kept you hitherto. Do you but hold fast to his dear hand, and he will lead you safely through all things; and, when you cannot stand, he will bear you in his arms. Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow. Our Father will either shield you from suffering, or he will give you strength to bear it.

Saint Francis de Sales

Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta, 1964-1969 Golden Reunion, Saturday 21st September 2019:

Did you attend Year 7 at OLMC in 1964, or thereafter? Did your SC in '67 or your HSC in '69? If you left before your exams, you're still welcome at our 50th Reunion!

Contact Jennifer Newton: email fiftyyearsonolmc64-69@hotmail.com or Facebook page OLMC Parramatta 1964-1969 50th Reunion (September 2019).

Cash Housie every Saturday night at Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd, Woy Woy. Games start at 7.30pm and finish 10.20pm, cash prizes. Ticket sales from 6pm. Proceeds benefit the Parish. Enquiries Rob: 0427 990 818.

St John the Baptist Youth Group:

Held once a fortnight during school terms for high school students (Years 7-12), in the Leo Mahon Room. For more information, contact Matthew French on 0411 792 587.

St Vincent de Paul Society on the Peninsula assist and give a hand up to people in need. We have two Conferences with volunteers sharing the visiting or office work. We always welcome new Volunteers to our Conference. Please ring Ken 0400 335 351 or Pat 0403 672 077.

"Mary Mac's Place" Hospitality: volunteers provide nutritious, freshly cooked meals and information and referrals to appropriate community services. Open Monday to Friday, 11am-1pm, at the Ethel Cox Parish Centre. For more information, please contact 4341 0584.

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