

“Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ...I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. “



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11th September- 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From Fr Paul

There is an old story (probably based on today's gospel) that one day Jesus came upon a shepherd overcome with sorrow. "Why are you so sad?" Jesus asked. "Because I've lost one of my sheep, and though I have looked all over for it, I have not found it; it may be that the wolves have already devoured it." To which Jesus said: "Wait here; I will look for the sheep myself." Some hours later Jesus returned with the sheep, and placing it at the shepherd's feet said: "From this day, you must love this sheep more than any other in your flock, for it was lost and now has been found." The point of today's Gospel is that every person is loved by God and that God seeks us. Let us be willing to repent and accept God's forgiveness, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Last week of preparation groups for Confirmation

This past four weeks 58 of our children have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I ask you to continue to pray for these children and for their families. We look forward to our practice session on the evening of 20th September, and then to the Confirmation ceremony on the evening of 22nd September, when Bishop Anthony Randazzo will join us. I thank Sally Oong for her coordination and organisation. I thank the group leaders (Dee, Geoff, Jacquie, Katie, Tomasz and Vanessa) who have instructed the children. I thank the Hanly family for providing the sausages for our sausage sizzle each week.

Baptism and other Sacraments

In recent weeks we have been preparing 18 older children (5–12 years) to be baptised. We wish these children (and their families) every blessing as the children receive this important sacrament. In Baptism, they are freed of sin, clothed in Christ and become members of his Church in the "community of the baptised". We continue to support the children from St Lucy's as they prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation.

Organ and Music ministry

As many of you know, some years ago an organ fund was established and the parish has sought to acquire a suitable organ to provide fitting music for our Liturgy and worship. I thank the members of the reference group whom I have asked to advise me. This week, on Thursday 15th September, we shall take delivery of an Allen's organ on trial, with no obligation or cost to the Parish. It will be set up in the transept of the church, in front of the Marian altar. Various organists have been invited to provide the music at upcoming Vigil and Sunday Masses.

Celebrating Birthdays

On Thursday 8th September I'm pleased to say that the Parish and the schools of the Parish marked and celebrated the nativity or birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary, Mother of the church, pray for us.

It was good to celebrate the 30th birthday of my confrère and Assistant Priest, Father Sam, during this past week. No presents just prayers thank you!

Fr Paul



As this bulletin is sent out electronically and goes to print, the world has received news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, who has been monarch for just over 70 years and is the longest serving British monarch in history.

Queen Elizabeth II has been a figure of stability and calm in a world of enormous change. She is renowned for her devotion to service and duty, to her final days.

All this she carried out with dignity and grace, humility and good humour.

For all this she won the respect, trust and admiration of many in Great Britain, the Commonwealth and throughout the world.

She was a woman of deep Christian faith and she took seriously her position of Head of the Church of England.

May she Rest In Peace.



Parish Masses This Week

Monday	12 September	No Mass			Weekday, Ordinary Time 24
Tuesday	13 September	Mass	9.15am		St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor
Wednesday	14 September	Mass	9.15am		The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Thursday	15 September	Mass	9.15am		Our Lady of Sorrows
Friday	16 September	Mass	9.15am		Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr, and Cyprian, bishop, martyr
Saturday	17 September	Mass	5.00pm		Weekday, Ordinary Time 24
Sunday	18 September	Mass	8.00am	9.30am 5.30pm	25th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Moira Owen (aunt of Dylan Belsey), passed away in Scotland on 26th August 2022, aged 75 years, Dr Ranjan Fernando (father of Dr Lakmalie Perera, died 11 August), Max Arnett (husband of Pat, died 22 August aged 87), John McGarry (died 12 August, aged 95), Lorraine Gaffey (mother of Trish Migdoll and Peter Gaffey died 17 August, aged 86yrs), Barbara Wing (wife of George, died 31 July), Anna DiGuglielmo (mother of Carla, died 2 August in Ayr, Queensland).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Vincenzo Monardo (father of Tony, 4th anniversary 12 September), Pam McCarthy (Kathy Sutherland's Mum, 4th anniversary, 11 September), Hend El-Daher (mother of Denise Kassis - 14th anniversary on 11 September), Margaret Denham (Tess Denham-Fabry's mother, 6th anniversary 13 September), Michael Matejovski (24th anniversary on 13 September) and Emilia Matejovski (12th anniversary on 22nd September) - parents of Amalie Gunzenhauser, Maria Pullin (wife of Gordon, 2nd anniversary, 16 September), Maria Immacolata Vumbaca (mother of Nancy, George and Tony, 5th anniversary on 9 September), Faye Amodeo (Alan Amodeo's mother, 5th anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Darwell (mother of Steve and Greg, 6th anniversary 6 September), Eduardo Dumalag (son of Remy Gregory, 1st anniversary, 4 September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 5th anniversary, 3 September).

FOR THE SICK:

Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Philip Clump, Chris Le Gras, Judith Mackay (sister of Barry Clibborn), Lachlan Kean (nephew of Cecilia and Noel), Sally Salehian, Jo Keijzer (daughter of Leila & Conor McCreton), Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Lasserre Gomes (father of Linette Sardinha), Conor and Leila McCreton, Mike Tighe, Tina Northcott, Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Dymrna Hayes (sister of Maureen Kippax), Kathryn Gilmore, Margaret Ryan (sister of Reg Gibbons and wife of Con), Cyril Littrich, Pam Gallagher, Margaret MacMillan, Leon D'Apice, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Greg McNally, John Clark, Sinead Joyce (friend of Dot & Mike Tighe), Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Alyssa Kent, Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Patricia McGrath, Edda Fragiacomio, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Judith Hodson, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Freya Carney, Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Hildegard McLaughlin, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

Please advise the Parish Office if any of these names can now be removed. Thank you

Congratulations

to the McCowan, Santos and Vumbaca Families

Marlon Andrew, Mikael Kirby and Grace

will be baptised this weekend.



What does the Word of God say to us today - Year C Week 24?

First reading (Exodus 32:11, 13-14). Moses intercedes with God for the people because they have fallen into idolatry.

Second reading (1 Timothy 1:12-17). In his conversion, St Paul is a witness to the fact that Christ came into the world to save sinners.

Gospel (Luke 15:1-32). Through telling three parables Jesus justifies his concern for sinners.

The focus of all three readings is that of God's mercy towards sinners. In the **First Reading** we see that the people had abandoned God and fallen back into idolatry.

God's reaction portrays him as an angry, jealous God, who will resort to the most terrible punishments when his law is disobeyed, but that's not the message of the story. The message is that God pardons the sin of his people in response to the prayer of Moses.

In the **Gospel**, the fact that Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them was a cause of scandal to the Pharisees. They, the 'separated ones', avoided all contact with sinners. They assumed that God has no dealing with sinners either, but Jesus shows them a very different kind of God. By means of three parables he justifies his concern for sinners. All three parables (of The Lost Sheep, The Lost Coin, The Lost Son) stress God's concern for the lost one, and his joy when a lost one is found.

To sin is to stray from God. Which of us can say that we have never strayed from God? But Jesus, the Good Shepherd, comes looking for us, and is overjoyed when he finds us.

In the **Second Reading** St Paul's conversion is proof of the fact that Christ came into the world to save sinners.

Quotes for Reflection

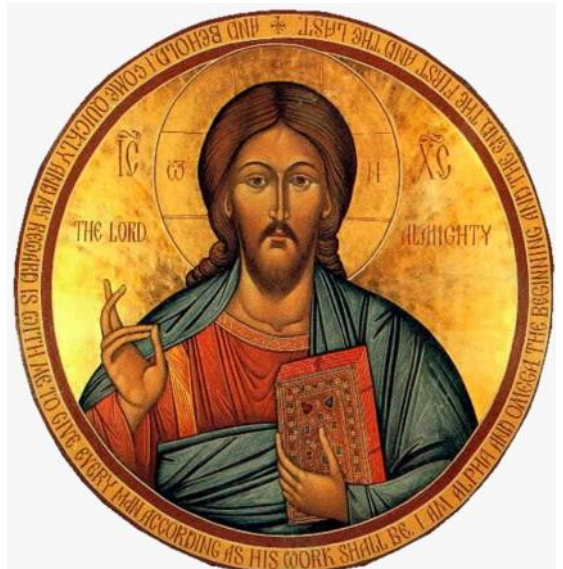
What is the plan for mankind?

God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. In the fullness of time, God the Father sent his Son as the Redeemer and Saviour of mankind, fallen into sin, thus calling all into his Church and, through the work of the Holy Spirit, making them adopted children and heirs of his eternal happiness.

What is the root of human dignity?

The dignity of the human person is rooted in his or her creation in the image and likeness of God. Endowed with a spiritual and immortal soul, intelligence and free will, the human person is ordered to God and called in soul and in body to eternal beatitude (blessedness).

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church



Safeguarding Awareness Month

September is Safeguarding Awareness Month in the Diocese of Broken Bay. With shame and sorrow, we recognise the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and vulnerable adults.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention

Sacrament of Confirmation—Enrolling Now

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised and be eight years of age or older (Year 3 2022 minimum).

In the Diocese of Broken Bay, Confirmation is celebrated prior to Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Please note:

- ◆ The candidate's Confirmation (Saint's) Name is recommended to be the name given to them at Baptism, if this is a Saint's Name. If not, please choose the name of a suitable, canonised Saint (see 2. below). 'Old Testament' people are not Saints. Please discuss this with Sally Oong if you require assistance with this choice. You can advise this name by August 22, if not yet decided.
- ◆ The Saint's name should be of relevance to your child: eg Feast day near their birthday, affinity with the Saint's life or their cause, their own name, or the name of person special to them. The website <http://www.catholic.org/saints/> is a good place to start or there are many books on the Saints.
- ◆ The Sponsor must be a practising Catholic, who is a fully-initiated member of the Catholic church (i.e. has completed their Sacraments, being Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Communion) and is over the age of 16. It is desirable that the Godparent at Baptism, if present, also be the Sponsor at Confirmation. A parent cannot be the sponsor. An adult may 'stand-in' on the day for the Sponsor, e.g. if the Godparent cannot attend. If you wish to discuss any of the above, please contact Sally Oong at sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au



PROGRAM DATES:

Preparation Lessons: OUR FINAL LESSON THIS SATURDAY

Weekly Lessons and Masses are all compulsory for the candidate and a parent/carer.

However, sometimes life happens so please contact Sally if attendance is not possible.



These are held at Prouille School, 5 Water St, Wahroonga.

Please meet as a group with Sally in the School Hall each week, prior to the lesson.

**Lesson 4—FINAL: Saturday 10 September at 3.45pm,
followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church, then a sausage sizzle**

Practice: Tuesday, 20th September, 2022 at the Church at 5.30pm.

Compulsory attendance for all Candidates. Sponsors may attend, which is helpful, but it is not compulsory.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation: THURSDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2022 at 5.30pm at Holy Name Church.

The above information is able to be downloaded from our website: www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

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An Invitation

The Filipino Community at Hornsby Cathedral Parish in Waitara warmly invite you for a **Filipino Mass** this coming **Sunday, 11 September 2022, at 3:30pm**. It is open to everyone so bring along your family and friends. There is hospitality after the Mass but you are always welcome to bring something to share if you want to. Thank you very much and see you there. Fr. Roger Delmonte



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Ed Travers Resident Chaplain to the Benedictine Abbey at Jamberoo and previously External Spiritual Director of the Good Shepherd Seminary Homebush will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church Pymble on **Thursday 22nd September 2022**.

The evening commences with Mass at **6.00 PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Father Ed will be speaking to us; his topic is "The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist".

Everyone is welcome. Please "Come and See".

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and diaconate aspirants and for the perseverance of existing vocations.

Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you would like to attend.

Holy Hour & Discernment Evening Friday 23 September, 2022 at 6:00pm Holy Name Parish, Wahroonga

*Invitation for all young adults to:
Pray, Discern and Act with us as we seek
God's guidance in our lives!*

*We will be praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life,
and for those who are discerning their own vocation.*

*This is a time for us to reflect on God's call in our lives, and to seek
His will for our lives.*



The Parish of Holy Name Wahroonga and the Diocese of Broken Bay are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:
www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday



Can You Help A Child Feel Safe, Happy & Secure? There are children in our community who have been through experiences few of us could begin to fathom and who, without our help, will go through a childhood without the love and support of a family. CatholicCare believe all children deserve a safe home, and by providing one we can help them build their self-esteem and develop the skills they need to succeed in life.

We are looking for everyday families who might consider taking a child or young person into their home – to love and support them whether for one or two nights, a few weeks, months, or long term. Can you help? Please reach out on (02) 4320 7700 or visit www.fostering.org.au

Praying the Rosary

Each weekday after the Morning Mass, for those who wish, we shall pray the Rosary. That will be immediately after the 9.15am Mass (at approximately 9.45am) Tuesday – Friday, and on the first Saturday of each month. All are welcome.

Men's Rosary Crusade

MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE at St Mary's Sydney Cathedral Forecourt—**Saturday 1 October at 1pm**

Our Lady of Fatima's request to pray for peace, making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and fulfilling the First Five Saturday's Devotion has never been more important. **Confession is available from 11.30am and Holy Mass at 12pm in St Mary's Cathedral.** Men, it's time for ACTION - join us, share the message, invite others and bring your mates and sons along. Rain, hail or shine it's on! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE is a movement of men publicly offering reparation and repentance to God on the '**First Saturday**' of each month in honour of Our Lady of Fatima and her requests. #mensrosarycrusade
For more information call Tomasz on 0413 802 069

We Remember this Week

St John Chrysostom (347 -407)

Feast Day - 13 September

Born in Antioch, c. 347, Saint John Chrysostom was perhaps the greatest preacher in the history of the Church, thus the name given him (Golden-mouthed), and the most prominent Greek Father of the Church.

He grew up in Antioch, received an excellent classical Greek education, and upon meeting the holy bishop Meletus, he decided to devote his time to the study of religious works and the Sacred Scriptures. He received Baptism after three years of study and set out for the desert to live the ascetic life of a hermit.

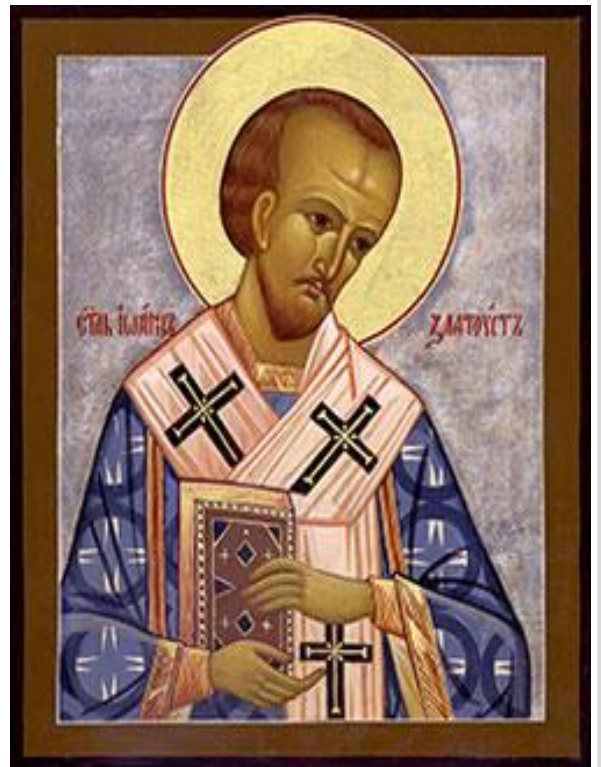
In fragile health, he returned to Antioch after two years of recovery, and devoted himself to studying for the priesthood. He was ordained in 386 and served in the Cathedral of Antioch for 12 years, winning widespread fame for his sublime preaching.

In 398, he was forcefully appointed Patriarch of Constantinople, and fast became very popular with his flock through his example of preaching and courage in front of the imperial power, whose corruption and decadence he never shirked from criticising in public.

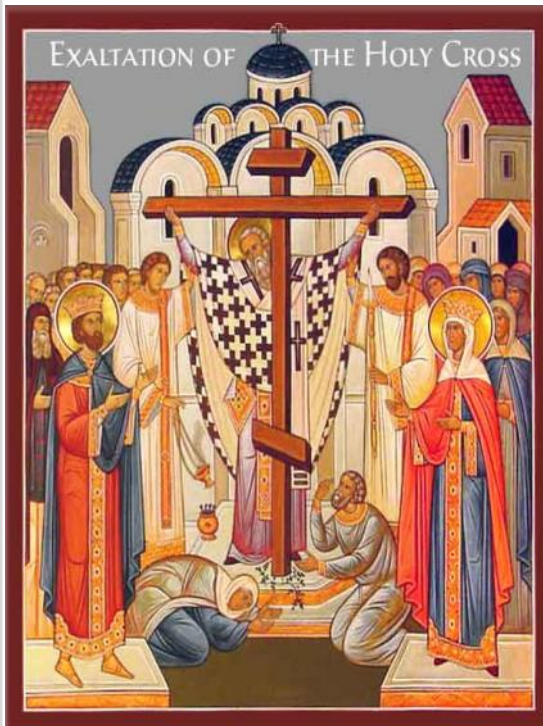
This attitude naturally made an enemy of the empress, Eudoxia, as well as Theophilus, bishop of Alexandria, who had him condemned on false charges in 403. He was exiled to Armenia where he continued to be a great presence in the Church of the East through his many letters. He was exiled from Armenia to an isolated place along the Black Sea. He died during the journey in 407 in Pontus, his ill health unable to endure its rigors.

In 438 the Emperor Theodosius II of Constantinople had John's body returned to Constantinople, and did penance for the sins of his mother Eudoxia. Chrysostom is a Doctor of the Church and a great teacher of the Faith.

"Would you honour the body of Christ? Do not despise his nakedness; do not honour him here in church clothed in fine vestments and then pass him by unclothed and frozen outside. Remember that he who said, '*This is my Body*', and made good his words, also said, '*You saw me hungry and gave me no food*', and, '*in so far as you did it not to one of these, you did it not to me*'. " - **St. John Chrysostom**



We Remember this Week



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross—Feast Day 14 September

In the Christian liturgical calendar, there are several different **Feasts of the Cross**, all of which commemorate the cross used in the crucifixion of Jesus. Unlike Good Friday, which is dedicated to the passion of Christ and the crucifixion, these feast days celebrate the cross itself, as the sign of salvation.

“We glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection; through him we are saved and made free.”
(Opening Antiphon: Liturgy for the Exaltation of the Cross)

An ancient prayer from the Church’s Easter liturgy reads:

***When Death and Life contended,
the Lord of life was slain.
A battle strangely ended:
he won, and lives to reign.***

(Easter Sequence, *Victimae Paschali Laudes.*)



Our Lady Of Sorrows—Feast Day 15 September

Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows became a standard devotion in the Church around the 14th century. It was revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary's Seven Sorrows would bring great graces. The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Marys while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world, and she felt the bitterness of his passion as only a mother can. This devotion is especially remembered during September, the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows (the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is 15th September), and during the season of Lent.

The Seven Sorrows of Mary:

- 1. The Prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35)***
- 2. The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-21)***
- 3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days (Luke 2:41-50)***
- 4. The Carrying of the Cross (John 19:17)***
- 5. The Crucifixion of Jesus (John 19:18-30)***
- 6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross (John 19:39-40)***
- 7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb (John 19:39-42)***



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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm (and FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am)
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

8.30am - 9.00am *Silent Prayer*

9.00am—9.15am *Morning Prayer of the Church*

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening during Lent: Adoration 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

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

Baptism: Preparation - last Sunday of the month.

Baptisms - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.00am.
Bookings essential through the Parish Office.

Marriage:

By appointment, at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls:

Any time day or night.

Please call 0484 581 647 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.

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021: 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 Elizabeth Webster (St Lucy's) and a representative from 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

The Parish Bank Account Number: The Catholic Development Fund (CDF) with whom the parish banks, has changed some of its processes. This means we have a new account number. In the past, we would provide the details here, however, in late 2020, the Diocese of Broken Bay advised we were no longer to advertise our bank account details in the parish bulletin or on our website. **SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?** If you deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), we need to provide you with the new account number. There is no change to regular credit card contributors.

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests. It is greatly 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 running and upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by joining a Planned Giving scheme. Please contact the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach.

Alternatively see the "Make A Payment" tab on www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY: Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest. It is located near the entrance to the church, next to the notice board. It is designed to be used by everyone. Please familiarise yourself with the use of this device at [AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube](#) in case of an emergency.