



# Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

**St Kevin's Church**  
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2099, N.S.W.

**St John the Apostle Church**  
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2099, N.S.W.

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**22nd February 2026 : — 1st Sunday of Lent : Year A**

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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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month

**4pm & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month 11.45am** -  
in Tagalog

**Mass in Spanish :** 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4pm

**Brazilian Mass :** 2nd & Last Saturday at 4pm.

### **Every 4<sup>th</sup> 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 11am

### **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**

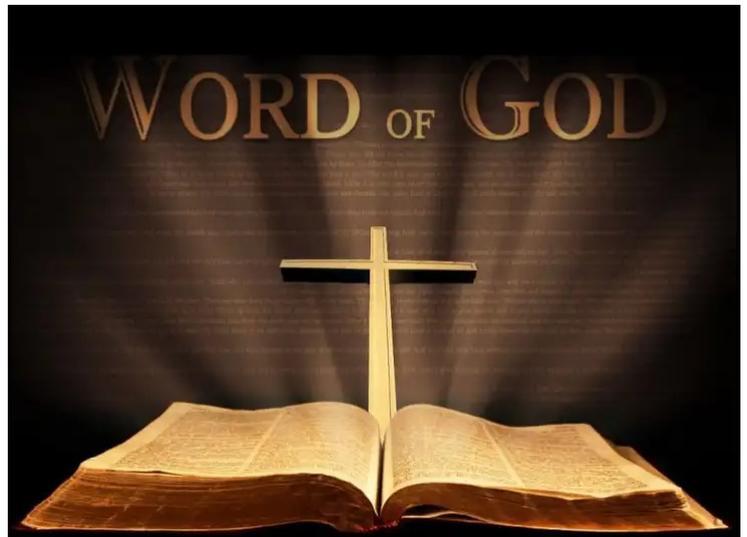
**Saturday Vigil:** 5pm

**Sunday:** 8am & 9.30am ( Holy Rosary & Di-  
vine Mercy Chaplet 9.00am )

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: following the  
9.30am Mass

**EucharisticAdoration:**Monday7pm–8pm

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



In the Gospel today Jesus has just been Baptised and affirmed as the beloved Son of God so he goes into the desert to discern what this could really mean. His identity and relationship with God are challenged but he listens only to God and trusts in the truth of God's word. Today's readings encourage us to take time to listen more deeply to God's word, to face the truth of our identity and our relationship with God. Is your relationship with God being tested? Where do you notice the grace of God keeping me strong? We pray that we may fix our eyes more and more on Jesus as Lent progresses.

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***Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.***

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### St. John's, Narrabeena :

<b>Saturday</b>	5.00pm	21	
<b>Sunday</b>	8.00am	22	Dec Tony Fuda (20th Anniv)
	9.30am		Dec Tony Fuda (20th Anniv), Gaetano
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	24	
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	25	
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	26	
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	27	
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	28	

### St. Kevin's, Dee Why :

<b>Saturday</b>	6pm	21	Dec Dominga Paz Estanislao ( 44th Anniv), Rec dec Antonio Sta. Clara Jnr, Marie Bashir. Dec Carlo Guardala ( 7th Anniv)
<b>Sunday</b>	8.00am	22	Dec Gerry O'Brien
	9.15am		Dec Gerry O'Brien
	10.30am		Dec Francesco Pugliese, Giuseppe Frisina
	6.00pm		Dec Gerry O'Brien
<b>Monday</b>	8.30am	23	
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.30am	24	
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30 am	25	Dec Francesca Reale. Deceased souls of Frana & Antun
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am	26	Dec Antonio Romeo
	6.30pm		Memorial Mass Mario Nero
<b>Friday</b>	8.30am	27	
	10am		Funeral Mass for Marie Hatton
	12 Noon		
<b>Saturday</b>	8.30am	28	



The next Baptism Workshop will take place on Wednesday 11th March at 7pm. Please email the office on [warringahparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:warringahparish@bbcatholic.org.au) for more information and to book a place.



### Pastoral Works Fund

This weekend we will continue our February PWF Appeal. Our current outstanding amount is **\$31,910**. All donations over \$2 are 100% Tax Allowable. Thank you for your financial support.

**Vox Populi**  
18 February 2026

We are now in the Season of Lent, a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, where we enter more deeply into intimacy with God in order to prepare for Easter.

The practice of fasting for 40 days has deep biblical roots. Moses fasted for 40 days and 40 nights on Mount Sinai while receiving the 10 Commandments (Exodus 34:28) and Elijah fasted for 40 days and 40 nights before encountering God (1 Kings 19:8).

Most particularly, Jesus Christ spent 40 days and 40 nights in the wilderness as he prepared for His ministry. During this season, we are invited to journey with Jesus Christ and enter into the wilderness, denying ourselves some of our ordinary pleasures in order to more deeply encounter Him.

In his Lenten Penance letter, Bishop Anthony Randazzo encourages all the faithful of Broken Bay to "reconnect with our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ; to reflect upon our spiritual pilgrimage both as individuals and as one community of disciples."

In this spirit, he has reminded the faithful of the Paschal Precept, that each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is done between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.

To accompany the People of God in Broken Bay this Lent, the Diocese has prepared a Lenten resource, ***Walking in the Wilderness: A Lenten Pilgrimage Towards Easter.***

The resource is based around the Sunday Gospel Readings in Lent, with prayers, reflections and discussion questions, helping to draw the faithful closer into the Season and truly walk in the wilderness with Jesus Christ. Copies of this resource are available in parishes.

### Justice & Peace Gathering | Northern Beaches

All are warmly invited to a Justice & Peace "Meet & Greet" Gathering:

**Date: Monday 2 March 2026. Time: 7pm**

**Venue: St Kieran's Parish Hall, 2 King Street, Manly Vale.**

This informal evening is an opportunity to connect with others who share a heart for justice, peace, and the dignity of every person. Come and meet fellow parishioners, social justice volunteers, St Vincent de Paul members, and young adults from across the Northern Beaches.

There is no formal agenda, simply conversation, sharing, and encouragement. We will also hear briefly from a few local groups about initiatives that are bearing fruit in their parishes, helping to inspire and support one another in our shared mission.

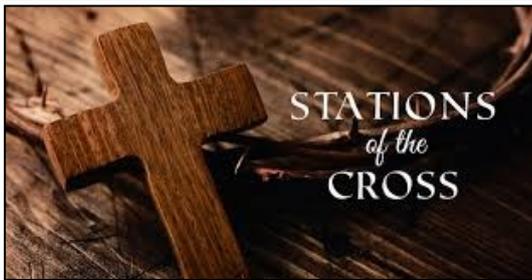
Whether you are new to social justice ministry or have been involved for many years, you are most welcome. Please feel free to invite others who may be interested. We look forward to gathering together in a spirit of hope, solidarity, and community. For more information or to RSVP, please email [Michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Michelle.chahine@bbcatholic.org.au)



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# PARISH NEWS/EVENTS



## Stations of the Cross during Lent

Will take place in St Kevin's on Friday morning at 8am & 6pm (in Italian)

At St John's: 9am on Friday mornings.

## FEDERAZIONE CATTOLICA ITALIANA.

**VIA CRUCIS IN ITALIANO** Ogni venerdì sera alle 6pm durante la Quaresima

## TESSERAMENTO

Il tesseramento della Federazione Cattolica Italiana si terrà Domenica 15 Marzo. Tutti i membri sono invitati a rinnovare il loro impegno.

Per favore, mettetevi in contatto con Angela al numero 80680651 per comunicare la vostra decisione.

**Nuovi membri sono benvenuti:** unitevi a noi per condividere momenti di fede e amicizia!

## Mission Network: Youth Ministry Leaders Training Relational Ministry 101: Engaging with Young People Respectfully, Building Lasting Relationships and Expanding your Youth/Young Adult Group

On Saturday 7 March the Mission Broken Bay team are hosting a Mission Network: Youth Ministry Leaders Training for parish based youth leaders.

This day is aimed at aspiring youth leaders, current youth ministers/leaders, young adult leaders and clergy interested in starting or growing their youth ministry.

It will be at the Caroline Chisholm Centre (Level 4, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills). The theme for this day will be relational ministry. We will have a time for prayer, workshops and group discussion. Lunch is provided.

Please RSVP BY Monday 2 March 2026 via <https://forms.office.com/r/19WG0buzcv>



**Rosters Next Week: 2nd Sunday of Lent**

**St Kevin's Cleaning Team : C**

To report any concerns or complaints relating to Safeguarding, please contact a member of the Diocesan Safeguarding and Child Protection team. Chancery Safeguarding Office : Phone Number 8379 1605. Email [safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au)



## Waves of Grace: Manly Freshwater Women's Ministry

Manly Freshwater Parish welcome women (aged 20-50) to Waves of Grace Women's Group. It is an opportunity to encounter Christ through authentic friendships which inspire them to live out their Catholic faith, in their families and friendships.

Join their formational session in February, led by Seminarian Alfred Soliman who will be speaking on Pope John Paul II's teaching on the Dignity of Women. The next session will take place on Saturday 21 February 2.30pm-4pm in The Parish Office. Please phone 8379 1720 for more details.

## Accessible Church Mass | Holy Cross Church, South Kincumber | Sunday 8 March 2026

A monthly Accessible Mass will be offered at Holy Cross Catholic Church, South Kincumber, designed to be welcoming and inclusive for people of all abilities, including individuals and families living with disability, neurodiversity, or additional needs.

**10.30am Sunday 8 March 2026** (Second Sunday of each month) **Holy Cross Catholic Church, 9 Humphreys Rd, Kincumber South 2251**

Families, carers, and support workers are warmly welcome. The church is accessible, with wheelchair-accessible toilets adjacent to the church, and efforts are being made to be sensory aware. For accessibility or support requests, please contact the Mission Office: [mission@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:mission@bbcatholic.org.au)

## Lenten Reflection Days

SRE Catechists are invited to join us for a Lenten Reflection Day. Walk the sacred path of the Cross this Lent as we prayerfully reflect on Christ's journey of love, sacrifice, and hope. Renew your heart and deepen your calling as catechists through reflection and shared faith. There will be two events:

- Friday 20 March at Chatswood Parish
- Friday 27 March at The Entrance Parish

To register, please email

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# SCRIPTURE READINGS

## Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

## First Reading

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 50:3-6, 12-14, 17

**R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. **R.** My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done. **R.** A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

Give me again the joy of your help;

with a spirit of fervour sustain me.

O Lord, open my lips

and my mouth shall declare your praise. **R.**

## Second Reading

Romans 5:12-19

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

## Gospel

Matthew 4:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says:

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:

He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan!

For scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Communion Antiphon

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.



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