



**HORNSBY
CATHEDRAL
PARISH**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL
23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara 2077
QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH
18 Stuart Avenue, Normanhurst 2076

OUR CLERGY

Very Rev Brendan Lee
Moderator
Rev Vitalis Oguh
Assistant Priest
Rev Huy Tran
Assistant Priest
Rev Mr Kevin McGregor
Deacon

OUR WEEKEND MASSES

OLOR CATHEDRAL

Sat 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sun 8:00am
9:30am (live-streamed)
11:00am
6:00pm
Filipino Mass 3:30pm
(Every 2nd Sunday of month)



QOP CHURCH

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

OUR WEEKDAY MASSES

OLOR CATHEDRAL

Mon 7am
Tues 7am & 9:30 am
Wed 7am & 9:30am
Thu 7am & 9:30 am
Fri 7am & 9:30 am
Sat 9:30am (livestreamed)
All 7am Masses are livestreamed

QOP CHURCH

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

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



Website Facebook YouTube

(02) 8379 1700
Monday to Friday 9:00AM to 4:20PM

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A | 27 September 2026

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalms:

Ps 24:4-9.R.v.6

Remember, your mercies, O Lord

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32



Saying "Yes" with Our Lives

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of two sons. One initially refuses his father's request but later changes his mind and does what was asked. The other says "yes" but never follows through. Through this simple story, Jesus reminds us that what matters most is not merely what we say, but how we live.

Faith is more than good intentions or words. It is shown through actions that reflect our commitment to God and our care for one another. The Gospel invites us to examine whether our daily choices align with the faith we profess.

As we also observe the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, we are reminded that many of our brothers and sisters face uncertainty, displacement, and hardship. Like the son who ultimately responded to his father's call, we are invited to respond generously to God's call to welcome, accompany, and support those in need.

May we not only say "yes" to the Lord with our lips, but also with our actions, becoming witnesses of His love, mercy, and compassion in our world.

Reflection:

How is God calling me to turn my good intentions into loving actions this week?

World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday

World Day of
Migrants and
Refugees
27-IX-2026



"Even just one of these children"

On Sunday 27 September, we celebrate the 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. This year's theme, **"Even Just One of These Children"** (cf. Mt 18:10), reminds us to see beyond the statistics and recognise the dignity, stories and hopes of children and young people affected by migration and displacement.

Pope Leo XIV encourages us to be communities of welcome, friendship and belonging, where migrants and refugees are not simply recipients of help, but valued members of our Church and wider community.

<https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2026>



PARISH DIARY DATES & FEASTS

SEPTEMBER

26 Filipino Mass & Cultural Showcase
27 World Day of Migrant & Refugee Sunday

OCTOBER

2 Eucharistic Adoration (10am-10pm)
Men Alive: Whisky and Faith Event
7 Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
9 Healing Mass (OLOR, 7pm)
11 Parish Feast Day Celebration / Lunch
16 Talk on Mary by Simon Carrington
20 6-Part Theology of the Body by Simon Carrington (Tuesdays)
24 Gladys Collingridge Memorial Music Scholarship Concert
31 Whole Day Retreat on Mary

NOVEMBER

1 All Saints' Day
2 All Soul's Day
21 Sacrament of Confirmation (3pm)



**Join us for Eucharistic
Adoration at OLOR Cathedral
2 October from 10am to 10pm**



cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au
www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby



**Private Bag 3000
Hornsby NSW 1630**

PREPARING FOR HOLY MASS

To help us prayerfully prepare for the celebration of the Eucharist, a **decade of the Rosary will be led by parishioners 10 minutes before Mass.** All are warmly invited to join in this time of prayer as we entrust our intentions to Our Lady and prepare our hearts to encounter Christ in the Eucharist.

CATECHIST CORNER

Interested to be a Catechist?

Our Catechist Coordinator, Donna will be happy to have a chat. Kindly contact the parish office.

God's Word 2027

God's Word is a daily reading & reflection diary. To help in your daily prayers. We are taking orders for the *Word of God 2027*. Use the QR Code to place an order.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ENROLMENTS CLOSED



Thank you to all families who have submitted their enrolment forms for the 2026 Sacrament of Confirmation Program.

If you have missed the enrolment deadline, please contact the parish office as soon as possible at cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au.

We look forward to journeying with you and your children as they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

Let's sing with the Pope!

Following the Second Vatican Council, Pope Paul VI promulgated the *Novus Ordo* (the new, ordinary form of the Mass) in 1969. Among the reforms included in the sacred liturgy, one of the chief was the adoption of the vernacular. This meant that the Mass could be celebrated in local, vernacular languages across the world.

However, the Council Fathers both desired and envisioned that Latin should still be carefully maintained in the Mass. In the major Vatican II document on the liturgy, *Sacrosanctum Concilium* (the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy), the Church teaches "The use of the Latin language is to be preserved in the Latin rites" (art. 36). Then, when encouraging the use of local languages, the Church adds this directive: "Nevertheless steps should be taken so that the faithful may also be able to say or to sing together in Latin those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass which pertain to them" (art. 54).

With this intention in 1974, five years after he led the implementation of the new Mass, Pope Paul VI sent a booklet to all the bishops of the world. The booklet was called *Jubilate Deo*, and it included a core repertoire of simple Latin Gregorian chants that all Catholics should learn and know. In doing this, Pope Paul hoped to implement the vision of Vatican II: that the people of God throughout the world might sing hymns in their different languages, but also share a fundamental unity through the treasury of Gregorian chant.

Today, under Pope Leo, the *Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music* in Rome has been releasing a series of videos on YouTube and other social media platforms. Titled '**Let's sing with the Pope**' this series has been instrumental in teaching this core repertoire of beloved Gregorian chants in a simple and easy way, to people across the world. As the youth of the Church prepare to gather in Seoul next year with the Holy Father for World Youth Day 2027, this initiative has already begun to bear great fruit through the increasing interest shown by young Catholics of all nations in this shared musical heritage.



Here are two well-known and much loved chants: the **Lord's Prayer, or *Pater Noster***, the melody of which will be familiar since it is the basis for the Lord's prayer we chant in Mass on Sundays. Scan this QR code to watch the *Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music's* YouTube video teaching this chant.

The ***Salve Regina***, is an antiphon to Our Lady. This prayer will be familiar in English as the ***Hail, Holy Queen***, prayed at the end of the Rosary. Scan this QR code to watch the YouTube video from the *Pontifical Institute* on this chant.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Program



"Come and see." *John 1:39*

Curious about the Catholic faith, thinking of becoming Catholic, or wanting to return to the Church?

RCIA is a journey of discovering faith and encountering Jesus—come as you are and explore where the journey may lead.

For more information, scan the QR code to fill up an enquiry form or email the Parish Office - cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au



SACRAMENTS FOR OLDER CHILDREN

For any high school students seeking to receive the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation, or Holy Communion - please contact the Parish Office.



CATHOLIC
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St. Joseph's Appeal
for the Care and Support of our Retired Priests

St Joseph's Appeal – Giving Back to Those Who Have Given So Much

Thank you for caring for the health and well-being of our retired priests. Because of your generosity, our Diocese will be able to provide much-needed care and support through the St Joseph's Appeal for those who have dedicated their lives to serving our community. Your compassion and love ensure they receive the care, comfort, and dignity they deserve in retirement.



If you haven't yet had a chance to give, simply scan the QR code or fill out the envelope and return it next week. **All gifts are tax deductible.** Thank you and God bless your generosity.

PARISH EVENTS

MEN ALIVE MINISTRY

Hornsby Cathedral

FAITH WHISKY



Courage. Sacrifice. Brotherhood.

NO SMALL TALK

Men are invited to Faith + Whisky, a monthly evening of courage, sacrifice and brotherhood. Join us for fellowship, faith and a small whisky tasting (tasting note included). A \$5 contribution requested.

- 2 October | 8pm to 10pm
2026 Dates: 6 Nov
- 21 Barkala Place, Westleigh
- RSVP via WhatsApp to
David Armstrong - 0459 848 496 /
Chris Greedy - 0401 384 785

HEALING MASS WITH FR. JUSTIN TORRES

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL
23 YARDLEY AVENUE, WAITARA

9 OCTOBER 2026
FRIDAY AT 7PM



Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary, will celebrate Healing Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara on Friday, 9 October 2026 at 7pm.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Fr. Justin will lead prayers for physical, emotional, and spiritual healing, followed by individual anointing and the Laying of the Tilma of Our Lady of Guadalupe. All are welcome.

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION 11 OCTOBER 2026

Parish Feast Day – *Save the Date!* Our Lady of the Rosary

Join us as we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, the patronal feast of our parish, on **Sunday, 11 October 2026.**

The celebration will begin with the 11:00am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, followed by a parish celebration at the Light of Christ Centre. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our parish community to come together in faith, fellowship, and thanksgiving under the patronage of Our Lady.

If you would like to assist with the preparations or volunteer on the day, please contact the parish office. More details will be provided soon. We look forward to celebrating with you!

THE GLADYS COLLINGRIDGE MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP CONCERT



A concert to raise money for the Scholarship Fund will be held at **The Light of Christ Centre**

Date: Saturday, 24 October

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Further details regarding the concert will be available later. Please note the date in your diaries.

Tickets will be on sale at all Masses on the following weekends:

3rd & 4th October

17th & 18th October

Organisers: Winsome & Edith Collingridge

Phone: 9477 1942

Email: wmcollingridge@bigpond.com

THE Rosary
Mary's Spiritual Sword

FRI • 16 OCT 2026 • 7PM
7PM Rosary • 7:30PM Talk
Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral
23 Yardley Ave, Waitara

WITH **SIMON CARRINGTON**

The Rosary: Mary's Spiritual Sword - Why pray the Rosary? In this presentation, Simon will share the history and power of the rosary. The rosary has been and always will be an effective weapon against heresy and sin. If we are to win the culture for Christ, we must take up the sword!

HAVE YOU CHANGED ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS OR CREDIT CARD DETAILS?
Please contact the Parish office so we can update your information.

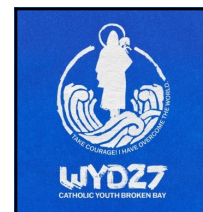
Theology OF THE Body
AWAKEN YOUR DESIRE

EVERY TUESDAY
From 20 October - 24 November
The Light of Christ Centre
end of Yardley Ave, Waitara

PROGRAM
6:30 Rosary
7:00 Talk
9:00 Conclude

Presented by **SIMON CARRINGTON**

What is the Theology of the Body? In this 6-week course, Simon systematically works through St JPII's Theology of the Body to answer the deepest questions of the human heart and love, life, sex and purpose. This talk will help you experience true sexual freedom, heal sexual woundedness and much more.



Expressions of interest to be part of World Youth Day 2027 - Open
If you wish to take part of the WYD27 in Korea, kindly

register your interest. For more information go to the diocesan website for World Youth Day: <https://bbwyd27.org.au/>



TO ALL OUR VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS A VERY WARM WELCOME

If you are joining us for the first time today, or have joined us at our churches recently, we are very happy to have you with us. Please reach out to one of our clergy or volunteers for any assistance. Or contact the parish office on 8379 1700 to register.

Thank you for building your spiritual home with us.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Holy Communion to the Sick:

Our parish is seeking volunteers to bring Holy Communion to the sick and housebound, and to patients at Hornsby Hospital. If you can help at least once a month or more, that will be appreciated. A current WWCC (Working With Children Check) and police check may be required.

Grounds Maintenance at Queen of Peace Church at Normanhurst

The Queen of Peace Church grounds maintenance team is seeking additional volunteers to assist with the care and upkeep of our parish grounds.

When: Mondays, 8am - 12pm

Tasks include:

- Lawn mowing and edging
- Blowing driveways and parking areas
- Using a whipper snipper and gutter vacuum
- Collecting fallen branches, twigs, and leaves
- General grounds maintenance

If you enjoy working outdoors and can spare a few hours, your help would be greatly appreciated.

Please bring your own gloves, earmuffs, water bottle, and morning tea.

For more information, please contact John Crane on 0417 431 474. Thank you for helping keep our parish grounds welcoming and well maintained.

SUNDAY MORNING TEAS

OLOR CATHEDRAL:

Sunday morning tea following 9:30am Mass.



QOP CHURCH: Every 4th Sunday of the month following the 9am Mass.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Clergy Giving (1st Collection) supports the Bishop and priests of the Diocese.

Parish Giving (2nd Collection) supports the Parish ministries, maintenance and staff salaries.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) supports Diocesan Charitable Communities. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Scan the QR code to donate



WE ASK YOU TO PRAY FOR those who are affected by war, natural disasters, and those who are sick.

We pray for the sick: Jill Bradley • Michael O'Brien • Carl D'Silva • Lynne Cusack • Val Bromley • Barbara Cunneen • Maryann Dela Cruz • Warly Clemente • Catherine Underwood • Sosefo Ali • Anthony Webster • Chang Lee Tsu-Sheng

We remember and pray for those who have died recently: Jacob Robert Hillier • Fr Harry Kennedy • Lena Montesclaros • Aurora G Vivo • Christine Siqueira • Roslin Larkin • Jen Francis • John Holyoake • Mayline Pamittan Pesimo • Keith Farrelly

Anniversary: Maria Cristina Victoria Evangelista Robinson • Joe Pereira • Tony Machado • Cecille Medalla • Anna Schiavo • Rosalia Spiller • Eileen Hanley • Vicky Pamittan • June Rodricks

In Memoriam – Fr Harry Kennedy & Fr Robert (Bob) Brogan

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Fr Harry Kennedy (16 September 2026) and Fr Robert (Bob) Brogan (24 September 2026), who recently passed away. We give thanks for their many years of faithful priestly service and dedication to the people of God in the Diocese of Broken Bay. May the Lord grant them eternal rest and reward them for their faithful ministry. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

SUPPORT THE DIOCESAN EVENT

- **Cathedral Precinct Charity Classic** 16 October 2026 | A day of golf, fellowship, and fundraising.
- **Women of Broken Bay Lunch** 28 October 2026, 11:30am - 2:00pm | Connect, be inspired, and help shape the future.

For more information, contact Yvette Nehme on 02 8379 1619 or cathedralprecinctappeal@bbcatholic.org.au



YOUTH GROUP

1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month during school term. The dates for Term 3:

See you in Term 4!

Where: Fr Nulty Room.

Ages 7 to 11: 4:30pm - 6pm

Ages 12 to 17: 6pm - 8:30pm

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

OLOR CATHEDRAL

Thank you for all the children who joined the Children's Liturgy this Term 3. Term 4 will start on - 18 October.

QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH

Every 4th Sunday of the month following 9am Mass during the school term.



Join Rosary Online (via Zoom)
Tuesdays at 8pm

Meeting ID: 233 853 0192

Passcode: 359272

BAPTISM PROGRAM

Visit our website on www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is a beautiful opportunity to experience God's forgiveness, healing, and peace. Reconciliation is available in our parish at the following times:

OLOR Cathedral

Saturdays, 8:15am - 9:15am

Queen of Peace Church

Saturdays, 4:30pm - 5:15pm

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His forgiveness." — Pope Francis, Angelus Address (17 March 2013).

HOLY HOUR Every Saturday 8:15am - 9:15am Olor Cathedral

EXPOSITION 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.

E-BULLETIN For those who would like to receive our E-bulletin (a more detailed version of our printed bulletin) please email cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au with E-bulletin in the subject line.

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