

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Woy Woy Peninsula Parish



This year Anzac Day is celebrated on the same weekend as Good Shepherd Sunday, the 4th Sunday of Easter. Every year, the crowds attending Anzac Day ceremonies get bigger. It is as if we humans instinctively understand sacrifice, our hearts know that sacrifice is crucial to salvation and we need to honour those who have made sacrifices in the service of others. The Christian understanding of redemptive suffering adds value to our interpretation of the Anzac sacrifice.



# PARISH NEWS

**Sunday the 16th of May, 9.15 am Mass will be replaced with 10.00 am Mass. 5.00 pm Mass will be cancelled.**

**High School Enrolments:** Starting 11th April, Fr Timothy will meet parents and children on Sundays between 8:30am & 9:15am to have their Parish Reference Forms signed.

**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](http://www.sjbwoywoy.dbb.org.au).

**Divine Will Cenacle:** The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 6th May in the Leo Mahon Room.

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

**Cleaning Roster:** 7th May Peter Smith, Reg Harrington, Linda Potestas, Jo Salter.

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

## VOLUNTEERS

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

<b>Eucharist Ministers in the Community Phoebe Glacken</b>	<b>4341 6324</b>
<b>Bus Drivers Vince Wiegold</b>	<b>4341 1073</b>
<b>Catechists Michael Tebbutt</b>	<b>0407 218 677</b>
<b>Church Cleaners Christine French</b>	<b>4342 4548</b>
<b>Readers Dorothy Fulton</b>	<b>4341 7610</b>
<b>Music Ministry Lyn Dwyer</b>	<b>0417 659 526</b>

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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.**

# YOUTH NEWS

**He must increase - I must decrease.**

You are all invited to our Youth Mass next Sunday the 2nd of May at 5.00pm. Come and support our young people with their music, singing and reading. After Youth Mass, young people gather together at Leo Mahon Room for Youth Activities, Fun games and learn about our Catholic Faith.

There will be a group for Years 5 & 6 and High Schools students. All are welcome from any Primary School and any High School. All inclusive.

Parents will be there to supervise and with light refreshments.

Anyone interested in helping our Youth as Leaders are welcome to contact Kiliti on 0412 731 979 or Bernie O'Keefe on 0417 698 760. We would love to have you as part of the team - empowering young people to become disciples of Jesus Christ in our world today. Come and join us and make a difference.

Youth Ministry Committee

## JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS MEETINGS

It seems appropriate in this Year of St Joseph to re-establish a group of Companions on the Central Coast (formerly called Associates). Fr Timothy has kindly offered us the Leo Mahon room here at Woy Woy Parish.

We will meet once a month, from 10am to 11:30am. If anyone missed the 22nd April meeting, come instead on Monday, 3rd May, then Thursday, 13th May OR Monday, 31st May. We will set further meeting dates once we know what is suitable to most people.

Josephite Companions are men and women who identify themselves with the charism of Saint 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. If you are interested in knowing more or joining our group, please contact Anne Bailey, [annebccoast@gmail.com](mailto:annebccoast@gmail.com) or (02) 4341 6300.

## POSITION VACANT

**Parish Administrative Assistant Part-time  
12 hours per week 2 days  
(8.30am - 3.00pm Wednesday and Friday)**

Can you see yourself as a welcoming face of Woy Woy Catholic Parish?

The Parish is seeking an Administrative Assistant for our busy office. The role provides administrative support in the areas of visitor and telephone reception, communications, records and archives maintenance, general administration, meeting and event organization, compliance, and simple financial processes such as credit card and direct debit processing.

If you have previous office administration experience and this role interests you, please email a cover letter and CV to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au) or see the full advertisement at [www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant)

**Applications close Friday, 7 May 2021**

*This role will be subject to a WWCC and National Police History Check.*

# ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH COMMUNITY



## PILGRIMAGE TO DIOCESAN SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

Blessed with a beautiful day with great company and food. Thanks to all who came along and to Fr. Tim for organising the day. Our next adventure will be on Thursday the 13th of May. Seats are limited so contact the Parish office on 4341 1073 for more details.



Dear Parishioners,

In May Father Timothy will be celebrating the Silver Jubilee of his ordination into the Priesthood. 25 years of dedicated loyal service of spreading the message of Christ's love. As a Parish Community we are going to celebrate and acknowledge his wonderful work, especially what Father Timothy has brought to our community. On May 16th at 10 am there will be a Mass followed by refreshments in The Walter Baker Hall (there will be no 9.15 am or 5.00 pm masses on that day). There will be a book on the table in the gathering area where you can write personal messages to Father Timothy.

Parish Pastoral Council

## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

# CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

## WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH

2021



Help us to celebrate our 75th year by submitting your celebratory suggestions in the box at the gathering area.

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35 YEARS  
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THE YEAR  
OF ST JOSEPH  
& THE FAMILY  
2021

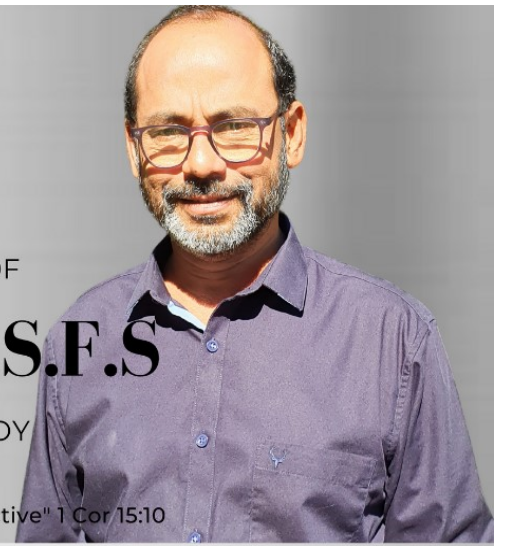
# Celebrating 25 YEARS

CORDIAL INVITATION TO  
THE SACERDOTAL SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF

## REV. FR. TIMOTHY RAJ M.S.F.S

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH WOY WOY  
16 MAY 2021 : 10.00 AM

"By the grace of God, I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective" 1 Cor 15:10



## 25 Years of Dedicated Loyal Service

**1996** He was ordained a Priest on the 9th of May at Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. He served the Church of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales of Pune.

**1996-2000** He was the assistant for one year and he became the Priest in Charge and Superior of the Holy Redeemer Church, Khopoli-Karjat Mission.

**2000** He was sent for specialization in printing technology while he was correspondent at Pune institute for the handicap.

**2001** He was appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest and Manager at St. Peters Church, Gangapur, Rajasthan.

**2002-2006** He was appointed as the Parish Priest of SFS Church and the Manager of SFS School at Nallasopara.

**2006-2014** He was appointed as the Parish Priest of SFS Church at Koperkhairane, where he initiated the construction project of the Parish Church.

**2015-Currently** After successful completion of the Church Project, he was sent to Australia for pastoral collaboration with the Broken Bay Diocese. Where he is currently serving as Priest and Head Administrator of St John the Baptist Catholic Church, Woy Woy.

**Fr. Timothy is known for his joviality. His presence is always felt by his laughter and cheerfulness. We thank God and assure him of our prayers and support for the many more jubilees of his priestly ministries and blessings.**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Reading 1 Acts 4:8-12

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said:

"Leaders of the people and elders:

If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed.

He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.

There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

## Responsorial Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

**R. (22) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, I will thank you for you have given answer. Blessed in the name of the Lord.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

For his love has no end and you are my Saviour is the one who comes.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

It is better to take refuge in the Lord. The stone which the builders rejected. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

Than to trust in the people; has become the corner stone. I will thank you for you have given answer.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

It is better to take refuge in the Lord. This is the work of the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

Than to trust in rulers. A marvel in our eyes for his love has no end.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

## Reading II 1 Jn 3:1-2

Beloved:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

Yet so we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

## Alleluia Jn 10:14

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel Jn 10:11-18

Jesus said:

"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them.

This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."





# CHARITABLE WORKS FUND – May Appeal – 8/9 May 2021

Many thousands of young people and families in our community receive help from the charities that CWF supports. They can arise with new strength.

We give thanks to God for the blessing these pastoral works offer to those in hospital, at school, across neighbourhoods and local parishes of Broken Bay.

Please give generously to the final CWF appeal of the Financial Year 2020/21. Donations are 100% tax deductible and support five charities:

**Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Programme** – where Hospital Chaplains and five lay Pastoral Care ministers reach 3,500 patients and 700 families each year in our hospitals.

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**St Lucy’s School** – serving primary school students with disabilities.

**St Edmund’s College** – serving secondary school students with disabilities.

**Ephpheta Centre** – serving the Catholic deaf community.

Please take a moment to watch a heart-warming “Thank you” video to hear from those you are helping -

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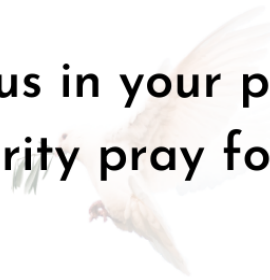
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- 3) Or scan the QR code.



**Thank you for your contributions towards the pastoral works of the Church. God Bless.**

Keep us in your prayers:  
Of your charity pray for the souls of



**Remembrance:** Fr. Michael McCarthy , Sergei de Souza.

**Anniversary:** Raelene Pitt, Joseph Bugêja, Polqueria Bulual, Numeriano Senajon, Robert Dennis Clifford, Bob Scholte, Carlos Fratti

**Recently Deceased:** Cardinal Cassidy, Frederick Carter

**Sick:**

Terence Walsh, 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, Larry Sheil, 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.

**“In the Peace and Victory of the risen Lord”**

## MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday  
8:15 am Morning Prayer  
8:30 am Mass  
Followed by Rosary

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 **(16th May Cancelled)**  
5:00 pm Mass **(16th May Cancelled)**

## CONFESSION TIMES

Friday  
(1st Friday of the month)

9:00 am  
3:30 pm

Saturday  
9:30 am  
4:30 pm

Sunday  
7:00 am

### OUT OF HOURS EMERGENCY

0438 631 327

**"He must increase, I must decrease"**

#### **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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WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO  
RISK THEIR LIVES WHILE  
FIGHTING FOR FUNDAMENTAL  
RIGHTS UNDER  
DICTATORSHIPS,  
AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES  
AND EVEN IN DEMOCRACIES  
IN CRISIS.

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.