

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention  
for December**



For Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of

**Vox Episcopi - The Voice of the Bishop**

It was a great pleasure to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at Our Lady of Dolours Church, Chatswood last Friday for all those in my Chancery team and remembering all the men and women who support my ministry – be it in the Chancery, in Catholic Schools Broken Bay or CatholicCare Broken Bay.



I said it had once again been a most challenging and humbling year for all but it was also a year filled with graces and blessings, thanks to the hard work of many people and the Holy Spirit who guides us.

My thanks also to our Vicar General and Parish Priest of Our Lady of Dolours, Very Rev Dr David Ranson who hosted us in his church so beautifully and warmly decorated in preparation for the birth of Christ.

*(To read the full message go to our website or facebook page)*

**Christmas Mass During the Day**

**First Reading**

Is 52:7-10

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 97:1-6. R.v.3

**Second Reading**

Heb 1:1-6

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Gospel**

Jn 1:1-18

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**MESSAGE FROM FR ANTHONY PETER DESOUSA**



**OLOR Cathedral:**

**Fri 24th December –  
Christmas Vigil**

5pm  
8pm  
*(Carols from 7.30pm)*  
12am Midnight  
*(Carols from 11.30pm)*

**Sat 25th December –  
Christmas Day**

9.30am  
*No Saturday Vigil*  
*Masses*

**Sun 26th December—  
Feast of the Holy Family**

9.30am  
6pm

**QOP Church:**

**Fri 24th December –  
Christmas Vigil**

5.30pm  
**Korean Christmas  
Vigil**  
8pm

**Sat 25th December –  
Christmas Day**

8am  
*No Saturday Vigil*  
*Masses*  
**Korean Christmas Day**  
11am; 7pm

**Sun 26th December—  
Feast of the Holy Family**

8am  
**Korean**  
11am; 5pm

**THANK YOU to those who stay after  
Mass to clean the pews.**

**If a Priest is needed** in a matter of emergency, after hours or on the weekend, please call **0458 351 843**.

My dear Parishioners,

As Christmas draws near I take this opportunity to wish you and your families, the special blessings of the infant child and his family..May all that you long for be yours in the coming days and the year ahead. That’s my prayer for each of your families in the coming days.Have a Blessed, warm and Holy Christmas and may the same joy flow into the Year ahead 2022.

I take this opportunity to thank each of you my Parishioners and beyond the Parish and your families, for your support, generosity and your gifting to the Mission of the Church within the Community of Hornsby Cathedral Parish.

My gratitude to our office staff, Mrs Marlies, Mrs Pia and Mr Bob for their extra ordinary generosity to the Parish and the office.

I personally say a big thank you to our:

Parish Finance Committee Its chair Mr Wesley Leverton and it’s members,  
Our Counters under the leadership and care of Georgina Evans  
Our PMC Chair Fiona Brown and it’s members,  
The liturgy Committee under the Leadership of Marie Gately and it’s members,  
The Sacristy under the leadership of Louise Spencer and it’s team ,  
The Sacramental Teams under the leadership of Marie Gately and  
The Catechist in the care of Louise Spencer.  
To Angela Whitby of Catholic Care Waitara and their teams for extending,  
Pastoral care to our Parishioners and their families on request, and with great joy filled with the Spirit of love, care and compassion.  
To our School Communities under the leadership of Mr Anthony Gleeson and Mrs Jacinta Crowe each of you and your teams have been a source of great support to the Parish and personally to me, to live out the bigger picture of being a people of God, so thank you for your generosity.

As I move on to take up my new responsibility at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish at Wyoming on the Central Coast, with effect from the 21/1/22.

I treasure the great memories of Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Parish Community, I’m grateful for every opportunity and challenge I have had within the Community and more so thank you for allowing me to minister to you along with my weaknesses and strengths.

I ask you to spare a prayer for this on going journey, and I assure you the same, but I also ask you to welcome, the new team, with great love and ongoing support.

God’s Blessings

Fr Peter d

## Bishop Anthony Randazzo has made following Clergy appointments in his letter dated 22 December 2021;

"As the work of the year comes to its completion, there are significant developments I need to share with you in respect to the appointment of clergy in our Diocese for the commencement of 2022.

Firstly, I am delighted to share with you that I have appointed the following clergy as Deans (Vicars Forane) effective 4 February 2022

- Fr David Taylor, Dean of the Northern Beaches Deanery, for a period of 1 year
- Fr Colin Blayney, Dean of the North Shore Deanery, for a period of 3 years
- Fr Brian Moloney, Dean of the Central Coast Deanery, for a period of 3 years

For the Cathedral Parish of Hornsby, for which I will particularly exercise my canonical position as Parish Priest

- Fr Brendan Lee (on loan from the Diocese of Wagga Wagga), Moderator, effective 21 January 2022.
- Fr Anselam Lakra, Assistant Priest, effective 30 December 2021.
- Fr Roger, Delmonte, Assistant Priest, continuing in his current appointment.
- Deacon Peter McCulloch, effective 21 January 2022.
- Mr Rosan Mathew, seminarian, effective 21 January 2022.

For the Parish of Wahroonga

- Fr Manoj Manuel, Assistant Priest, effective 30 December 2021. Fr Manoj will be taking some extended leave as he assumes his new appointment.

For the Parish of Wyoming

- Fr Peter deSouza, Administrator, effective 28 January 2022. Fr Peter will be on annual leave from his current appointment at the Cathedral Parish of Hornsby from 29 December 2021.

For the Parish of The Entrance

- Fr Brian Moloney, Assistant Priest, effective 4 February 2022 until June 2022, then Parish Priest; Dean of the Central Coast Deanery.

For the Parish of Lower North Shore

- Fr Jose Philip OSH, Parish Priest, effective 4 February 2022

For the Parish of Kincumber

- Fr Bogdan Skupien, Administrator, effective 4 February 2022.

For the Parish of Epping-Carlingford

- Fr Vincent Trung Nguyen, Assistant Priest, effective 1 February 2022."

**May I ask you to pray for** those who are sick, those who are struck with the virus, those tested positive, those in isolation, and those vaccinated for COVID-19.

**We remember those who died recently :** Betty Borg (Fr Robert's mum) • Richard Thomson • Ofelia Morales • Theresa Rodrigo • Patricia Symmington • Sister Christopher Neal IBVM

**Anniversaries :** Petronila Cruz • Warren Niven • Brian Niven • Assunta Fraietta • Maria Lombardo • Caterina Di Losa Randazzo • Mrs Bodh Singh • Nona & Louis Noach

**We pray for the sick :** Albert Leung • Allan Ivers • Lisa Kaye Willatt • Pauline Carr • Martin Palisi • Lisa Hogarth

## CATECHIST RECRUITMENT -TRAINING NOW FOR 2022

Catechist or Assistant needed for the following public schools:

**Tuesdays at Hornsby South PS –**  
Kindergarten, Yrs 1 and 2 at 1:45 - 2:15 pm.  
Yrs 5 and 6 at 2:20 – 2:50pm.

**Wednesdays at Normanhurst PS –**  
Yrs 1, 2, 3 and 4 at 10:30 – 11:00am.

**Wednesdays at Thornleigh West PS -**  
Yrs 1 and 2 at 2:15 – 2:45pm.

**Wednesdays at Waitara PS -**  
Yr 3 at 2:30 – 3:10pm.

**Thursdays at Normanhurst West PS –**  
Yrs 1, 2, 3 and 4 at 10:30 - 11:00am.

**Thursdays at Thornleigh West PS -**  
Yrs 5 and 6 at 2:15 - 2:45pm.

To become a Catechist or an Assistant, contact via email:  
[louise.spencer@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:louise.spencer@bbcatholic.org.au)



"Thank you to Jacob, Jessica, Pierre, Renee, Luzviminda, Jess, Mary, Editha, Joey, Bettina and Zena who signed up to be Catechists!!! We still need more Catechists for next year. Please still come forward to join this wonderful team of people doing God's good work."

## PARISH GIFTING TREE

"Our journey to Bethlehem" during this time also invites you to reflect as a "Community of faith" on our Parish Gifting Tree. This is an opportunity, for each of us to stop and focus on what best way we can gift of our persons, for our personal growth, and that of our community, in whatever capacity we are in. Let us ask ourselves, how can we best use our time, our talents and our treasures to be of greater and richer use. We are invited to open our hearts in prayer, and our hands in an act of commitment, so that our journey stands enriched when we carry the incarnated Lord on our travels. On behalf of the Clergy of the Parish, I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you in advance for considering this, and my prayer is for us to walk together in faith. Let us pray for the star of "Bethlehem" to guide us through.



## Curious about Catholicism, or Christianity in general?

Are you, or someone you know, interested in finding out more about what Catholics believe and practise, and why? Do you think you might like to become a Catholic? Free information and discussion sessions start very soon. Come and see with no obligation. Contact Peter, parish Christian Initiation team leader on Mobile 0411389300 or via email [rcia.hornsby@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.hornsby@gmail.com)

## HAVE YOU CHANGED ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS OR CREDIT CARD DETAILS?

Please let the parish know if you have changed your address, email or credit card details so we can update our data system. Thank you.

## Lawnmower wanted

Thank you for the anonymous donor who has gifted half the money towards Bushranger self-propelled mower to be used at Queen Of Peace Church.

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE CHRISTMAS BREAK from noon 24 December 2021-3 January 2022 (incl).**  
We will recommence publishing a bulletin from 30th January