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St John the Baptist Church

Cnr Blackwall and Victoria Roads, Woy Woy

Ethel Cox Parish Centre

100 Blackwall Road Woy Woy

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Mass Times: Please note the time changes to weekday morning Mass and Sunday evening Mass

Monday - Friday 8:30am,

Saturday 9am (Adoration after) & 5pm;

Sunday 7:30am, 9:15am & 5pm.

Healing Mass (1st Friday of the month); 4pm;

Confession Times:

Friday 9am, 3:30pm (1st Friday of the month);

Saturday 9:30 am; 4:30pm;

Sunday 7am.

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

Anniversary: Pasquale & Giuseppina Sergi, Vincenzo, Enrico & Caterina Zappavigna.

Recently deceased: Joan Brown, Peter Fanucchi, Karen Darwen, Bev Thompson, Frank Rooney, Margaret Halliday.

Remembrance: Bruno de Souza, Elizabeth Schembri, James & Elizabeth Carr, Geoffrey J Benson, James Casey.

Sick: Chris Mitchell, Don Matheson, Trish Stuart, Colleen Garland, Hanaa El Khatib, Josephine Weate, Mabel Torres, Tristan Mulligan, Ed Hyland, Sheila Rogan, Maria Linda Cabatingan, Eileen Jones, Larry Sheil, Pauline Hogan, Pat Savage, Ernie Mullins, John Mitchell, Marie Dixon, Michael Taylor, Donna Vella, Jo Farrelle, Donna Briemer, Oscar James Morreti, Luis Emilio Garrido, Malin Tugaga, Pamela Power, Mary Scarf, Rose Aloisio, Amanda Sheridan, Audrey Barsenbach, Marta Panczyna, Mary Wood, Therese Horner, Jack Dummett, Anne Singleton, Tina Cohen, Janice Green, Robert Parker, Maureen Wardrop, Ros Harbig, Karen Chorazyczewska, Max Annett, Ada-Primrose Murphy, Larry Cresswell, Ken Joyce, Andrew Muggs, Roger Mitchell, Maureen Fotheringham, Daphne McNab, Shirley Crotty, Eileen Jones, Marie McNamee, Georgie Brigdale.



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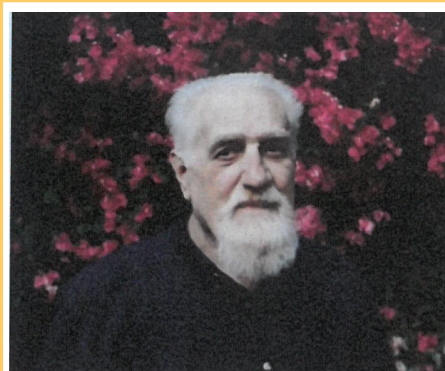
*For St John's parishioners or their friends who settle a home loan by 30 April 2020. Amanda will donate \$300 to a local community centre. Approved applicants only. Lending criteria apply. Amanda Lawler has access to a panel of lenders through Liberty Network Services Pty Ltd (ABN 65 251 198 678) | Australian Credit Licence 4000423 | LND including Liberty Financial Pty Ltd (ABN 55 077 246 983) which owns LNS.



WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
18th October 2020, Year A (Psalter Week 1)



RIP 14/10/1920 - 17/9/2005

During this previous week, MSFS confreres, Provinces and the Congregations celebrated the Birth Centenary of our wonderful gift from God, Fr. Francis Moget. He was the last MSFS French-Indian missionary who spent 58 years in India. We take this occasion to remember him and express our deepest appreciation for his dedication to our Missionary and our people. We praise and thank him for all the good he was enabled to do through his prayerful life, spirit filled priestly ministry and religious life. His life and teaching, was an inspiration to many of us.

Fr. Francis Moget was born in France on 14th Oct 1920 and from an early age he knew the Lord was calling him to the Priesthood. As the eldest son, his father would not give permission for him to start his journey. However, when he was nearly 12 years of age, his Father died. After that, his Parish Priest asked his mother if she would allow her son to become a priest. She

remarked that he would be helpful to her carrying on the farm work; but said if God wanted him then she would let him go. Francis did not want to be not a diocesan priest but a missionary priest so his Parish Priest contacted the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales. Thus, the Lord brought the 12 year old Francis Moget to the MSFS Junior Seminary at the Ville-La-Grand College on the Franco-Swiss border. At the age of 18 Francis did his Novitiate at Rue near Fribourg and made his First Profession on 24th August 1939.

In September 1939 as WW2 had broken out, he could not leave France, so arrangements were made for him and two other MSFS Seminarians to study Philosophy then Theology at the Annecy Major Seminary. He made his Final Profession on 16th April 1943 and was under orders to go to Germany to work in the Nazi factories but he was determined to complete his 4th year of Theology and be ordained Priest, so he decided to become a Vagabond for God, escaping to neutral Switzerland. As the boundary wall of the MSFS College is sat exactly on the border of France and Switzerland, on 6th July 1943, Br. Francis went over this high boundary wall. Full of joy at being safe in Switzerland, he sat on a stone and prayed a decade of the Rosary. He was taken to Geneva and from there went to the MSFS Scholasticate at Fribourg. He completed his Theology studies at the University of Fribourg and was ordained a priest at the Church of St. Michael, Fribourg, on 30th July 1944. He continued a further 2 years of ministry in France until 1946.

1947 - Fr Moget arrived in Bombay teaching in the St. Charles Seminary and taking care of the Jaitala mission.

1953 - he was in Palaghat mission to learn Hindi, and later went to Europe as a delegate for the General Chapter.

1954 - 1963: Nine Years as Rector at Fransalian Seminary, Pune

1963 - 1969: Six Years as Director at Apostolic School cum Boarding, Aldona, Goa

1969 - 1981: Twelve Years as Rector in the Minor Seminary, Bastora, Goa

1982 - 1987: Five Years as the Novice Master at the Novitiate at Fransalian Ashram, Belgaum, Karnataka

1988 - 2005: Writing Books, Articles, Preaching Retreats and assisting as a Formator in the Novitiate Community. Fr. Moget made himself a writer of the history of our Congregation in India and wrote 2 books about the growth of the Catholic Church in Central India. "Vagabonds for God" and "Shepherds for Christ".

Fr. Moget was well-known for giving monetary assistance to the needy so that they could get food or medical treatment or educational aid or even to build a house. His vision was not limited to the formation of the Seminarians but to provide housing for poor Catholics. A true visionary he could see things beyond the generations to come. Fr. Moget bought up large amounts of land next to the Fransalian Seminary, Pune some of this land was used for vegetable gardens and farming, to provide for the local communities as well as schools and playgrounds. All these generous acts were from his own financial resources and contacts made by him with the benefactors and donors abroad.

Fr. Moget was always in demand to preach at retreats to priests and sisters, and as a spiritual director and confessor to religious. He kept up a regular correspondence with many members of our Congregation as well as numerous friends and benefactors/donors in different parts of the world. He was a brilliant conversationalist able to entertain anyone, from Novices, guests, non-Christian and visitors. He was a wealth of knowledge regarding the MSFS Congregation.

Despite a few hardships to his health, our dear Fr. Francis Moget carried on, as ever cheerful and always a sterling Fransalian Missionary until he reached his eternal home on 17th September 2005 at Fransalian Ashram, Uchgaon, Belagavi, Karnataka, India. His love for India was outstanding. Whatever he did he did it all for the greater glory of God and the glory of India and the Indian People.

We The Woy Woy Catholic Parish acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

On Thursday 22nd October at 7.30pm, Sam French will be ordained into the Sacred Order of the Diaconate. For any parishioners interested in watching this ceremony, it will be livestreamed from St Agatha's, Pennant Hills on the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCa3h5HMsYa7U64N5caKOq9A>



Following this special occasion we have invited Sam to join us in concelebrating Mass on the 1st of November at 9:15am Mass.

Parish News:

SCAM: Please be advised we have received notice there is a scam email appearing to be from Fr Timothy. It asks for you to purchase "steam vouchers" on his behalf. This email looks very real. If you ever receive an email from Fr Timothy or the Parish Office asking for money please call to verify its legitimacy.

Youth Ministry : Reminder there is a Youth Ministry meeting Tuesday 20th October at 7pm in the Leo Mahon Room

Volunteer Bus Drivers: Volunteer bus drivers are urgently needed for the weekend bus run to Mass. LR license is necessary. All enquiries to the Parish Office, 434 1073.

Cleaning Roster: 23/10/20 - Kevin Glacken, Laurie Jarvis, Peter Smith, Jo Salter.

Email addresses: For those Parishioners who have not been receiving the Parish newsletter via email, please contact the Parish Office to be added to the mailing list.

Cash Housie: We are temporarily operating at Ettalong Diggers, Wednesday nights 7.30pm. 50 games, cash prizes. We will return to our normal venue once restrictions lift. Proceeds benefit the Parish. Enquiries: Rob 0427 990 818.

Parish Working Bee

We will be having a parish working bee on Saturday **11th** November starting at 8am. Any time you can spare on the day, would be welcomed immensely.

Hope to see you there.

Don't forget a hat and water as the weather will be warming up

Please note there will be no Adoration



Email addresses: For those Parishioners who wish to receive the Parish newsletter via email can you please contact the Parish Office to be added to the mailing list.

Parish Collections:

If you would like to make a donation to the Parish at this time please find the bank details below. It is vital that you indicate in the reference what the donation is for. If you are a planned giver please provide your name and envelope number in the reference line.

Bank: Commonwealth Bank
Account Name: Woy Woy Catholic Parish
BSB: 062 784
Account Number: 1200 8001

1st collection goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.

2nd collection goes towards all the pastoral and operating expenses of the Parish; phones/photocopier, electricity, insurance, rates, priests' vehicles, staff wages, Presbytery, Church and ground maintenance to name a few.

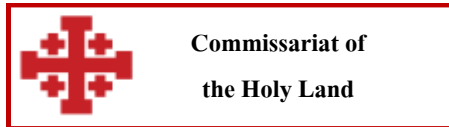
You can donate via Bpoint by clicking <https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/woywoyparish>

You can also donate via Tap and go in the church (this goes to 2nd collection) or credit card. You can pick up a pledge form from the gathering space or request one from the Parish Office.

Leaving Collection: (Last Weekend) At this time we have #3 collections scheduled. Holy Land (which would normally occur on Good Friday), Catholic Mission & Church Aid - Emergency in Lebanon. What we have decided to do in our Parish is to take general Leaving collection for these 3 appeals and divide the donations into equal amounts. If you would prefer to donate individually you can do so directly via each website below.



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WS: <http://holylandfranciscansaustralia.org/good-friday/>



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WS: <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/>

It is important now that **everyone at our celebration wear a mask**. People are encouraged to bring their own mask. However, there will be a supply of them available for those who may have forgotten one, a small donation to cover this cost is greatly appreciated.

First Reading

IS 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

Responsorial Psalm PS 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

R. (7b) **Give the Lord glory and honor.**
Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**
For great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
awesome is he, beyond all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are things of nought,
but the LORD made the heavens.
R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**
Give to the LORD, you families of nations,
give to the LORD glory and praise;
give to the LORD the glory due his name!
Bring gifts, and enter his courts.
R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**
Worship the LORD, in holy attire;
tremble before him, all the earth;
say among the nations: The LORD is king,
he governs the peoples with equity.
R. **Give the Lord glory and honor.**

Second Reading

1 THES 1:1-5B

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

Alleluia

PHIL 2:15D, 16A

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Shine like lights in the world
as you hold on to the word of life.
R. **Alleluia, alleluia**

Gospel

MT 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you

hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Fransalian Quote

Just as one star is different from the there in brightness, humans are different from one another in glory. It is a clear sign that they have been also different in grace. So this variety in grace in its variety creates a sacred beauty

St. Francis de Sales

Covid19 Updates:

It is extremely important that every Parishioner is aware of the health advice during this Pandemic. If the Church is found to be in breach of these guidelines we will find ourselves with a hefty fine so PLEASE read the signs and the notices and familiarise yourself with the information provided. — IF YOU FEEL UNWELL PLEASE STAY HOME

The number of people per Masses has been capped again. The maximum number allowed is 100 people. When you arrive for Mass there will be someone at the sign-in table conducting a headcount. Once 100 people are signed in, any remaining people will be invited to attend the Walter Baker Hall where a simultaneous Mass will be held. **It is imperative that EVERY PERSON who enters the church or Hall for Mass puts their name and contact details on the list in the Gathering Space. This includes Musicians, Servers and Readers.** This information will be handed over the Health Department should an outbreak occur.

Attention Readers, Servers & Musicians (organists and cantors) Please note that readers, servers & musicians are included in 100 person headcount. Fr Timothy has asked those rostered to arrive a little earlier than normal to sign in. **Can readers sit in the small section at the front of the Church which is reserved for Servers.**

Hand Sanitizer: There is hand sanitizer available for use in the Church. It is located at entry to rear doors and gathering table. Also available at the Walter Baker Hall. Please wash your hands when entering and leaving the Church.

Collections: The collection containers will be on the font walls, just inside the church doors. Collection bags are **NOT** to be passed around.

Face Masks: To be worn at Mass including upon entering and when leaving.

Singing: Chanting is permitted during our services however it is asked you still refrain from singing. The Cantor is to sing alone.