

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**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.

**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)

**First Reading**  
Is 6:1-8

**Responsorial Psalm**  
Ps 137:1-5, 7-8. R.v.1

**Second Reading**  
1 Cor 15:1-11

**Gospel Acclamation**  
Mt 4:19

**Gospel**  
Lk 5:1-11

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekday Mass Schedule**

**OLOR Cathedral:**  
Mon to Sat 7:00 am

**QOP Church:**  
Tue, Thu, Fri 8:45 am  
Sat 7:30 am

**Korean Mass**  
Tue, Thu 7:30 pm  
Wed, Fri 10:00 am

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**OLOR Cathedral:**  
Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil  
Sunday 9:30 am, 6:00 pm

**QOP Church:**  
Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil  
Sunday 8:00 am

**Filipino Mass** 3:30 pm  
(Every 2nd Sunday of each month)

**Korean Mass**  
Sat 7:30 pm  
Sun 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

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

**Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation**  
OLOR Cathedral Saturdays from 9 am to 9:30 am  
Queen of Peace Church Saturdays 4:30pm-5:15 pm  
**Exposition every First Friday of the month from 10am- 10pm**

**Private Prayer** Our Cathedral Chapel is open for private prayer from 8am-8pm. It is necessary for everyone who enters the chapel to check in using QR Code, hand sanitise and to wear a face mask. Failure to do so will mean we need to close the chapel.

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

**LENTEN PENANCE**

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

2 February 2022

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Many people have now returned to work and students are beginning a new school year. There has been much to organise to ensure a safe and smooth return to the classrooms and my thanks to all our dedicated teachers and committed staff with Catholic Schools Broken Bay who have worked assiduously for the wellbeing not only of our students and their families but all their fellow colleagues in our schools in the diocese. A great deal of work has gone on behind the scenes and I want you to know your professionalism and pastoral support is greatly appreciated.

At such a busy time it is possible to overlook the significance of the beautiful Feast of the Presentation of the Lord we celebrate today, 2 February, the fortieth day after the festival of Christmas where we welcomed the birth of the Lord.

Saint Luke tells us how Joseph and Mary took the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem in accordance with the Jewish custom of the day (Luke 2:22-40). The presentation of Jesus was also important because of the presence of Simeon and Anna.

The Evangelist Luke tells us that the Holy Spirit visited Simeon and revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Christ of God, and to go to the Temple that day. Simeon did so and taking Jesus in his arms recognised Him as the Lord. Anna, also elderly and a prophetess who lived in the Temple, recognised Jesus as the Messiah. What we learn from St Luke's Gospel is the importance of being patient when it comes to God's promises. Our patience should mirror God's patience and with the many challenges that will still no doubt present to all of us this year, together, let us pray to be more patient with ourselves and each other.

I have also prepared some thoughts for you on the approaching Season of Lent which is a marvellous time of preparation for the celebration of Easter.

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Ash Wednesday may seem like a little "down the track" but time spent in faithful preparation is faithfully rewarded. Lenten penance can be another good test of our patience! My full Lenten Penance for the Diocese can be found on the Parish website, facebook or collect a printed copy from the back of the church.

While you read this edition of BBNeighbourhoods, I will be on my way to Rome. As well as being present at a Symposium on the Priesthood I will be attending several meetings in the Eternal City. There are still many restrictions and health challenges in Italy, so I humbly ask you to keep me in your prayers that I might return to you safe and well at the end of the month.

While I am away the Vicar General, Fr David Ranson, will administer the Diocese of my behalf.

With my prayers and blessing to you and your families.

+Anthony

**HOMILIES FROM DEACON PETER** Deacon Peter publishes his homilies each week on his website.

The address is: [www.deaconpeter.org](http://www.deaconpeter.org)

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

Calling All Parents of Students in Year 3, 4 & 5

This year we have Confirmation for Year 3 students and First Communion for Year 5 and 4 students. The parents' meeting which will be held on **Thursday 24th February in OLOR at 7pm** (Please be there by 6.50pm to start at 7pm).

**The final day** for registration forms to be submitted to the office for all sacraments will be **Monday 28th February**. (You will find the registration forms on the website or there will be copies at the meeting.)

Once all forms are submitted, we will know the numbers we expect and can then advise you of the program dates.

The date for Confirmation will be Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>, the eve of Pentecost.

The Feast of Christ the King is the usual day for First Holy Communion, but we need to know numbers before deciding the date/s for the celebration in 2022.

### JUNIORS SERVERS CAN YOU HELP PLEASE:

We have vacancies for various Masses, your generosity is much appreciated.

If interested please contact the Parish Office on 8379 1700. Training will be provided.



### YOUTH GROUP

Hornsby Cathedral Parish is recommencing their Youth group for Young people aged 12-17. For questions or inquiries please contact Isabelle - 0431 883 321

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** Hornsby Cathedral is exploring recommencing Children's Liturgy on Sunday mornings in coming weeks! If you would like to be a parent helper, or have children in years K-6 who might like to be involved, please contact Fionnuala Armstrong 0444 59 59 59 [armstrongfionnuala@hotmail.com](mailto:armstrongfionnuala@hotmail.com).



### ADORATION FOR VOCATION

Every Friday 7pm-8pm OLOR Cathedral

## 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)**



## Alpha Training Day

Our annual Diocesan Alpha Training Day is for all Alpha teams of the Diocese, both as an introduction for new team members or a refresher for ongoing members. It offers comprehensive training on running Alpha and will include information on what Alpha is and how it fits into the faith formation process in a parish; small group facilitation; running the Alpha retreat; forming a strong Alpha team; and effectively promoting Alpha in the parish.

Anyone interested in finding out more about Alpha is also welcomed to attend to see how Alpha can play an instrumental role in renewing parish life.

**Date:** Saturday, 5 March 2022

**Time:** 9.00am to 4.30pm

**Venue:** Corpus Christi Parish Hall, 263 Mona Vale Rd, St Ives

**RSVP:** By 1 March to [faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au) or Pina Bernard 8379 1627 or 0432 682 239

**Presented by:** Tania Rimac, Alpha in a Catholic Context NSW Coordinator

## ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

### GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our website [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au).

Choose any of the coming Weekends in 2022:

**Feb 19-20, Apr 30 - May 01, Aug 06-07, Nov 12-13**

If covid-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE weekend will be held via Zoom.

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS:** Have you taken up Pope Francis' invitation to participate in a global conversation about the Catholic Church?

You still have three weeks to make a submission to your local consultation for the international Synod on Synodality, calling the People of God to walk together in our mission as Christians.

**Submissions close on Sunday, February 27 2022**

For more information, visit Catholic Church In Australia website.

**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 :** Elizabeth Anderson • Fr Manoj Manuel • Br Norman Hart fms • Trudy Bruins • Albert Leung

**Anniversaries :** Jane Misquitta • Noel Christensen • Darren Egelhoff • Manuel Royo Blanco • Capt. Cruz Motha

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