

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: 0417 659
526. Practice Wed nights in the church
@ 7pm. New members welcome.

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

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Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. *Alleluia!*

Readings: 20th October 2019
Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14 - 4:2; Lk 18:1-8

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

Recently Deceased: Rudie Bylsma, Madge Fahy, Joan Tebbutt.

Anniversaries: Ivan Dempsey, Thomas Wolfe, Frank Schmidt, Sharyn Gapps.

Sick: Bill Seton, Joan Kelleher, Kerry Baldwin, Brian Smith, Jason Simon, Vicki Pirie, Patricia Dwyer, Donna Vella, Donna Briemer, Oscar James Morreti, Betty Fraser, Luis Emilio Garrido, Audrey Kirkman, Malin Tugaga, Pamela Power, Mary Scarf, Louis & Rose 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 Horrigan, 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, Chrissy Toms, Frank Levy, Dorothy Fulton, Roger Mitchell.

Quotes from *Amoris Laetitia*... "The Joy of Love"
Pope Francis

We also find it hard to make room for the consciences of the faithful, who very often respond as best they can to the Gospel amid their limitations, and are capable of carrying out their own discernment in complex situations. We have been called to form consciences, not to replace them.

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th October, 2019, Year C (Psalter Week 4)

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo - Bishop of Broken Bay



I am honoured and humbled by this appointment, and grateful to the Holy Father for the confidence he has shown by entrusting me with the privilege and responsibility of being the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

Ultimately, this appointment is not about me; it is about Jesus Christ, and about how we, as living members of the Body of Christ, bring Him to the world by the way we live out our baptismal vocation with love. We are instruments in His hands.

The Coat of Arms for the Diocese of Broken Bay features an image of the lighthouse on the Barrenjoey Peninsula, with the Chi Rho – one of the earliest symbols for Christ – marked on the side. It is a reminder that Christ is our Light. He leads us and guides us, both to the open waters and back in to safe harbour. He is not just light for me or for the Diocese. He is the light of the world. It is a reminder to all of us that we best meet the challenge of living the Gospel in the world today by following Christ our light.

I am grateful to Father David Ranson for his leadership of the Diocese of Broken Bay as its administrator over the past 15 months. I look forward to having him alongside me as I begin this new ministry in Broken Bay. I am grateful also to my three predecessors in the Diocese, and I hope to continue their good work.

To the people and priests of Broken Bay: I look forward to being officially installed as your Bishop, but please know that you are already in my heart and in my prayers during this time. Along with the priests and deacons of the Diocese, I am eager to walk with you, imitating Christ as the Good Shepherd who is always present amongst His flock.

While I grew up on the Gold Coast, as a teenager, I joined members of my family for holidays on the beaches of Terrigal and The Entrance. I am delighted that I will be able to have this beautiful part of God's creation in my home diocese.

While I accept this appointment with great anticipation, I am also sad to leave the Archdiocese of Sydney. The three years that I have spent in Sydney have been a great blessing. Being ordained as a Bishop by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, and having the opportunity to work closely with him and with Bishops Brady and Umbers, has been one of the highlights of my time in Sydney.

I am overwhelmed by the generosity of the people of God in Sydney. I have shared with them their joys and struggles and witnessed their desire for good, hopeful and happy families. There is a wonderful dynamic of vibrancy in the people of Sydney, and I will be eternally grateful to God for my time with them.

Please pray for me as I begin the new mission entrusted to me by the Lord. I ask you to pray that I will be a shepherd after the Heart of Christ.

Yours sincerely in Christ

Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo
Bishop-elect of Broken Bay



Parish News

Mass changes October: Fr Timothy will be away from the Office between the 7th of October and the 18th of October. In his absence the following changes have been made:

Mon 14th Oct - Mass at 7.45am , morning prayer and Expositon.

Tues 15th Oct - Mass at 7.45am followed by morning prayer.

Masses for the remainder of the week will be as normal.

Mission Sunday 20th October: Envelopes are in the church for your convenience. The need is great and your generosity would be appreciated.

Reconciliation: For those parents who missed the Information Night, please contact the Parish Office to collect your Enrolment Form. Tel 4341 1073.

Melbourne Cup Trifecta: The Rosary Ladies will be selling tickets next weekend 19/20 October. Tickets 50c each - winning ticket \$400. Your support would be appreciated.

Twilight Talks: Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites you to Twilight Talks. Join Young Adults (18+) from around the Diocese to connect, share a meal, pray and be nourished by inspiring speakers.

Our last Twilight Talks of the year will welcome our Diocesan Administrator, Fr David Ranson as he speaks on The Holy Spirit, Discernment & Discipleship. You will not want to miss this one!

Date: Tuesday 15th October 2019

Time: 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Venue: Hotel Pennant Hills, 352 Pennant Hills Rd Pennant Hills

St Therese of Lisieux Relics to visit Broken Bay parishes in March 2020: As part of the national tour of the relics of St Therese and her parents, 6 churches in Broken Bay will host the relics in March 2020. For full details, read the story on the bbcatholic website:

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news-events/latest-news/relics-of-st-th-r-se-of-lisieux-to-return-to-australia-in-2020>

Holy Wisdom (25 - 27 October 2019) Retreat:

A weekend retreat where we will take a walk in the fields of Holy Wisdom. We will explore the wisdom figure of Hokhmah (Sophia) and some related wisdom teachings of Jesus. The retreat will be in the wisdom contemplative tradition, combining some sharing with meditation, silence and reflection.

Rosters

Volunteer Church Cleaning 18/10/19: Veronica Jordan, Elena Egan, Jo Salter.

More Church Cleaners are required. If interested please call Christine French on 4342 4548.

Children's Liturgy 20/10/19: Celeste Boonaerts, Roselle Bravo, Mimi Lambert.

Taking the Good News to the Children

A big part of spreading the Good News which Jesus instructed His apostles and we have inherited through our Baptism, is going into the state schools and helping with Special Religious Education lessons. The catechists in our parish go to 4 primary schools for one 30-minute lesson for each class. Our catechists have been doing a sterling job for many years, but they need help.

We are looking for some generous people who would like to donate their time and talent to be assistants for these women and men. Assistants work with the catechist and are not left in charge of the class on their own. An assistant's main task is to help the students be on the right page and help the students be able to complete the activity they have been given. A more confident assistant may like to undertake helping the catechist by leading the prayer or reading the Scripture passage or story for the lesson.

If you are interested in being part of this most enjoyable ministry, call Michael Tebbutt, Regional CCD Co-ordinator, on 0407 218 677. We can meet for a coffee and talk over all that would be entailed in being part of this special ministry in spreading the Good News.



On the 18th of October *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) is inviting children worldwide to take part in the campaign "One Million Children Praying the Rosary." For more information and for prayer resources visit, www.millionkidspraying.org.

Parish Safeguarding Presentation



All Parish Staff, Volunteers and those interested in learning more about Safeguarding are invited to attend.

The Diocese seeks to ensure children and vulnerable people are provided with the fundamental right to be kept safe and respected. This right is held sacred in our Gospel, international and local laws and within our Church policy and practice.

Topics covered in the presentation include:

- What is Safeguarding?
- Expectations of attitudes and behaviours when engaging with children and young people
- Everyone's role as a Safeguarding Champion
- Reporting and raising concerns

Registration can be made via the list on the gathering table. Alternatively phone Triona on 02 4341 1073 or email parish@woywoycatholic.org.au

A culture of Safeguarding values WISDOM...

"Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom." - James 3:13

Tuesday 29th October 2019
12pm - 2pm or 6pm - 8pm

St John the Baptist Parish
54 Victoria Rd
Woy Woy

These two sessions will have the same content; therefore, you will only need to attend once.

Bequest, Gift In Wills or Gifts in Memory Booklets
Following requests from Parishes to provide new and updated Gift In Wills (Bequest) booklets, we are pleased to advise that bequest booklets are now available in the gathering area.

For further information please contact Liane via 8379 1664 or liane.giuliano@bbcatholic.org.au

SAFEGUARDING MONTH – inclusion is a planned and intentional activity.
To learn more about the role of the Office of the eSafety Commissioner visit www.esafety.gov.au It is committed to empowering all Australians to have safer, more positive experiences online.

Fransalian Quote

"God always chooses us and seizes us before we choose him and take hold of him"

St. Francis de Sales

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

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 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. New Volunteers are always welcome. Please ring Ken 0400 335 351 or Peter 0425 358 376.

"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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