

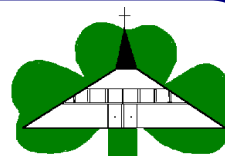
# St Patrick's Parish Gosford

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## PASTORAL CARE

**Fr Tadeusz Seremet SDS**

[Parish Priest]

**Fr Sebastian Polak SDS**

[Assistant Priest]

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## SALVATORIANI



## Parish Office

**Secretary:** Colleen Kirk  
**Mon-Thurs:** 8.30am-4.30pm

**Admin [Volunteers]:** Edyta Gandra/Denise Jay/Judith Myers  
**Friday:** 9.00am-3.30pm

## Other Volunteer Roles

**AV Prep:** Bob Smith, Greg McBride, Tilly Timp & Peter McLean

**Bursars:** Fay Steel & Ros Van Lierop

**Caretakers:** Ron Begg, Tom Brown & John Malicki

**Gardeners:** Trevor & Joyce Byrne & Victor Camilleri



## 4th Sunday of Advent Year C December 23, 2018



The meaning this week is—Jesus is born, and we celebrate that together, with thanks, music, socialising, prayer and Mass. We need to find God again, and let ourselves be open to him in the deepest areas of life, just like the husbands of both Mary and Elizabeth, Joseph and Zechariah, were open to God. Nothing need keep us from God or from the crib at Christmas. All are welcome. The real meaning of Christmas is to meet with God and to help our neighbour.

**Next Sunday's Readings:** 1st Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14;  
2nd: Sam 1:20-22, 24-28; Gospel: Lk 22:41-43, 47-48

## Fest Days This Week:

Tues Dec 25  
The Nativity of the Lord  
Wed Dec 26  
St Stephen  
Thurs Dec 27  
St John  
Fri Dec 28  
The Holy Innocents

**Children's Liturgy  
& Sacramental Prog  
Coordinator**  
**Margaret Eadie**  
4325 7817

## Catechists' Coordinator Alain Corne

Wednesday 9am-1pm  
Thurs 9.30am-1.30pm  
4325 1042

[saintpatccd@acs.net.au](mailto:saintpatccd@acs.net.au)

**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
Leader [Comb Terrigal/Kinc/Gos/WWW]  
COORDINATOR  
Matthew French  
0411 792 587

## Christian Brothers' Community

Frederick Street, East Gosford



Br Peter Hester cfc  
[Community Leader]  
Br Denis Cusack cfc  
Br Rod Shoebridge cfc

**SENIORS' MINISTRY**  
Leader  
**Barbara McCarthy**  
4322 0250

## SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St Patrick's Primary: Mrs Cheryl Walsh 4325 1159  
St Joseph's Catholic College:  
Mr Tony McCudden 4324 4022  
St Edward's College: Mr Mark Bonnici 4321 6400  
St Peter's College, Tuggerah:  
Mr Tim Hilderbrandt 4351 2344

## GROUP MEETINGS

**RCIA** - 7.30pm. Contact Ian on 4363 1039. Recommences 29 January 2019.

**menALIVE** - Next: Feb 2019, 7.30pm commencing with Mass. 1st Tuesday monthly.

**CANCER PRAYERS** - Last Thursday Monthly, 2pm at the Jordan Room.

**GRIEF & LOSS, PRAYER AND SUPPORT** - 1st Thurs mthly, 2pm in the Jordan Room

## BIBLE STUDY GROUPS -

Lectio Divina: Mondays @ 9.30am twice mthly. See Bulletin.  
Wednesdays @ 10-11.15am @ Jordan Room. Recess to 2/19

## CHURCH OPENED DAILY 8.30AM-4.30PM. FOYER ONLY UNTIL LATE

## STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

Rosary 20 mins before or after the Mass

**Monday** 9.00am  
**Tuesday** 9.00am  
**Wednesday** 11.30am  
**Thursday** 9.00am  
**Friday** 12noon  
**Saturday** 9.00am  
Saturday:- Adoration 8am: Rosary: 9.30am.

**Wednesday: 7am, Christian  
Brothers' Monastery,**  
Frederick St, East Gosford

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Gosford**  
**Vigil Mass** 6.00pm  
**Sunday** 7.30am, 9am & 6.00pm  
**Somersby [30 Lutana Road]**  
**Vigil Mass** 6.00pm  
**Spencer [Wiseman's Ferry Rd]**  
1st Sat. Mthly 4.00pm

## FAMILY MASSES

5.30pm Children's Mass, Dec 24

**Filipino Mass** 2nd Sunday Monthly

12noon

**Korean Mass** Mthly: 6.00pm  
[Enq: Peter 0409508123]

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During 9am Mass ea Sun of school Term.

## ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

[Before the Blessed Sacrament]

**Monday** 8.30am-9am  
**Tuesday** 9.30am-10am  
**Wednesday** 12-12.30pm  
**Thursday** 9.30-10am  
**Friday** 11.15am - 12 noon  
& 12.30- 3.30pm  
**Saturday** 8.00am

## RECONCILIATION ~ 1ST RITE

**Gosford:**

Mon-Thurs: During Adoration Times  
**Friday** 11.15am-11.45am  
**Saturday** 8.15-8.45am & 5.30pm  
**Sunday** 7.00 am, 8.30am & 5.30pm  
**Somersby** - Saturday 5.40pm

## ADORATION @ BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL Located on Chapel Lane @ the Admin Centre

Mon to Thurs 8.30 to 3.30pm/Fri 9-3.30pm

## CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

3pm each Friday and after the weekday Masses

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Last Wednesday Monthly 12noon

## Services in Aged Care Centres

WHERE	MASS	COMMUNION SERV.
<b>St Andrews</b> [Presb], E/Gosford		3.30pm, Wednesday twice monthly.
<b>Orana, Pt Clare</b>	2pm, 4th Tues Mthly	2pm, 2nd Tues Mthly
<b>Evergreen Life Care,</b> West Gosford	3.30pm, 4th Tues Mthly	3.30pm, 2nd Tues Monthly.

## Marriages: By Appointment


Please contact the Parish Secretary for enquiries.

## Baptisms:


**Contact Office** Bookings Req'd  
2019: Jan 6 & 20. Feb 3 & 17. Mar 3, 17 & 31; April 7 &  
28. May 5 & 19. June 2, 16 & 30. July 7 & 21

## Sacramental Programme 2019

**Confirmation:** Sat June 1, @ 12noon  
**1st Reconciliation** Wed Aug 28 @ 7.00pm  
**1st Eucharist** Saturday Nov 23, 6pm @ Gos & Smsby  
Sunday Nov 24, 9am & dedicated 11am Mass



**PLEASE VISIT OUR CHAPEL FOR PRIVATE PRAYER & ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
Open M-Th, 8.30am-4pm & Fri, 9am to 3.30pm. Located at the Admin Centre - just follow the signs.




**JOIN US FOR OUR SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP at the Jordan Room, following the 9am Mass. All profits to Charities**

**FRIDAY CRAFT GROUP**  
Each week of school term, 10am-12.30pm at the Music Room, St Pat's Victoria St campus. **Please come along!**





**IN NEED OF A PRIEST IN AN EMERGENCY OUT-OF-HOURS? SIMPLY CALL OUR OFFICE ON 4325 1042, FOR A DIVERSION TO A PRIEST.**



**YOUR LOVED ONE, OR YOU, IS ILL AND PERHAPS DYING?**  
Remember, it is never too early to call your priest, and if the worst should happen... please remember your first point of contact to make arrangements should be with your priest or the Parish Office.



**CAN YOU SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN?**  
Please become a Catechist, or join the Children's Liturgy team. Just call the Parish Office on 4325 1042.


**DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE, SOMERSBY**  
One Day Retreat: Dec 30. New Years Eve: Dec 31 9pm. Mass 11.30pm. Divine Mercy Jan 4, 5.30-8.30. Volunteers Retreat Jan 11-13 Night Vigil: Jan 19, 8pm.  
160 Hensons Rd. E: drcsydney@gmail.com M: 0434 099 088


**IN YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK**

**TONIGHT, SATURDAY DECEMBER 22 @ THE HALL, AFTER THE VIGIL MASS**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

See you there, and a big thank you to our musicians and choristers for providing this great opportunity for an evening together to celebrate the coming of the Lord!

YOUR CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE			
<b>Christmas Eve @ Gosford</b> 	5.00pm 5.30pm	Carols Children's Mass	At St Edward's College, Russell Drysdale Street, East Gosford
	7.30pm 8.00pm	Carols Youth Mass	At St Pat's, followed by Port & Christmas Cake so please join us!
	10.00pm 10.30pm	Carols Christmas Mass	At St Pat's, and also followed by Port & Christmas Cake
<b>Christmas Eve @ Somersby</b>	6pm	Christmas Mass	St Francis of Assisi Centre, Somersby
<b>Christmas Day @ Gosford</b>	7.30am, 9am & 6pm	Christmas Masses	At St Patrick's with live music at 7.30 & 9am Masses.



**THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS, IS TO REMEMBER THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.**

**Merry Christmas message from the Diocese Chancery Office:**  
On behalf of all staff in the Chancery Office, I would like to extend to you and all your families, a very Merry Christmas! Thank you for all of your support and the wonderful work you do in your parishes for the faithful in Broken Bay. It is very much appreciated. (Melissa Loughlin, Manager, Office for Communications.)

**SPARKLING AND READY TO GO! THANK YOU!**

We thank the many industrious and generous people who came to give the church its spit & polish last Thursday.  
We also thank our wonderful morning tea hosts— Pam & John McCrae and Denise Begg. Well done all!

**Huge thank you to all who decorated the church for Christmas.**  
Cecilia Coughlan, Margaret Eadie, Eunice Del Busco, Sheila Evans, Vic & Annie Camilleri, Peter Julius, Carmelo & Frances Bigeni and Katrina Pratt.

**UPCOMING OFFICE HOURS**

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from 1pm on Christmas Eve and will reopen again on Monday January 14.  
Again we would like to thank Denise, Edyta & Tom for their voluntary work at the office while Colleen is away.

**ARE YOU ALONE ON CHRISTMAS DAY?**

Don't eat your lunch alone, come and join us at our Christmas Lunch starting at 11.30am at St Patrick's Hall. You bring yourselves, and we'll bring the food & the fun!  
We look forward to seeing you there, or perhaps you know someone who should come along too. There's a sheet at the foyer on which to RSVP for catering.  
*If any parishioners would care to donate funds towards catering, they would be gratefully received. Gifts of food etc are difficult to handle and anticipate therefore we find less wastage if we take the cash to buy the goods we know we will need.*  
*We trust you understand, and hope you will assist us.*

**PLENARY COUNCIL 202 'WELCOME' CARDS**

Christmas is a time when we welcome in our parish many visitors who may not ordinarily engage with the life of the Church, and the National Plenary Council team has made available welcome postcards which will be available at all the Christmas Masses as an opportunity for welcome, outreach and evangelisation.  
The reverse side of the postcard invites people to share their sense of faith toward the Plenary Council, inviting responses from people less engaged with the church or faith but who can enrich the Church through their varied responses.





	Acolytes	Lectors	Commentator	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Audio
<b>Chn's Mass</b>	John McCrae Kevin O'Donnell	Children	Childern	Pam McCrae, Molly Holland & Katie Moss	Cameron Moss Luke Russotti	Arthur Holland
<b>Youth Mass 8.00pm</b>	Peter O'Neill Sean Pearson	Neil Murphy Nora Koleszar	Cheryl Walsh	Lyn Beglin, Nora Koleszar, Rosemary Lee, Ann Lovell & Sherree Sullivan	Vito De Toffol	
<b>10.30pm Evening Mass</b>	Peter Forbes Peter Young	Keith Quinn Wendy Stringer	Barbara McCarthy	Jan Blanch, Tilly Timp, Stephanie Trevenen, Corrie Dunn & Patricia Anderson		Anna Jung
<b>7.30AM</b>	Eunice Dal Bosco Sheila Evans	Ian McGuinness Regina Strong	Josie McGuinness	Cecilia Coughlin, Margaret Eadie & John Ryan		Peter Mclean
<b>9.00AM</b>	Peter McClean Anna Jung	Wendy Stringer Emily Rudd	John Miller	Liz Malik, Wendy Stringer, Mary Brown & Emily Rudd	Heath Ford	Tilly Timp
<b>6.00PM</b>		Tom O'Brien Nora Koleszar				

**CANDLELIT MASSES @ ST PAT'S DURING ADVENT: WEEK 4  
A YOUTH MINISTRY INITIATIVE  
OPEN TO EVERYONE**

Come for a beautiful candlelit Mass tonight, and each Sunday evening during Advent at 8pm,, preceded by Adoration from 7pm. Want to know more? Contact  
Matt French on 0411 792 587.

**MOVIES WITH MEANING:**

**Saturday December 29 after the Vigil Mass, at the Jordan Room**

*This movie is one for the all the family— Miracles do come true; we only have to have faith in God and believe.*

Deep in the heart of the English countryside lies the enchanting village of Gladbury. Legend has it that every 25 years an angel visits the village candle maker and touches a single candle. Whoever lights this candle receives a miracle on Christmas Eve. A young Replacement Minister arrives in Gladbury with a new formula for miracles, by good deeds and acts of kindness. God has a way of changing all of us including the clergy.

Please join us and bring a plate for a shared meal! Perhaps we may even welcome in the new year, a little early!



**THE SALVATORIAN ORDER ANNOUNCES ITS CLERGY MOVES, AND WE'RE LOSING FR TADEUSZ and FR SEBASTIAN!**

Frs Tadeusz and Sebastian will be leaving at the end of January. Fr Sebastian will be the Deacon University Chaplain in Melbourne and will also work in the Salvatorian Formation House. Fr Tadeusz is to become the Parish Priest of Carlton Parish and also is some capacity at St George Hospital, Kogarah.

**YOU ARE INVITED FOR THEIR FAREWELL MASS ON JANUARY 20 AT 9:00AM AND MORNING TEA AFTER AT THE PARISH HALL**

**KIDS' MATTER**

**ENCOUNTER CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRIES : WHAT'S ON**

[A Gosford, Terrigal, Kincumber, Woy Woy Parishes Youth Initiative]

The combined youth ministry group is in recess until 2019 as they prepare for World Youth Day 2019 Panama!

We wish all youth pilgrims a safe and spiritually rewarding journey!

To enquire about Encounters' 2019 youth activities, please contact Matt on 0411 792 587

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**Next: Fri Jan 18  
ICE SKATING, 7.45-9.30**  
Enq: Mel on 0434 251 481

**AFTERMATH [18-35]**

**JOIN US  
FOR DINNER**

**Elanora Hotel, Sunday  
December 30 after the  
6pm Mass!**



**All welcome!  
the more the merrier!**

**JOIN US FOR OUR NEW  
YEARS EVE & NEW YEARS  
DAY MASSES!**

On Monday December 31, our 9am Mass will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for Graces received in 2018, and will be followed by Morning Tea at the Jordan Room. Our New Year's Day Mass at 9:00am on Tuesday January 1, Mother of God, celebrating blessings for the New Year will also be followed by Morning Tea at the Jordan Room. A perfect way to end 2018 and commence 2019!

**THANK YOU**

**For Washing the windows in the church,**  
Gabe Marquette & Robert Crosbie.

**For donating the new Tables and chairs  
in the Jordan Room.**

John and Ros Van Lierop

**For building the new Nativity Scene outside  
the church.**

Carmelo & Frances Bigeni and for helping them to install the set in front of the notice board thank you to Vick and Annie Camilleri

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TOWARDS OUR SECURITY CAMERAS**

Donations have been trickling in and we thank you for the assistance they bring in helping to offset this \$8000, but very necessary, expense.

Yes, still more is needed to cover the cost

**Ladies of our Parish.**

This year St Patrick's has been chosen to host the World of Prayer on Friday 1st March. Circle the date so we can be great hosts.

The theme is "Trauma Counselling for Woman"

For more information phone Robyn Nevyn Ph: 0403052229

Your

Prayers

Please

**Recently Deceased:** Pat Parker, Launa Duncan  
**Anniversaries:** Dianne Stansfield, Phyllis & Lionel Owens, Carmelo Vella, Nancy Vella & Mascot family.  
**Remembrances:** Lloyd Woods, Michael Kokegei, Daryl Collins, Edel Camilleri, Magdalen McNamara, Allen Edwards, Friquet Family, Ronald Freeman, William Adams, Ross Rodgers, Marguerite & Alexander Morrison

**In your love and concern, please pray for the seriously ill members of our community:** John Burg, Brian Graham, Norman Ryan, Elizabeth Powell, Margaret Dalgleish, Val Dibben, Zenon Riveros, Jennifer Buckley, Pat Walker, Paul Harrison, Leo Fry, Todd O'Shea, Mary Brown, Bob Smith, Mary Roberts, Brett McDonagh, Bernadette Kirby, Pat Drockman, Neale Simpson, Megan McGowan, Brent Senegar, Brian Nichols, Frank McGuinness, Eileen MacDonald, Kathleen Moffat, Glenn Mills, Chris Bandereim, Bruce Branthwaite, Peter & Lena O'Donovan, Marea Watkins, Allen Francis, Tina Learwood, Chris Price, John Riley, Frank Lentini, Kath Ryan, Kath Graham, Sandra Hassan, Sid Dowsett, Dennis Robert, Michael Graham.

## DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE

**One Day Retreat: Sunday 30 Dec 2018 from 9:00 to 4:00.**

Including retreat for children from ages 3-12.

**New Years Eve: 31 Dec 2018.** 9:00 pm Confessions, 10:30 pm Thanks-giving and Adoration 11:30 Mass. For Bookings email drcsydney@gmail.com

## ADVENT and CHRISTMAS SEASON SAFEGUARDING MESSAGES.

During this Advent Season let us be reminded that childhood itself has a direct relationship with GOD. In their openness to God, children communicate that divine love to all whose hearts and minds are open (Karl Rahner).

## MARY MACKILLOP PLACE NORTH SYDNEY:

**Museum Exhibition: Imaging the Margin: Journeys, Borders and Living on the Edge.** From January 2 until Feb 28. 10am-4pm.

## YOUR ROSTER ~ DECEMBER 30, 2018 ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph YEAR C

	Acolytes	Lectors	Commentator	Eucharistic Ministers		Altar Servers		Audio	St Francis of Assisi Somersby	
VIGIL	P Young Anna Jung	B Sharp P Sheeran	Jan Blanch	T Cooke, R Lee, C Parry, E Third & T Timp		Taz Parry Connor Wood		Robert Biviano	Commentator & Intercessions Cheryl Barany	
7.30AM	J McCrae P O'Neill	I McGuinness J McGuinness	J McGuinness	I McGuinness, J McHugh, G Price, L Price & N Tyrrell.		Sebastian Eagar Laura Eagar Rowan Talbot				
9.00am	P Julius Peter McLean	S Machuca N Mead	L Malik	M Brown, T Croll, M Holland, L Malik & M Mathieson		Tina Dennis, Hannah Farris Scott Shedden, Lincoln Gottardo		Arthur Holland	2nd Reader Tony Pickup	
6.00PM	P Nicholls S Pearson	K O'Donnell R Surdich	Corrie Dunn	C Dunn, N Koleszar, A Llige, R Llige & A Lovell		Alex Golden, Gabby Golden, Natasha Gold-en & Joey Stitt		Thomas Werner	Eucharistic Ministers Mary Luci Jane Azzopardi	
COUNTERS Dec 24 Group 4 Lyn Beglin, Margie Gunnulson, Diana Addis Dec 31 Group 1 Eunice Dal Busco, Neryl Tyrrell, Joyce Byrne		ALTAR LINEN LAUNDERING  Josie McGuinness Collect: Dec 31 Return: Jan 4		ALTAR SOCIETY  Hellen Moore		CHILDREN'S LITURGY  On School Holidays	PARISH BUS TO 9AM MASS  Driver: Luis Machuca Helper: Ellen McNally	HOSPITAL VISITATION  Neryl Tyrrell Terry Cooke		Altar Servers Dylan Xuereb Jessica Xuereb
Flowers Rita Galea										



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