



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Woy Woy Peninsula Parish



13th June 2021

IMPORTANT

Sun 13/06

Children's Liturgy of the word

Mon 14/06 - Thu 17/06

Fr Timothy & Fr Lourdu will be away at a Clergy Conference.

All priests from the Broken Bay Diocese will be attending.

Mon 14/06

Public Holiday Mass 9am

Tue 15/06

NO MASS

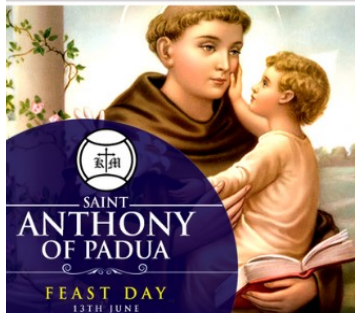
Wed, Thu and Fri Masses will resume as usual.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



This Sunday's Gospel from Mark carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God. It consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed, which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many. These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church.

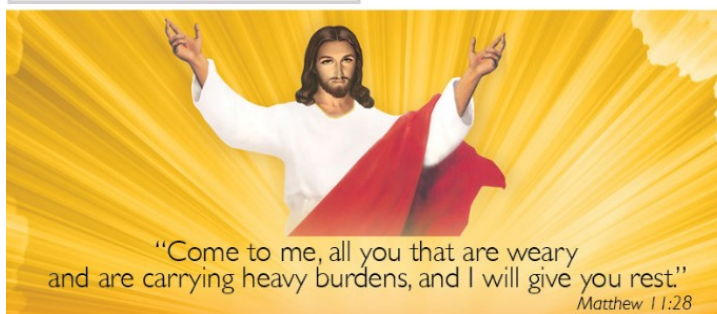
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THE YEAR
OF ST JOSEPH
& THE FAMILY
2021



JUNE PROGRAMS

11th-13th

SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT (LIVE-IN)

with Fr. Roni George and Fr. Joby George
Friday 6:00pm - Sunday 4:00pm
For booking: 04 6848 6782, drcretreatreg@gmail.com

27th Sunday

ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE (LAST SUNDAY RETREAT)

9:00am - 4:00pm
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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
CELEBRATING
75 YEARS
WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH
2021



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.



PARISH NEWS

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St John the Baptist Primary School: School Enrolments are now being taken for 2022 school year. Enquiries Tel 4341 0884 or www.sjbwoywoy.dbb.org.au. Applications need to be in ASAP so that a screener for each child can be booked and then acceptance letters will be sent out along with information about the school transition program.

Music Ministry: Volunteers needed to operate the computer for the music program on the weekend masses. Training will be provided. Tel Lyn Dwyer 0417 659 526

Cleaning Roster: Peter Smith, Kathleen Cullen, Reg Harrington, Linda Potestas

House Blessings: Anyone wishing to have their house blessed can call the Parish Office to arrange.

Divine Will Cenacle: Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month, the next meeting is on the 1st of July. All are welcome.

Sit & Chat: 3rd Monday of every Month - 14th June. Contact Parish office if in need of transport 4341 1073.

Berrima Bus Trip: Tuesday 13th of July. Please contact the Parish office to secure your seat on 4341 1073

Children's Liturgy Roster: Brenda Sweet, Rebecca Beisler, Gerri O'Keefe

Catechists Meeting: 17th June 9.30am-10.30am

YOUTH NEWS

Next Youth Mass: 4th of July followed by Youth Gathering at the Leo Mahon room.

Youth Ministry Team meeting: 20th of June at 6.00pm at Leo Mahon room

INTERESTED IN READING AT OUR YOUTH MASSES?



We will help you understand that the words of Scripture are inspired, sacred texts, and they should be read with care and full understanding. So that you will be able to read, proclaiming the Word of God with reverence and grace — and communicate the meaning of the text simply and clearly.



Want to be a **Youth Leader?**

(18 years +)

Kindly contact Kiliti for training.

Youth Ministry Flyers are available at the foyer, kindly share it with our sons and daughters.

Please contact Kiliti Na'ati 0412 731 979 or sks2230grace@gmail.com for more information.

IMPORTANT: Parents of Youth Members are required to fill out various permission forms to attend our youth gathering and to participate in youth activities etc. Young people who want to join, please enquire and get your parents to sign a form of attendance. Contact the Parish Office 02 4341 1073 or Kiliti for the forms.



Two of our Youth members have registered to participate in the Y Factor Youth Camp from the 5th - 8th of July. Please pray for them.



This Sunday 13th June

Time: 9:15am Mass

(during the school term, excluding the 1st Sunday of the month)

Contact: Christine French 0431765401 or Frances Giunta 0414274402

For children who have reached school age.

Parents/guardians – Please ensure your children's hands have been washed or sanitised prior to attending Children's Liturgy of the Word. Thanks

Children's Liturgy of the Word refers to this practice of children leaving the Sunday assembly during the Liturgy of the Word and gathering elsewhere to celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word that is more appropriate to their level of understanding.

JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS HAVE BEGUN MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Dates: Thursday, 24th June OR Monday, 28th June.

Location: Leo Mahon room at Woy Woy Parish

Time: 10am to 11:30am.

Contact: Anne Bailey: annebccost@gmail.com or (02) 4341 6300.



Josephite Companions are men and women who identify with the charism of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods, co-founders of the Sisters of St Joseph. We offer mutual enrichment and support in *friendship, prayer and service.*



Have you thought about Volunteering?

We are in need of people who would like to be involved in the Parish. If you are able to help in any way contact the following Coordinators:

VOLUNTEERS

Eucharist Ministers in the Community: Phoebe Glacken

4341 6324

Bus Drivers: Vince Wiegold

4341 1073

Catechists: Michael Tebbut

0407 218 677

Church Cleaners: Christine French

4342 4548

Readers: Dorothy Fulton

4341 7610

Music Ministry: Lyn Dwyer

0417 659 526

CASH HOUSE

Saturday Nights: Peninsula Community Centre, 93 McMasters Road, Woy Woy.

7.30pm to 10.30pm, 51 Games, \$50 for a set of 6 tickets. Paper tickets and pets available.

Tuesday Nights: Everglades Country Club, 23 games \$10 for a set of 6 tickets. Paper tickets and pets available.

Wednesday Nights: Ettalong Diggers, 25 games, \$25 for a set of 6 tickets. Paper tickets only.

All sessions operated by volunteers to benefit the Parish.





COMMUNICATIONS

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, WOY WOY: 75 YEARS 1946 - 2021

Father Leo Mahon was appointed Parish Priest following Dr Baker's death. Father Mahon's first Parish had been in Waterloo, Sydney and he then spent time at Toronto, Blackheath and Westmead before coming to Woy Woy. Father Mahon also spent a period serving God in Japan and Malaysia after World War 2. He used the cheerful disposition and even temperament he is well known for, during his time in Woy Woy Parish. He is remembered as a reserved and learned man, and a keen fisherman. Many are grateful for the support and encouragement he gave to all parish activities, especially the work of the catechists. Father Mahon was part of the driving force in the building of the new school in Dulkara Road. He retired in 1981 due to ill health and celebrated his 50th year as a Priest in 1995. Fr Mahon was assisted by Fr M McCarthy, Fr J Mackay and Fr R Flaherty. He passed away on the 11 May 2000.

Source: St John The Baptist Golden Jubilee 1946-1996 by Maureen MacMahon.



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Source: <https://www.sjbwwdbb.catholic.edu.au/>

Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'What can we say the kingdom of God is like?'

Mark 4:26-34

This love cannot be mere words because it is an imitation of Christ's own love for every person, a love that forgives, transforms, and brings those who hear him into the fullness of life.

(Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal – Discernment Paper p. 6)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/



Plenary Council
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

POSITION VACANT



Position: Housekeeping, Cook, Chef

Location: Kincumber South

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Applications Close: 9th July 2021

Casual Position
W.W.C.C Required

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS: Of your charity pray for the souls of



Recently Deceased: Jesus Steven Moran

Anniversary: Thelma Ryan and Family,

Margaret Jurratowitch, Ray Treacy, Patricia Wood

Remembrance: Molly & Jack Dunne



Sick: Melissa Bezzina, Heather Joyce, Lisa Ryan, Hanaa El Khatib, Sheila Houghton, Marie Head, Trish McLenaghan, Lisa Yeo, Marta Panczyna, Oscar James Morreti, Linda Italiano, Emma Matthews, Eileen Jones, Kathleen Bezzina, Moya Joyes, Kiliti Na'ati, Chris Mitchell, Trish Stuart, Colleen Garland, Robert Baker, Josephine Weate, Ed Hyland, Sheila Rogan, Eileen Jones, Pat Savage, Ernie Mullins, John Mitchell, Marie Dixon, Donna Vella, Ken Joyce, Jo Farrelle, Donna Briemer, Malin Tugaga, Pamela Power, Mary Scarf, Rose Aloisio, Tina Cohen, Amanda Sheridan, Audrey Barsenbach, Mary Wood, Therese Horner, Jack Dummett, Anne Singleton, Janice Green, Robert Parker, Maureen Wardrop, Ros Harbig, Karen Chorazyczewska, Ada-Primrose Murphy, Larry Cresswell, Andrew Muggs, Roger Mitchell, Daphne McNab, Marie McNamee, Georgie Brigdale, Sue Campbell.

MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday

8:15 am Morning Prayer

8:30 am Mass

Followed by Rosary

(First Friday Mass 4:00 pm)

Saturday

8:45 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am Mass

Followed by Adoration

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday

7:30 am Mass

9:15 am Mass

5:00 pm Mass

CONFESSION TIMES

Friday

9:00 am

First Friday of the month 3:30pm

Saturday

9:30 am

4:30 pm

Sunday

7:00 am

PARISH OFFICE

Open Mon, Tue, Thu

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Wed & Fri

9:00 am - 3:30 pm

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OUT OF HOURS EMERGENCY

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Assistant Priest

Fr. A Lourduswamy M.S.F.S.

Parish Secretary

Triona Meagher

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SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Jenny Dempsey

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Margaret Dixon

0422 277 548



When safeguarding is embedded in Parish leadership, governance and culture; members of the Parish recognise that it is a shared responsibility to safeguard children, young people and adults at risk.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I Ez 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I, too, will take from the crest of the cedar, from its topmost branches tear off a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain; on the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it. It shall put forth branches and bear fruit, and become a majestic cedar. Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it, every winged thing in the shade of its boughs. And all the trees of the field shall know that I, the LORD, bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree, wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom. As I, the LORD, have spoken, so will I do.

Responsorial Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

R. (cf. 2a) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Reading II 2 Cor 5:6-10

Brothers and sisters: We are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live forever.

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Gospel Mk 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: "This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." He said, "To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables he did not speak to them, but to his own disciples he explained everything in private.



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 sks2230grace@gmail.com

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 for more information on advertising here.

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