



# Welcome to Hornsby Cathedral Parish

Diocese of Broken Bay

On the land of the Guringai people

Incorporating the communities of

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral  
23 Yardley Ave, Waitara

and Queen of Peace Church  
18 Stuart Ave, Normanhurst

## Second Sunday of Advent

8th December 2019



**Year A**

**First Reading:**

**Responsorial Psalm:**

**Second Reading:**

**Gospel:**

**Isaiah 11: 1-10**

*Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.*

**Romans 15: 4-9**

**Matthew 3: 1-12**

Please note from the 1st Sunday of Advent:

- Weekend readings will be Year A
- Weekday readings Year 2

## Christmas Mass Times

### Tuesday 24 December:

5pm Vigil	Cathedral
5.30pm Vigil	Queen of Peace Church
7.30pm Vigil	The Light of Christ Centre - in Korean
8pm Vigil	Queen of Peace Church (Carols from 7.30pm)
8.30pm Vigil	Cathedral
12am Midnight	Cathedral (Carols from 11.30pm)



### Wednesday 25th December:

8am	Queen of Peace Church
9.30am	Cathedral
11am	Queen of Peace Church in Korean
5pm	Queen of Peace Church in Korean

## Sacraments & Prayer

### Anointing of the Sick within Mass (followed by morning tea)

Queen of Peace: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 8.45am, **4 Feb 2020**  
Cathedral: **Thursday 12 December, 11.30am**

### Reconciliation

Cathedral: Saturday, 10am - 10.30am  
Queen of Peace: Saturday, 4.45pm - 5.15pm

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (not in January)

Queen of Peace: 1st Friday of the month, after 8.45am Mass.  
Cathedral: Every Saturday after 9.30am Mass.  
Adoration: 1st Friday of the month, after 9.30am Mass - 10pm at the Cathedral.

### Rosary & Daily Prayer

Cathedral: Morning Prayer: Monday-Saturday 9am  
Rosary: Mon-Fri after 9.30am Mass  
Cenacle: Wed & Fri after 9.30am Mass  
Queen of Peace: Rosary: Fri after 8.45am Mass  
Cenacle: Thu after 8.45am Mass

**Baptisms:** The Baptism Schedule is available on the parish website and at the back of both Churches.  
Note: no Baptisms during Lent (26 February to 10 April 2020).

**Weddings:** Contact the Parish Office, with at least 6 months notice.

## Second Sunday of Advent

God of power and mercy open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy so that we may share His wisdom and become one with Him when he comes in glory, for He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen



## Fr Vincent on Annual Leave

Fr Vincent Nguyen will be on annual leave from 10th-30th Dec. We wish him a well deserved break and safe travels. Please note the different weekday Mass Schedule during his leave.

## Mass Time Schedule: 9-22 December

	Cathedral	QOP	Other
9 Dec (Mon)	9.30am	No Mass	
10 Dec (Tue)	No Mass	8.45am	
11 Dec (Wed)	9.30am	No Mass	11am McQ Park
12 Dec (Thu)	11.30am Liturgy	8.45am	
13 Dec (Fri)	9.30am	No Mass	
14 Dec (Sat)	9.30am	No Mass	
<b>14 Dec (Sat)</b>	<b>5pm Vigil</b>	<b>5.30pm Vigil</b>	
<b>15 Dec (Sun)</b>	<b>9.30am, 6pm</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>11am McQ Park</b>
16 Dec (Mon)	9.30am	No Mass	
17 Dec (Tue)	No Mass	8.45am	
18 Dec (Wed)	9.30am	No Mass	11am McQ Park
19 Dec (Thu)	No Mass	8.45am	
20 Dec (Fri)	9.30am	No Mass	
21 Dec (Sat)	9.30am	No Mass	
<b>21 Dec (Sat)</b>	<b>5pm Vigil</b>	<b>5.30pm Vigil</b>	
<b>22 Dec (Sun)</b>	<b>9.30am, 6pm</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>11am McQ Park</b>

## Giving Tree

My dear Parishioners

John the Baptist is central to the Second Sunday in Advent each year. His challenge to us to 'prepare a way for the Lord' is the heart of the Advent message. As we continue to walk our pilgrimage of faith, I assure each of you my prayerful support, and may I request you please say one for us your Priests.



***The Parish gifting tree is on display again with tags on it. It's another opportunity for us all gathered to think in what best way we can be of help to the Parish, with our time, talent and treasure. We are invited to open our hearts in prayer at this time, and make a commitment in action, so that we might be able to grow as a community in faith. Our generosity is a great gift of our persons, to the incarnated Christ we carry daily through our efforts of being human.***

As we spent time, on reflecting on our personal gifting do consider, the Parish in the same way, Your community of faith.

The high point of John the Baptist's short ministry was his meeting with Jesus. Not only did he get to baptise Our Lord, but he also helped some of his own followers to go with Jesus and become the first Christian disciples.

I thank you on behalf of the clergy for your generosity. May this time help us grow together as one family of faith. With prayerful wishes and gratitude in our hearts.

Fr Peter D

## Thank You

Dear Fr Peter,

My sincere thanks to you and those who joined us for the two sessions on the Advent Programme - your generosity and faithfulness has been inspirational. Fr John Frauenfelder

## Children's Christmas Vigil Mass

Thank you to Marie Stephens & Vanessa Byrnes for volunteering to organise this year's re-enactment of the Gospel for the Children's Christmas 5pm Vigil Mass at the Cathedral. If your child/children would like to be a part of the play, Marie [marie@mariestephenst.com.au](mailto:marie@mariestephenst.com.au) and Vanessa [nursenessbrown@yahoo.com.au](mailto:nursenessbrown@yahoo.com.au) can be contacted by email.



## Parish Bulletin/Parish Office Closure

Please note that our last Parish Bulletin for this year will be on 21/22 December.

The Parish Office will be closed from 12 noon on Tuesday 24 December 2019 to Monday 27 January 2020 (inclusive).

### We remember in our prayers:

**Recently Deceased:** J Geary ♦ Fr B Nobbs ♦ M Ferguson ♦ S Fernandes ♦ R F Fernandez

**Anniversaries:** A Fraietta ♦ M Lombardo ♦ R Bromley ♦ R D Spiller ♦ L D'Souza

**Prayers For The Sick:** G Kachel Snr ♦ P Wild ♦ G Powell ♦ U Saunders ♦ K Butler ♦ Fr D Callahan ♦ C O'Leary ♦ A Rego ♦ F & J Bradley ♦ L Solinap ♦ A Cruz

***Due to privacy laws, names of the sick & deceased can only be put in the bulletin with the permission of immediate family.***

## Cathedral Nativity Scene 2019

The young adults community have been exploring 'Christus Vivit' an apostolic exhortation to young people by Pope Francis which focuses on young people, faith and vocational discernment.



*"Christ is alive" and he wants you to be alive (CV1).* These words are the very first words in Christus Vivit that Pope Francis addresses to the whole Church, not just young people.

Pope Francis states "Jesus, himself eternally young, wants to give us hearts that are ever young" (CV 13). Thus, instead of defining youth by a number Pope Francis states 'true youth means having a heart capable of loving, whereas everything that separates us from others makes the soul grow old' (CV13).

Subsequently Pope Francis urges us to be filled with the love of Christ and be witnesses of the Gospel by the way we live. Inspired by our discussions the theme for the cathedral Nativity scene this year is Christus Vivit – Christ is alive. We would like to collect stories from a range of individuals in our Church to show how Christ is alive each day in your lives. These stories will be collated to form a backdrop for the Nativity scene.

We invite interested parishioners to answer 3 questions and provide us with a photo of yourself. These responses need to be emailed to [Claire.donnely@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:Claire.donnely@dbb.catholic.edu.au) by 10<sup>th</sup> December.

- ♦ **How are you involved in the Church?**
- ♦ **How do you find your parish ministry rewarding?**
- ♦ **How is 'Christ Alive' in your life this Advent / Christmas season?**

## Christmas Novena Mass

Mass at OLOR Cathedral on **Saturday, 14 December at 7pm** (organised by the Filipino Chaplaincy).

You are all invited to the Christmas Novena Mass Launch, celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Light supper will be served after Mass at The Light of Christ Centre.

For any queries, please contact:

Deacon Roberto Corpuz, Pastoral Coordinator  
[roberto.corpuz@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:roberto.corpuz@bbcatholic.org.au)

Cynthia Alipalo, Hornsby/Waitara Filipino Chaplaincy  
[cynthia.alipalo@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.alipalo@gmail.com)

We also have a Parol (Filipino Lantern) and dessert making competition. If you like to submit one, please pick up an instruction/information sheet at the back of both churches.

## Readings for the Week: 9 –15 December

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Gen 3:9-15,20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Tuesday of 2nd week of Advent</b> Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Wednesday of 2nd week of Advent</b> Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Thursday of 2nd week of Advent</b> Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
<b>Friday</b>	<b>St Lucy, virgin, martyr</b> Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>St John of the Cross, priest, doctor</b> Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Mt 17:10-13
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Is 35:1-6,10; James 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



# Parish Groups, Activities & Services. All are Welcome!

## Young Adults



- **Sunday BBQ - next BBQ Sunday 22 December** after 6pm Mass at the Cathedral. Prepared by our Young Adults Group for all parishioners.
- **Young Adults Group** (18-35 years) every Monday, 7pm-9pm in the Fr Nulty Room Waitara. Enquiries to the Parish Office.

Follow our Parish Youth Facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/hornsbyparishyouth](https://www.facebook.com/hornsbyparishyouth)

## Social Justice

The Social Justice group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, Feb to Nov, 7.30-9pm in the Fr Hawe Room, Waitara.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Please consider purchasing ethically produced goods. How do you know they are ethical? Ask the store/producer to prove to you that no slavery/child labour was used in the production. Wouldn't that be a wonderful Christmas gift for all!!



And also when you are stocking up for your Christmas feasts - e.g. Fairtrade/Rainforest Alliance or UTZ coffees, teas, chocolates etc.



## Prayer and Bible Study Groups



- **Christian Meditation** will resume on Sunday 2 February 2020, the first Sunday in February, at 4.45pm. We wish you many Christmas and New Year blessings.
- **Study Sacred Scripture** Thursday evening Scripture Group. All welcome on Thursdays 7pm in the Queen of Peace Hall, Normanhurst. **Last meeting 19 Dec. Resumes 30 Jan 2020.**
- **Cenacles of Prayer** All welcome.
  - **Queen of Peace**, Thursdays after 8.45am Mass. Our Lady invites us all to pray the Cenacle (upper room) with Her as she did in the First Cenacle with the Apostles in Jerusalem. **Last meeting for 2019 on 12th December, resuming 2nd January 2020.**
  - **Our Lady of the Rosary**, Wednesdays & Fridays after 9.30am Mass. Includes Rosary (which we pray daily), a reading of a message from Fr Gobbi's book "To the priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons", and an act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- **Maranatha Charismatic Prayer Group**, is now on their Christmas break and will resume weekly meetings on Thursday 9 January 2020. Wishing everyone a very happy and blessed Christmas!
- **Couples for Christ Australia** meets in the Parish regularly. For further information on meeting times and activities, contact Dom De Guia: [dcdeguia@gmail.com](mailto:dcdeguia@gmail.com) or Raj Rajasingam: [rajasingam.raj@gmail.com](mailto:rajasingam.raj@gmail.com)

## Children & Youth

- **Children's Liturgy** takes place 9.30am each Sunday (school term only) in the CatholicCare playgroup building (located behind Cathedral House), Waitara. More Volunteers Needed. Enquiries to the Parish Office.
- **OLOR Primary School & Parish Mass** - once a term at the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass Waitara.
- **Weekly Children's Bulletin** is available at the back of the Church, or <https://thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com/>
- **Playgroup at QOP** - next meeting to be announced.



## St Vincent de Paul Society



New members are welcome. Please attend our next meeting:

- Queen of Peace Conference **Last meeting on 11th Dec. Resumes on 8th January 2020.**
- Cathedral Conference meets every Monday at 6pm in the Fr Baulman Room, Waitara. **Last meeting on 16th Dec. Resumes on 6th January.** Cathedral Conference Red Poor Box Appeal takes place on the 1st weekend of each month.

## Parish Activities

- **Parish Craft & Friendship Group** Meetings will resume on Thursday 30th January 2020. For further details, phone Helen 9988 0408.
- **Community Dinner** every Wednesday, 6pm in the Fr Nulty Room, Waitara. All welcome! Email: [hcommunitydinner@gmail.com](mailto:hcommunitydinner@gmail.com) Christmas Party: 18 December in TLOCC.
- **Over 50s Group** will meet next on December 12th to attend 11.30am Anointing Liturgy and Christmas Luncheon at the Cathedral.



## Parish Services

- **Parish Library** is open on the 1st weekend of the month after all Masses in the Fr Nulty Room, Waitara (except in January). You can apply for free membership of **The Bishop David Walker Library**, Pennant Hills (Broken Bay Institute, TAITE): <https://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/library/Borrowing-and-Membership> **Catholic E-Library**: <http://sharingtheword.info>
- **Cathedral Piety Stall** is open every 2nd weekend of the month after all Masses at the Cathedral. Copies of God's Word 2020 are now available at the stall. Cost is \$15. Nativity statues and other Christmas items are now in stock. We accept cash only.
- **Bus service for Sunday 9.30am Mass** Picked up from your front door and home again, for anyone having trouble attending Mass due to transport. **If you are interested in attending Christmas Midnight Mass, pickup from 10.30pm onwards, contact the Parish Office.** Gold coin donation. Limited seating.



## Christmas Midnight Mass Choir



### CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE AND MIDNIGHT MASS CHOIR

Inviting singers and musicians  
2 Monday rehearsals:



16 December & 23 December from 7-9pm in the Cathedral  
All are Welcome - if you don't usually sing in the Choir  
but would like to, come along! Contact Dennis Harris on  
[dennis.harris@dennisjharris.com](mailto:dennis.harris@dennisjharris.com)

## Christmas Day 9.30am Mass Choir

All are welcome to join the Christmas Day 9.30am Mass  
Choir. The rehearsal is Thursday 19 December in the  
Cathedral, 7pm to 10pm. Enquiries: Parish Office 8379 1700

## SVDP Conference Waitara Hampers

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December members of St Vincent will be  
available before and after the 5pm Mass to receive hampers,  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> morning before and after the 9.30am Mass, the  
members will be available to receive hampers. We will be in  
the car park underneath CatholicCare opposite the basketball  
courts. Please may we have all hampers returned by 11am  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec, ready for delivery at 12 noon. Thank you. S  
Kelynack (Conference President)

## Safeguarding Message December

We the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay are  
committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all  
people, especially for children and others in the community  
who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our  
faith in Jesus Christ.

## Donations

Thank you for your financial contribution to support our  
Parish Community and its priests. It is very much  
appreciated.

- The **1st Collection** taken up at Mass goes to the Clergy  
Remuneration and Retirement Fund for the financial  
support of the priests.
- The **2nd Collection** taken up at Mass is for the upkeep of  
our Parish.

You are invited to help our Parish by committing to the  
Planned Giving Program. Sets of envelope, direct debit and  
credit card forms are available at the Parish Office.

### Regular Credit Card Donations

If you currently give via credit card and have received a new  
credit card number or new expiry date, please contact the  
Parish Office.



## Contact Us

**Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral:** 23 Yardley Ave, Waitara

**Queen of Peace Church:** 18 Stuart Ave, Normanhurst

**Parish Office:** 27 Yardley Ave, Waitara

Postal Address: Private Bag 3000, Hornsby NSW 1630

 **8379 1700**  [cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au)

Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8.30am - 4.30pm

**After Hours Emergency Number: 0458 351 843**

Website: [www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby)

 [www.facebook.com/HornsbyCathedralParish](https://www.facebook.com/HornsbyCathedralParish)

(Please submit items for the bulletin to the Parish Office by Tuesday.)

## Prayer for ACYF



*The Archdiocese of Perth is hosting the next ACYF  
event from December 8th-10th 2019 on behalf of the  
ACBC. Our prayers accompany the pilgrims of Broken Bay.*

Holy Spirit, Breath of God,  
you come to us in the stillness and silence  
of this Great South Land.

Give us the courage to open our hearts and ears,  
to listen to your voice as we seek to foster the growth  
of your Church in Australia.

Grant us the desire to know Jesus and say our 'Yes'  
to his invitation to spread the joy of the Gospel.

We ask for the gift of hope as you guide us in our search  
for purpose and meaning in our lives.

We pray together as young people that we may love  
and care for all of creation.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
our brother and our companion,

who lives with You and the Father forever and ever. Amen.

## Relics of St Therese of Lisieux Tour

For the first time in 18 years, the relics of  
St Thérèse of Lisieux, one of the most popular saints of  
modern times, will visit Australia in 2020 on a four-month  
pilgrimage with her parents, saints Louis and Zélie Martin.  
The relics will visit the following parishes  
in the Diocese of Broken Bay:

5 March: St Ives Parish

6 March: The Lakes Parish

**7 March: Hornsby Cathedral**

8 March: Gosford Parish

9 March: The Entrance Parish

Find out more about this significant event as Australia  
prepares for the Plenary Council by visiting:

[catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-thérèse-of-lisieux](http://catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-thérèse-of-lisieux)



### One-off Credit Card Donations

One-off credit card (Visa or MasterCard) donations to the  
Parish can be made using the **Tap & Go Device** at the back  
of the Cathedral or through the parish website.

On the website, select Our Parish > Donations & Online  
Payments, and then click on BPoint logo to complete the details.  
Select the biller-code in the dropdown box so that we know  
where to direct your donation. For example:

- **CWF** will direct your donation to Charitable Works Fund.
- **Planned Giving** goes towards the 2nd Collection for the  
upkeep of the Parish.

### Bequests

Another way to assist our parish is to consider leaving a gift  
in your will. Your gift of any size will help our Parish continue  
our good works and outreach. If you would like more  
information, please contact the Parish Office.

## Our Clergy & Our Schools

### Clergy:

(Most Rev) Anthony **Randazzo** DD JCL, Bishop

(Very Rev) Anthony Peter **deSouza**, Dean/Administrator

(Rev) Vincent Trung **Nguyen**, Assistant Priest

(Rev) Simon Seong Kyeong **Park**, Korean Chaplain

### Our Lady of the Rosary School (Kindergarten - Year 6):

Mrs Jacinta **Crowe**, Principal 9489 7000

### St Leo's Catholic College (Years 7-12):

Mr Tony **Gleeson**, Principal 9487 3555