

# St John The Baptist



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH WOY WOY



#### SUNDAY IN ORDINARY



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ. In the past week I had the popportunity to speak at the Tri-Diocesan social justice twilight gathering via Zoom. The three local Churches that participated are Broken Bay, Parramatta, and Sydney. About 100 people participated, which was a tremendous effort considering the lastminute arrangements caused by the latest episode of COVID in our community. The evening provided an opportunity to reflect

upon the 2020-21 Social Justice Statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference titled, "To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today", which can be found here. I think that the ACBC Social Justice Statement is timely, given the challenging effects on mental wellbeing and health over the past 18 months as we navigate the COVID environment in which we live. My contribution was to reflect on mental health from the perspective of faith. The text of my reflection can be located here. I hope that it may be of assistance as we reflect upon mental health issues; the dignity of the human person; suffering with Christ crucified; and the love of God for all people. Our clergy and parish teams are well situated to offer direction for those within the community of the Church who are in need and who might benefit from assistance. Some parishes have people specifically trained in this area, and all parishes are able to offers pathways for people who are in need of support through CatholicCare Broken Bay (https://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/crisis-support/). As we continue to traverse the COVID landscape, I hope that we will be alert once more to those who struggle or who are overwhelmed at this time. We have shown strength and resilience as a community of the Church. I pray that we will be vigilant. Most Rev Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Broken Bay.

# **UPDATE**

#### CHURCHES STILL CLOSED IN SYDNEY LOCKDOWN

With the NSW Government extending the Sydney lockdown until 16 July, our churches in Broken Bay remain closed. Some parishes are live streaming Mass. Mass for You at Home This coming Sunday, 11 July, Broken Bay Clergy and staff are featured on Mass For You at Home. Fr Chima Ofor from Lower North Shore Parish will be celebrating the 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time Mass, with Kelly Paget and PJ Almendras reading. It will be broadcast on Channel Sunday, and is available to watch on:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TKUhkzjZ43 Y&feature=youtu.be

We The Woy Woy Catholic Parish acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

#### **IMPORTANT NEWS**

+Churches still closed +Livestream Mass Links +Foster Care Campaign +Australian Women Preach +Broken Bay Mass on Channel 10 at 6.00am Sunday

#### Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.







OF ST JOSEPH & THE FAMILY

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**

**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.

**Cleaning Roster:** Tom French, Elena Egan, Maria Owen, Reg Harrington

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

**Divine Will Cenacle:** Next meeting is on the 5th of Aug at the Leo Mahon Room after 9am Mass & Rosary prayers. All are welcome!

**Berrima Bus Trip:** Cancelled Tuesday 13th of July due to Covid19 NSW Stay at home order **Children's Liturgy Roster:** 18th July Anne Maree Tonkin, Sue McKay, Jenny Fitzgerald

**Bus Drivers:** Bus Drivers Needed for 1 Sunday a month, contact Vince via the Parish office for more info 02 4341 1073 **Catenians Meeting:** Thu 22 July, 6.30pm Boardroom. All Welcome! Guest Speaker for dinner to be confirmed 15th July.

**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

#### YOUTH NEWS



Due to COVID19 Lockdown the Youth Mass and Youth Gathering will not be operating until lockdown and restrictions are lifted. The Diocese requires all our Youth Leaders to complete their WWCC working with children's check and Safeguarding before joining the Youth Ministry and undertaking their duties. I will be calling a meeting in August for the Diocese representatives to attend, this is dependent on our current situation with COVID19. Our next Youth Leaders meeting is set for the 25th of July, with the hope we will start youth gathering on the 1st of August. Please pray for each other's family at this critical time, remain in Christ and stay safe. There are still opportunities for Youth Leaders to be trained, please let me know (should be 18 years and over).

Please contact Kiliti Na'ati 0412731979 / sks2230grace@gmail.com for further information.

#### CatholicCare Foster Care

CatholicCare are looking for families across our parishes who might consider taking a child or young person into their home - to love and support them whether for one or two nights, a few weeks, months, or long term. All carers receive 24/7 support, ongoing training and financial support to cover the care and living costs of the child or young person. If you have space in your home and room in your heart, please reach out now. Call (02) 4320 7777 or visit www.fostering.org.au.





#### JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS - NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Meeting: Monday, 26th July.

Come and join us from 10am to 11:30am in the Leo Mahon room in the Parish Offices.

New members welcome!

Contact: Anne Bailey: annebccoast@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

**Bus Drivers:** Vince Wiegold **Catechists:** Michael Tebbut

Church Cleaners: Christine French

**Readers:** Dorothy Fulton **Music Ministry:** Lyn Dwyer

4341 1073 0407 218 677 4342 4548 4341 7610 0417 659 526

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#### **CASH HOUSIE**

**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**





#### **Australian Women Preach**

Australian Preach is a new podcast featuring Christian women preaching on the Sunday Gospel each week, breaking open the Word of God in ways

that are meaningful to people today. Every Monday a new episode is released with preaching on the coming Sunday's Gospel reading. The Podcast features diverse Australian women from across different Christian denominations. The women bring unique perspectives to the Gospel that are both theologically rich and grounded in their own life experiences. Listen here: https://anchor.fm/awp The Podcast is an initiative of WATAC (Women and the Australian Church) and the Grail Australia. Find OUT more. australianwomenpreach.com.au

St John The Bapist Woy Woy - 11th July 9.15am MASS

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCngqSKPKgwQrGeh7Jv4M5-g Gosford Parish - Mass and Adoration on Facebook Live

https://www.facebook.com/StPatricksParishGosford/

Hornsby Cathedral Parish - Daily Mass on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNenwlfl7i14XB9TsVBrLvQ

Lindfield-Killara Parish- Sunday Mass on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEkBUTq-JIrmjUo8-iuHdFQ

Manly Freshwater Parish - Sunday Mass on Facebook Live

https://www.facebook.com/manlyfreshwaterparish/

Pennant Hills Parish - Sunday Mass on YouTube

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

The Lakes Parish - Sunday Mass on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKYfhl5G-rCWlfhWtPFxCgw

#### Position Vacant in the Office of the Bishop Archivist & Records Management Officer Permanent, part-time (3 days per week) **Based in Pennant Hills**

The successful applicant must meet the following criteria:

- 1. tertiary qualifications in records management, archiving, library, information services or a minimum 3+ years' experience as a records or archives manager or similar role,
- 2. understanding of canonical archival responsibilities,
- 3. the right to work in Australia with no limitations, and
- 4. will be required to undertake a National Police History Check and Working With Children Check.

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required for this role to

recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

Applications close on Friday 16 July.



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

Recently Deceased: Robert Daniel Williams Anniversary: Bianca Tingani

Remembrance: Eamon Mannion

Sick: Melissa Bezzina, Heather Joyce, Lisa Ryan, Hanaa El Khatib, Sheila Houghton, Marie Head, Lisa Yeo, Marta Panczyna, Oscar James Morreti, Linda Italiano, Eneio Wolfgram, 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) 9:30 am

#### 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

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**

0438 631 327

#### Administrator

Fr. Timothy Raj M.S.F.S.

#### **Assistant Priest**

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

#### **Parish Secretary**

Triona Meagher

#### **CONTACT US**

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#### **SAFEGUARDING TEAM**

Jenny Dempsey

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**Margaret Dixon** 

0422 277 548





Ensuring a safe parish community involves its people understanding and respecting the strengths, needs and experiences of all from diverse backgrounds, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people with disability, people from culturally diverse and linguistically diverse backgrounds and those who are homeless. Do I have the skill and knowledge to meet the needs of those in my community from diverse backgrounds and be inclusive in my practice?



#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### Reading I Am 7:12-15

Amaziah, priest of Bethel, said to Amos, "Off with you, visionary, flee to the land of Judah! There earn your bread by prophesying, but never again prophesy in Bethel; for it is the king's sanctuary and a royal temple. "Amos answered Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor have I belonged to a company of prophets; I was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

R. (8) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

#### Reading II Eph 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved. In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us. In all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth. In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to

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the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ. In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised holy Spirit, which is the first installment of our inheritance toward redemption as God's possession, to the praise of his glory.

#### Alleluia Cf. Eph 1:17-18 R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### Gospel Mk 6:7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick — no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.



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