



Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

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17th December 2023 : Third 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);
6pm

Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday of the month

4pm & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.45am -
in Tagalog.

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

Legion 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

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday 7pm—8pm

1st Saturday 8:45am: Devotion & Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
(prayers for Souls in Purgatory)



This Sunday's Gospel invites us to continue our reflection on the person and mission of John the Baptist. John's Gospel begins with a theological reflection that has come to be called the "prologue." This prologue places the story of Jesus in its cosmological framework. It speaks of Jesus' existence with God since the beginning of time. Jesus is presented as the fulfillment of the Old Testament and the culmination of the Word, the light that is coming into the world's darkness.

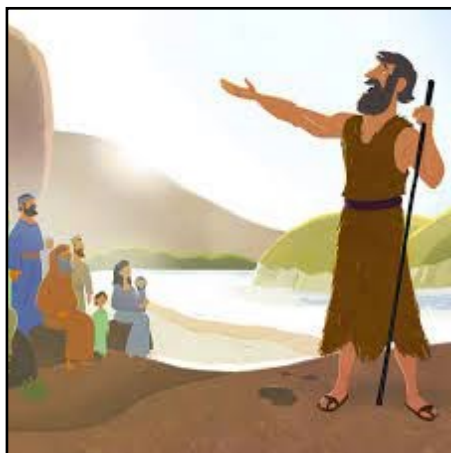
The third Sunday of Advent is also called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete*, a Latin word which means "rejoice," is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass. This theme is echoed in today's second reading from the first Letter to the Thessalonians. It is a reminder that Advent is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

"My soul rejoices in my God"

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John's, Narraweena :

Saturday	5.00pm	16	
Sunday	8.00am	17	Dec Thurlo Butterly (10th anniversary)
	10.00am		Dec Thurlo Butterly (10th anniversary)
Tuesday	9.30am	19	
Wednesday	9.30am	20	
Thursday	9.30am	21	
Friday	9.30am	22	
Saturday	9.30am	23	
St. Kevin's, Dee Why :			
Saturday	6pm	16	
Sunday	8.00am	17	
	9.15am		
	10.30am		Dec Grace Rossi, Giuseppe Maruca (7th Anniv) Bruno Mamone, Ugo Melani, Miranda Palermo, Famiglia Palermo, Famiglia Vilella, Peppino Falvo
	6.00pm		
Monday	8.30am	18	
Tuesday	8.30am	19	
Wednesday	8.30am	20	
Thursday	8.30am	21	
Friday	8.30am	22	
	12 Noon		Deceased Kieran Martin (1st Anniversary)
Saturday	8.30am	23	



Something to think about ...

John the Baptist was a witness and pointed the way to Jesus, the true light. He was clear on his identity, saying he was not the Messiah or a prophet, but one who baptised only with water. John humbly acknowledged his own role recognising that following him, was one, far more important, the true Messiah.

Let us be voices in the wilderness that announce the presence of the Lord, the eternal Word, even if we feel no one is listening.



The next Baptism Workshop will take place on Wednesday 10th January, 2024, at 7pm. Please email the office on warringahparish@bbccatholic.org.au for more information and to book a place.



Christmas Novena Masses .

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. All welcome.



Christmas Lucky Number Draw.

The draw will take place at the following times, this Sunday 17th December :

At **St Kevins** after the 7:30 PM Christmas Novena Mass which will be presided by Fr Ignacio Gutiérrez.
 At **St John's** after the 10 am Mass, outside the Church.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets.
Good luck everyone.

Welcome Fr Ignacio

Fr Ignacio Gutiérrez, Scalabrini Provincial Superior is visiting the Parish this weekend, December 16th and 17th for his Canonical Visitation. He will celebrate Mass at St Kevin's Saturday morning and meet parishioners afterwards. Please come and say hello.

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS



Warringah Parish Christmas Mass Times 2023

At St John's Narraweena.

Saturday 23rd December : 9.30am & 5pm (Vigil Mass)

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

Monday 25th December : 8am & 10am.

At St Kevin's Dee Why.

Saturday 23rd December : 8.30am & 6pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 24th December : **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.**

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

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.

It's been a tough year for many, so no matter what your
circumstance, you are always welcome to come along!!

- ✓ COVID-19 Safe
- ✓ Free
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2023
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7:00 pm

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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.**

Christmas Readers

If you would like to read at any of the
Christmas masses at St John's, please contact
Mary baldwin.mary.50@gmail.com

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 [https://
www.bbcatholic.org.au/evangelisation/advent-2023](https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/evangelisation/advent-2023)



**Rosters Next Week: 4th Sunday in
Advent**

St Kevin's Cleaning Team : D

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah. The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken; to proclaim liberty to captives, freedom to those in prison; to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord.

'I exult for joy in the Lord, my soul rejoices in my God, for he has clothed me in the garments of salvation, he has wrapped me in the cloak of integrity, like a bridegroom wearing his wreath, like a bride adorned in her jewels.

'For as the earth makes fresh things grow, as a garden makes seeds spring up, so will the Lord make both integrity and praise spring up in the sight of the nations.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Luke 1:46-50, 53-54

R. My soul rejoices in my God.

My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour. He looks on his servant in her nothingness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed. **R.**

The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!

His mercy is from age to age,

on those who fear him. **R.**

He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

Be happy at all times; pray constantly; and for all things give thanks to God, because this is what God expects you to do in Christ Jesus.

Never try to suppress the Spirit or treat the gift of prophecy with contempt; think before you do anything - hold on to what is good and avoid every form of evil.

May the God of peace make you perfect and holy; and may you all be kept safe and blameless, spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God has called you and he will not fail you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Isaiah 61:1 (Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 1:6-8, 19-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

A man came, sent by God.

His name was John.

He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him.

He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light.

This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' he not only

declared, but he declared quite openly, 'I am not the Christ.' 'Well then,' they asked 'are you Elijah?' 'I am not' he said. 'Are you the Prophet?' He answered, 'No.' So they said to

him, 'Who are you? We must take back an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say about yourself?' So John said, 'I am, as Isaiah prophesied: a voice that cries in the wilderness: Make a straight way for the Lord.'

Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and they put this further question to him, 'Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and not the prophet?' John replied, 'I baptise with water; but there stands among you unknown to you the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap.' This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

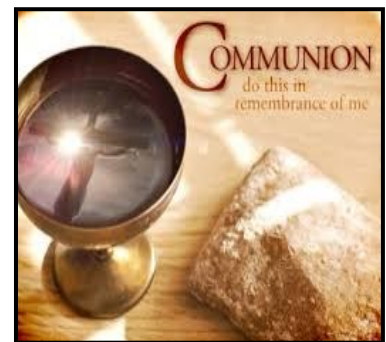
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.

Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.



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