



WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



13th March 2022 2nd Sunday of Lent—C

LENTEN PROGRAMME

Way of the Cross & Mass:

Wednesdays & Fridays:

**6.30pm followed by
the Eucharist at
7.00pm**



PARISH CONTACTS

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MASS TIMES & OTHER WORSHIP

Monday - Friday : Morning prayer
at 8.15a.m. followed by the
Eucharist at 8:30am.

Saturday: Morning prayer at
8.45a.m. followed by the
Eucharist, adoration and
confession. Evening at 5pm

Sunday 7:30am, 9:15am & 5pm

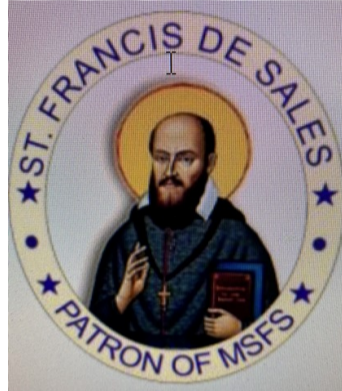
First Friday: Confession 3.30pm

Healing Mass 4pm

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament: Thursdays 7—8pm

Congregation of Missionaries of St. Francis De Sales Mission Appeal



We, the Fransalians have been working in this diocese for more than 20 years, in various parishes. The Province of Pune has undertaken the mission in under developing countries in South America and Africa.

The diocese of Broken Bay helped the province to support the missions in early days but lately, for the last four years, we have been told to make the Mission appeal in the parish. We never made any appeal so far.

The Finance Committee has approved the Mission Appeal during this season of Lent and your offering and sacrifices will benefit the mission of our province in Ecuador, Peru and Zambia. The more details will be made available to you.

You can make your contribution:

1. Envelops are available
2. Call the office with your credit card details.
3. Donate by bank Transfer or Cheque. Details are below:
Congregation of Missionaries of St Francis De Sales
BSB 062784 – 100011958
4. One Tap and go will be set for few weeks towards the mission appeal.
5. Mission Appeal Box is near the piety stall.

"Charity and devotion are no more different from one another than flame from fire. Charity is a spiritual fire; when it is embraced it is called 'devotion'." - Saint Francis de Sales.

Commentary on the Transfiguration

Between Moses and Elias Jesus shows forth His divine glory, thus foreshadowing His resurrection. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end of all things. Today's Mass places before us the transfigured Lord and the model toward Whom we must tend, and our own transfiguration as the goal we must attain. We attain this goal by a profound realization of our sinfulness and need of a Redeemer; by preserving purity of body and soul; by combating our passions and carnal instincts and observing the commandments and most importantly by participating in the Mass. — Excerpted from *Cathedral Daily Missal*

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2021-02-28##>

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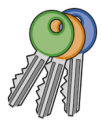
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COVID-19 REGULATIONS: A REMINDER OF THE CHANGES TO CONDITIONS:

- No density limits apply in Places of Worship.
- COVID-19 Safe Check-in NO LONGER REQUIRED.
- Singing and dancing is permitted
- **Masks are encouraged for indoor settings where you cannot maintain a safe distance from others to protect vulnerable people who must access these premises. Please be respectful of each others choice.**



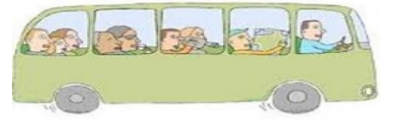
We The Woy Woy Catholic Parish acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.



Parish Key & Swipe Register: For insurance purposes, the parish keys & swipe register is being updated. Any persons who hold keys or a swipe to any parish buildings or property, kindly contact the parish office by email stating your name, contact details and which keys/swipes you have. Anyone holding keys/swipes which are no longer required please return to the parish office as soon as possible.

Parish Bus Pick-Ups for Mass

Parishioners who require a Bus Pick Up are asked to contact the Parish Office on 4341 1073, and give their details. This will allow the Office to advise the Drivers, who will contact you direct to provide pick up time.



Welcome to our new Parishioners!!!

Please contact our parish office on 4341 1073, if you require assistance or any further information.

If you haven't already done so, we invite you to complete a census form, making sure you include any parish community groups you wish get involved with.

Parish Welcomers— we need more welcomers at each mass. No training needed, just need to say 'hi' and bring a genuine smile. Please contact the office to be added to our roster.

Christian Meditation returns to Monday evenings at 6pm in Leo Mahon Room. ALL welcome, no experience necessary. Contact Marian on 0432 882 776, for more information.



Requiem Mass Tuesday 15th March 2022—at 8.30am

A requiem mass will be held for Margaret Gibson, offered by her daughter, Melissa. All parishioners are welcome. Mass will be followed by morning tea in the Leo Mahon Room.



JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS MEETING THIS MONTH

Last year we re-established a group of Companions on the Central Coast (formerly called Associates) and met in the Leo Mahon room here at Woy Woy Parish.

We will meet again once a month, from 10am to 11:30am on Monday, 28th March, 2022.

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 or (02) 4341 6300

Youth News

Please contact Oliver 0430 302 086 or Kiliti 0412 731 979 for more information. God bless.



The term 'Children's Liturgy of the Word' (CLOW) refers to the practice of children leaving the Sunday assembly during the Liturgy of the Word and gathering elsewhere to celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word that is more appropriate to their level of understanding. In our parish, CLOW occurs during the Sunday 9:15am Mass throughout the school term excluding the 1st Sunday of the month. It is for children between the ages of 4 to 12. Parents/guardians please ensure your children are well and have washed or sanitised their hands prior to attending CLOW. CLOW resumes Sunday 13th March. For more information contact Christine French 0431765401



SERVERS for 19/20 March 2022:

- Sat 5pm—Paul Cavanagh & Vincent Cavanagh
- Sun 7.30am—Peter French & Paul Nolan
- Sun 9.15am—Bernie French & Joesie Cameron
- Sun 5pm –Laurie Jarvis



Pastoral Discernment
Central Coast

Following 9.00am Mass Saturday 19th March (St Joseph's Day), there will silent Adoration and the Rosary. A morning tea will then be shared in conversation with our final Parish Pastoral Discernment meeting, in Leo Mahon room. All welcome.

CLEANERS for 18 March 2022:

- Rose Kissing* *Mabel Torres*
- Jo Salter* *Tom French*

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

READERS for 19/20 March 2022:

- Sat 5pm — Jane Somerville & Marie Andrews
- Sun 7.30am —Dorothy Fulton & Jose Torres
- Sun 9.15am —Emma Baker & Olga Mihilli
- Sun 5pm — Kristina Aitken & Anna Jarvis

VOLUNTEERS

- Eucharist Ministers in the Community
- Phoebe Glacken 4341 6324
- Bus Drivers
- Vince Wiegold 4341 1073
- Catechists
- Michael Tebbut 0437 440 169

- Church Cleaners
- Christine French 4342 4548
- Readers
- Dorothy Fulton 4341 7610
- Music Ministry
- Lyn Dwyer 0417 659 526
- Baptisms
- Brenda Sweet 4341 1073

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 27(26):1, 7-9, 13-14.

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Reading II: Phil 3:17-4:1

Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers and sisters, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame." Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.

Verse Before the Gospel: Mt 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Lk 9:28-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.



Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal

The escalating violence in Ukraine is rapidly becoming a dire humanitarian crisis. In a matter of days, over half a million people have been forced from their homes and at least 400 civilians have lost their lives.

Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this unfolding humanitarian crisis.

Your urgent support today will help provide critical assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services, and psychological support to people affected by this crisis.

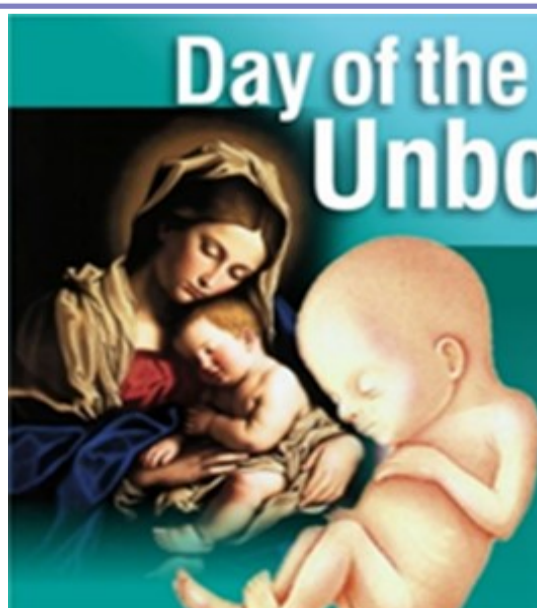
Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

... I will not forget you. I have carved you on the palm of my hands - Isaiah 49

Day of the Unborn Child

Sydney, Sunday
27 Mar 2022

St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney
10:30am Mass
12 noon Street Procession
1:30pm Benediction



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

Recently deceased: Larry Cresswell, Margaret Gibson, Alex Mareschi, Bruce Yocum, Michael Glennon, Franciso Ames

Anniversary: Tarciana Cabatingan, Marie Moroney

Remembrance: Peter Whiteman,

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, Georgie Brigdale, Sue Campbell, Bobby Brame, Maria Arundell, Kerrie Roberts, Lauren Alchin, Bruce Yip, Ada Primrose Murphy, Cathy Eades, James Matthews, Clare Gleeson, Margaret Gibson, Dawn Torrens, Jackie Asic, Margaret Hope, Doreen Arahill, Theresa Mitchell, Anita Servi, Jean Pierre, Michael Tannous, Charles Lawson, Marsha Burzynski, Emma Mitchell, Vince Weigold



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March:

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

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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