

“In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed...”



Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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07 February 2021—5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome!

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Holy Name please visit our parish website at www.holynamewahroonga.com.au. We hope you enjoy your time here at Holy Name Wahroonga. Please visit us again soon.

A Great Day for our Diocese of Broken Bay and our Vocations Ministry

This year we have eleven young men in formation for the Ordained Priesthood for the Diocese of Broken Bay. We have four men resident at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush in 2021: Matthew French, who has just commenced the Propaedeutic Stage (first year); Tân Nguyen, Shayne D’Cunha, and Huy Tran, who are in their second year of Discipleship Stage.

We have two men in Pastoral formation on parishes, Hien Vu (Epping/Carlingford) and Martino Hoang (Manly/Freshwater), as well as two new men for the Diocese, Rosan Mathew (Lower North Shore) and Aditya Sugiarto (Waitara), both in special parish placements this year.

Deacons Roger Delmonte, Aldrin Valdehueza, and Sam French are preparing for priestly ordination. Bishop Anthony hopes to ordain them priests during this year.

Please keep our seminarians and transitional deacons in your prayers. They benefit enormously from your prayer, support, generosity, and hospitality.



Above: Deacon Sam with his parents, Archbishop Anthony Fisher and some of Deacon Sam’s siblings.



L-R: Fr Stephen Wayoyi, Matthew French, Deacon Sam French and Fr Paul



L-R: Shayne D’Cunha, Matthew French, Deacon Sam French, Huy Tran and Tan Nguyen

Wednesday 3rd February was a day of great pride and joy for Bernie and Christine French as their son Matthew (brother of Deacon Sam) began at the Seminary. Fr Paul (as Director of Vocations for Broken Bay) and Deacon Sam attended the Opening Mass of the Seminary year. The Presider was Archbishop Anthony Fisher, who delivered an inspiring homily to the seminarians and their families.

We seek to grow as a Welcoming and Inclusive Community, supporting Life’s Journey, through God’s Grace and Mercy

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	08 February	No Mass				Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Tuesday	09 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Wednesday	10 February	Mass	9.15am			St Scholastica, virgin
Thursday	11 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Friday	12 February	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 5
Saturday	13 February	Mass			5.00pm	Weekday, Ordinary Time 5 Vigil of 6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
Sunday	14 February	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Amelia Faulkner (mother of Elaine Wilson, died in Ireland 31 January, aged 85 years), Charles (Charlie) Attard (brother of Ray, brother-in-law to Lynne and uncle of Ryan, died 27 January), Graham Wogan (friend of Pat and Margaret MacMillan, died in New Zealand on 24 January), Roger Le Moy (ex-parishioner of Holy Name, husband of Anne and father to Christian,, Monique and Martine) Phyllis Wijundsera, (Charles mother, died 31 December), Caterina Randazzo (Bishop Anthony's mother, 29 December), Philip Stanley (27 December), Felix Vindurampulle, Diane Poirrier (sister of Mike, aunt of Sally Oong).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Bizannes (9th anniversary on 7 February), Maureen Taylor (Carol Reidy's mother, 10th anniversary on 13 February), Chris Roche (Lillas' son, 3rd anniversary on 12 February), Eileen Goldstein (mother of Pam Gallagher, anniversary on 29 January), Kay Elizabeth Ann Baguley (mother of Jo Toomey, 22nd anniversary on 2nd February), Joan Clarke (4th anniversary, 22 January), Patricia (Pat) Lynch, 4th anniversary, 23 January), Toufic Kassis (brother of John, 1st anniversary 20 January), Joseph El-Daher (Denise Kassis' brother, 60th anniversary on 21 January, Cheble El-Daher (father of Denise Kassis - 34th anniversary on 23 January), Sylvia Arnett (mother of Max, 1st anniversary 6 January), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony, 19th anniversary), Lucy Machado (mother of Tony - anniversary 13 January), Damion (Sri Wijetunga's brother, 51st anniversary, 31st January, Tod Walker (Lillas Roche's brother, 5th anniversary 20 January), Muriel Molnar (5th anniversary, 21 January), Margaret Couch (mother of Paul, 3rd anniversary on 25 December), Mario Severino (son of Sam and Elizabeth, 15th anniversary on 26 December), Ingrid Tighe (35th anniversary on 29 December), Joseph Sydney McElhenny (2nd anniversary 3 January), Elisha Foti - 8th anniversary on 4 January), Geoff Ranson (Fr David's Dad, 1st anniversary on 15 December), George Thornton (3rd anniversary on 15 December, Tony Coutinho (husband of Lucinda, 7th anniversary on 16 December), Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 6th anniversary on 7 December).

FOR THE SICK:

Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), John Clarke, Bill Murrell, Danielle Uskovic, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Nonoy Tad-y (cousin of Rose Raward), Colin Higgins, Candy Cosgriff, Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Nancy Den Hertog, Walter Sutcliffe, Karen Tighe (daughter of Mike), Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Mike Tighe, Cyril Littrich, Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Baby Thomas Joseph Elley, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, Margaret Woodlands, Hildegard McLaughlin, David Coombes, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), , Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Maureen Ritchard, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR MEMORY? UNSURE WHERE TO TURN?

CatholicCare's Memory Innovations Centre improves quality of life, wellbeing and helps support positive brain health for seniors in our community. Our professionally run programs focus on having fun, connecting with others and stimulating your brain. The programs combine science and social activity and are run by experienced facilitators to ensure you get the best outcomes for your health and wellness. Our programs are simple, enabling people to use the strategies at home. A cozy, warm and welcoming environment awaits you at our centre in Waitara, with a team who are always on hand for a cuppa and a chat. Alternatively you can access our programs from the comfort of your own home. Programs in art, mindfulness and relaxation, dance, exercise, navigating technology, cooking and brain training available. For more information visit www.catholiccareddb.org.au/mic or call (02) 9481 2659. Leaflets are available in the Church and Parish Office.



We need Volunteers for our Church Flowers Roster

We are hoping for some more volunteers to help with our Church flowers on a rostered basis—about every 4-6 weeks.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help. Thank you.

From Fr Paul

The first reading from The Book of Job confronts the problem of human suffering. Though Job is a good and just man, he suffers greatly. The common explanation was that suffering was a punishment for sin.

His suffering causes him to take a gloomy view of life, but ultimately his faith and hope prevail.

This sets the scene for the Gospel. However, what we see in the Gospel is not Jesus' answer to the question 'why suffering?', but his response to actual suffering. He heals the sick and proclaims the good news of salvation. The Gospel also shows the urgency with which he dedicated himself to preaching the Gospel, something we see exemplified also in St Paul (Second Reading).

Today's Gospel shows us how in the midst of all his work Jesus took time out to pray. Every Mass provides us with a great opportunity to take time out to be with the Lord. Today is an opportunity to ask: Do I have a regular discipline of prayer? Do I make time for stillness, silence and reflection? Do I take time to praise God, to express my gratitude and love, to pray about my life, those near me and the life of the world? As I approach Lent, how might I do more to show my love for God?

This week it was a joy and privilege for Deacon Sam, Fr Anselm and me to celebrate the beginning-of-year Mass for Prouille School and for St Edmund's school. On both occasions we reflected on what it might mean for each of these schools to be like a "city on the hilltop" in our local area – communities of faith, hope and love to which we are committed and which inspire others.

Our parish team met this week to pray and share together, and to look ahead to 2021. We reflected on Jesus' words to his apostles as he goes to his crucifixion: **"I am the vine, you are the branches; cut off from me you can do nothing."**

And again, from the psalm: **"Unless the Lord build the city, in vain do the builders labour."** Let's commit the life of our parish to the Lord, and rely on his grace and guidance.



Feast Day of St Scholastica—10 February

St. Scholastica was the twin sister of St. Benedict of Nursia, founder of the Benedictine Order. It was said that she was consecrated to God at her birth, but continued to live at home until her brother founded his monastery at Monte Cassino.

She then, in turn, established a convent in the nearby town of Plombariola. In her writings to Mother Flavia, Saint Scholastica reveals that it was her brother who named her, saying that she was "destined to remain in the school of the Lord's service."

St. Scholastica is the patron saint of female Benedictine monastics. Against rain; convulsive children; nuns; storms.

"When I appealed to you, you would not listen to me. So I turned to my God and He heard my prayer....."

Parish Events

St Dominic's Playgroup—Mondays from 9am to 11am

Holy Name runs a playgroup Monday mornings for children from birth to school age and their parents/carers. Come along for a casual catch up with other adults while the children play with the extensive and ever changing toy collection in our beautiful surrounds.

Everyone is welcome, there is always an interesting and diverse mix of people and we'd love to see you. We meet in the sunroom during Term time.

Come As You Are (CAYA)

Discussion and Reflection Group

Come as You Are reflection and discussion group meets in the sunroom on Thursday after morning Mass about 10.00am.



Please come along and join in a friendly and inclusive discussion. All welcome.

Patrick Kirkwood and Annette Stuart-Robertson 0439 649 906

Community Pantry Fusion

Hello everyone, Volunteer opportunities for "Community Pantry Fusion" are now open. We have offered to stock the pantry once a week on Saturday or Sunday. It is not very large and would be filled by 8-10 pantry items or toiletry supplies. Useful items are cans of soup, noodles, rice, muesli bars, biscuits, cereal and soap, deodorant, toothpaste etc.

The goods can easily be dropped up to Fusion at 5 Jersey St, Hornsby anytime over the weekend and placed in the small pantry out the front. Alternatively we now have a basket in the foyer of the church and goods can be placed there and will be collected.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: volunteersignup.org/BPFYK To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Thank you for volunteering!

Hayley Edmunds hedmunds42@gmail.com

Happy New Year!

As a parish community, we wish parishioners and neighbours of Chinese heritage "Happy Chinese Lunar New Year" and to those of Vietnamese heritage "happy Tet - Vietnamese New Year"!

We thank God for the blessings that come from living in a multicultural society, "from all the lands on earth we come."

The journey towards Holy Week commences with Ash Wednesday 17 February 2021

Stay posted for what we will do as a Parish!

Note: Good Friday 2 April and Easter Sunday 4 April



Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):	Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823, Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer) , Mrs Candy Cosgriff (Secretary)	

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

and 7.30pm at Loreto College Normanhurst during school terms

Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am

8.00am— 8.30am *Silent Prayer*

8.30am— 8.45am *Morning Prayer of the Church*

8.45am— 9.00am *Rosary*

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening: Holy Hour from 7.00pm (Suspended)

Mass is also celebrated: :

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara— Monday 7.00am

St Leo's College, Wahroonga Friday 12.55pm during school terms

Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am.

Please make an appointment through the Parish Office

Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls:

Any time day or night.

Please call 0408 350 885 out of office hours

Confessions:

Saturday 11.30am or by appointment. The list of times in surrounding parishes is on our parish website. We recommend you call the parish in advance to confirm times.

Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020

Gemma McDermott (Chair), Tess Denham-Fabry (Deputy Chair), Ed Scully (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Tom Waugh, Giovanna Flores-Clarke, Ian Edmunds, Samantha Vieira, Sally Oong and Roger Bohlsen, along with Genevieve Smith (Prouille) and Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Jason Scanlon (St Edmunds)

Parish Finance Committee

Marinela Mendes, Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien

Parish Fundraising Committee

Noel Kean (Chair), Meredith Baume, Anthony Weaver, Lyn Saul, James Toomey

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests—it is very much appreciated.

- The 1st Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests.
- The 2nd Collection taken up at Mass is for the upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by committing to a Planned Giving scheme. Please see the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Another way to assist our parish is to consider a gift in your will. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach. Please contact the parish office for a confidential discussion or more information.

(Alternatively see the "giving" pages at www.dbb.org.au) **EFTPOS Available in Parish Office**

Our Parish has Tap n Go Facilities at the entrance to our church. The money donated at these terminals contributes to our Parish Planned Giving—These monies are for the support of our Parish and Clergy.