

Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

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7th December 2025 : — 2nd Sunday of Advent : 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: 1st Sunday of the month 4pm & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.45am -

in Tagalog

<u>Mass in Spanish</u>: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4pm <u>Brazilian</u> <u>Mass</u>: 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

<u>Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus</u>

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

<u>Weekday Masses</u>: 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)



John proclaims the coming of the kingdom—the nearness of God—and the coming judgement. He also urges the necessity of repentance in order to welcome the Lord and to receive a favourable judgement. Repentance is more than sorrow and regret for sin; it is a new way of thinking and being, that is living in fidelity to God. He spoke God's message without fear or favour and paid with his life. John was passionate about preparing the people to welcome the judge. To this end he offered baptism— a cleaning ritual signifying the washing away of sin. The only security lies in bearing the fruits of genuine repentance. It is only the good works of love—especially towards the needy and marginalised—flowing out of genuine repentance, that open wide the doors of our hearts, and so prepare the way to welcome the Lord and experience salvation.

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.'

Mass Intentions for the Week			
St. John's, Narraweena :			
Saturday	5.00pm		
Sunday St Ambrose	8.00am	7	
	9.30am		Dec Rosamaria Speziali (1st Anniv)
Tuesday	9.30am		
Wednesday	y 9.30am	10	
Thursday	9.30am	П	
Friday	9.30am		
Saturday St Lucy	9.30am	13	
St. Kevin's, Dee Why:			
Saturday	6pm	6	
Sunday St Ambrose	8.00am	7	
	9.15am		Dec Rosamaria Speziali (1st Anniv)
	10 .30am		Dec Rosamaria Speziali (1st Anniv), Carlo Guardala, Domenico Biviano, Francesco Pugliese, Giuseppe Curcillo, Barbara Curcillo, Luigi Marachi, Caterina Zapavinga, Giovanni Ruperti, Giuseppe Curcillo, Nicola Curcillo, famiglia Curcillo, Dec Antonio Zofrea, Carmela Zofrea, Cesar Portocarrero
	6.00pm		
Monday	8.30am		
Tuesday	8.30am	9	Dec Marie Fredriksson, Ruslan Zhygunov
	10.30am		Funeral Mass for Vjeko Tulich
	7pm		Memorial Mass for Salvatore Campanella
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Thursday	8.30am	П	
Friday	8.30am	12	
I	12 Noon		
Saturday St Lucy	8.30am	13	



Messa in onore di Santa Lucia.

Domenica 14 Dicembre, 10.30am Messa Italiana offerta da Iolando Longo in memoria di Vincenza Mazza.

Mass for the Closing of the Jubilee Year of Hope

Bishop Anthony extends a very warm invitation to the clergy and people of God in Broken Bay to join him for Mass and Closing of the Jubilee Year. The Relics from our three Shrines of Hope will also journey to the Cathedral to be present for this Mass.

Date: Sunday 28 December 2025

Time: 9.30am

Location: Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

North Shore and Northern Beaches Pastoral Letters are now available in all parishes.

In these Letters, Bishop Anthony reflects on the voices and hopes shared throughout the discernment process and prayerfully outlines a way forward for each of the two Deaneries. These Letters invite us to remain engaged in prayer, communion, participation and mission as we continue to journey forward together. They are also now

available on the Diocese website:
Pastoral Discernment Northern Beaches

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/mission/pdnb/pastoralletter



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



On Monday, December 8, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Church teaches: "To become the mother of the Saviour, Mary 'was enriched by God with gifts appropriate to such a role.' The angel Gabriel at the moment of the annunciation salutes her as 'full of grace'. In fact, in order for Mary to be able to give the free assent of her faith to the announcement of her vocation, it was necessary that she be wholly borne by God's grace."

The Solemnity fittingly occurs just after the second Sunday of Advent. Advent is a season which prepares us and constantly speaks to the coming birth of Jesus Christ. In this same way, the Immaculate Conception prepares the way for Jesus Christ. The Immaculate Conception positions the Blessed Virgin Mary as the first to be redeemed, and a prototype of the Church and humanity's sanctification. It sanctifies her as a pure, New Eve, whose graced freedom enables the Incarnation. It magnifies Jesus Christ's redemptive power and invites all Christians to participate in this same grace that first filled our Blessed Mother.

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Monday 8th December

Masses will be as below:

In St Kevin's: 8.30am, 12 Noon & 7pm

In St John's: 9.30am & 7pm

Readers

We are currently seeking additional readers for the Saturday 5pm and Sunday 9:30am masses at St John's. If you are interested, please reach out to the parish office at warringahparish@bbcatholic.org.au or contact Mary at baldwin.mary50@gmail.com

Certificates

Parish Pilgrims Certificates have been received from the Diocese. You can collect your certificate from the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS



At ST KEVIN'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES

Commencing 15th-23rd December at 7.30pm.

<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u>: Wednesday 24th DECEMBER MASSES: 7.30pm (FAMILY MASS) & 12 MIDNIGHT (CAROLS FROM 11.30pm).

CHRISTMAS DAY: Thursday 25th DECEMBER MASSES: 8am, 9.15am and 10.30am (ITALIAN).

BOXING DAY: Friday 26th DECEMBER Mass: 8.30am & 12 Noon

NEW YEAR'S DAY: Thursday 1st JANUARY Mass : 8.30am

At ST JOHN'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE: Wednesday 24th DECEMBER 5pm INDOOR MASS. Children can come dressed as angels, shepherds or a king.

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Mass : 9.30am



Rosters Next Week: 3rd Sunday in

Advent

St Kevin's Cleaning Team: B

COME & JOIN THE FUN Catholic Parish of Warringah Fundraiser 2025 **Christmas Lucky Number Draw** \$20 \$20 EACH Try your luck 1x Winner @ St. Kevin's \$1000 (Ticket 001 - 500) 1x Winner @ St. John's \$1000 (Ticket 501 - 1000) Winners will be drawn on 23rd December 2025 For T&Cs or inquiries, please contact Gerard Haddrick 0415 035 022 Thank you for supporting the Catholic Parish of Warringah and helping make this Christmas season specia

"Parish Lucky Number Competition": We do not have long till the Christmas draw. It would be appreciated if all monies and stubs could be handed in asap. Please also return books that you are struggling to complete. This will enable us to re-assess how many are still to be sold. You can place the money and stubs in the white envelope and place into the collection bag, or hand into the office, or to a priest, or your contact person. If any problems or issues feel free to contact Gerard on 0415035022.

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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 11:1-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.
A shoot springs from the stock of
Jesse, a scion thrusts from his roots:
On him the spirit of the Lord rests,
a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of counsel and power, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.
He will ha and save
May his n and endu be blesse name. R.

(The fear of the Lord is his breath.) He does not judge by appearances, he gives no verdict on hearsay, but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land.

His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless; his sentences bring death to the wicked. Integrity is the loincloth round his waist, faithfulness the belt about his hips.

The wolf lives with the lamb, the panther lies down with the kid, calf and lion cub feed together with a little boy to lead them.

The cow and the bear make friends, their young lie down together.

The lion eats straw like the ox.
The infant plays over the cobra's hole;
into the viper's lair the young child puts
his hand

They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy mountain, for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters swell the sea.

That day, the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples. It will be sought out by the nations and its home will be glorious.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice,

that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. R.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails: He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. R.

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. R. May his name be blessed for ever and endure like the sun. Every tribe shall be blessed in him, all nations bless his name. R.

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-9

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

Everything that was written long ago in the scriptures was meant to teach us something about hope from the examples scripture gives of how people who did not give up were helped by God. And may he who helps us when we refuse to give up, help you all to be tolerant with each other, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that united in mind and voice you may give glory to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you. The reason Christ became the servant of circumcised Jews was not only so that God could faithfully carry out the promises made to the patriarchs, it was also to get the pagans to give glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says in one place: For this I shall praise you among the pagans and sing your name.

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

Matthew 3:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet spoke of when he said: A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, "We have Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise vou in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

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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