

# Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

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10th December 2023 : Second Sunday in Advent — Year B

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## St Kevin's Church

## **Weekday Masses:**

Mon-Sat:8:30am (Holy Rosary 8am), Friday

12 Noon

## **Week-end Mass Times** Saturday Vigil: 6pm

**Sunday:** 8am; 9.15am, 10.30am (in Italian);

Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday of the month 4pm & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.45am -

Mass in Spanish: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4pm Brazilian Mass: 2nd & Last Saturday at 4pm.

**Every 4th Sunday:** 

Chaplaincy Youth Mass at 6.00 pm **Reconciliation:** Saturday: 9am

Cenacle of Prayer:

Wednesday after the 8.30am Mass

# **Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

First Fridays of the month: 7pm Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 

Fridays after 8.30am Mass till 11.45am **<u>Legion</u>** of **Mary**: Every Thursday at 2pm

**Divine Mercy**: 3rd Friday at 7pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:

Every Wednesday at 7.00pm except 1st Wednesday (Novena Mass is every 1st

Wednesday at 7pm)

#### St John the Apostle Church

**Weekday** Masses: Tuesday—Saturday: 9.30am (Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet 9.00am)

**Week-end Mass Times** 

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am & 10am (Rosary at 9.30am) **Reconciliation:** Saturday: following the

9.30am Mass

**<u>EucharisticAdoration</u>**: Monday7pm-8pm 1st Saturday 8:45am: Devotion & Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary (prayers for Souls in Purgatory)

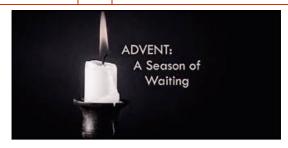


In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism, but a preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

John the Baptist is presented to us as a model during Advent. We, too, are called upon to prepare a way for the Lord. Like John the Baptist, we are messengers in service to one who is greater than we are. Our Baptism commissions us to call others to life as disciples of Jesus.

"Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation".

	Mass	Inte	ntions for the Week
St. John's, Narraweena :			
Saturday	5.00pm		
Sunday	8.00am	10	
,	10.00am		
Tuesday	9.30am	12	
<b>Wednesday</b> St Lucy	9.30am	13	
<b>Thursday</b> St John of The	9.30am e Cross	14	
Friday	9.30am	15	
Saturday	9.30am	_	
St. Kevin's, Dee Why:			
Saturday	6pm	9	
Sunday	8.00am	10	
	9.15am		
	10 .30am		Special intentions in honour of St Lucy, offered by Iolanda Longo. Dec Pasquale Mazza, Vincenza Mazza, Alfredo Butera, Antonio Caruso, Grace Rossi
	6.00pm		rincomo curaso, Grace ressi
Monday	8.30am	П	
Tuesday	8.30am	12	
	10am		Funeral Mass for Alfia Bonanno
	7pm		Memorial Mass Maria Gigliotti
<b>Wednesday</b> St Lucy	8.30am	13	
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St John of The Cross			
	10am		Funeral service for Lindsay Sinclair-Paton
Friday	8.30am	15	
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Saturday	8.30am	16	



#### Something to think about ...

Advent is the annual season of waiting. The way we wait, affects how we celebrate and enjoy Christmas. The way we wait, may grow in us a new realisation that everything about God, and especially God's Son, is worth our waiting. May we wait and notice where God is in our daily lives. We wait for the Lord because his day is near.

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The next Baptism Workshop will take place on Wednesday 13th December at 7pm. Please email the office on warringahparish@bbcatholic.org.au for more information and to book a place.

# Christmas Lucky Number Draw

Please return your sold and unsold tickets **urgently** to the parish office. Thank you for your assistance.



# You're invited To

# CHRISTMAS

# DAY LUNCH

St Mary's Catholic Church Enter from Denison St, School Entrance 11am - 1pm

This year we will be providing a Take Away Picnic Lunch and gift.

There will be some tables set up under the big tree if you wish to enjoy your Picnic with some other guests.



Free Christmas Day Lunch at St Mary's Manly for those who are spending Christmas alone.

#### Diocesan Advent Resource.

O Come O Come Emmanuel, prepared by our Vicar General, Fr David Ranson, is a beautiful series of Advent Reflections based on the O Antiphons; the Christmas hymn. These reflections will accompany the participants towards the sacred Mystery of Christmas in wondrous anticipation for the birth of the Lord. The resource is downloadable from <a href="https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/evangelisation/advent-2023">https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/evangelisation/advent-2023</a>

# PARISH NEWS/EVENTS



# Warringah Parish Christmas Mass Times

#### At St John's Narraweena.

<u>Saturday 23rd December</u>: 9.30am & 5pm (Vigil Mass)

<u>Sunday 24th December</u>: 8am & 10am for Sunday. Outdoor Mass for Christmas Eve at 5pm (weather permitting)

Monday 25th December: 8am & 10am.

# At St Kevin's Dee Why.

<u>Saturday 23rd December</u>: 8.30am & 6pm Vigil Mass <u>Sunday 24th December</u>: **Sunday Masses** at 8am, 9.15am, 10.30am (Italian) & 6pm.

Christmas Eve Masses at 7.30pm (family Mass) & 12 Midnight (with carols from 11.30pm)

Monday 25th December: 8am, 9.15am & 10.30am (Italian). No Evening Mass on Christmas Day.



St John's Narraweena Vinnies Christmas Appeal

Vinnies will hold their **Annual Christmas Appeal this**weekend at all Masses. Envelopes will be available for
those, who would like to donate through the envelopes or
make a Hamper. Hamper envelopes will contain details of
the family and recommendations for purchases. We would
appreciate if the hampers can be returned on or before
17th December for delivery to families in need.
Thanking you in advance. Blessings of the Holy Family.
John Colby, President.

# FEDERAZIONE CATTOLICA ITALIANA

CARTE E TOMBOLA – Martedi prossimo alle 6-30pm

# FESTA DI NATALE PER I MEMBRI E IL LORO PARTNER.

Domenica prossima, 17 dicembre, dopo la messa italiana, si terrà una festa di Natale con pranzo, per i membri della Federazione Cattolica Italiana.

Il costo è di \$ 20 per i membri e \$ 30 per i non membri.



Christmas Dinner Filmigrants invite you to attend a Christmas Dinner on 29th December at 7pm in St Kevin's Upper Hall. Tickets cost \$15.00 to cover finger food. Please contact Joanne on 0430 788 700 for more information.



# **Launch of Christmas Novena Masses** .

The cherished tradition of Novena Masses for Christmas, known as "Simbang Gabi" in the Philippines, is an age-old practice that reminds us that participating in the Holy Mass over the nine days preceding Christmas is one of the most beautiful and heartfelt ways to prepare spiritually for the joyous celebration of Christ's birth.

Evening Novena Masses at Waitara and Dee Why.

Dates: 15 – 23 December 2023. Details: 7:00 PM - Hornsby Cathedral, 23 Yardley Ave, Waitara.

Also at 7:30 PM - St. Kevin's Church, 50 Oaks Ave, Dee Why.

MATURE LADY TO ASSIST IN HOME Elderly lady seeking mature woman to assist her with light duties & simple evening meal. In exchange for low or rent free accommodation. Must be non-smoker, neat, tidy, own car & have police check. Contact Therese 9982 5679.



Rosters Next Week: 3rd Sunday in Advent.

St Kevin's Cleaning Team : C

# **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

#### First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah. 'Console my people, console them' says your God.

'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.'

A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert.

Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear,

say to the towns of Judah,
'Here is your God.'
Here is the Lord coming with power,
his arm subduing all things to him.
The prize of his victory is with him,
his trophies all go before him.
He is like a shepherd feeding his flock,
gathering lambs in his arms,
holding them against his breast
and leading to their rest the mother
ewes.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 84:9-14

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. R. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. R.

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. R.

## **Second Reading**

2 Peter 3:8-14

A reading from the second letter of St Peter.

There is one thing, my friends, that you must never forget: that with the Lord, 'a day' can mean a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises, as anybody else might be called slow; but he is being patient with you all, wanting nobody to be lost and everybody to be brought to change his ways. The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then with a roar the sky will vanish, the elements will catch fire and fall apart, the earth and all that it contains will be burnt up.

Since everything is coming to an end like this, you should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come, when the sky will dissolve in flames and the elements melt in the heat. What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home. So then, my friends, while you are waiting, do your best to live lives without spot or stain so that he will find you at peace.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Luke 3:4, 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah:

Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.





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