

WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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

14th November 2021

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - B

FEAST DAYS

15 Nov: St Albert the Great

16 Nov: St Gertrude &

St Margaret of Scotland

17 Nov: St Elizabeth of
Hungary

18 Nov: The Dedication of the
Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

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

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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.



*Please welcome Seminarian Tan Nguyen
Into our Parish family for his placement.*

*Seminarian Tan will live in St John the
Baptist Woy Woy Parish from
16 November until 26 December.*

COVID-19 REGULATIONS

WE REMIND YOU THAT: Electronic check-in is mandatory, as is sanitising and physical distancing - please ensure you are seated 2m² 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.

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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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: Dn 12:1-3

In those days, I Daniel, heard this word of the Lord: "At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book. "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. "But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!



Reading II: Heb 10:11-14, 18

Brothers and sisters: Every priest stands daily at his ministry, offering frequently those same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But this one offered one sacrifice for sins, and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool. For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin.

Alleluia: Lk 21:36

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Be vigilant at all times

and pray that you have the strength to stand before the Son of Man.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel: Mk 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. "Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."



Dedication of our Church 21st November 2021

Next week we celebrate the 14th Anniversary of the Dedication of our Church. Let us continue to remember the special features of our church, as described by Fr John Hill, at the inaugural dedication in November 2007.

Our church is built around the idea of the Christian as pilgrim. The pebble surface that begins at the pedestrian gate continues under the covered way, through the main doors and the gathering space to the pews, and is also visible around the altar, ambo and chair. As we enter the worship space, we see on the doors the words (in four languages) from the pilgrim psalm 120 (8): 'The Lord will guard your going and coming, both now and forever.'

The gathering spaces doubles as a devotional space—an area where we can engage in our private devotions. Inside, the stained glass draws our attention to the Patron, Saint John the Baptist (the upper windows, in the colours of red [martyrdom], blue [his baptism], and desert colours), and to our worship in the community of saints and the angels (especially the faces and the angels' wings).

The exact centre of the church is just in front of the altar steps, in the centre. In church-building tradition, this is called the omphalos or "navel", where really important events take place. The priest stands there to distribute Communion; marriages and ordinations take place there.

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

Recently deceased: Remedios Daugaug, Sidro Daugaug,

Anniversary: Grace Farrugia, Virginia Grech, Jim Filewood

Remembrance:

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, Ada Primrose Murphy, Cathy Eades



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.

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