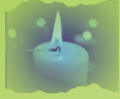




Parish of Gosford

The Shrine of St John Paul II

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St Patrick's Gosford

Year of

COURAGE

NEW TESTAMENT COMMENTARY

BY MARY COLOE PBVM

Taking a risk

1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42

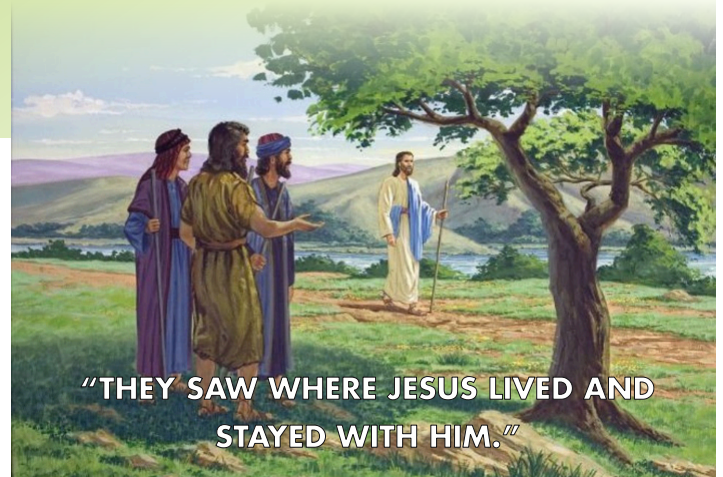
'Where do you dwell?' 'Come and see.'

The Christmas season concludes with the Feast of the Epiphany and so the liturgical cycle returns to 'Ordinary Time'. In many ways this is a misnomer. It could be called 'Extraordinary Time', since nothing about God's presence and action in our world can be labelled 'ordinary'. Though the stories might be familiar, if we contemplate them afresh they can be filled with wonder. The Gospel today reveals the sense of wonder experienced by Jesus' disciples. They had been following John, a strange, rather wild prophet from the desert, but now John has pointed them towards Jesus. Thus their wonder begins.

Their question, 'Where do you dwell?' is the right question for disciples to ask. In John's Gospel Jesus dwells in the heart of the Father (John 1:18) and so if disciples want to draw close to God, they need to draw close to Jesus, to discover where he dwells. Dwelling with Jesus will lead disciples to also dwell in the heart of God. The Greek word used here is menein, which means to dwell or remain. As the Gospel unfolds this word takes on the rich theological sense of the divine mutual indwelling – God in us, and we in God. Unfortunately the rich meaning of the word is often missed when it is translated as 'live'.

In this passage Jesus is given a number of titles, 'Lamb of God', 'Rabbi' and 'Messiah'. One of the issues faced by people who met Jesus was the question, 'Who is he?' Is he a teacher like the Pharisees? Is he a prophet like the prophets of old? Is he the long awaited son of David who will establish a free and independent Kingdom? What is striking about the first disciples is that without having fully clear answers there was something about Jesus and his teaching that captivated them, leading them to follow him. They took an enormous risk in this.

In our world today there are many ways that people seem prepared to take a risk. Some try the stock market, others enjoy a bet, and many young people leave the country to work and travel abroad for a few years. Even our important commitments involve risk-taking. And yet,



"THEY SAW WHERE JESUS LIVED AND STAYED WITH HIM."

surrounded by so many risks, and unknown answers, I find some people want absolute certainty in religious matters. They want proof about God, or clear black and white answers to complex moral questions. Why should religious issues be any different from other aspects of normal human living?

Paul speaks to the Corinthians from this same theological insight of God's dwelling with and in the community. During the Old Testament time, the great symbol of God's dwelling with Israel was the Temple and so Paul speaks of Christians as a living temple. Paul's context is a community living in Greece who have taken enthusiastically to his teaching, but in their enthusiasm have over-spiritualised the Gospel. From the time of Plato and the great philosophers there was a strong tendency to dualism in Greek thought – body/mind; spirit/matter. This community has so emphasised the gift of God's Spirit that they have overlooked the embodied reality of their lives. Some have come to the conclusion that since they have the gift of the Spirit then what they do with their bodies was no longer of ethical importance. Who we sleep with, does not matter. So Paul has to correct this over-spiritualising of the Gospel. The body does matter. The Gospel is not some holy thought, or spirit filled interior disposition; since we are embodied persons the Gospel necessarily has an ethical and social dimension. How we live, our practical decisions, our relationships – these also need to be holy so that we are truly the Body of Christ. So Christianity avoids an excessive piety without social obligations, even as it recognises the importance of living Spirit-filled lives. Our God has become incarnate and the bodily resurrection of Jesus affirms the importance of really living an embodied existence in this world with the values of the Gospel.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

For JANUARY

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.



FR. Francis Jordan

May God continue to send many devout and happy self-sacrificing members who are ready to participate in the very difficult but heaven-secured work of saving truly needy souls... *MM Annual Report 1899, LD Note 191*



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SENIORS MINISTRY: **Barb: 4322 0250, Eunice: 043-827-2141**

CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Mon: 9:00am	Wed: 11:30am	Fri: 12:00pm
Tue: 9:00am	Thu: 9:00am	Sat: 9:00am

Devotion to St JPII after Mass

Adoration and Confession 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.

Mass live stream: <https://www.youtube.com/@stpatrickscatholicchurch-g5766/streams>

WEEKEND MASSES INCL. CONFESSION 30 MIN BEFORE

GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Sat Vigil: 5:00pm Sun: 7:30am, 9:30am & 6:00pm

Filipino Mass: 2nd Sunday of each month: 12:00pm

SOMERSBY, 30 LUTANA RD Sat Vigil: 5:30pm

SPENCER, 4200 WISEMANS FERRY RD 4:00pm 2nd Sat of Month

ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon 8:30 - 9:00am Wed 11:00 - 11:30am Fri 12:30 - 3:00pm

Tue 8:30 - 9:00am Thu 8:30 - 9:00am Sat 8:30 - 9:00am

ROSARY - PLUS ON LINE DAILY AT 9:00 PM

Mon, & Thu 8:05 am to 8:25 am

Tuesday 8:05 am to 8:25 am: "Right to Life"

Wednesday 10:35 am to 10:55 am

Fridays 11:35 am to 11:55 pm

Saturday 8:05am until 8:25am: 1st Priests & Religious
 2nd Mothers & Babies
 3rd Persecuted Christians

Sunday 7:05 am to 7:25 am

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Mon to Thu: 8:30am to 3:30pm

Fri: 9:00am to 3:30pm

ACTIVE GROUPS IN OUR COMMUNITY OF ST PATRICK'S

Cancer Prayer Group	After 9:00am Mass, 4th Tuesday of the Month, in the Jordan room.
Craft Group	9:00am to 12:00pm Every Friday in the Jordan Room
Grief & Loss Support	Please contact Margaret on 0439257817..
Women's Faith Circle	2nd and 4th Friday of the Month in the Primary Learning And Resource Centre 6:00 pm to 7:45 am
MenAlive	7:00pm 1st Tuesday of the month. Mass followed by meeting in the Jordan room.
Seniors Ministry	Meet 1st Tuesday of the month. Enquiries:
Monday Morning Prayer Groups	Prayer Group DVDs 1st Monday of the Month Prayer & Bible Discussion 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday of the Month Prayers for Christian Unity 3rd Monday of the Month
Bible Study - Monday night	7:00pm to 9:00pm Monday, in the Jordan Room, all are welcome!
Divine Will Prayer Group	6:00pm to 7:15pm every Wednesday in the Jordan Room.
Salvatorian Collaborators	3:00pm, 1st Saturday of the month, in the Jordan room.
Paddies - Youth	Years 3 & 4 students, meet every Wednesday during school terms in the Hall 3:00 to 4:30 pm.
Arise - Youth Group	Years 5 & 6 students, meet every Friday during school terms, in the school Library 6:00pm.
Ascend - Youth Group	Years 7 to 12 meet every Sunday night during school terms, after 6:00 pm Youth Mass
Awake - Young Adults Group	18 to 35 year olds meet the last Saturday of each month 7:00 pm in the Jordan Room

NATIONAL CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP STANDARDS

Committed leadership, governance & culture

Key Elements of Standard 1:

- † A Commitment to Safeguarding
- † Promoting a Safeguarding Culture
- † Safeguarding Policies
- † Code of Conduct



UPCOMING EVENTS

FOR NORMAL MASS TIMES SEE OPPOSITE ON PAGE 2 ANY EXCEPTIONS WILL BE LISTED BELOW.

Date	Time	Event
Sun 14/01/24	12:00 – 1:00pm	Filipino Mass
Mon 15/01/24	After 9:00am Mass	Christian Unity Group in St Pat's Church
Thu 18/01/24	9:00am	Communion Service (No Mass)

SUPPORTING MY PARISH

Parishes have an essential role in making Christ present in our local communities. The parish church is often an important landmark in a local community but it is the people who gather there who are the Church.

Our parish provides places for people to gather and worship, Catholic schools to teach our children and committed teams of volunteers who reach out to their neighbours. All that is possible because of the generosity of those who financially support their local parish.

The Australian Catholic people have always been generous in supporting their priests and their parishes and your financial support through the parish collections enables the Church to continue its Mission.

This information explains the various parish collections and how your contributions to them support the work of the parish and the Church in Australia.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

THE FIRST COLLECTION

Money received from the first collection supports the needs of priests of the parish.

- * Priests' monthly stipends.
- * Priests' household costs e.g. food, utilities, cleaner etc.
- * Priests' health insurance and care costs
- * 15% contribution to the diocese of Broken Bay
- * Salvatorian mission and formation within and outside Australia

Income from other sources includes Easter and Christmas offerings (via envelope contributions made at these times).

THE SECOND COLLECTION

Money received from the second collection supports the maintenance of the parish buildings, administration and pastoral programs.

Some of the expenses covered are:

- * Parish running costs, e.g. liturgical expenses, insurance, utilities, general maintenance and upkeep of the church, presbytery and parish property.
- * Parish staff salaries including superannuation.
- * Youth evangelisation programs
- * Other pastoral services and programs

* The collection combines income from planned giving envelopes, cash on plates, tap and go donations and direct debit (credit cards).

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

* PWBB - supports a wide range of charities in our Diocesan community, particularly the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. PWBB also supports St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College for students with disabilities and the Ephpheta Centre which supports the deaf community.

* Project Compassion Appeal held in Lent supports the charitable works of Caritas Australia in developing countries.

* Catholic Mission's focus is on the Church's worldwide missionary activities.

* The Society of St Vincent de Paul, Christmas Appeal provides assistance to society's needy and disadvantaged persons.

* Salvatorian seminary supports formation of future priests

THANK YOU!

Your generosity in supporting the priests and good works of the Church is gratefully acknowledged. Each person's capacity to give is different and depends on individual circumstances and you are not expected to give anything more than is reasonable.

However your contribution not only benefits this parish but also many other charitable organisations and missionary work. May God bless you.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2019-2023

Last weekend, Fr Greg presented the parish financial report at 5pm Mass on Saturday, 6th January, and he will do the same at the end of each Mass on Sunday, 21st January. This is important that we all know how the finances were managed in our parish over this last five years. And how we can support our parish in the future.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR BRONEK!

This Sunday, on the 14th of January, our parish celebrates the birthday of Fr Bronek! All are welcome to join us in celebrating with him at the 9:30am Mass, followed by a celebratory morning tea. Thank you Fr Bronek for your tireless contribution to our parish, and may this special day be filled with joy and many blessings!

THANK YOU

TO ALL VOLUNTEERS

For their support and amazing work over the Christmas celebration in our parish. We're very blessed to have so many amazing volunteers in Gosford Parish.

TO PETER AND REGINA CHO


For their recent significant financial support for our parish. We are very grateful for their generosity and love shown to our parish.

TO KELLY PAGET

For her work to coordinate piety shop in our church. Her work to that ministry over last few years helped many people to have access to many religious items. The piety shop is thriving and because of that supports Vincent the Paul organisation and some of our parish programs. Thank you also to volunteers who are always happy to help before or after Masses in the piety shop.

TO PAUL GALEA

For his volunteering work at the parish office. He refreshed and painted the walls at the entrance to the office, making them so fresh and welcoming for the new year.



PADDIES | YRS 3 & 4
WEDNESDAYS @ 3PM


ARISE | YRS 5 & 6
FRIDAYS @ 6PM

YOUTH MINISTRY

RETURNING IN FEBRUARY
FAITH. FOOD. FUN. FRIENDSHIP.

ASCEND | YRS 7 - 12
SUNDAYS @ 6PM


YOUNG ADULTS | 18-35
GATHERS LAST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH


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JESUS: HOW TO LIVE FOR HIM

AFTER 9AM MASS
THIS MONDAY 15.01.24
@ ST PATRICK'S CHURCH


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SHRINE OF ST POPE JOHN PAUL II 



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1st Tuesday of the Month
Mass & 7:00 pm
Followed by fellowship
in the Jordan Room.



ST PATRICK'S WOMEN'S FAITH CIRCLE

2nd and 4th Thursday of the
Month in the
Primary Learning &
Resource Centre
9:00am to 11:00am.

INTERPARISH SPORTS DAY 2024

SATURDAY
27TH JANUARY 2024
9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
CATHEDRAL WAITARA


BASKETBALL


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**RSVP: CONTACT YOUR YOUTH LEADER
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THANK YOU

TO KATRINA PRATT

For her involvement and leadership in young adults formation in our parish in the last few years. Katrina is parting from her leadership role for that group, so we wish her many blessings and thank her so much for her incredible efforts.

FR GREG AND FR BRONEK WOULD LIKE TO SAY A HUGE THANK YOU

For all the Christmas gifts and love given and shown to them over Christmas time.

WELCOME

LUKE DAVAR

To the leadership role of young adults group in our parish!

Luke recently attended WYD in Lisbon and is very active member of our parish. Luke together with his team will assist our priests to provide ongoing formation for many young adults in our parish. We thank him for accepting this role.

FAREWELL JAIMI

On the 21st January, after the 9:30am Mass, we will have a morning tea to farewell our youth, shrine, formation, and sacramental coordinator, and beloved member of our parish, Jaimi Andrews. While we are very sad to lose her, we're very excited for her in this new adventure. She has done such incredible work at Gosford and we will be forever grateful for this beautiful young woman for her passion and hard work.

FAREWELL PARISHIONER, KEITH QUINN

This weekend Keith leaves St Patrick's and his roles in ministry over many years. We are sad to see him go but understand that life moves on for us all. We wish you well, Keith, at your new abode. God bless.

FR GREG WILL BE AWAY

22 JANUARY - 13 FEBRUARY

As he will be visiting his sick mother and attending the Salvatorian Provincial Chapter in Poland.

COMMUNION SERVICE

On Thursday, 18th January at 9am, there will be a Communion service instead of our regular Mass, as our priests will be occupied on that day.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL '23' CHRISTMAS APPEAL

It is very humbling for our Gosford Conference to have such great support from our St. Patrick's Parish, Primary School and Parish Groups as regards our Christmas Appeal. We also had great support from the community of Tarragal Glen and Erina Leagues Club who supported us with many toys and other gifts. \$7,032 was gifted through our appeal envelopes, which included some very generous donations and extra monies were placed in the poor boxes. A further two envelopes of \$200 each were asked to be given to two families in need. 15 bags of food were also gifted, enabling us to provide both festive food and food vouchers. From all sources, 76 hampers were provided including gifts for adults. The fact that parishioners also supported us with food throughout the year, enabled us to provide immediate food help to clients in need. We wish we could convey to you all the joy of sitting face to face with people in need and being able to help them in some way. We have put a framed letter of appreciation in the foyer of St. Patrick's for you all to see. May our gracious God bless you all abundantly. Thank you one and all.



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JPII CENTRE

DISPLAY ROOM VIEWING

Display room is closed until the end of January. When we reopen, all are once more invited to visit our display room in the JPII centre. The room is available for viewing on Fridays from 12:30-1:30pm (no appointment needed), and from Tue-Thur by appointment. The room is not open for viewing on Mondays. To book appointments, please call 0499 386 336.

PWBB APPEAL - WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

ALL DONATIONS OVER \$2 ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Our Diocese of Broken Bay continue their appeal to support the pastoral works program which supports a wide range of charities in our Diocesan community, particularly the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. PWBB also supports St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College for students with disabilities and the Ephpheta Centre which supports the deaf community. This financial year, Gosford Parish has been asked to collect \$60,319 for the 2023/24 appeal. More information about donations below:

PWBB Total to be Raised by Gosford Parish	
60,319	APPEAL 2023/2024 FINANCIAL YEAR <i>Our allotted target this year is:</i> \$60,319 to be collected by June 30, 2024.
60,000	
55,000	
50,000	
45,000	
40,000	
35,000	
30,000	
25,000	
20,000	
15,000	
10,000	
5,000	

Collected to Date
\$18,967

Balance Owing
\$41,397

Thank you so much for your generosity to date.

A long way to go!



Thank you for your generosity

Your generosity means the Church can be there during times of great need, renewing and rebuilding their lives. Your donations support two key diocesan ministries:

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

Pastoral Works Broken Bay is the pastoral charity of the Catholic community in Broken Bay.

Every gift makes a difference to someone in hospital, school, a parish or the wider community.

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo
Bishop of Broken Bay



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Catechists taking the gospel to state school students.



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Helping those who are vulnerable, experiencing loneliness or are sick in hospital.



St Lucy's School
Serving year K-12 students with disabilities.



St Edmund's College
Serving year 7-12 students with disabilities.



Ephpheta Centre
Pastoral care, sacraments, and advocacy for the deaf community.



All donations over \$2 are tax deductible. ABN 87 849 944 998
To donate, complete the form in the envelope available in your parish and return to your parish.
Or go online by scanning the QR code or visiting: bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks. Thank you.



“THEY SAW WHERE JESUS LIVED AND STAYED WITH HIM.”

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

PSALM 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

FIRST READING

1 SAMUEL 3:3-10.19

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening. Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ He answered, ‘Here I am’. Then he ran to Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’ Eli said, ‘I did not call. Go back and lie down.’ So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’ He replied, ‘I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.’ Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, ‘Here I am, since you called me.’ Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, ‘Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, “Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.”’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ Samuel answered, ‘Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.’

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord. and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I.

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 6:13-15. 17-20

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 1:41. 17

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JOHN 1:35-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, ‘Look, there is the lamb of God.’ Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, ‘What do you want?’ They answered, ‘Rabbi,’ – which means Teacher – ‘where do you live?’ ‘Come and see’ he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, ‘You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas’ – meaning Rock.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf PSALM 22:5

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst..

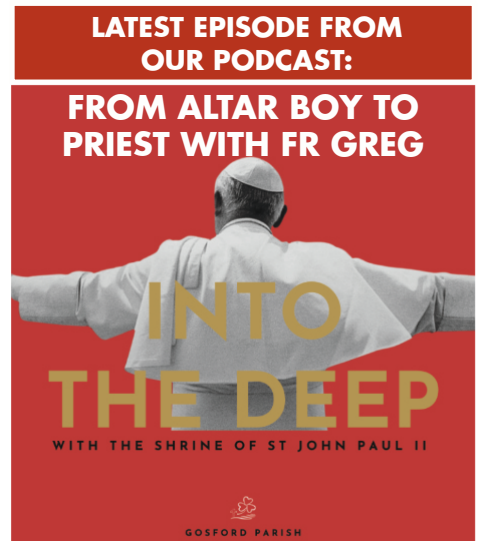
THIS WEEK

- Mon Weekday, Ordinary Time 2**
Mass Service @ St Patrick’s 9:00 am
- Tue Weekday, Ordinary Time 2**
Mass Service @ St Patrick’s 9:00 am
- Wed St Anthony, abbot**
Mass at St Patrick’s 11:30 am
- Thu Weekday, Ordinary Time 2**
Mass at St Patrick’s 9:00am
- Fri Weekday, Ordinary Time 2**
Mass 12:00 noon
- Sat Weekday, Ordinary Time 2**
at St Patrick’s 5:00 pm
at Somersby 5:30 pm
- Sun 3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**
Mass at St Patrick’s 7:30 am
Mass at St Patrick’s 9:30 am
Mass at St Patrick’s 6:00 pm

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1st: Jonah 3:1-5. 10
- Ps Ps 24:4-9. R. v.4
- 2nd: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
- Gos: Mark 1:14-20



EPISODE DESCRIPTION

On this episode of Sacred Stories Jaimi is joined by our very own parish priest, Fr Greg Skulski! Fr Greg shares on his childhood, what led him to the priesthood and some of the joys and challenges he’s experienced along the way. Ever wondered what it’s like to tell your mum and dad you’re joining the seminary? Or how Fr Greg really feels about St Pat’s? Listen to find out.

ROSTER — JANUARY 21 ST , THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME						
Mass	Vigil 5:00 pm	7:30 am	9:30 am	6:00 pm	Somersby - 5:30 PM	
Date	20.01.24	21.01.24	21.01.24	21.01.24	Function	20.01.24
Audio Visual	Michael Lynch	Peter McLean	Tom Croll	Rayden Gomez	Audio / Visual	Matthew Xuereb
Acolytes	Sam Giddings	John McCrae	Liz Malik	Patrick Nicholls	Altar Society	Charlene Xuereb
	Peter Young	Alan Pont	Tim Dasan	Elliot O'Connor		
Commentator	Hilary Pope	Ron Begg	Frances Mathey	Cheryl Walsh	Commentator	Dakota Xuereb
Lectors	Natalie Mills	Ron Begg	Carol Bailey	Sam O'Connor	Lectors	Antoinette Xuereb
	Nicole Murphy	Isobel Binello	Regina Fong	Trudie Hiep		Marissa Xuereb
Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist	Maisie Tenev	Margaret Eadie	Maria Nardi	Nora Koleszar	Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist	Mary Luci
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RECENTLY DECEASED:

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ANNIVERSARIES:

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CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to the Luci family on the recent loss of their Aunty Carla in Italy. May the Lord keep her in His loving arms and may she rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 13/01	9:00am Gosford	JPII INTERCESSIONS
Sat 13/01	5:00pm Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Sat 13/01	5:30pm Somersby	PRIVATE INTENTION
Sun 14/01	7:30am Gosford	+ Remembrance FARIBA GUAZI (NFP)
Sun 14/01	9:30am Gosford	+ Anniversary JOYCE LITTLEMORE + ARNOLD VANROSS
Sun 14/01	6:00pm Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS
Mon 15/01	9:00am Gosford	CECILIA, MARGARET, AND KATRINA 5 th Anniversary as Lay Salvatorians
Tue 16/01	9:00am Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Wed 17/01	11:30am Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE

Date	Mass	Intention
Thu 18/01	9:00am Gosford	COMMUNION SERVICE [NO MASS]
Fri 19/01	12:00pm Gosford	+ REMEMBRANCE BOB MOORE
Sat 20/01	9:00am Gosford	JPII INTERCESSIONS + PRIVATE INTENTION
Sat 20/12	5:00pm Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Sat 20/12	5:30pm Somersby	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Sun 21/01	7:30am Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Sun 21/01	9:30am Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE
Sun 21/01	6:00 pm Gosford	INTENTION AVAILABLE

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