WELCOME

VISION The Wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community

MISSION STATEMENT We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel:

Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform

15th June 2025— Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH
ST CECILIA'S CHURCH, ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR & ST PETER'S CHAPEL
Under the Pastoral Care of the
Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)



REFLECTION - Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity 15th June 2025

A renowned spiritual writer has said that great dogmas of the Church are almost always paradoxical, and we have to live with paradox. He continues: 'Mystery is not something we can't know. Mystery is endless knowability on many different levels.' A central mystery of our faith is of course the Trinity. Perhaps today's chosen readings touch on some of those levels. The Spirit, in the tradition of the Gospel of John, is clearly the continuing living presence of Jesus. When Jesus meets the disciples after the resurrection, he breathes his life spirit into them and commissions them to continue his mission of forgiveness and peace.

The living Spirit of Jesus within them will enable them to come to the fuller understanding of all that he has taught them.

Writing to the community in Rome Paul invites us to reflect on the liberating effect of the love of God which enfolds us when we allow the Holy Spirit to enter our lives. Today let us pray for that Wisdom, that delights to be with us, so that we may gradually deepen our understanding of the Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit—and be caught up in wonder, praise and thanksgiving.

IMPORTANT PARISH EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

Annual General Meeting—8th July Christmas In July - 29th July Bunnings BBQ-13th Sept Multicultural Dinner-10th Oct Marian Spirituality Day-12th Oct Ecumenical Christmas Carols—5th Dec Parish Christmas Dinner-19th Dec

Jubilee Year Events—TBC

Pilgrimage Day, Marian Spirituality Day 12th Oct (rosary & afternoon tea) & Family Movie Night

With all of our wonderful Parish events coming up, they require many hands and lots of organization to keep them going. We would love your help! Should you wish to volunteer for any of these events,

please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

The Sacrament of CONFIRMATION

Wyong Parish is now taking enrolments for the **Sacrament**

If your child is in year 3 or above and they have received the Sacrament of Baptism they are eligible to enrol. Please use the QR Code to enrol your child, respective of the school they attend & come along to the Parent Information Evening.

Important Dates:

Parent Information Evening – Mon 30th June, 7pm, St Cecilia's Church Hall

Tues 1st July, 7pm, St John Fisher Mass Centre Presentation Mass - Sat 26th July, 5pm Mass, St Cecilia's

Sun 27th July, 5pm Mass, St John Fisher Mass Centre Ceremony - Sat 16th August, 10am, St Peter's Collage Hall If you would like to book in a Baptism, please contact the parish office ASAP.

wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au

02 4352 1011

Office Hours: Tues, Wed, Fri 9.30am-2.30pm

St Cecilia & State School Student SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION **ENROLMENT FORM 2025**



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION **ENROLMENT FORM 2025 St John** Fisher



CHRISTMAS IN JULY - 29TH JULY

Our annual 'Christmas in July' is fast approaching. As usual, the students from St Peter's College will be catering and the meal, no doubt will be mouthwatering.

Any aged/retired parishioner who wishes to attend this function, please contact the Parish Office on 4352 1011 or via email at wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au.

Numbers are restricted, so an early booking is essential. A special fund-raising raffle will be on sale on the day.

*Please notify us if you have any dietary restrictions

Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those

seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession: For athletes at all levels, that they may participate in sport with respect, courage, selfsacrifice and perseverance & For all those involved in sport in any capacity, that they may witness to sport's capacity to open the way to Christ. We pray to the Lord.

JUBILEE OF SPORT

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for June

During June, traditionally dedicated to devotion to the Heart of Jesus, the Pope invites us to pray "that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world."

JUNE— SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Mary, Our Lady of Grace, brings people to Christ and his Sacred Heart.

In the 1670's Our Lord Jesus Christ made twelve promises to those who honor His Sacred Heart to

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Considering that the blood that redeemed us at Calvary came from His Sacred Heart and that so much love and light still exude from it, these promises were revealed in one of many private revelations that Jesus gave St. Margaret Mary.

12 Promises of the Sacred Heart

- I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
- I will establish peace in their families. 2.
- I will bless every home in which an image of My Heart is exposed 3. and honored.
- I will console them in all their difficulties. 4
- 5. I will be their refuge during life and especially at the hour of death.
- I will shed abundant blessing upon all their undertakings.
- Sinners shall find in My Heart a fountain and boundless ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent. 8.

- Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great 9. perfection.
- 10. I will give to priests the power of touching the hardest hearts.
- Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart never to be blotted out.
- 12. I promise you, in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all who communicate on the First Friday of the month for nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My displeasure nor without their last Sacraments: "My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."



PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

(Devotion to the Sacred Heart Prayer cards can be found in the side chapel)

Parish Bulletin

E-BULLETIN If you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you, please send an email with "e-bulletin" as the subject to: wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au



together and praise God in song as one.

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ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL—14TH & 15TH JUNE

Our Vinnies winter appeal will commence this weekend. Please use the envelopes provided that weekend for any cash donations, which can be placed on either collection plate. As well as cash donations, we are seeking food suitable to be used in hampers - pasta & sauce, soups, tinned fruit and vegetables, milk, cereal.. Donations can be left at the back of the church in the trolley/ basket provided. No donation is too small. Many thanks for your continued support. God Bless!

200 Club 2025

155 numbers have been sold.

This year the club will run from July to December, with prize results in the Bulletin, as previously.

Numbers Sale: conclude on 30 June.

Cost: \$60 upfront or 3 payments of \$20 by 30th of May. \$300, \$150, \$100, \$50. Prizes: Monthly

Major (Christmas) \$500, \$250, \$150, \$50. All prizes are contingent on the sale of all 200 numbers.

Updates of sales numbers will be in each week's bulletin.

For further information please contact: Maureen Roast—0435 245 849 Anne

Hooley—0428 149 793 or Kerry Bugden—4388 2938
Thank you for your support.

Introduction to Pastoral Care Course

Volunteer Catholic Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit hospitals throughout the Diocese of Broken Bay providing comfort and care to Catholic patients. Our Diocese and NSW Health require that 40 hours of training is completed to perform this important role. The Introduction to Pastoral Care Course (IPCC) meets this requirement, is FREE and is open to those who already volunteer in a hospital context, or in local health and aged care facilities, and to those who might be deciding if they are suited to this ministry.

As well as being prepared by your Parish to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, some of the key qualities we are looking for in anyone who may be considering being part of this hospital ministry are:

- A genuine prayerful faith life including reverence for and regular participation in Sunday Eucharist
- An ability to listen and a willingness to refer on when necessary
- A warm, friendly, empathetic disposition
- The ability to relate to people of different ages, personalities and backgrounds
- A respect for others and their diversity
- The ability to work as part of a team
- Enthusiasm, motivation and professionalism
- A compassionate heart
- *Please note that this role is not suitable for those seeking to proselytise.

The course will be offered on five consecutive Wednesdays: July 2,9,16,23 and 30 between 9:00am and 3:00 pm at CatholicCare Central Coast Family Centre (10/10 Pioneer Avenue, Tuggerah). Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Please speak to your Parish Priest for more information about the course and how to apply, or contact Peter Brown, Practice Manager Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care, CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay on 0418 616 602.

COMMUNION BLESSING



You can still receive a blessing if you are not Catholic, have not yet received your Sacrament of First Eucharist/Holy Communion, or, if you are Catholic but are not in a state of grace.

To receive a blessing instead of communion during a Catholic Mass, simply approach the priest during the distribution of communion with your arms folded across your chest, and the priest will

offer a blessing. Please remember if you are receiving communion, the consecrated host must enter your mouth to be

consumed before returning to your seat.



PLANNED GIVING

Dear Parishioners, should you wish to donate electronically, please see details below. We appreciate all offerings and support gifted to our

To support the Priests (1st Collection):

Acc name: SOLT Australia Inc **BSB:** 062 195

Acc no: 1022 9389

To the support the running & upkeep of the Parish (2nd Collection):

Acc name:

Wyong Catholic Parish BSB: 062 784 Acc no: 100 001 943

This Sunday marks World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD)—a day dedicated to recognising the dignity, value, and rights of older people everywhere.

Let's use this event as a moment to:

- Celebrate the wisdom and contributions of older members in our community
- •Raise awareness about elder abuse and how we can prevent it



•Deepen our commitment to safeguarding, compassion, and inclusion

To learn more and access helpful resources, please visit: https:// elderabuseawarenessday.org.au/ resources/

CHILDREN'S LITURGY—YOU'RE INVITED!

All children are invited to attend the children's Liturgy at our weekend masses. Children's Liturgy is when the children leave the congregation to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age appropriate way. The children are led through prayers, songs and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding.

(Please ensure there is a parent/guardian for children under 5yrs old; all parents/guardians welcome).

Attending Mass together is a part of being a Catholic Family, while Children's Liturgy allows children to enter the celebration more fully by catering to their needs.

> Please see below the weekend masses with Children's Liturgy: St Cecilia's Church, Wyong—Sunday 9.30am St John Fisher Mass Centre, Tumbi Umbi-Sunday 5:00pm

> > Volunteers always needed & appreciated! Speak with office staff to find out more.





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Reconciliation/Confession Saturday morning after the 8am

Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm Weekday Mass

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am Tue & Fri: 9.15am

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CENTRE

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday at 4.30pm

EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT

Fr Raul Ph: 0450 115 099 Fr Alex Ph: 0432 947 245 Fr Teody Ph: 0414 494 823

PARISH OFFICE 23 Byron Street Wyong Phone: 02 4352 1011 Po Box 385 Wyong 2259

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm

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KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

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SICK: Irene Dainty, Michael McDermott, Michele Bolton, Jeanine Doueihi, Lisa Glanville, Margaret McDermott, Dave Rodney, Danae Roe, Milva Kefu, Georgina Mastroianni & Baby Vinnie, Tahnia Ahuriri, Mary Anne Xuereb

RECENTLY DECEASED: Pauline Cornwell, Kathleen Brien, Olive Mansfield (Bingara), Finn McConnon, Sue Evans

Anniversary June: Thomas Mayne, Fr Williams, Brian Myers, Margaret Skimmings, Tom Dermody, Rosa Laoulach, Sylivia Markulin, George Sassine, Patricia Westhoff, Frank Costa & Family Children's Liturgy at the following Masses

St Cecilia's 5:00pm Mass Saturday St Cecilia's 9.30am Mass Sunday St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

Mass St Barnabas, Yarramalong 1st Sun of month 11.15am Filipino Mass St Cecilia's Church 3rd Sun of the month 12pm

Anointing of the Sick
First Friday of the Month
St Cecilia's During 8.00am & 11.30am
Mass

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.45 - 9.15am

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Saturday—St Cecilia's & Wednesday—St John Fisher (after the 8am Mass)

Devotion to the Divine Mercy St Cecilia's Fri after the 8am Mass St John Fisher Fri after the 9:15am Mass

Prayer groups

St Cecilia's Rosary Group Tues after 8am mass followed by Divine Mercy St Cecilia's Legion of Mary 9am Wed Meetings

St Cecilia's Choir practice every Tues night 5pm to 6pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting PPC Secretary: Kerry Bugden Ph: 02 4388 2938

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SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

Wyong parish is committed to safeguarding. All children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe.

If you have a concern about the safety of anyone in the parish, please raise your concern with Fr Raul, Fr Alex or Fr Teody on the contact details provided above; or, Anne Hooley: 0428 149 793 or, Maureen Roast: 0435 245 849.

15 June 2025

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Proverbs 8:22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded, before the oldest of his works.

From everlasting I was firmly set, from the beginning, before earth came into being.

The deep was not, when I was born, there were no springs to gush with water.

Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside, or the first grains of the world's dust.

When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the clouds above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries - and the waters will not invade the shore - when he laid down the foundations of the earth,

I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in his world, delighting to be with the sons of men.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 8:4-9

R. O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

Second Reading Romans 5:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation cf Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel John 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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INVITATION TO SANTA MARIA FESTA (OUR LADY OF MARY FEAST) ON THE 17TH OF AUGUST 2025

The Santa Maria Central Coast Association celebrates the Feast of Our Lady (Santa Maria Festa every August at the St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Church Warnervale.

We invite you to join for us for mass at 3pm at St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Church, Warnervale followed by a procession around the church at 4pm. Mass will be celebrated by **Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Diocese of Broken Bay**. Traditional Maltese sweets and pastizzi will be on sale. This will be followed by celebratory fireworks at 6pm.



Over 300 people including Maltese people who travel from Sydney and from all over the Central Coast attend this joyous celebrations. We have people from other communities attending and celebrating.

This is a tradition in Malta and celebrated for the last 15 years on the Central Coast of New South Wales .

We invite you to join us in this joyous celebration this year on the 17th of August 2025 3pm at

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Church

91 Sparks Road Warnervale NSW 2259 Australia

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT

PRESIDENT CHARLIE SCICLUNA 0404194020

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"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28



June 2025

1st Friday, 6th June Healing Prayer Service, 6:30pm-8:30pm at Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, Chatswood

PENTECOST RETREAT Guided by Fr Sam Samuel VC & Fr Juby Varghese VC

6th-8th June

Starts on Friday 5.30pm & ends on Sunday 4.00pm For bookings: 02 4372 1598 or email: drcretreatrego@gmail.com

3rd Monday, 16th June Healing Prayer Service, 7:00pm-9:00pm at St Patrick's Church, I I Macquarie street, Wallsend

29th June, 9:00am - 4:00pm

One Day Pilgrimage (Last Sunday)

 Praise and Worship • Preaching the Word
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Caritas Australia appeals for support for amputees in Gaza

The UN <u>described</u> Gaza as being "home to the largest cohort of child amputees in modern history". As of April, the UN reported that <u>4,500</u> people have been made amputees due to the current conflict. In response, Caritas Jerusalem is working to support those affected by the loss of limbs, as part of a program supported by Caritas Australia's Gaza Emergency Appeal.

We urgently need your support.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.

You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413



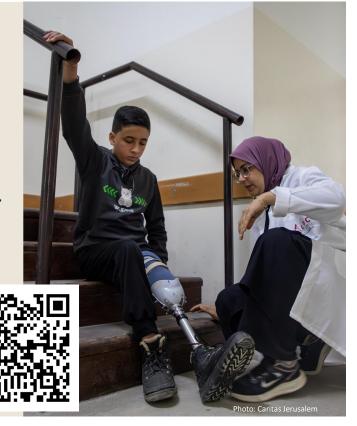
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9:30am - 2:10pm

The Pilgrim's call to hopefulness in human happiness and holiness.

Refreshing our sense of Vatican II's teaching on God's Self-Revealing Word in human-beinghood.



9:30am - 2:10pm

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Reflecting on St Paul's letter to the Romans especially 8:15-30 and a glimpse into Vatican Il's "Gaudium et Spes" [Joy and Hope].

July WED



9:30am - 2:10pm

Recognising Signs of hope among us and being sources of hope for others in need.

Recognising the "Universal Call to Holiness" in Vatican II's document "Lumen Gentium" [The Light of the World].

Sept



9:30am - 2:10pm

Anchored in hope of being the Body of Jesus Christ, opening doors of healing, forgiveness, support and encouragement for others.

Glimpsing Vatican II's document on the Christian community's participation in the Sacred Liturgy.

Nov



MARY MACKILLOP PLACE



JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE REFLECTION DAYS WITH THE SISTERS OF SAINT JOSEPH

All are welcome to join us for a series of Wednesdays dedicated to prayer, reflection, and faith enrichment, inspired by the 2025 Year of Hope, accompanied by Sr Virginia Bourke rsj, held at Mary MacKillop Place.

Please RSVP by emailing Olivia.Lee@mmp.org.au

For more info or questions:



ministries@mmp.org.au



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Location

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The spacious grounds front the Kincumber Broadwater, creating an atmosphere of tranquility and peace that enhances the spiritual and reflective nature of the Centre.

A perfect place where people can be recharged, re-energized and spend precious time connecting with God, each other and nature.

Services

Dedicated staff are on hand to advise and to ensure the smooth running of your group's activities.

You can be certain of our personalised & professional service from start to finish for your conference, meeting or seminar.

The Centre is open to people of all faiths and beliefs and is a warm and welcoming place respecting cultural and religious differences.

Meals are prepared on site, catering for special dietary requirements.

Morning and afternoon tea are all homemade.

Facilities

St Joseph's is a smoke free environment.

The quality and presentation of the accommodation add to the overall ambience of the Centre.

A maximum of 54 people can be accommodated in 35 double, twin, or single rooms, all with modern

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We understand many seniors prefer to stay at home as they age. The Government's funding for Home Care Packages can help you live independently at home for longer.

We want to know if our Home Care Packages are of interest to you, or a loved one and want to prioritise the needs of our parishioners before we promote to the general public. As a Catholic organisation we want the seniors we support to know they are truly cherished and valued and we're confident our services will be very well received.

There's no obligation to partner with CatholicCare. We may contact you to discuss your needs, but you're welcome to opt-out at anytime.

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Do you currently have Home Care Package funding from the Government?							
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○ Yes	○ No	○ Maybe					
Is there any other feedback you'd like to provide?							

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Led by Sr Annie Bond, a Sister of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, this pilgrim focuses on prayer and reflection as an integral part of pilgrimage. At each of the sites around Australia we visit we take time to pray and reflect on our own lives in the light of Mary MacKillop's life.

We start in Melbourne and end in Sydney at the tomb of Saint Mary MacKillop. Anyone at any stage of their faith journey is welcome to join us!

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Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope

Every 25 years, the Church proclaims a Holy Year, a special gift of grace and mercy for all God's people. Not only is Italy a land of unforgettable charm and beauty, it is also a land made rich in grace by its colourful history of holy men and women. In this dedicated Jubilee year, be inspired to encounter the pathways of some of the Church's greatest saints, from St Francis and Clare in Assisi to St Peter and Paul in Rome, the Eternal City, where we cross the threshold of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica and receive the Jubilee blessing.





Rome Airport vicinity (1) • Assisi (2 nights) • Orvieto • Rome - Jubilee (6 nights)









"The Jubilee Year 2025 calls us to rediscover the centrality of Jesus Christ in our lives and to deepen our relationship with Him, as the Door through which we enter into the fullness of life."

 Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD, JCL, Bishop of Broken Bay





The dome of St Peter's over the River Tiber, Rome

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MEAL CODE: (B) = Breakfast (D) = Dinner

Hinerary

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 01 OCTOBER - ARRIVE ROME

Welcome to Italy! On arrival at Rome airport, please make your way to the group hotel where this evening we will enjoy our first group dinner. Rome overnight (D)

DAY 2: THURSDAY 02 OCTOBER - ROME TO ASSISI

This morning we will travel north to the pilgrimage centre of **Assisi**, where St Francis tended the poor and sick and founded the Franciscan Order.

We will visit the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels down on the plains where St Francis spent most of his life. Here we will see the Portiuncula (meaning 'small portion of land') where St Francis returned for prayer, the thornless rose bush, and the chapel where he died in 1226. On Palm Sunday 1211, Francis received in this church Clare of Assisi and dedicated her to the Lord.

Assisi overnight (BD)

DAY 3: FRIDAY 03 OCTOBER - ASSISI

This morning we awake to the sound of chapel bells, cobblestone footsteps and the tangible spirit of St Francis preserved within the medieval walls of this holy town.

Our day begins with Mass and a guided exploration of the buzzing Basilica of St Francis which occupies the entire western end of the upper town. Construction began in 1228, just two years after the death of Francis and was finally completed in 1250. The Upper Basilica houses the famous fresco cycle of the life of St Francis, historically attributed to Giotto. Wander through the marvels of the Upper Basilica before our tour descends to the crypt of the Lower Basilica where Francis was laid in

1230 and where we will take some time to seek the intercession of this spiritual legend.

We then walk to the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore - Sanctuary of the Spogliazione, where we are blessed with the opportunity to visit and pray at the tomb of Blessed Carlo Acutis - a young Catholic from Italy with a passionate devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and an aptitude for computer programming. From the ages of 12 to 14, he designed a website cataloguing Eucharistic miracles that have occurred around the world, which he launched in 2005. He died of leukemia a year later at the age of 15, offering his suffering for the pope and for the Church.

Onto the Church of San Damiano and the actual chapel where it all began when the voice of Christ spoke to Francis in the year 1205 (some may prefer to approach by foot down the hillside path in the spirit of St Francis). Adjacent to the chapel we find the first monastery of the Order of St Clare where Clare built her community in close friendship with Francis.

Our day concludes with a visit to the **Hermitage** (Eremo delle Carceri), an oasis of peace and tranquillity in the woods built on the site of a simple cave where St Francis often withdrew to spend many hours in prayer. The cave and the Chapel of Our Lady are preserved in the Hermitage grounds.

An (optional) opportunity presents itself before dinner to attend **Vespers** in the **Basilica of St Clare** and listen to the angelic voices of the Poor Clare nuns. Housed in this church is the famous crucifix from which Jesus spoke to St Francis.

Assisi overnight (BD)

DAY 4: SATURDAY 04 OCTOBER - ASSISI VIA ORVIETO TO ROME

We farewell Assisi and journey south to the amazing medieval town of **Orvieto** with its **Duomo** (Cathedral), which has one of the world's most famous facades. The feast of the Body of Christ (Corpus Christi) was first proclaimed here in 1263 following the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena. We celebrate Eucharist in the chapel where the sacred cloth from that event is preserved and enjoy a special visit to the Signorelli Chapel.

After our visit we then travel on to Rome, the Eternal City, rich in the traditions of our Church. Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 5: SUNDAY 05 OCTOBER - ROME: CHRISTIAN MARTYRS

The Jubilee Year is a time for the faithful to renew their commitment and strengthen their relationship with God. It is also a time for Catholics to come together as a community and to celebrate their faith. The 2025 Jubilee Year is sure to be a memorable and meaningful event for people around the world, to be blessed and refreshed for the mission that lies before us.

Some of the spiritual activities that pilgrims are encouraged to participate in during our time in Rome are:

- · Attend Mass and receive the Eucharist
- Make a pilgrimage to the many shrines and holy sites in Rome
- Pray for forgiveness
- · Renew our commitment to our faith
- · Strengthen our relationship with God
- Come together as a community and celebrate our faith

Following Mass this morning we will proceed to **St Peters Square** where the Holy Father is expected to pray the **Angelus** with pilgrims from around the world (subject to the Pope's presence in Rome).

This afternoon we enter into the most visited attraction in Rome - the Colosseum. In 1749, Pope Benedict XIV declared the Colosseum a sacred site, as it was a place where early Christians had been martyred. View also the Circus Maximus and the Roman Forum en route.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 6: MONDAY 06 OCTOBER - ROME: THE VATICAN & MAJOR BASILICAS

Commence our pilgrimage with a spectacular Mass at St Peter's Basilica before coming to the nearby Vatican Museums. Wander the spectacular chambers leading to the Sistine



Chapel to view Michelangelo's masterpieces, including the magnificent fresco of the Last Judgment. Continue through to the awe-inspiring St Peter's Basilica, the largest church in the world for an informative exploration. Our guided tour will feature among other highlights Michelangelo's stunning Pieta, the tomb of Pope St John Paul II, the great Confessional and the Crypt containing the tombs of several Popes.

In the afternoon, visit the impressive St Mary Major Basilica. Onwards to the Basilica of St John in Lateran (First Papal residence) and the adjacent Holy Stairs brought from Jerusalem to Rome in 326AD by St Helena (as a favourite of pilgrims, these steps may only be ascended on the knees). Visit the Basilica of Santa Croce in Gerusalemme with its extraordinary collection of relics from the Holy Land.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 7: TUESDAY 07 OCTOBER - ROME: ST PAUL'S & THE CATACOMBS

Journey this morning out to the majestic Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls. Originally consecrated in 324, the saint's tomb is visible now under the Papal Altar. We will celebrate a wonderful Mass here as a special tribute to the Church's greatest evangelist.

Continue then along the ancient Appian Way, the oldest road from Roman times to the ancient Catacombs for a memorable guided tour to marvel at these underground burial tunnels for Christians and Hebrews. On the way, drive by Domine Quo Vadis – the chapel that stands at the site where, according to tradition, St Peter met Christ when he fled from Rome to escape martyrdom.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 8: WEDNESDAY 08 OCTOBER - ROME FREE DAY

Our day is free to discover more sights of Rome – perhaps throw a coin in the **Trevi Fountain**

before strolling to the Piazza Navona to soak up the vibrant atmosphere. Indulge in a gelato or enjoy a coffee while absorbing and admiring the history of this ancient city. Strolling through the streets is like walking through the pages of a history book.

OR

For the next two days participate in the Jubilee of Consecrated Life spiritual and cultural events taking place around Rome.

This evening join with fellow pilgrims for a prayer vigil.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 9: THURSDAY 09 OCTOBER - ROME: PAPAL MASS

We make our way to St Peter's Square this morning for a memorable Papal Mass in celebration of the Jubilee of Consecrated Life.

This afternoon, we explore the vibrant Trastevere district. Our first stop is the charming Basilica of Santa Maria in Trastevere, a historic church dating back to the 12th century. We continue on to the Basilica of St Cecilia, built on the site of the former house of the saint who was martyred in 230A.D. The body of the saint is venerated in the crypt.

Afterwards, we wander on to enjoy an enchanting evening filled with food and traditional music at a typical Italian trattoria, marking our farewell to Rome and our pilgrimage.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 10: FRIDAY 10 OCTOBER - DEPART ROME

This morning we bid farewell to the Eternal City as we make our way to the airport for our homebound flights or ongoing travel connections. (B)

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PILGRIMAGE DETAILS				
TOUR CODE	PV25102			
STARTS	Wednesday, 01 October 2025			
FINISHES	Friday, 10 October 2025			
LAND COST	AUD \$5390 (Twin Share) *			
SINGLE ROOM	AUD \$1950 Supplement *			
PREPAID TIPPING	AUD \$150 Per Person			

* Costs are indicative and have been based on prices as at January 2025 and must remain subject to possible change in the event of significant exchange rate variations, tax increases or minimum group size factors beyond Harvest's control. Refer to Harvest Booking Terms & Conditions for more details.

INCLUDED

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS: Based on quality religious houses or 3 and 4-star hotels • Meals as specified in Itinerary.

TOURING & TRANSPORTATION: Deluxe air-conditioned touring coach • Professional English-speaking Tour Escort and local guides • Sightseeing and entrance fees

OTHER: Fully escorted by priest chaplain • Daily Masses • Porterage (where available) • Harvest Travel Pack: backpack, travel wallet, pilgrim's iournal and sunbrella.

NOT INCLUDED

International airfares • Travel Insurance • Visits and entrances not listed • Passport and visa costs (if applicable) • Other meals not stated • Drinks with meals • Items of a personal nature • Prepaid Tipping

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SHRINES OF OUR LADY (18th Aug- 3rd September 2025)

Fr Johnson Malayil, CRS, would like to invite you for a 16-day Jubilee pilgrimage, departing on the 18th of August 2025. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Avila, Loyola, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Assisi, Rotondo, and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8890 + tips (30+ pilgrims).

The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in 4-star Premium Hotels, Catholic priest, Meals + English speaking professional guides + Entrances as per itinerary and more.

For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au

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- excellent cuisine and traditional folklore dinners
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- for pilgrimage groups, many places of devotion: Wadowice and John Paul II Shrine, the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Lagiewniki, and St. Faustina Shrine in Czestochowa
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- Krakow in 4/5 days
- Warsaw and Krakow in 5-6 days
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- Poland Pilgrimage
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- Lithuania/Latvia/Estonia
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To access this service please call 1800 324 924 or visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au.



FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS

Call 131 450 for an interpreter. Ask them to ring 1800 RESPECT for you.

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CatholicCare provides a range of services to assist women and children experiencing domestic violence

Central Coast: 1800 324 924 Northern Beaches: 1800 324 924 Naremburn: 1800 324 924 Waitara: 1800 324 924

MEN'S REFERRAL SERVICE: 1300 766 491

A national 24-hour 7 day a week anonymous and confidential counselling, information and referral service to help men stop using violent and controlling behaviour.

FOR FEMALE MIGRANTS UNDER A TEMPORARY VISA

Migrants are especially vulnerable to abuse because they are in unfamiliar territory without knowledge of the laws and emergency services they can access.

If you are experiencing domestic violence, you can take out an Apprehended Violence Order (AVO) against your partner.

Under the Migration Act you can apply for permanent residency due to domestic violence.

Ring any of the following numbers:

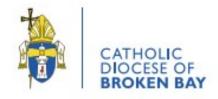
Immigration Advice and Rights Centre 02 8234 0777 Immigrant Women's SpeakOut Association 1800 656 463

Legal Aid NSW 1300 888 529 (business hours)

PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL ABUSE ARE SERIOUS INDICTABLE OFFENCES UNDER THE NSW CRIMES ACT 1900. It is an offence to fail to report knowledge or belief of a serious indictable offence. If in doubt, call 000.

This parish resource has been developed by the Diocese of Broken Bay's Catholic Life & Faith Formation Team in consultation with the Safeguarding Office (Chancery) and CatholicCare Broken Bay. This booklet is part of a Parish Kit which assists parishes to respond to those experiencing domestic violence or those who are seeking help for their violent behaviour. The kit is available for download www.bbcatholic.org.au

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- 0428 149 793

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