

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Woy Woy Peninsula Parish

30 May 2021



Important Dates Mon 31/5

Josephite Companion Meeting

Fri 04/06

Divine Will Cenacle

Sun 06/06

Youth Gathering









The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity invites us to remember that God has revealed himself to us as one God in three Persons. As Jesus departed from his disciples, he shared with them the power to make disciples of all nations. He taught his disciples to invite others to share in the life of the blessed Trinity by sharing with others the gift of Baptism. This continues to be the mission of the Church. Each of us who has been baptized shares in the life of the blessed Trinity and also shares in the Church's mission of inviting others to share in God's love.



My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Every day we are confronted by the presentation of a frayed and damaged world. The mass media as well as social media regularly portray the elements of life that are grungy, angry, and belligerent. Mostly, we are presented with bad news. It has been suggested that human beings are drawn to bad news possibly because sudden disaster is more gripping than slow upturns. At one level, that might be true. However, at a deeper level I am convinced that the human family in fact desires good news not bad. Every day I receive messages of joy and hope from people from various backgrounds and from different places. The world sometimes looks back to a time of nostalgic perfection, the "golden age" where things are said to have been better. At other times it gazes to the future, dreaming that there is a place where perfection will at last be achieved. For the Christian, neither of these positions completely satisfies because it would be like looking for the Garden of Eden in the past or Heaven in the future. Neither view is bad, but both lack the now. As Christians, our faith is one that is centred on Christ because we are one in him through baptism. That means that we are called to live in the present moment with Jesus Christ, who is yesterday, today, and forever. It can be a challenge living life where we are. The temptation might befall us to avoid this moment and look to the past or the future to escape this present time. When people write or talk to me about their joy and hope, it is because they are living and reflecting upon this moment, their "today" moment in Christ. To see Jesus Christ in everything that we think and do and say, is to be people of the Good News, not bad. In this time of Pentecost, might I invite you to take the time to listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to you in your life now. The Spirit reveals Jesus. As you discover Christ in each moment of every day, you will become His herald of Good News to our world. Peace be with you, Most Rev Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Broken Bay



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June

The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



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 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.

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

Cleaning Roster: Pam Hickey, Christine French, Jo Salter, Laila Dawe

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

El Shaddai Prayer Group Meeting: Held between 12 & 4 on Saturday the 5th of June in the Walter Baker Hall. **Sit & Chat:** 3rd Monday of every Month - 14th June. Contact Parish office if in need of transport 4341 1073.

Divine Will Cenacle: Meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month. The next meeting is on the 4th of June, Following the Mass and Rosary prayers in the Leo Mahon Room.

Presentation of candidates: Candidates preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation in August will be presented at all masses this weekend. Please keep the children in your prayers.

Berrima Bus Trip: Tuesday 13th of July. Please contact the Parish office to secure your seat on 4341 1073

YOUTH NEWS

JOIN THE YOUTH GROUP This Weekend.

All Young People from Years 5-12

Join as a Youth Leader! Aged 18 and over



Youth Gathering:

Date: 6th of June

Time: After Youth Mass at 5.00pm.

Location: Leo Mahon room. All youth from year 5 to year 12 are

invited to attend.

Contact: Kiliti Na'ati 0412731979

sks2230grace@gmail.com

Flyers about our Parish Youth
Ministry is out now.
Please pick up one from
the foyer and hand it out to our
sons and daughters.

We pray the way we live We live the way we pray

JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS HAVE BEGUN MEETING

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Dates: Monday, 31st May, Thursday, 24th June OR Monday, 28th June.

Location: Leo Mahon room at Woy Woy Parish

Time: 10am to 11:30am.

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*.

PRAISEFEST is back in the flesh! Join us on Friday 11 June 2021 at St Patrick's Gosford Parish from 6.00-9.00pm.

Come along, sit back and chill with us, and enjoy: PRAISEFEST Radio, games, food and hospitality, 'Rambling with the Rev', Praise & Worship, an inspirational message and more.

*This event is open to all youth and young adults. All young people under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parish or school group where supervision and responsibility is taken by their corresponding leaders.





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

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.



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, WOY WOY: 75 YEARS 1946 - 2021

The Priests.

Reverend Dr. Walter Baker was Parish Priest of St John the Baptist Parish from its inception in 1946 until his death on 26 Dec, 1973. Father Walter Baker, P.P., D.D. Ph D, was ordained in 1931 and lectured students for the priesthood at St. Columba's College, Springwood for four years. Following his years in the seminary he was appointed for eight years to the Parish of Parramatta. During World War 2, Father Baker served four years as Chaplain with the R.A.A.F serving part of that time in the Pacific war zone. During a speech at the Celebration Dinner for the Parish Siler Jubilee, Father Baker remarked that after the war (when the services chaplains were being allocated their parishes), he had requested "any other appointment but Woy Woy". He said that after or years in the jungles of the pacific, he had hoped for an appointment to a parish in the city. Father Baker added that after the twelve months in the Parish he had grown to love the area and the people and had no desire to ever leave. Father Baker is remembered for his warm character lively sense of humour and many achievements during his stay in the parish. Some of the priests who assisted Fr Baker were Fr W J Gallagher, Fr M Crehan, Fr G Russo, and Fr M McCarthy. Some of these priests looked after the parish while Dr Baker was on extended leave. After Father Baker's death, his assistant priest at the that time, Father Michael McCarthy, looked after the parish for four to five months until Father Mahon's appointment.



Central Coast Newspapers Wed, Jan 16, 1974

Source: St John the Baptist, Golden Jubilee 1946-1996 Booklet, by Maureen MacMahon.

Divine Renovation Webinar: The Holy Spirit's Role in Renewing the Church When: Thursday 3 June Time: 12.00pm Sydney time Register for free at: www.tfaforms.com/4904708



There is a lot of uncertainty around the expectations of the post-pandemic Church. There is, however, one certainty that gives us hope and confidence, and that is the role of the Holy Spirit in the renewal of the Church. From the moment Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit upon the apostles to this exact moment in time, the Spirit continues to renew, and that renewal starts in our own hearts first. Join Kevin Bailey (Divine Renovation) as he guides you through a recorded telecast with Father Mike Schmitz (The Bible in a Year, Ascension Press) followed by Jude Hennessy (Director, Office of Renewal and Evangelisation, Wollongong Diocese) leading prayer in the

The 2021 July Y-Factor Camp registrations are open!

Y-Factor is a youth camp run in the school holidays for young people in Years 7-12 and this year's theme is 'Made for More'! Don't miss out on an experience of a lifetime!

When: 5 - 8 July, 2021

Where: Benedict XVI, Grose Vale (a charter bus will leave from Hornsby

Cathedral)

Registrations: (Note: registrations for BROKEN BAY participants close on 12 June): https://www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/yfactor2021

TEENS IN YEARS 7-12

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 **Phone:** 02 4341 1073

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OUT OF HOURS EMERGENCY

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SAFEGUARDING TEAM

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Most Holy TRINITY

Mass of the Solemnity

Reading I Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Moses said to the people: "Ask now of the days of old, before your time, ever since God created man upon the earth; ask from one end of the sky to the other: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors, all of which the LORD, your God, did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other. You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today, that you and your children after you may prosper, and that you may have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

Responsorial Psalm 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 R. (12b) Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Reading II Rom 8:14-17

Brothers and sisters: For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption,

through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Alleluia Rv 1:8

R.Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which lesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

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



Recently Deceased: Laurence Sheil

Anniversary: Rebecca Gauci, Charles Gauci, Mia Gerada, Patrick William Byrne, Maureen Cruickshanks, Ellen Brennan, Natalia Soler, Allan Roferos

Remembrance: William, Charlotte & Family

Sick: Lisa Ryan, Hanaa El Khatib, Sheila Houghton, 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, 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.



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