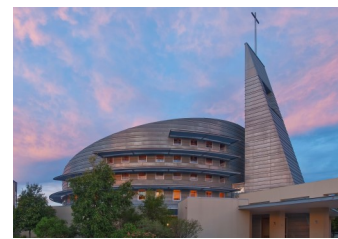




WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



5th June 2022 PENTECOST SUNDAY

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

6 June—The Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of the Church

9 June – St Ephrem

11 June - St Barnabas

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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

Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Divine Will Cenacle

Thursday 9.15am -10.30am

Please contact the Parish Office, if you require information about any Sacraments



Gospel Reflection for Pentecost Sunday June 4th –

The world is charged with the splendour of God

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the season of Easter reaches its final climax. This Sunday we celebrate and experience the powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the whole church and on all those who call themselves disciples and followers of the risen Lord. Last Sunday when we celebrated the Ascension of Jesus, he promised his followers that he would send them the Holy Spirit and that they would be filled with power from high. Theirs and our waiting is over. Today with the whole church we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. This is not something that happened a long time ago to other people. It is happening today, here and now. Today each of us is filled with and anointed with the Holy Spirit. The first followers of Jesus weren't strong, courageous or even very faithful. They betrayed Jesus. They denied and deserted him when he needed them the most. After his death they hid themselves away in fear. They had lost all heart and hope. Then the strangest thing happens to them. The house shakes with the sound of a mighty wind and the sight of fire!

These frightened and frail men and women are transformed. Through the Holy Spirit, they are given new hope, new heart and new purpose. Their fear and silence is replaced by courage and conviction. They leave their hiding place and make their way into the streets and proclaim the good news of the resurrection. They



become new people with a new message. At this very moment the missionary church is born. We are no different than these ordinary men and women. Through our baptism and confirmation, each of us has been filled and anointed with the exact same Holy Spirit. Just the first followers of his proclaimed the good news about Jesus; we too are called to do the exact same today. Just as these men and women were transformed into energetic and outspoken witnesses of Jesus, so too must each of us today.

There is nothing gentle, mild or gentle about Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit is powerful, life-changing and energetic. The Holy Spirit challenges us and calls us to change. Oscar Romero, the Latin American Bishop who was murdered in 1978 said, ***'The Spirit makes all things new; we are the ones who grow old and want to keep everything to our aged way of doing things... the Spirit is never old, the Spirit is always young.'*** As celebrate the birth of the missionary church, we pray that each of us will be refreshed and renewed by the Holy Spirit. May we do what Pope Francis asks of each of us, ***'Go out again and again, without hesitation without fear and proclaim this joy which is for all people...'***

Michael Moore OMI <https://oblates.ie/gospel-reflection-pentecost-sunday/>



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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.



Family Mass is to be held at 9.15am on 5th June. This will be followed with morning tea in the Leo Mahon Room, which will be provided by St John Baptist School. A great opportunity to get together with other families and parish community members!!!

Taize Prayer Evening: Our Multicultural Choir will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost with a beautiful Taize prayer evening on Saturday 4th June commencing at 6.15pm in Walter Baker Hall.



What is Taize? Taize prayer is evening prayer for all Christian faiths. It is a simple and meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us. Mantra songs (e.g. O Lord Hear My Prayer) prayerful silence and short readings guide the focus of the prayer in a candle-lit environment. Come and join in this celebration of the feast of Pentecost.

Enq: Del 0432 477 507.



At last! A concert by the Central Coast Philharmonia Choir, in the beautiful St John the Baptist church! Saturday 4th June, 7.30pm. This long-awaited concert

combines the new and the old. Hope for the future and consolation in times of trial. Contemporary composer, Elaine Hagenberg, uses texts from hymns and poetry to bring hope and comfort. Daniel Elder explores love, nature, darkness and light. And Faure's Requiem reflects his view that death is 'an aspiration towards happiness above, rather than a painful experience'. **Classic FM.**

Tickets: Adult \$30, Concession \$27, Student/Child \$10 — available at the door. For further details contact Dawn Torrens 0438 094 822 or Lyn Dwyer 0417 659 526

Confirmations are scheduled for Sunday 7th August 2022. Bishop Anthony Randazzo will be here to celebrate this sacrament at two sessions—11.00am and 2.00pm. Further information to come once confirmed.



Fr Timothy will present Brown Scapulas this weekend - following 5pm mass on Saturday 4th June and 9.15am mass on Sunday 5th June If you would like to register, please contact Christine French 0431 765 401, Emma Baker 0404 339 668, or Rosie Na'ati 0421 780 957.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 29 May – 5 June 2022

A Christian Prayer for Unity

One only Holy Spirit of Father and Son
in whom all are baptized, one giver of many gifts,
one tree of many fruits one speaker of every
tongue, renew in our day the wonders of

Pentecost,

grant that people of every race and nation may
understand one another, and as one,
proclaim the praises of God.

Grant that all may be one as you, Spirit,
with the Father and the Son are one God, one Lord.

Grant unity to the Body of Christ; grant unity to the human family.

Sole breath of every living thing, may all be one who,
in you, live and move and have their being.

• Carl K. Moeddel, From Jesuit Resources



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CLEANERS 10 June 2022:

Cheryl Sillick

Elena Egan

Tom French

Maria Owen

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

READERS for 11-12 June 2022:

Sat 5pm — Paul Rutherford & Olga Mhilli

Sun 7.30am — Joel Bajo & Veronica Jordan

Sun 9.15am — Gemma French & Kiliti Na'ati

Sun 5pm — Lorena Lalor & Peter Smith

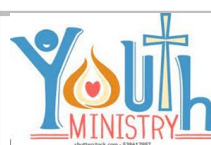
SERVERS for 11-12 June 2022:

Sat 5pm—Jeff Freeman & Joel Bajo

Sun 7.30am—Kevin Glacken & Jose Torres

Sun 9.15am—Steve Hopley & Jenny Fitzgerald

Sun 5pm —Laurie Jarvis



Youth Family Dinner

Youth Family Dinner was an inspiration to young people and all the families. Your contribution to our young people and our Parish is appreciated.

Our Youth

Group is on every 1st, 3rd and 5th

Sunday of the month due to our Youth Mass every first Sunday of the Month at 5.00pm.

Readers for the 5th June are Carmen and Grace Hernandez. Our program for June – July are as



follows. Please pray for our Youth and Leaders

5th June – Youth Mass (Purity is the Glory of God in the Human Body)

19th June - The Habits of the Heart and Mind (Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit)

3rd July – Youth Mass (The Joy of the Lord is our strength - Fun Night)

17th July – What can we do to our Faith Family (Church)?

31st July – Family Gifts & Talent Nights (Fun Nights)

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

- ♦ We are looking for volunteers to clean the bus once a month
- ♦ Volunteers to maintain the garden on a regular basis
- ♦ Senior Servers are always needed
- ♦ Welcomers are sought to greet parishioners and visitors for each weekend Mass



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading I: Acts 2:1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103 (104):1, 24, 29-31, 34

R Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.



Reading II: Rom 8:8-17

Brothers and sisters: Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you. Consequently, brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 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.

Sequence: Veni, Sancte Spiritus

Come, Holy Spirit, come! And from your celestial home. Shed a ray of light divine! Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest; Sweet refreshment here below; In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. O most blessed Light divine, Shine within these hearts of yours, And our inmost being fill! Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray. On the faithful, who adore. And confess you, evermore. In your sevenfold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel: Jn 14:15-16, 23-26

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always. "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

26 June 2pm - SAVE THE DATE!!! "After being postponed for a year due to the COVID 19 pandemic, Pope Francis has asked dioceses around the world to celebrate the 10th World Meeting of Families locally, making it possible for every family to participate. While Rome will be the main venue for the event, each diocese will promote local events for its own families and communities based on the theme: "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness. All families are invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop Anthony Randazzo on Sunday 26 June 2022 at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Waitara at 2pm. This will be followed by food, formation, and fun games for kids. More details to come!"



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

Recently deceased: Jeff Conley, Raymond Campbell, Kevin McCaskie

Anniversary: Fr Bill Meacham, Rosemary Wilson, Rose-Mary Knight

Remembrance: Natalia Solor, Allan Roferos, Janine Lalor, Vicenite bade and Editha Bade

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, 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, Clare Gleeson, 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



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June:

Families

We pray for the Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives

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

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