WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church



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

<u>7th August 2022</u> 19th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME C

FEAST S & MEMORIALS

8 August —St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 9 August —St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross 10 August —St Lawrence 11 August - St Clare 12 August—St Jane Frances de Chantal 13 August—Sts Pontian & Hippolytus

MASS TIMES &

OTHER WORSHIP

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 5.00pm Sunday - 7.30am, 9.15am and 5.00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: Morning prayer at 8.15am followed by the Eucharist at 8.30am Saturdays & Public holidays - 9.00am

Healing Mass

First Friday of the month during Mass at 4.00pm

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday -9.00am First Friday of the month - 3.30pm Saturday - 9.30am and 4.30pm Sunday - 7.00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday evenings from 7pm - 8pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Mon, Tues, Thurs—8.30am—3.00pm Wed and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

Divine Will Cenacle Thursdays 9.15am -10.30am

PARISH CONTACTS

Reflection on today's gospel reading.

Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. We are not to be like the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his great harvest in barns rather than share it. We are, rather, to share our wealth with those in need. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be destroyed. The other major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the Son of Man will be like. Peter asks if this parable is meant for the apostles or for the large crowd that has gathered to listen to Jesus. Without answering Peter's question, Jesus responds with another parable about servants awaiting the return of their master. It begins with a question: "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?" This parable adds to the theme of watchfulness; it explains how to wait and reminds us of the reward for the faithful follower at the heavenly banquet after the judgment. If it is addressed to the apostles, then it could also be addressed to leadership in the early Church. Either way, the parables reminds us that we should be found doing our jobs when the master arrives. If we are doing our jobs, our reward will be great. But if we relax, neglect our duties, and begin to act like the greedy rich man-eating, drinking, and making merry-we will not have a place in the kingdom. Watchfulness means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived.

https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/19th-sunday-inordinary-time-c-sunday-connection/

<u>St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day—8th August</u>

Each year on the 8th of August we celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's beloved first saint and patron saint of our Archdiocese. On this day, we celebrate the important role she played in making education accessible for children in our country. Mary MacKillop devoted her life to ensuring a holistic Catholic education for children from rural, poor families.



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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.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Candidates will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at St John the Baptist church this Sunday 7th August at 11.00am. Please pray that their hearts will be open to be filled with the Holy

Spirit..

Confirmation certificates will be issued at 9.15am Mass on Sunday 14th August. This will be followed by cuppa time. All welcome. Congratulations to the children.



We warmly welcome those who were **Baptised last weekend:** Jasmine Davey

NEW Parish Giving envelopes are on their way! More information to come soon.

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St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal - the amount raised was \$4059.45. Our members would like to thank you for your generosity on behalf of those whom we assist.

Cash Housie !!!

Saturday nights 7.30pm 50 games at Peninsula Community Centre 93 Mc Masters Rd Woy Woy.



Proceeds benefit our parish.

For more information, please contact Robert Graham on 0427 990 818

CLEANERS 12 August 2022:

Veronica Jordan Christine French

Laila Dawe Mimi Lambert

*** if unable to work on your appointed day, please swap or arrange a replacement***

READERS for 13-14 August 2022:

Sat 5pm — Olga Mhilli & Jane Rutherford Sun 7.30am — Mabel Torres & Veronica Jordan Sun 9.15am — Joesie Cameron & Christine French Sun 5pm — Lorena Lalor & Kristina Aitken



Invitation to attend the Central Coast Franciscan Secular Order (OFS) monthly meeting to be held Thursday 18th August at The Entrance Catholic Parish in the Lecture Room at 2pm. Information:

Secretary Gerard Price OFS Mobile: 0439 519 018. Pamphlets are also available in the gathering Area.

Catholic Youth Broken Bay invites youth and young adults across the Diocese to 'Praisefest: Welcome to Mercy.' It will be held on Friday, 19th August from 7:00pm – 9:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish at The Entrance.

The evening will involve a variety of fun, engaging and prayerful segments. Praise featuring, Glorious and school students and a dance battle, will get the youth to their feet and enjoy the lively atmosphere. 'Rambling with the Rev' will be hosted by Deacon Adrian Gomez and feature panelists



from CatholicCare and students who are

actively involved in social justice. The youth will be invited to delve into Christ's "fountain of life" through a contemporary dance performed by Michaela Hoffmann and followed by an opportunity for prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration. Priests from around the Diocese will be coming to offer the sacrament of Confession. Of course, the evening will finish with a Praise party to give all glory and thanks to God! Questions? Email Jen: jen.healey@bbcatholic.org.au.





SERVERS for 13-14 August 2022:

Sat 5pm—Jeff Freeman & Joel Bajo Sun 7.30am—Jose Torres & Steve Hopley Sun 9.15am—Bob Wilson & Hanaa El-Khatib Sun 5pm – Laurie Jarvis/Pio Savea

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

- We are looking for volunteers to clean the bus once a month
- Welcomers are sought to greet parishioners and visitors for each weekend Mass

How can YOU support OUR parish??? Please let us know—4341 1073

R S V P : Friday 22nd July to 43631211 or kineumber.parishg/bbeatholie.org.au



Reading 1: <u>Wis 18:6-9</u>

The night of the Passover was known beforehand to our fathers, that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their faith, they might have courage. Your people awaited the salvation of the just and the destruction of their foes. For when you punished our adversaries, in this you glorified us whom you had summoned. For in secret the holy children of the good were offering sacrifice and putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32 (33):1, 12, 18-20, 22

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Reading 2:Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Brothers and sisters: Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Because of it the ancients were well attested. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the promised land as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs of the same promise; for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age —and Sarah herself was sterile— for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore. All these died in faith. They did not receive what had been promised but saw it and greeted it from afar and acknowledged themselves to be strangers and aliens on earth, for those who speak thus show that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land from which they had come, they would have had opportunity to return. But now they desire a better homeland, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

Alleluia: <u>Mt 24;42, 44</u> **R. Alleluia, alleluia.** Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**



Gospel: <u>Lk 12:32-48</u>

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Then Peter said, "Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?" And the Lord replied, "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds doing so. Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant in charge of all his property. But if that servant says to himself, 'My master is delayed in coming,' and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants, to eat and drink and get drunk, then that servant's master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish the servant severely and assign him a place with the unfaithful. That servant who knew his master's will but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will shall be beaten severely; and the servant who was ignorant of his master's will but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating shall be beaten only lightly. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more."

CatholicCare will be the recipient of an annual fundraiser in August each year. In 2022, Catholic Schools and Parishes will fundraise to support **CatholicCare's homelessness services** across the Diocese including:

- Dom's Place
- Mary Mac's Place
- Street sleeping outreach support
- Transitional accommodation and casework support
- Women's refuge
- Young parents' homelessness services ... and more.

More information is available at www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/hpw-parishes



Donor envelopes available during Mass Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 August. Or visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/homelessness

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

Recently deceased: Phyllis O'Regan, Megan Trainor **Anniversary:** Melvee Carkeek, Sr Patricia Snell (RSJ), Molly Dunne, Amy and Veronica Moloney, Desmond Francis Brien, Teresa Lee Min-Yong, Mary Dolan, Fae Casey **Remembrance:** Jack McMahon, Jack Dunne, Nell Dunne

Sick: Melissa Bezzina, Lisa Ryan, Hanaa El Khatib, Sheila Houghton, Marie Head, Lisa Yeo, Marta Panczyma, Oscar James Moretti, Linda Italiano, Eneio Wolfgram, Emma Matthews, Eileen Jones, Kathleen Bezzina, Moya Jones, Chris Mitchell, Trish Stuart, Colleen Garland, Robert Baker, Josephine Weate, Ed Hyland, Sheila Rogan, Pat Savage, 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, Janice Green, Robert Parker, Maureen Wardrop, Ros Harbig, Georgie Brigdale, Sue Campbell, Bobby Brame, Kerrie Roberts, Lauren Alchin, Bruce Yip, Ada Primrose Murphy, Cathy Eades, James Matthews, Doreen Arahill, Theresa Mitchell, Anita Servi, Jean Pierre, Michael Tannous, Charles Lawson, Marsha Burzynski, Emma Mitchell, Vince Weigold, Lola DeSouza, Cathy Hennessy, Bev Purser, Joseph King, Maureen Fotheringham, Jim Cooper, Christine Semark, Rae Busby



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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August:

Small Business

We pray for small and medium businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

PARISH COLLECTIONS1st collection: goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.2nd Collection: Funds the operational management of the ParishYou can also donate via Bpoint, which will take you to our Website for secureonline payments. https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/woywoyparishName: St John the Baptist Parish Woy Woy

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