HORNSBY CATHEDRAL PARISH

Parish Newsletter

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CHRISTMAS 2023

HORNSBY CATHEDRAL PARISH CLERGY

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo—Bishop of Broken Bay

Very Rev Brendan Lee -Moderator Rev Anselam Lakra -**Assistant Priest** Rev Roger Delmonte -**Assistant Priest** Rev Eliseus Shin -**Assistant Priest** Deacon Peter McCulloch -Deacon Mr Rosan Mathew -Seminarian

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass Schedule

OLOR Cathedral:

Sat 5:00 pm (Vigil) Sun 8:00 am

9:30 am (live-streamed)

11:00 am 6:00 pm

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

QOP Church:

Sat 5:30 pm (Vigil) Sun 9:00 am

Korean Mass

Sat 7:30 pm (Vigil) Sun 11:00 am 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule *Please note changes to this schedule for January 2024 further in this bulletin

OLOR Cathedral:

Mon 7:00 am Tues 7 am & 9:30 am Wed 7 am & 9:30 am Thu 7 am & 9:30 am 7 am & 9:30 am Sat 9:30 am (live-streamed)

All 7:00am Masses are live-

streamed

QOP Church:

Tue 8:45 am Wed 8:45 am Thu 8:45 am Fri 8:45 am Sat 8:45 am

Korean Mass

Tue & Thu 7:30 pm Weds & Fri 10am

Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

OLOR Cathedral Saturdays 9am - 9:30am Queen of Peace Church Saturdays 4:30pm-5:15pm

Holy Hour—resumes Saturday 6 January 2024 Every Saturday 8.30am-9.30am OLOR Cathedral

Exposition—in OLOR Cathedral

Every First Friday of the month from 10am-10pm

Praying the Rosary—OLOR Cathedral Chapel weekdays after each 7am and 9:30am Mass

Private Prayer Our Cathedral Chapel is open for private prayer from 8am-8pm during weekdays.

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



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Parish Website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby

Merry Christmas! and a Blessed New Year

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM MOST REV ANTHONY RANDAZZO DD, JCL BISHOP OF BROKEN BAY

Peace is the essence of the message of Christmas.

It is a message that resonates through the scriptures. "For there is a child born for us... wide is his dominion in a peace that has no end". Isaiah's prophetic words remind us of a promised peace, a peace that transcends human understanding—a peace that finds its fulfillment in the birth of Christ.

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In the scriptures, the peace of God is a recurring promise. From the serene teachings of the Beatitudes to the reassuring promises of Isaiah, we are reminded of the divine invitation to embrace peace in our hearts and share it with the world.

Over the past year we have witnessed an escalation of militant and warring communities world-wide. In a troubled world marred by violence and strife, the need for peace has never seemed more apparent.

However, we are not immune to unsettling challenges and destabilising events here in our own homes.

This year has seen many families struggle with cost of living pressures and Christmas can be a time of increased stress as many try to provide for loved ones.

But let's not lose hope nor sight of the transformative power of joy. The Christmas season reminds us that the birth of Jesus Christ heralds a message of reconciliation, harmony, and goodwill to all; a gift from God, becomes our remedy for sorrow.

This Christmas, might we celebrate the birth of Christ and actively work towards fostering peace among ourselves. Embracing the spirit of hope, might we extend a hand of compassion, seek reconciliation, and promote understanding. May the peace of Christ be not just a sentiment but a guiding strength that shapes our interactions and relationships.

My sisters and brothers, during this holy season, pray for joy in our hearts, hope in our God, love to forgive, and peace upon earth.

May you all have a blessed Christmas, filled with the Peace of Christ, and may the New Year be a journey of joy and fulfillment for each one of you, and for your families.



PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from Saturday 23 December 2023 to Monday 8th January 2024 (inclusive).

In case of an emergency please call 0458 351 843.

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners

Today we celebrate that God, the maker of the universe, entered into our world and took on humanity with all its ups and downs to be with us. God is with us, loving us, redeeming us, and breathing life into us so we can become our best selves, the person God has created us to be.



On behalf of the clergy and staff of Hornsby Cathedral Parish, I bid you a blessed celebration of Christmas, and a joyful start to 2024.

Very Rev Brendan Lee, Moderator, Hornsby Cathedral Parish.

CLERGY MOVEMENTS 2024

Bishop Anthony has announced the following Clergy movements:

1 January: - Deacon Peter McCulloch will move to lesser

duties

3 January: - Fr Eliseus Shin will move to The Lakes Parish

12 January: - Seminarian Rosan Mathew will move to The Entrance Parish.

> - Deacon Hien Vu will move to Hornsby Cathedral Parish

9 February: - Fr Roger Delmonte will move to Lower North

Shore Parish - Fr Anselam Lakra will move to Chatswood

Parish

- Fr Shiju Simon will move to Hornsby Cathedral Parish

- Fr Thomas Aluckunnel will move to Hornsby Cathedral Parish

We thank Fr Anselam, Fr Roger, Fr Eliseus, Deacon Peter and Seminarian Rosan for their ministry and commitment to our Parish and wish them well in the future. May God be with you all always.

CHANGES TO MASS SCHEDULE

OLOR Cathedral - Please note that there will be no 7am Mass on Tuesday 26 December and from Monday 1st January to Sunday 14 January 2024 (inclusive). The 9.30am Mass will be live-streamed for those dates instead.

QOP Church - Please note that there will be no 8.45am Mass on the following Saturdays: 30th December, 6th and 13th January 2024.

PARISH BULLETINS

Last bulletin for 2023 will be published on Monday 25th December.

First Bulletin for 2024 will be published on Sunday 14th January.

HOMILIES FROM DEACON PETER

Deacon Peter publishes his homilies each week on his website. The address is: www.deaconpeter.org

GIVING

Clergy Giving (1st Collection) is used for the support of the Bishop and priests of the Diocese.

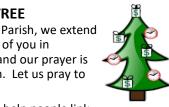
Parish Giving (2nd Collection) is used to meet Parish running costs, maintenance of Church, Presbytery, offices, other buildings and grounds. It is also used to pay for all our Ministries' expenses and staff salaries and superannuation.



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PARISH JESSIE GIFTING TREE

On behalf of the Clergy of the Parish, we extend our deepest gratitude to each of you in advance for considering this, and our prayer is for us to walk together in faith. Let us pray to Jesus to guide us.



The Jesse tree was created to help people link the custom of decorating Christmas trees to the events leading up to Jesus birth. This year, our parish has a Jessie/ Giving Tree in both OLOR and QOP churches for everyone to decorate with balls and/or ornaments for \$2.00 each, aside from the giving tree appeals for the support of the parish. Thank you for your support.

PIETY STALL NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED We are looking for a new stall coordinator and volunteers.

Please contact parish office if you can help at the stall.

QOP CRAFT & FRIENDSHIP GROUP has ended for 2023 and will resume on Thursday 18 January 2024, from 10am-2pm

MORNING TEAS:

OLOR will resume Sunday 14 January 2024 (weekly) QOP will resume on Sunday 24 February 2024 (each last Sunday of the month)

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to anyone who is joining us for the first time today, or has only begun to come to Mass here recently. It's great to have you. Please contact the parish office for a registration form.

Thanks for building your spiritual home with us.



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.

We ask you to pray for those who are affected by war, natural disasters, and those who are sick.

We pray for the sick: Daniel Ip ● Louise James ● Eugene Duff ● Sosefo Ali ● Frank Bradley ● Anthony Webster ● Chang Lee Tsu-Sheng ● Frances Blatchford ● Rodney Blatchford ● Maureen Garland ● Marc Manjon ● Yana Mercado ● Carmen Blanco ● Cecille Aniban ● Cecilia Ciubal

We remember and pray for those who have died

recently: Con Woodbury ● Jose Chittinapilly ● Consolacion Salvador ● Beverley O'Connell ● Susan Nano

Anniversary: Barrie Wright ● Douglas Weeden ● Warren and Brian Niven ● Dulcie Boyce ● Maxwell Davey ● Assunta Fraiette ● Maria Lombardo ● Franklin Gonsalves ● Maria Correia

YOUTH CORNER

YOUTH GROUP

1st. 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month during school term. Where: Fr Nulty Room 6pm - 8:30pm Open to ages 12 to 17.

YOUNG ADULTS

2nd Friday of the month at OLOR Cathedral 6pm - 9pm.

For more info, contact Izzy at 0431 883 321.

