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**27  
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2025**  
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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

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**KNOCK**  
AND THE DOOR  
WILL BE OPENED  
TO YOU.

— LUKE 11:9 —

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Genesis 18:20-32

*Abraham intercedes on behalf of Sodom.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

*Lord, on the day I called for help,  
you answered me.*

## 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Colossians 2:12-14

*God pardoned our sins  
through the death of Christ.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Romans 8:15

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*You have received the Spirit  
which makes us God's children,  
and in that Spirit we call God our Father.  
Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

*Jesus teaches the disciples to pray.*

## MASS & LITURGY TIMES

### CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

#### MASS:

Wednesday, 9am  
Sunday, 9am

#### BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.  
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

#### RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm  
Church of St. Kieran

#### YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month  
during the school term.

#### WEDDING:

Require six months notice and  
include Pre-Marriage Course as  
part of the preparation.

### CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

#### MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday\*, Saturday,  
8.30am

Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm

Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

*\* Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass  
on Fridays.*

#### BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.  
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In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.  
We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present  
and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.





# WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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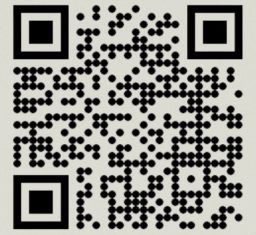


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## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

This time of year, I attend a lot of weddings. Why do Catholic weddings need to take place in a church?

### Answer:

Technically, there is a clause in Church law that could allow for weddings to take place outside of a church, in a suitable space under special circumstances, but it requires permission of the bishop. But the meaning of marriage goes very, very deep, and the Church has a vested interest in protecting that meaning. As Catholics, we don't see a wedding as an event that needs a pleasing backdrop.

Marriage is a sacrament, both an occasion of joyful promise and symbolic solemnity. It is a spiritual event. The loving bond of marriage symbolizes the mystical union between Christ and his Church. The man and woman profess lifelong vows of fidelity, and they receive supernatural grace from God to keep their promises. Receiving the sacrament of Marriage in a church has broader symbolic meaning for the couple as well. Marriage isn't simply two people in isolation from the world around them. Marriage is the joining of families and the beginning of a new, holy mission in the life of the couple. Weddings are sacred occasions, and it's fitting that they occur in sacred spaces.

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## BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Notice how Jesus begins the prayer he gives to his disciples, "Our Father." The Aramaic word Jesus uses is *Abba*, which is actually closer to "Daddy." Read the psalms or the prayers of the prophets. Nowhere is God referred to as *Father*, let alone the intimate term *Dad*. Jesus is inaugurating a new relationship with the Almighty. It is no longer, "Majesty," or "the God of Abraham and Isaac." God is *our* loving papa.

Jesus is asking his disciples to change their image of God. And the change is dramatic. God is not just a creator; God is a parent. We are not just creatures; we are beloved children. But notice the pronoun before *Father*.

God is not just mine, but *Our* Father. God is parent to the entire world. Jesus is making the point that we are all brothers and sisters of the same God, the God we are to call Father.

Through Abraham, God made a covenant with the Jewish people. God would always be with them. They would be God's chosen people. In Jesus, God makes a new covenant, a closer, more intimate covenant. God is not just with us, but also in us. We are God's children. Jesus is our brother not just on his mother's side, sharing our humanity, but also on his Father's side, sharing his divinity. We are all one family. And we must treat each other that way.

### FAMILY RESPONSE:

If your family is not already saying the Our Father together, begin doing so this week. Choose a time when the whole family is most likely to be together.

### PERSONAL RESPONSE:

List the attributes a loving parent would have. Which of these qualities would you like most to possess? What can you do to make this happen?

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## WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

Community gardens are getting popular. Do you know if you have one in your area? These gardens are usually a piece of land that is given to people or rented very inexpensively so they can grow food to feed their family. It is a good and holy thing to work with the earth, to plant seeds, and to tend them while they grow into plants. Jesus used stories of farmers in Scripture – he spoke of seeds scattered, seeds that take root. He spoke of a small mustard seed that grows into a mighty plant. Your challenge this week is to seek out a garden in your community. Volunteer to help weed or water and support those who are caring for God's creation or feeding those most in need.



## PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

## CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

*"Give us each day our daily bread" —Luke 11:3*

Jesus picks up on the Old Testament teaching about asking for and taking only what you need for the day, not hoarding and saving up things but trusting God will give you what you need tomorrow too. So many environmental issues are caused by our overconsumption and hoarding more than we need to live on (food, gasoline, plastic stuff, fresh water, etc). What do you have more of in your home than you need or use? How can you cut back to just what you need in that category?

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## SICK CALLS

### AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

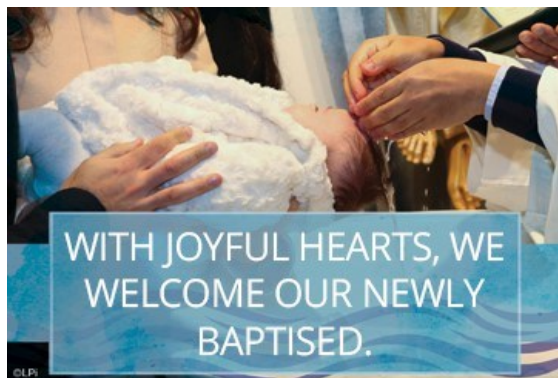
#### BUSINESS HOURS:

PARISH OFFICE—9949 4455

#### AFTER HOURS:

*(Evenings & Weekends)*

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### Leilani Charlotte Smith

Daughter of Nicholas & Lauren

### Summer Florencia Reynolds-Gama

Marcella Reynolds-Gama

Daughters of Leandro & Lucie

### Jude Archer Maxwell Mitton

### Tate Alexander Murdoch Mitton

Sons of Julian & Alison

## PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

### SICK:

Odette James, Greg Hyde, Joyce Arnold,  
Peter and Jan Van de Velde, Cecilia Yeung

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Edwardo Pipino, Helen Mary Barr, David Phillips,  
Judith Hegarty, Raymond Gething, Errol Abbott

### ANNIVERSARIES:

John O'Brien, Phillip Taranto  
Jack & Ella Keogh (Bathurst)

Our community would love to pray for you.

If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail [office@nhcatholic.org.au](mailto:office@nhcatholic.org.au)





# Youth MASS

**Sun 10 August, 2025**  
 St Kieran's Catholic Church  
 2 King St., Manly Vale 2093 NSW

All welcome!

followed by a sausage sizzle  
 & light refreshments

# PARISH FAMILY MASS

**Sunday, 27 July | 5:00PM**  
 St Kieran's Manly Vale

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD | SUPPER AFTER MASS

Feel free to bring a plate to share during supper after Mass. Suggestions include pasta, rice, casseroles, or garlic bread. Please leave all food in the Parish Centre prior to Mass and take home any leftovers when you leave.  
 Thank you!




## Introduction to Pastoral Care Course

Volunteer Catholic Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit hospitals throughout the Diocese of Broken Bay providing comfort and care to Catholic patients. Our Diocese and NSW Health require that 40 hours of training is completed to perform this important role. The *Introduction to Pastoral Care Course* (IPCC) meets this requirement, is **FREE** and is open to those who already volunteer in a hospital context, or in local health and aged care facilities, and to those who might be deciding if they are suited to this ministry.

The course runs for five consecutive **Mondays: September 1st and 8th** at St Leonard's Catholic Church Hall, Naremburn and **15th, 22nd and 29th** at Royal North Shore Hospital, St Leonards, between 9:00am and 3:00 pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Please speak to your Parish Priest for more information and how to apply, or contact Peter Brown, *Practice Manager Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care*, CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay on 0418 616 602.

**CatholicCare**  
 Diocese of Broken Bay



27 JULY 2025

## WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

*Please join us  
 for a special blessing  
 at our Masses next weekend.*

## HEALING MASS: SUNDAY 10 AUGUST

**6:00PM, SACRED HEART PYMBLE**

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Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021. We thank all grandparents and elderly people who have contributed to our church and society. May God continue to bless them as they journey with Christ Jesus.



**BAGS OF LOVE** *Painting Morning Tea*

**11AM-12:30PM**

**SUNDAY 10 AUGUST, ST KIERAN'S MANLY VALE**

**FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR GRANDPARENTS**

COME AND PAINT A BAG TOGETHER - IT'S YOURS TO KEEP!  
HELP COVER THE COST OF MATERIALS - DONATE ON THE DAY

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# VOCATIONS

## ANSWERING THE CALL:

*a celebration of faith and hope*

### Seminarians' Benefit Gala Dinner




**Date:** Friday 22 August, 2025  
**Time:** 7pm-11.30pm

**Venue:** The Epping Club, 45-47 Rawson St, Epping 2121

**Cost:** \$120 per person or \$1,000 for table of 10 Dinner & Beverages

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**Booking:** [www.trybooking.com/DDOPW](http://www.trybooking.com/DDOPW)

**Further information**  
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

The third stage of the upgrade to St Kieran's sound system will take place from **28 July -1 August**.

To allow technicians full access to the church, Masses over these days (Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri) will be held in **Centre 1** of the Parish Centre.

Wednesday mass at St Cecilia's **will not** be affected.



## Pope Leo BOOK LAUNCH

Thank you to all who attended and showed their support at the book launch at St Kieran's last weekend!

If you didn't get a copy of the book and would like to purchase one, please visit the Parish Office.

**\$35**

*Limited copies available in Parish Office*




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## COMMEMORATIVE TEASPOONS FOR SALE

Celebrating the Jubilee Year and the Papal Election

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# PLAYGROUP LEAP INTO LEARNING



## JOIN US FOR OUR Teddy Bear's Picnic



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- MEET THE TEACHER
- STORY TIME
- CRAFT TIME
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Friday 1st August 2025

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# Little Kieran's Playgroup

Term 3

1 Aug  
8 Aug  
15 Aug  
22 Aug  
29 Aug

Weekly on Fridays  
9.00am- 10.15am

FREE

- **Teacher led** with a school readiness approach
- **Form connections** with other local families
- **Engaging crafts** and sporting activities
- **Play-based learning** in an inclusive setting



St Kieran's School - 63 Gordon St Manly Vale

## Sharing the Gospel

When you search for something, God will help you find it. When you look for a birthday present for your cousin, God may help you pick a good one. If you lose your lunch money, God may help you find it. When you need a new friend, God may send one. Whatever you ask for, he will listen to you. God does this for you because he loves you very much.

## Prayer

Lord, remind me to ask you for what I need.

## Mission

I will help my family find items that they have lost.

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Promoting a safer *Church*

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the LIFE of the Church.



**SAFEGUARDING**  
is everyone's responsibility



# COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





*O God, my Father, I am seeking You, not making statements about You.  
Help me and guide me.  
Confessions 9, 17  
- St. Augustine of Hippo*

## NEXT WEEKEND (3 AUGUST 2025): 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

### 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23  
*All things are vanity.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1  
*In every age, O Lord, you have  
been our refuge.*

### 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11  
*Set your heart on the greater  
things.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 5:3  
*Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Happy the poor in spirit; the  
kingdom of heaven is theirs!*  
*Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21  
*Parable of the rich man with a  
good harvest.*

**2 AUG, 5.30PM  
ST KIERAN'S**

**Senior Server**  
David

**Readers**  
Cecilia  
Caterina  
Val (R)

**Music**  
TBD

**Communion Min**  
Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint**  
Volunteer needed

**Welcomers**  
Volunteers needed

**3 AUG, 7.30AM  
ST KIERAN'S**

**Senior Server**  
Jo

**Readers**  
Judith  
Jenny  
Joseph (R)

**Music**  
none

**Communion Min**  
Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint**  
Olivier

**Welcomers**  
Volunteers needed

**3 AUG, 9AM  
ST CECILIA'S**

**Senior Server**  
Ilde

**Readers**  
Louise  
Ailis  
Julien

**Music**  
Love thy ngbr

**Communion Min**  
Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint**  
Volunteer needed

**Welcomers**  
Volunteers needed

**3 AUG, 9.30AM  
ST KIERAN'S**

**Senior Server**  
Michael

**Readers**  
Kate  
Tanya  
Brian (R)

**Music**  
Harvest

**Communion Min**  
Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint**  
Volunteer needed

**Welcomers**  
Volunteers needed

**3 AUG, 5PM  
ST KIERAN'S**

**Senior Server**  
Kevin

**Readers**  
Catherine  
Linda  
Louise (R)

**Music**  
Ben

**Communion Min**  
Volunteer needed

**Powerpoint**  
Volunteer needed

**Welcomers**  
Volunteers needed

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 27 JULY

**Mon 28 July:** Monday of the 17th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

**Tue 29 July:** Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus

**Wed 30 July:** Wednesday of the 17th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

**Thu 31 July:** St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

**Fri 1 August:** St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Sat 2 August:** Saturday of the 17th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

## The Catholic Community of North Harbour

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### Office Hours

9.00am to 4pm (Tuesday to Friday)

### Churches

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**Church of St Kieran** 2 King St, Manly Vale 2093 NSW

### Parish Staff

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