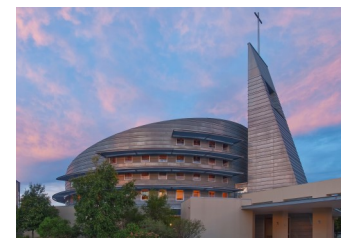




WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



27th February 2022 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time—C

LENTEN PROGRAMME

Way of the Cross & Mass:

First Friday at 3.30pm, followed by Anointing Mas at 4.00pm

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



ASH WEDNESDAY

On **Ash Wednesday 2nd March 2022**, Mass will be held at **8:30am and 7pm in the church**. Mass will also be held at **12pm at the school**. Given our circumstances this year, the priests will continue to distribute ash by sprinkling the ash over the head of each person rather than by marking each person's forehead.



Taking the Gospel to the World

Vox Populi – the Voice of the People

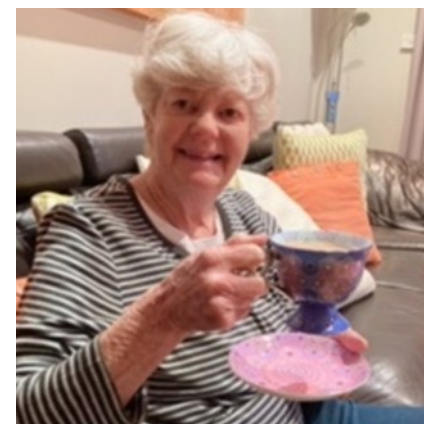
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The Catechists in our Diocese undertake a vital evangelising role, educating children and young people, and forming them in the Catholic faith. The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, CCD, is a wonderful, rich and rewarding ministry. Throughout the school year our Catechists – or SRE teachers – provide Catholic Special Religious Education, also known as Scripture, on a regular basis to Catholic students who attend public schools. Many of our catechists in the Diocese of Broken Bay, around 800, are long-serving SRE members while others are fairly new to the ministry but they all work as a team and consider it a privilege to be able to share the love God has for all the world and tell their students how much God loves them. The catechists are also supported with training, teaching strategies, workshops and resources. This weekend the Diocese has the opportunity to say thank you to these generous and faith-filled people. The Annual CCD Mass and Presentation Awards ceremony will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral on Saturday, 26 February at 11.30am with Clergy, catechists and families celebrating the Ministry of Special Religious Education.

CATECHIST RECOGNITION - DOROTHY FULTON

Catechist Sunday is being held on Sunday 27th February 2022. This provides an opportunity for parishes to commission catechists for the coming year.

At 9.15am Mass, we will recognise **Dorothy Fulton for 40 Years of Service**. Morning tea will follow Mass, to help celebrate Dorothy's fantastic milestone and dedicated service. We ask parishioners attending to please bring a plate of food.



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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 1076, 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.

Welcome Roster

We ask any parishioners who would like to join our Welcomers Roster to please contact the parish office and let us know which Mass you prefer to attend.



The Parish is in need of a new lawn mower. If anyone in the Parish has a lawnmower they don't need or indeed if they were of the mind to sponsor a lawnmower, we would be extremely grateful. Please contact the office.



Project Compassion Sunday 26 & 27 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and *For All Future Generations*.

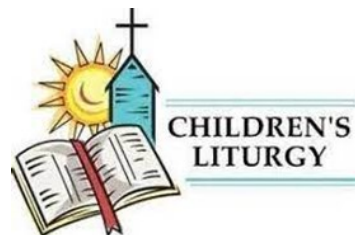
With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all.

Sacramental Programme:

Parents, please contact the office to book your child in if not done so already. Children will be presented at a Mass of your choosing on the weekend of 5th and 6th March. First group meeting will be the week of 14th March.

WAR IN UKRAINE.

Please keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers at this time



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 5/6 March 2022:

- Sat 5pm—Paul Cavanagh & Vincent Cavanagh
- Sun 7.30am—Kevin Glacken & Jose Torres
- Sun 9.15am—Bob Wilson & Joesie Cameron
- Sun 5pm —Laurie Jarvis

PART-TIME positions available:

Call Nelson on 0416 655 994



- ◆ Barman
- ◆ Delivery
- ◆ Restaurant Assistant

READERS for 5/6 March 2022:

- Sat 5pm — Jane Rutherford & Paul Rutherford
- Sun 7.30am —Mabel Torres & Isaak Giunter
- Sun 9.15am —Michael Dixon & Olga Mihilli
- Sun 5pm — Youth Group

CLEANERS for 4 March 2022:

- Cheryl Sillick** **Elena Egan**
 - Maria Owen** **Linda Potestas**
- *** if unable to work on your appointed day, please swap or arrange a replacement***

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: Sir 27:4-7

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks. As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just. The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 91 (92):2-3, 13-16

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Reading II: 1 Cor 15:54-58

Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Alleluia: Phil 2:15-16

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Shine like lights in the world
as you hold on to the word of life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel: Lk 6:39-45

Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye. "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."



JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS MEETINGS RESTART THIS MONTH

Last year in the Year of St Joseph 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 beginning Monday, 28th February, 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, \[annebccoast@gmail.com\]\(mailto:annebccoast@gmail.com\) or \(02\) 4341 6300.](#)



Greetings,

We are going to try and start up our Youth Group gatherings this coming Month of March. First, we ask anyone interested in supporting the Youth to come forward to a meeting next Sunday the 6th of March at 6.30pm at Leo Mahon room. All those interested must have as Work With Children's Check and completed all requirements. Training will be required as well in our model of youth ministry. All young people who wanted to join the youth gathering are required to sign up with their parents, completing forms as required by the Diocese.

Leaders must be 18 plus and prepare for training. Please contact Oliver 0430 302 086 or Kiliti 0412 731 979 for more information. God bless.

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

Recently deceased: Eva Ball, Mirko Zrnica, Catherine Harding, Isobel Thelma Halson

Anniversary: Bill Finlayson, Heather Badgery

Remembrance: Peter Whiteman, Accamma Mathappan, Islise Boglic, Mary Dolan

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, Larry Cresswell, 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



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February:

For Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

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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