



# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR

Worshipping Communities of Allambie Heights, Balgowlah, Balgowlah Heights, Brookvale, Clontarf, Manly Vale, North Balgowlah, Seaforth and parts of Beacon Hill and North Manly



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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay

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## **CHRISTMAS EVE (24 DEC):**

### **FIRST READING**

Isaiah 9:1-7

*Isaiah foretells the coming of the Prince of Peace.*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 95:1-3. 11-13 R. Lk 2:11

*Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.*

### **SECOND READING**

Titus 2:11-14

*The grace of God has been revealed to all people.*

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Luke 2:10-11

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord. Alleluia!*

### **GOSPEL**

Luke 2:1-14

*The birth of Jesus.*

## **CHRISTMAS DAY (25 DEC):**

### **FIRST READING**

Isaiah 52:7-10

*The Lord redeems the entire earth.*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 97:1-6. R. v.3

*All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.*

### **SECOND READING**

Hebrews 1:1-6

*God has spoken through his Son.*

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A holy day has dawned upon us. Come you nations and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon the earth. Alleluia!*

### **GOSPEL**

John 1:1-18

*The beginning of John's Gospel.*

## **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)

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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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Dear Friends in Christ,  
This Christmas, we rejoice in the mystery of God's love made visible in the Child of Bethlehem. In a world that often feels uncertain and divided, the birth of Jesus reminds us that hope is near and peace is possible. God comes close—not in power or wealth, but in simplicity and vulnerability—so that no one is left out of His embrace.

To all who are visiting our community this Christmas, a very warm welcome! We're delighted you can join us. May this time of worship and celebration bring you joy and renewal.

As we enjoy the blessings of summer and school holidays, let us also take time to rest, reconnect, and share kindness with those around us. May Christ's light brighten your homes, His peace heal divisions, and His love inspire us to care for one another, especially those who feel alone or forgotten.

Thank you for being part of the Catholic Community of North Harbour. Your faith and generosity make Christ present among us every day.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

✠ Fr Myk Belonio, OSA

## PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children." ISAIAH 54:13

### EVERY 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

ST CECILIA'S 9:00AM

ST KIERAN'S 9:30AM

and

ST KIERAN'S 5:00PM

Children's Liturgy will also run **every week at the 9:30am mass** when volunteers are available.



All children in Years 5, 6 and 7 are welcome to join our **junior YOUTH GROUP**. We will be playing fun games and exploring faith in new and exciting ways!

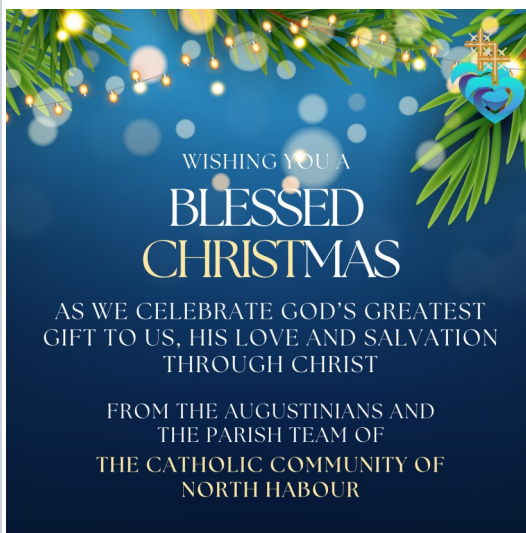


Commencing 2026  
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### WISHING YOU A BLESSED CHRISTMAS

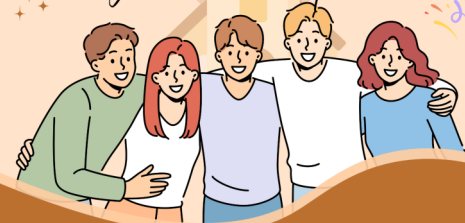
AS WE CELEBRATE GOD'S GREATEST GIFT TO US, HIS LOVE AND SALVATION THROUGH CHRIST

FROM THE AUGUSTINIANS AND  
THE PARISH TEAM OF  
THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF  
NORTH HARBOUR



### Join our

### Youth Mass



at St Kieran's Church  
most 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays in term time  
Come along to hear some great music and have a **free supper** afterwards!

### 2026 CONFIRMATION DATES

THURS 26<sup>TH</sup> NOV AT 6PM  
SAT 28<sup>TH</sup> NOV AT 11AM  
SAT 28<sup>TH</sup> NOV AT 3PM

MORE DETAILS/ENROLMENT  
INFORMATION TO COME IN  
2026.



### 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



Keep "Christ" in Christmas!







## PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES



from St Vincent de Paul conferences of Balgowlah and Manly Vale

2026

### ST CECILIA'S CHURCH FAMILY MASSES

Every 4th Sunday of each month during school terms will be a **Families Come Gather MASS** with **Children's Liturgy** and **Morning Tea** in the playground afterwards.

This will be a lovely way for the St Cecilia's Community to gather together on a regular basis and we hope to see you there!



### PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

"Faith in action - living the Gospel through justice and love"

#### ACTIONS FOR DECEMBER

Support St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal - providing a hand up to those in need in our community. Envelopes are available in churches.



Invitation to parishioners to support St Augustine's College "Day For Girls" project. Preparing and distributing sustainable menstrual health solutions to shatter stigma and limitations for women and girls. Contact Bette Larkin on 0410 177 704 for more details and to register.

#### LAUDATO SI

Unpacking Laudato Si parish toolkit and finding ways to implement.

<https://www.caritas.org.au/media/jxmndsd/caritas-australian-guide-to-laudato-si-action-planning.pdf>

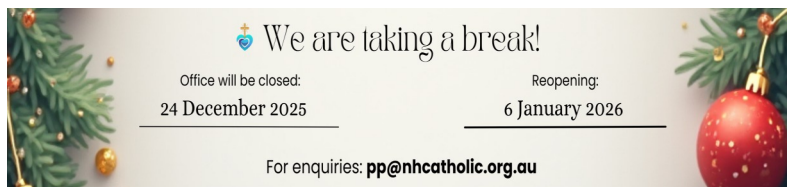


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#### JOIN US

2 February 2026  
Monday | 7:00pm  
St Kieran's Parish Centre  
2 King Street, Manly Vale

"May the light of Christ's birth fill our hearts with peace, hope, and a renewed commitment to justice for all. Wishing you a blessed Christmas and a New Year rich in compassion and joy."



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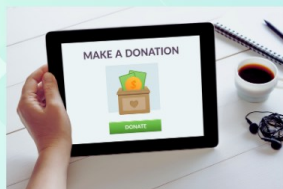
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