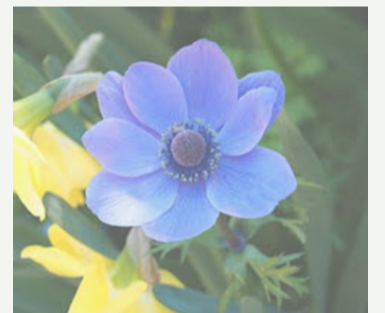
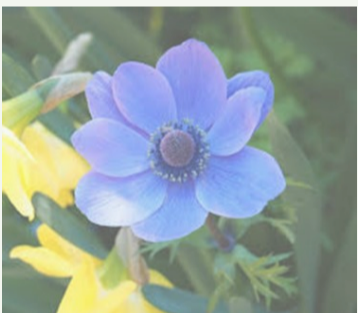


Congratulations Sam



***“This is the day the Lord has made
Let us rejoice and be glad in it”
Psalm 118:24***

***Congratulations on your ordination
to the priesthood from
St John the Baptist Woy Woy
Parish Community***

WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

"He must increase, I must decrease" (Jn 3:30)

17th October 2021

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B

FEAST DAYS

18 Oct: St Luke the Evangelist

19 Oct: St Sts John de Brebeuf
and Isaac Jogues, St Paul of
the Cross

22 Oct: St John Paul II

23 Oct: St John of Capistrano

OUR PARISH OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CLOSED.

Please phone 02 4341 1073 or
0407 469 530 for assistance
woywoyparish@bbcatholic.org.au

OUT OF HOURS EMERGENCY 0438 631 327

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

Assistant Priest

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

Parish Secretary

Triona Meagher

Parish Admin Assistant

Cath Peters

Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo joyfully announces the **Ordination of Deacon Samuel French to the Order of Presbyters** through the Invocation of the Holy Spirit and the Imposition of Hands. **Monday 18 October 2021, commencing at 11.30am, Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.** The ceremony will be conducted within the guidelines of the government's COVID-19 Health Orders. Please participate online via the livestream—<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination> **Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you. Jesus said, "Feed my sheep." John 21.17**




You are also cordially invited to join in the following Mass of Thanksgiving, livestream www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination **Rev Fr Samuel French** 6:00pm, Friday 22 October 2021 St John the Baptist Church, Woy Woy

This is a special moment for our St John the Baptist family and we are looking for volunteers to help make this a memorable event. Please contact the parish office if you wish to volunteer time to assist 4341 1073 or Woywoyparish@bbcatholic.org.au Contributions towards the cost of these celebrations, may be made to: **Name: St John the Baptist Parish Woy Woy BSB: 062 784 Account no: 10000 1742 Reference—Sam French**

Follow Us:

Please click the link below for our live streaming of the 9.15am Mass each Sunday »

 <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCngqSKPKgwQrGeh7Jv4M5-g>

 <https://www.stjohnthebaptistchurch.woywoy>

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COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear friends, Due to the NSW Government stay-at-home order for all of greater Sydney, commencing 6pm Saturday 26 June 2021. Bishop Randazzo has decreed that all Churches be closed during this period.

Since this is at the request of Most Rev Anthony Randazzo, the obligation for the faithful to participate in Sunday Mass (can.1247) is lifted for the people of Broken Bay for the duration of this stay at home order.

Therefore, there will be **NO Masses** during this time. We will update you of any changes as they arise. **For any assistance, please contact the Parish Office on 4341 1073.**

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.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

**CELEBRATING
75 YEARS**

WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH
2021



75th Anniversary Celebrations

Celebrating 75 years of St John the Baptist Woy Woy Parish are temporarily delayed, due to COVID-19 health orders restricting the number of attendees to masses.

We are continuing our plans for some wonderful celebrations for this day, but we need your help.

To ensure information about our 75th celebrations reaches everyone in our Parish community, please share this newsletter with your parish friends and encourage them to add their email address to our distribution list, by phoning or emailing the Parish Office.

Also, parishioners are encouraged to provide stories and photos of milestones from Parish Life over the last 25 years—Marriages, Baptisms, First Communions.

Please send your stories and photos to the Parish office to ensure they are included in our parish history -

Woywoyparish@bbcatholic.org.au.

Thank you to those who have already sent theirs through.



We are so excited to announce our 75th Anniversary commemorative coffee mugs have arrived!

They are available to purchase for \$5.

Please contact the office to purchase 1 for your family



Fr Timothy and Fr Lourdes look forward to welcoming you ALL back to regular Mass services but will have to wait a little longer. However, from Monday 11 October we will be reopening the Church and Blessed Sacrament chapel for visits.

The Church will open from 08.30am to 09.30am each morning for prayers and devotion. The Blessed Sacrament chapel will be open during office hours from Monday to Friday for adoration.

We are waiting for the latest health directive from the Chancery before we can resume Mass celebrations, including All Souls mass for November 2021.

***** When we return, ONLY electronic check in will be allowed. Therefore, we need to have an iPad available to assist parishioners who DO NOT have access to read QR codes. We ask if anyone has a spare iPad they are willing to donate to the church to please contact the Parish office. Many thanks*****

Catechist Corner

Please consider becoming a Catechist and help keep our presence in our schools

Here is the link to adult SRE Learning From Home lessons.

<https://www.ccross.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/>



The Kids' Bulletins are a resource for Catholic children who would like to have some fun while learning about the readings from the Sunday Mass every week.

Attention all kids!
To access the bulletins click [here](#).

To access free online Children's liturgy of the Word videos click [Heidi Witte YouTube](#).



Are you called to serve as a witness to your faith?

If you have ever thought about becoming a catechist, now is a good time to respond and make an enquiry.

CCD is offering Zoom training in Term 4 to upskill new catechists and helpers to enable them to teach, or assist an experienced catechist, in one of our public schools in 2022.

Click on the link for more information or contact your Parish Catechist Coordinator via the Parish Office.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDlDhBQGTbA>



You may wish to add the following petitions to your Universal Prayer for the next week:

For Deacons Roger, Aldrin and Sam

That God will grant them a spirit of joy and generosity as they prepare to be ordained to the Order of Presbyters.

Lord, hear us: Lord, hear our prayer.

For priestly vocations in the Diocese of Broken Bay:

May God raise up from among our people, shepherds who are ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel.

Lord, hear us: Lord, hear our prayer.

Safeguarding Intranet Page:

A variety of Safeguarding resources are available to all Chancery and Parish Employees and Volunteers from the Diocesan Intranet page. The link to the intranet is <https://intranet.bbcatholic.org.au/> If you require log in details please contact the Office for Safeguarding (Chancery) at safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au or your Parish Office.

News from SJB Community



Welcome back to our final Term of 2021!

We hope you were able to enjoy some quieter and more relaxing time during the break. Last Term was a tough term in so many ways, but everyone (staff, children and parents) did an amazing job!

We will be continuing with Home Based Learning until the children can safely return to face-to-face learning in stages from Week 3.

As we continue our journey on this ever-changing landscape, remember to be gentle with one another and yourself. Working together we can have a successful last Term of 2021 and we continue to hope for the time when parents and visitors can safely return onsite, and we can more easily feel the strength, connection and support which is SJB.

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

The school community supported World Mental Health Day, with the message this year more important than ever due to the impact of Covid-19: "Look after your

mental health, Australia". Please visit our website to find out more about how we support your child's mental health at school.

www.sjbwwdbb.catholic.edu.au/student-wellbeing

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY
OCTOBER 10 2021

This year more than ever with Covid still causing devastation around the world, we must focus on mental health. At SJB, we believe wellbeing is vital to ensure each child maximises their capacity and enjoys learning success. Thus, we are strongly committed to teaching The Zones of Regulation and Mindfulness. Please visit our website to find out more about how we support your child's mental health at school.

www.sjbwwdbb.catholic.edu.au/student-wellbeing/



St Vincent de Paul Society - On behalf of myself and the Schools and Youth Engagement Team at the St Vincent de Paul Society, here are the links to Vinnies youth programs:

- This is the link to the **Vinnies Metropolitan Schools and Youth Term 4 2021**

Newsletter: bit.ly/VinniesSchoolYouthNewsTerm42021

- The 2021 edition of the **Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP)** for students in Years 4 to 6 is available for those who wish to undertake Social Justice Formation in their own time. For more information please go to <https://bit.ly/VinniesMVFP>



catholic mission

Catholic Mission is seeking applications for a **Donor Relations Officer** role. Full-time or Part-Time, the role is based in North Sydney in NSW and incorporates supporting Catholic Dioceses in NSW & ACT. This is an exceptional opportunity to join the international mission agency of the Catholic Church in Australia, which supports children, communities and church leaders both in Australia and overseas.

For more information, please visit <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/jobs-at-catholic-mission>

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35 YEARS
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THE YEAR
OF ST JOSEPH
& THE FAMILY
2021

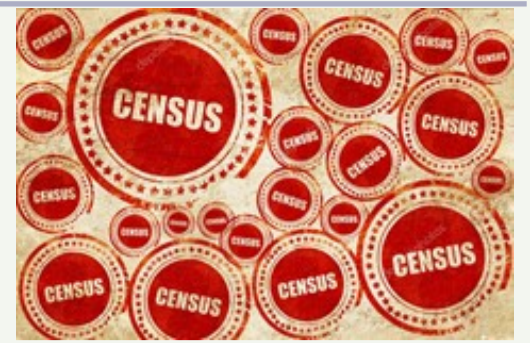
One community of
the Church, helping
our families grow.

Parish Census

Dear All,

We are now updating our records and we kindly ask for your help. As you can appreciate, this is a large task for our parish.

An email has been sent with forms to parishioners currently on our email distribution list. If you have not yet received your form, please contact the Parish Office on 4341 1073 or Woywoyparish@bbcatholic.org.au.



We also ask that you please share with those who are not currently included on our email distribution list, so we can connect with them and share exciting parish news with them, in a timely manner. **THANK YOU**

Evangelisation Broken Bay

Connected in Christ Resource

The weekly Connected in Christ resource is back! Each week the Evangelisation Broken Bay team will provide Gospel readings, prayers, reflections and children's activities for families to worship and pray at home in this extended period of lockdown.

Download this week's resource below. [Download Connected in Christ](#)



For we **CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING** about what we have **SEEN & HEARD**

ACTS 4:20

Next week Catholic Mission will invite you to partner with Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand as they reach out to vulnerable mothers, like Churai*, and their babies, who would have nowhere to turn when they need support, love and kindness the most.

Next week you will have the opportunity to respond to what you have seen and heard, and the Home, as well as other vital mission programs supporting children and communities in need around the world.

Please come with an open and generous heart.

*Name and images altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/thailand



GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our web site: www.engagedencounter.org.au Choose any of the coming Weekends: **Nov 13-14 2021; Feb 19-20 2022**

If COVID-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE weekend will be held via Zoom.



TUESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Need some joy and hope in lockdown? Looking for a place to come together for community, praise and prayer? Join the CYBB Team – Alex, Rachel and Deacon Adrian – as they share stories of God’s help in peoples’ lives and lead you through a short session of prayer.



All youth and young adults from across the Diocese of Broken Bay are invited to tune into Tuesday Night Lights! If you’re not sure where you’re at with God, you’re totally welcome too – come along and see what it’s like. You can tune in every Tuesday @ 7:00-7:30pm via our the @cybbaus Instagram Live as well as Facebook and YouTube!

Parents and guardians please note: CYBB runs livestream events on our social media channels where obtaining parental permission slips for minors is not possible. Please exercise oversight of livestream events by discussing them with those in your care and please get in touch with us at alex.leach@bbcatholic.org.au or on 0447 841 216 if you have any questions or concerns.



Palms Australia

All professions and trades are called to assist this mission.

Get Ready to Fly!



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Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul.

To be prepared for a 2022 placement [CLICK AND ENQUIRE HERE](#) by Friday October 29.

Visit palms.org.au Email palms@palms.org.au or call Christine on 02 9560 5333

Major earthquake hits Haiti



Caritas Australia’s thoughts and prayers are with the people of the Haiti who have been devastated by a 7.2 magnitude earthquake. Over 1,400 people have died, and thousands more left injured. Homes, churches and schools have been damaged in the quake, and reports indicate that more than 30,000 families have been left homeless. The country also continues to grapple with COVID-19, poverty, and ongoing political instability and violence. There is immediate and urgent need for food, water, shelter, hygiene kits and first aid on the ground. To provide support, you can donate to Caritas Australia’s Emergency Response Appeal. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413 toll free.



CatholicCare keeping seniors connected and active during lockdown

Explore dance, fitness, technology, creativity, nutrition, tai chi and more with CatholicCare. Our Memory Innovations Centre improves quality of life, wellbeing and helps support positive brain health for seniors in our community.

Our professionally run programs focus on having fun, connecting with others and stimulating your brain. Programs are currently being delivered online during the lockdown and you can join anytime. For more information visit

www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/aged-care/memory-innovations-centre or call (02) 9488 2659.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: Is 53:10-11

The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity. If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.



Reading II: Heb 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

Alleluia: Mk 10:45

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel: Mk 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."



Keep Us In Your Prayers of your charity pray for the souls of:

Recently deceased: Peter James Whiteman

Anniversary: Agnes Ahn Seong-Ae, Vince Zappavigna

Remembrance: Maureen and Bernie Mellane, Lee Sung-Ryae, Jim Charles Blackmore, Sr Mary of the Eucharist (OCD), Sr M. Stephanie Ellis (OCD), Fr Jacques Daley (OSB)

Sick: Melissa Bezzina, Heather Joyce, Lisa Ryan, Hanaa El Khatib, Sheila Houghton, Marie Head, Lisa Yeo, Marta Panczyna, Oscar James Moretti, Linda Italiano, Eneio Wolfgram, Emma Matthews, Eileen Jones, Kathleen Bezzina, Moya Jones, Kiliti Na'ati, Chris Mitchell, Trish Stuart, Colleen Garland, Robert Baker, Josephine Weate, Ed Hyland, Sheila Rogan, Pat Savage, Ernie Mullins, John Mitchell, 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 Marie McNamee, Georgie Brigdale, Sue Campbell, Bobby Brame, Maria Arundell, Bishop Bill Wright (Maitland-Newcastle), Larry Cresswell, Colleen Cresswell



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

MISSION and VISION

Bringing Jesus Christ to ALL through:

Worship and Liturgy; Outreach; Our Parish School;

Hospitality; Adult and Child Faith Formation



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

- Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

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

2nd Collection: Funds the operational management of the Parish

You can donate Bpoint, which will take you to our Website for secure online payments.

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/woywoyparish>

Since we are not having regular collections at Mass, if you are able to donate to cover the continuing costs of the parish, you can contribute directly to the parish account.

Name: St John the Baptist Parish Woy Woy

BSB: 062 784 Account no: 10000 1742

THANK YOU!

Thank you for your generous contribution.

Divine Will Cenacle

Please continue prayers your own home. We will provide an update when we are able to meet face to face.

Please contact: Veronica Walsh on 0411 719 272



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