

WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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

7th November 2021

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B

FEAST DAYS

09 Nov: Dedication of the
Lateran Basilica

10 Nov: St Leo

11 Nov: St Martin of Tours

12 Nov: St Josaphat

21 Nov: Dedication of our new
St John the Baptist church

MISSION and VISION

Bringing Jesus Christ to ALL through:

Worship and Liturgy;

Outreach;

Our Parish School;

Hospitality;

Adult and Child Faith Formation

PARISH CONTACTS

Administrator

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

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ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH
2021



75th Anniversary Celebrations

We are continuing our plans for some wonderful celebrations for this day, but we need your help. 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 from the Piety Store or contact the Parish Office.



CONFIRMATION

Parents and carers please note that the Sacrament of Confirmation is now scheduled for two sessions on Sunday 28th November—at 1pm and at 3pm.

Please contact the office if you and your child are unable to attend on this date.



COVID-19 UPDATE

COVID-19 REGULATIONS

WE REMIND YOU THAT: Electronic check-in is mandatory, as is sanitising and physical distancing - please ensure you are seated 4m² from anyone outside your family bubble, and you stand on the stickers provided when queuing for Communion.

♦ It is your responsibility not to enter the church if you have a fever, cough, sore throat or shortness of breath.

♦ If you wish to take Communion on the tongue, please ensure that you are at the end of the priest's queue.

FOLLOW US

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 <https://www.stjohnthebaptistchurch.woywoy>

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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 Census Thank you to all who have returned their completed Parish Census forms. We have received so many but there are still many more to come. You can now collect a blank Parish Census Form from the Church Gathering Area. Please place completed forms in the Census Forms box or email to Woywoyparish@bbcatholic.org.au. Please share with others, so we can connect with them and share exciting parish news with them, in a timely manner. **THANK YOU**



COMMISSIONING OF MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST AT ALL MASSES 20-21 November 2021

Ministers of the Eucharist, both new and existing are to receive their commissioning at the Mass they are attending on weekend, November 20/21. Commissioning will take place in the presence of the congregation that you serve in your parish, and we thank you.



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Congratulations to Our Winners



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Has God called YOU to teach one of these classes?

- ◊ Kinders at Woy Woy PS School
- Tues 9:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- ◊ Stage 2 at Woy Woy PS School
- Tues 9 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.



To become a catechist/Assistant, please contact Michael Tebbutt on 0437 440 169 or via email Michael.Tebbutt@bbcatholic.org.au

If you are still wondering, watch this short film clip on the Diocesan Website

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/ccd>

Catechist Corner

The Harvest is Great but the

Labourers are few. Consider becoming a Catechists helper

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.

To access the bulletins click [here](#).
Attention all kids!
To access free online Children's liturgy of the Word videos click [Heidi Witte YouTube](#).

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay



November 2021 Appeal

St Edmund's College is one of the five beneficiaries of Pastoral Works Broken Bay.

The College supports 120 students with disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism, providing skills and experience for them to fully engage in life.

Your generous donations help with vital fee assistance to families in our Catholic community so that their children can access the services offered by St Edmund's.

Watch the attached short film to see the amazing impact your donations support <https://youtu.be/3r5BE26o2H4>.

To donate, complete the collection envelope in your parish, or visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks.

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: 1 Kgs 17:10-16

In those days, Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city, a widow was gathering sticks there; he called out to her, "Please bring me a small cupful of water to drink." She left to get it, and he called out after her, "Please bring along a bit of bread." She answered, "As the LORD, your God, lives, I have nothing baked; there is only a handful of flour in my jar and a little oil in my jug. Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me. Then you can prepare something for yourself and your son. For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" She left and did as Elijah had said. She was able to eat for a year, and he and her son as well; the jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, as the LORD had foretold through Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Reading II: Heb 9:24-28

Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf. Not that he might offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters each year into the sanctuary with blood that is not his own; if that were so, he would have had to suffer repeatedly from the foundation of the world. But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. Just as it is appointed that human beings die once, and after this the judgment, so also Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.

Alleluia: Mt 5:3

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel: Mk 12:38-44

In the course of his teaching Jesus said to the crowds, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces, seats of honor in synagogues, and places of honor at banquets. They devour the houses of widows and, as a pretext recite lengthy prayers. They will receive a very severe condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."



The Central Coast project will be formally launched with the community on 31 October. Our Pastoral Discernment is an initiative to recall how the Spirit has guided our journey and will provide for opportunities to engage richly in the conversation and to listen to diverse experiences of faith and life. You are invited to join us for the online virtual event. During the launch, you will hear from Bishop Anthony Randazzo who will share his vision of the project and Patti Beattie, project facilitator will outline the scope of the project and ways that you can participate. **Date of launch:** Sunday 31 October 2021
Time: 12 noon (AEDT) **Online:** www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc Details of the project can be found at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc which includes details of both the Launch and Briefing Circle registrations.

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

Recently deceased: Colleen Cresswell, Anthony Caruana, Don and Josie Bugeja, Carol Jean Blake,

Anniversary: Bruce Spence, Sr Elizabeth Carr, Pat Hennessy

Remembrance: Marie D'Souza

Sick: Melissa Bezzina, 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, Kerrie Roberts, Lauren Head, Bruce Yip



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November:

People who suffer from Depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life

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 also donate via Bpoint, which will take you to our Website for secure online payments.

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

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