

# 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

## PARISH BULLETIN, 17TH JULY 2022

*Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart  
and yield a harvest through perseverance.*

**WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH**

**ST CECILIA'S CHURCH & ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR**

**Under the Pastoral Care of the**

**Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)**

**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*



### **Reflection** *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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Do you wonder how Abraham knew straight away that his three visitors represented God? He runs to meet them and addresses them as 'My Lord'. Somehow, he knew that in their presence he was in the presence of God. Abraham and Sarah were no strangers to suffering and neither was Paul. Just as Abraham is happy to show hospitality to his visitors, Paul is happy to unite his suffering with that of the Christ. Somehow Paul knew that God's presence was in the suffering, and that this hidden mystery was now being revealed in Christ. The mystery is Christ among you! Mary and Martha also came to learn this in a particular way. As it was for Abraham and Paul, Jesus teaches them that all serving must be grounded in a deep relationship of love with God. The presence of God is already with us, in the mystery of Christ. We just need to be open to knowing it, in all that we do. Just for today then, what would it be like to run to serve a stranger as if you were meeting God? How will you sit at the feet of Jesus?

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention July - ELDERLY

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

We welcome the children who are preparing for this Sacrament and their families to our Masses this weekend. This is a sacred time for them and we encourage you to support and pray for them as they deepen their experience of God's love for them.

### Let Your faith shine through

In the Sacrament of Confirmation we come in contact in a profound way with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation confirms the life of Baptism. The Holy Spirit draws us further into the life of faith, and empowers us to witness to the Gospel.

### CHANGE OF DATE

### Christmas in July Luncheon

is  
Friday 22nd July

*This is a reminder for all parishioners who have booked their place at our Christmas in July Luncheon on Friday 22nd July, if for some reason you can not make the Christmas in July please advise Jo on 0424 763 734.*

*Raffle tickets will be sold at the luncheon.*

The venue is St Peter's Catholic College dining area (in the Technical Building) and parking has been arranged in the staff car park at the top of the hill. It is just a short walk from there down to the venue.

**If parishioners could be seated by mid-day, the luncheon will begin at 12.15 p.m.**

**THE FOUNDATION DAY of the Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT) is this Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> July**, all are invited to the Saturday 8am Mass at St Cecilia's followed by a Cappa.

We are very Blessed to have with us both Fr Raul and Fr Alex who belong to this Order and live, and share the mission of this Society with us.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to them for their ministry with us and we pray that God will continue to bless them.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken up at all Masses over the weekend of the 23/24 July. It is the first collection of this kind since 2013.

All monies will go directly towards the refurbishment of the S.O.L.T. Novitiate House for the Asian-Pacific Region.

All young men who are being trained for the priesthood in the S.O.L.T. religious congregation spend one year of their training at this Novitiate House. Father Raul and Father Alex were in the third intake of students in 1992/93.

The current complex needs a major refurbishment, both inside and out. Tropical weather conditions cause the need of a much earlier restoration than is experienced in more temperate climates.

A special thank you to all parishioners for your support, it is much appreciated.

### CONDOLENCES

*The Parish extends our deepest condolences to Lorraine and family on the passing of her beloved husband John Baxter.*

*John was a dearly loved member of our parish community and he will be sadly missed.*

*John's Funeral Mass was held on Monday 11th July at St Cecilia's Church, Wyong at 11am.*

*We know and pray that John is in God's loving hands. May he rest in peace. Amen*

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## Stained Glass Leadlight Windows.

The leadlight windows at St Cecilia's Church reflect the history of our parish.

In the newspaper report of the opening of our Church in 1908 - *The front windows are filled with coloured lead lights, the other windows having "Glacier" decorations, representing religious subjects.* In 1928, with the first extension to the west 'two windows to be made similar in all respects to existing windows' and in the 1953/54 large extension to the east, the 7 leadlight windows cost 155 pounds and 19 shillings. Two leadlight windows for the side chapel were commissioned in 1998 and lastly, the three large windows at the back of the church in the 2000's.

14 windows, (12 lower and 2 upper ones) require one or more of the following restoration actions—bowing, with some glass already popping; glass, with cracks both small and large; glazings bars, which keep the window ridged and in place, missing from 2 windows and all others, rusted.

The restoration process is very lengthy. Firstly, the window and frame are removed and taken from the site. A rubbing of each window, to be used as a pattern when rebuilding, is taken. The window is then taken apart, the glass soaked to clean, broken pieces recut, panel is re leaded, soldered and cemented. The lead is then polished, and copper ties are soldered to the joints to reattach the glazing bars.

The glazier reinstalls the window into the frame and it is puttied in. New steel bars are cut, sprayed black, and attached to the panels within the frames, using the copper ties. Frames are then returned to be reinstalled at the Church.

### Costings

Lower windows 12 @	\$1570 (as per quote)	\$18840.00
Upper windows 2 @	\$1570 (as per quote)	\$ 3020.00
Plywood		\$310.00
Scaffolding (value as owned)		\$540.00
Labour (value as volunteer)		\$780.00

**TOTAL \$23,490**

We have applied to the Community Building Project (grant) for **\$20,860**, although a lesser amount may be allocated. Parish Funds of **\$1310.00** will be required if the full grant is received, with more funds necessary if full grant is not allocated.

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all who have donated to this appeal.

We have reached our annual quote of \$21,307.

Your support to this important appeal is very much appreciated!

Donations to the PWBB are distributed to five charities that directly support the people in our Diocese.

1. CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program
2. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)
3. St Lucy's School
4. St Edmund's College
5. The Ephpheta Centre

Thank you so much for your generosity!

**Fr Raul**



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Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

Weekday Mass

Mon-Sat: 8.00am

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday morning after the 8am Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

### ST JOHN FISHER MASS CENTRE

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

Weekday Mass

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

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday at 4.30pm

### EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT

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### 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

St Barnabas, Yarramalong

1st Sun of month 11.15am

### Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am

St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.15 - 9.15am

### Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sat St Cecilia's & Wed 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

Fr Raul/Fr Alex and the Legion of Mary visit Berkley Vale Nursing home 3rd Wednesday of the Month

### Children's Liturgy

St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday

St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

### 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 4388 2938

### BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

### KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.*

**SICK:** Len Miller, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Christine, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Carol Dafter, Dave Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie & Peter Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, John Cornwell, Eoin, Paula.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** John Baxter

**ANNIVERSARY JULY:** Pauleene Crass, John Dwyer, Nora Dillon, Bridget Dermody, Sr Sylvia Markulin, James Bastick.

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### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Reproduced from Liturgia*

#### FIRST READING GENESIS 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My Lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' he asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 14:2-5

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

#### SECOND READING COLOSSIANS 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION CF LUKE 8:15

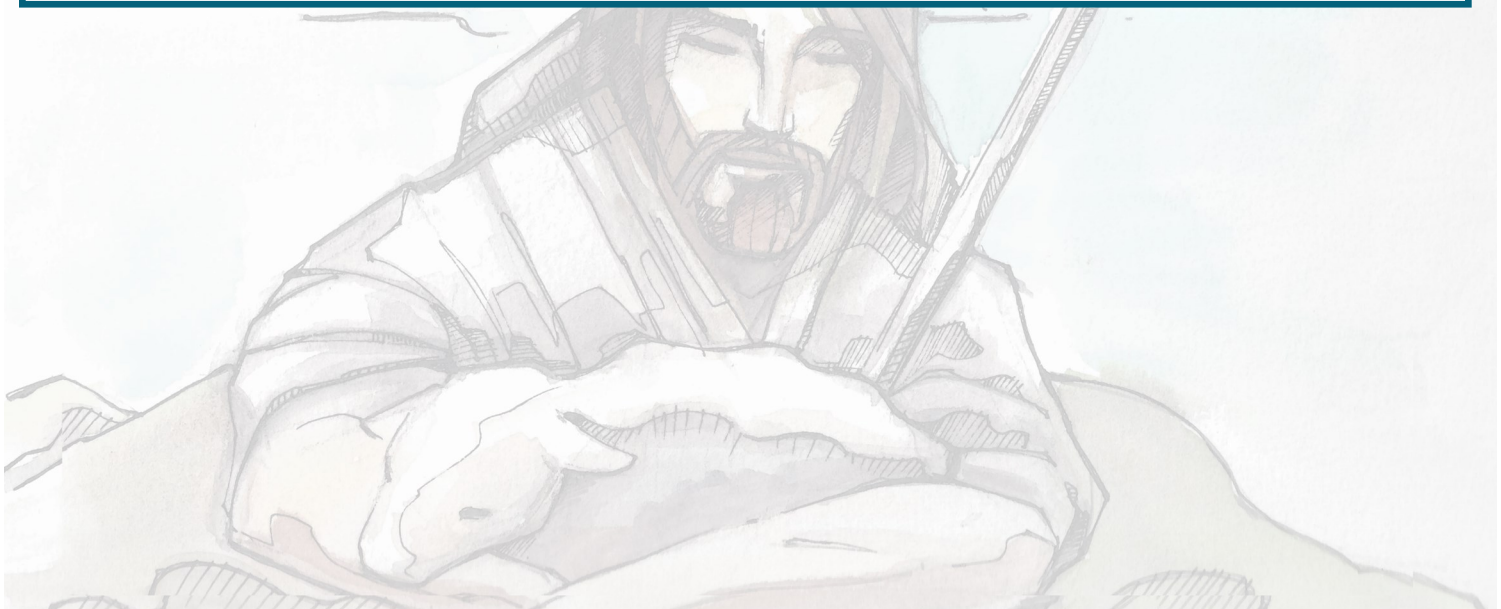
Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL LUKE 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'





Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia met for a final session last weekend to bring to a conclusion the second general assembly, held across six days in Sydney.

In addition to celebrating the final Mass on Saturday morning, Members also approved a concluding statement, reflecting on the discernment that took place during their week together.

The statement said there had been an “expression of synodality that Pope Francis has identified as a key dimension of the Church’s life in the third millennium”.

While some moments during the week had been “calm and harmonious”, the statement also acknowledged there were times that were “tense and difficult”, however “every moment has been blessed, the entire week has been grace-filled, though never a cheap grace. The Holy Spirit has been both comforter and disrupter”.

Attending the Council with Bishop Anthony Randazzo were the Vicar General of the Diocese, Very Rev Dr David Ranson; Chancellor Kelly Paget; Diocesan Director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Alison Newell; Director, Catholic Schools Broken Bay, Danny Casey and Hornsby Cathedral parishioner, Raj Rajasingham.

Bishop Anthony said after the closing Mass while there were tense and challenging times, the Holy Spirit was very much alive in the room during the Council and there was great energy.

Danny Casey said; "The Plenary was called to strengthen the faith life in Australia and to find new ways of bringing all closer to Christ. This must remain our focus.

The journey has been a memorable experience with good discussion among those who love the Church.”

He said all new proposals need to be assessed against the main purpose – bringing people closer to God and His Church.

After nearly four and a half years in preparation, on Saturday morning Council Members confirmed the decrees of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, which were then signed by all bishops present. After the November meeting of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, the decrees will be sent to the Holy See.

Full details of the Plenary Council can be found at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>





Catholic Youth Broken Bay together with Glorious, a group of enthusiastic and creative young adults, invite young people across the diocese to ‘Praisefest: Welcome to Mercy.’

**Date:** Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> August from 7:00pm – 9:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish at The Entrance.

The theme, ‘Welcome to Mercy’, invites each young person to delve into Christ’s fountain of life regardless of past, failures, or current relationship with Christ. It also aims to connect the merciful and social justice work which students currently participate in through their schools, to the mercy that flows from Christ.

The evening will include outdoor games, live music, Q&A panel, testimony and of course, a Praise Party! More information will be announced over the coming weeks.

## The PDCC final report has been handed to Bishop Anthony!

The final report of the Pastoral Discernment Project was handed to Bishop Anthony at the recent Clergy Conference with Clergy and Diocesan Leaders present. Subsequent to Bishop Anthony’s response to the Report, a task group will be established for the project’s implementation phase.

We invite the Holy Spirit to continue to guide the next phase of the Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Project.

For further information and regular updates, visit [www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc).

*‘Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?’*

Isaiah 43:19



Young Adults are invited to join the Catholic Youth Broken Bay team for a bush walk on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July. We will be walking part of the Crosslands to Berowra Waters track, following 10:00am Mass at St Patrick’s Church, Asquith.

This return walk starts from the Crosslands Reserve and follows the Great North Walk along Berowra creek, a beautiful place of natural flora and fauna. The walk is relatively flat, with the final part of the hike leading to Naa Badu Lookout, offering magnificent views over Berowra Creek, as well as Sams and Calna Creeks.

Bring your own snacks/lunch and water for the hike, as well as a water bottle, hat and sunscreen.

Contact Jen for more information: [jen.healey@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jen.healey@bbcatholic.org.au).

**JULY 22ND, 2022 6PM**  
**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**  
&  
**DISCERNMENT EVENING**  
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## **Catholic Vocations Broken Bay**

Inviting all young adults to join us for a special evening of Holy Hour, Adoration and Discernment at Holy Name Parish Wahroonga on Friday, July 22.

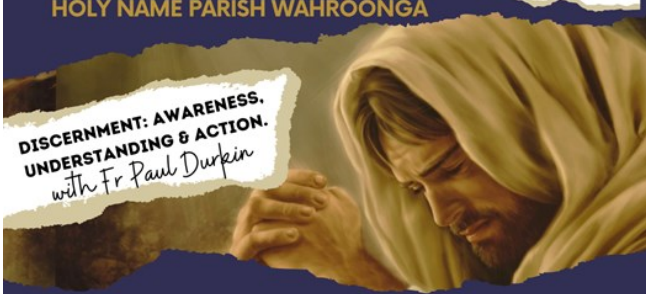
Fr Paul Durkin will be presenting our third talk on Discernment: Awareness, Understanding & Action, starting with Holy Hour at 6pm, followed by dinner. This promises to be a special evening for all young adults who are seeking guidance and direction in their lives.

During the talk, Fr Paul will explore what it means to be aware of God's will for our lives, how to understand His call, and how to take action in response. This promises to be a rich and informative evening, so please join us! Hope to see you there!

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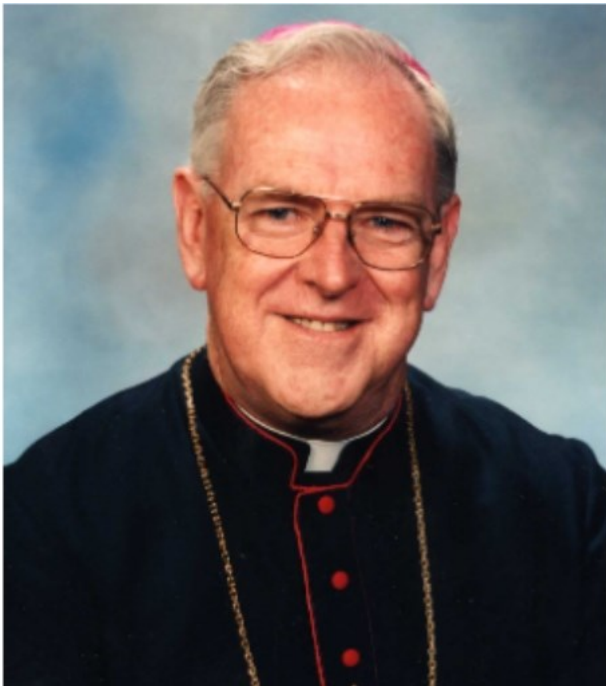
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## Safeguarding Message

The protection of children and vulnerable adults within our Diocese will be achieved as every member of our community strives to be a person who **LISTENS** to others with an open heart and mind, and responds well so that concerns and risks may be identified early and addressed.

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 Joanne. Individual mobile numbers are on the back of the bulletin. or email [wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au)