

Peter said: "You are the Christ".

Holy Name Catholic Parish

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12 September— 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From Fr Paul - Dear parishioners

This Sunday marks the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The 34th Sunday (which we mark as the Feast of Christ the King) on 21st November, will mark the end of the Liturgical Year, and we shall begin Advent on 28th November.

In today's Gospel, we hear St Peter declare the faith of the Church (then and now) "You are the Christ." The Lord tells his disciples "if you are to be a follower of mine, ... you must take up your cross and follow me." Even during this testing time for all of us, let us stay strong in faith and hope, and remember the Lord has promised to be with us always. Let us continue to support one another. Might there be someone you could reach out to at this time? Some parishioners meet via Zoom, apps or other ways, in order to keep in contact with one another.

Fr Anselam, Deacon Sam and I pray God's blessing on every parishioner individually, whatever your circumstances. We remember especially our school communities, families with school age children who are managing so much, and we wish to support the grieving, the aged, the housebound and chronically sick.

Fr Anselam, Deacon Sam and I continue with our responsibilities. While Holy Name is our primary ministry, we each have other responsibilities as well. Fr Anselam has special outreach to the San and Hornsby hospitals, Deacon Sam is chaplain to Joseph House (the house of discernment which has begun at Willoughby), and I am Director of Vocations for DBB.

The Clergy of DBB were to have been on retreat at this time. Instead, each Wednesday evening we have committed to a time on Zoom (where else?!), with reflections led by Br Ian Crib SJ and Sr Rosa Covino. Let us pray for the Bishop, priests and deacons of DBB, that they will be shepherds after the heart of Christ.

I am saddened to inform you of **the passing of Fr James Duck** on 9th September at his home. Fr James celebrated his 87th Birthday in December 2020 and on the 20 July 2021 celebrated his 64th Anniversary of Ordination to Catholic priesthood. He often supplied for priests who were away, and he maintained an active interest in the life of DBB until the end. May he rest in peace.

We are looking forward to **the Ordination of Deacons** Roger Delmonte, Aldrin Valdehueza and Sam French on 18th October at OLOR Cathedral, Waitara. You will be informed of details and the PPMC is considering ways of celebrating as a parish. I am pleased to say we have men interested and applying to begin Seminary studies for DBB in 2022.

Last Saturday we were to have celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parish. Please note the special message about Confirmation and the Sacramental Program on Page 5 and in this week's MailChimp. I was to have been formally installed as Parish Priest at last Saturday evening's Vigil. Let's hope we can do this soon after we can gather again.

On this Safeguarding Sunday, we renew our commitment to the care of children and vulnerable adults in our community. We note the celebration of several special feast days in the coming week, especially the Exultation of the Holy Cross (14th) and Our Lady of Sorrows (15th).

We congratulate **Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP** on his 30th anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on 14th September. I have written to him on behalf of the Parish.

With Fr Anselam and Deacon Sam, I assure you of my continued prayers and good wishes. Fr Paul

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	13 September	No Mass			St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor
Tuesday	14 September	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Wednesday	15 September	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Our Lady Of Sorrows
Thursday	16 September	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	St Cornelius, pope, martyr, and Cyprian, bishop, martyr
Friday	17 September	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 24
Saturday	18 September	Mass	5.00pm	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 24
Sunday	19 September	No Masses			25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr James Duck (died 9 September), Eduardo Gregory (son of Remi and Terry), Edward Brown, Giovanni (John) Papandrea (husband of Catarina (Nancy), father of Maria and Tonella, died 1 September aged 81yrs), Fr Paul Purcell OP (Parish Priest of Holy Name Wahroonga from 1982-1989, died 29 August aged 94yrs), Fr John Neil OP (ordained at HNW October 1960; brother of Carole Wilson, died 21 August), Dexter John Giblin (died 17 August), Augusta Matejovski (sister in law of Amalie Gunzenhauser, died 9 August), Trish Panton (died 2 August, aged 85), Gigliola Cantarella (friend of Margaret and Pat MacMillan).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, 1st anniversary 21st September), Maria Pullin (wife of Gordon, 1st anniversary, 16 September), John Delaney (friend of John McGarry, 1st anniversary, 11 September), Michael Matejovski (23rd anniversary on 13 September) and Emilia Matejovski (11th anniversary on 22nd September) - parents of Amalie Gunzenhauser, Hend El-Daher (mother of Denise Kassis - 13th anniversary on 11 September), Margaret Denham (Tess Denham-Fabry's mother, 5th anniversary 13 September), Shirley Ranson (Fr David's Mum - 7th anniversary on 18 September), Eileen and Aloy de Silva (parents of Sandra Fernando—29 September), Claire McGrath (wife of Ves, 15th anniversary on 1 September), Faye Amodeo (Alan Amodeo's mother, 4th anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Darwell (Greg's mother, 5th anniversary 6 September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 4th anniversary, 3 September, Vincenzo Monardo (Tony's Dad, 3rd anniversary), Betty Laing (Ken's Mum, 3rd anniversary, 22nd August), Patricia Loneragan (sister of Fred, 4th anniversary on 26 August), Jean Goldrick (Mum of Chris, 6th anniversary on 27 August), Barry Price (husband of Marie-Claire, 6th anniversary on 28th August), Rose Leong (aunt of Caroline Ho, 1st anniversary, 18 August), Louis Planas (15th anniversary on 19 August), Melissa Lopes (sister in law of Quinnie Machado, 11th anniversary on 17 August), Alexandra Lopes (mother of Quinnie Machado, anniversary on 20 August), Peggy Smyth (Chrissie Goldrick's mum—2nd anniversary on 4 August), Patricia (Trisha) Smyth (sister of Chrissie Goldrick - 10th anniversary on 5 August), Mary Bourke (Grandmother of Rosalie Belsey, 5th anniversary on 10 August), Patrick Madden (brother of Chris, 5th anniversary on 10 August), Catherine Bourke (daughter of John and Penny Bourke, 6th anniversary, 11 August), Don Dell (husband of Joan, 13th anniversary on 13 August), Takehisa Koyanagi (brother in law of Michael Calvi, 8th anniversary on 13 August), Manh Phan (Melvin's father, 1st anniversary, 14 August).

FOR THE SICK:

Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Halina Brzozowski, Tina Northcott, Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Greg Couch (husband of Cristina, son of Paul and Gemma, brother of Jess), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Ina Evans, Alyssa Kent, David Walker (Bishop Emeritus of Broken Bay), Margaret Fandral (mother in law of Joanne Rolleston), Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Gerard Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), John Clark, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiacomo, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, 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, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

During lockdown try these tips:

- Setting practical and achievable short-term goals and routines can help direct our days to be more purposeful.
- Sticking to a routine (as closely as possible to what you did before lockdown) can also support our sense of direction and control.
- ♦ Check your own sense of well-being and those nearest you.
- Use social media for support, which many young people in the community have found beneficial during the pandemic. It's vital for us to hear others' experiences so we support them and can normalise our own.
- Finally, nothing is more important than reminding ourselves, we are all doing the best we can. And that's not only ok, it's enough!

What does the Word say to us this Sunday?

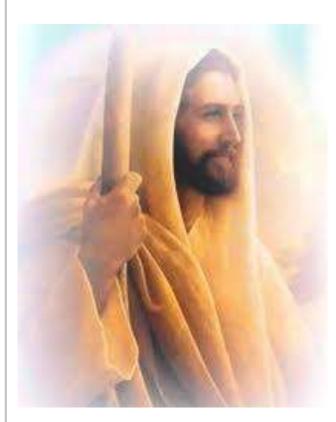
We have now entered Part Two of Mark's Gospel (8:27-16:8). After having been consistently rejected and misunderstood despite all he has said and done, Jesus starts to proclaim the necessity of the suffering, death, and resurrection of the Son of Man in God's plan.

The **First Reading** (Isaiah 50:5-9) talks about the Servant of the Lord who suffers, not in spite of his innocence, but because of it. However, he is sustained in all his trials by the firm belief that God is with him. The Suffering Servant represents the many suffering just people. The New Testament sees Jesus as the Suffering Servant par excellence.

In the **Gospel**, we have Peter's profession of faith. In response, Jesus makes a threefold disclosure: that the Messiah must suffer, that his disciples must be prepared to share his suffering, and that his and their suffering will lead to ultimate glory.

In the **Second Reading** (James 2 .14-18) Saint James declares that faith without good works is dead; that faith in Christ must bear good fruit.

Reflections for this week Quotes of the Week



Jesus, the Word incarnate,
is always the centre of our announcement,
because He is the human face of God,
who wishes to meet all men and women so as to bring them into
communion with Him, in His love.

Pope Benedict XVI

Jesus' example of fidelity to prayer challenges us to examine the time and effort we devote to our own prayer.

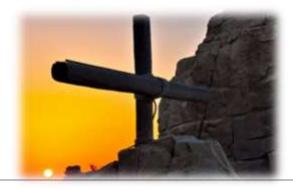
While prayer is a gift of God, it is also an art learned through constant practice.

Jesus teaches us to pray constantly, but also to bear witness before others of the beauty of prayer, self-surrender and complete openness to God.

Pope Benedict XVI

"The words of Jesus to Peter 'You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church' have been understood as the basis for the special role of the bishop of Rome, the successor of Peter, in relation to the whole church. In their varying ways each of the gospels testifies to the leadership role of Peter. The words of Jesus to Peter in the gospel are words of assurance, for it is Christ who will build the Church and Christ who endows Peter with authority."





20th Anniversary of "9/11"

This weekend we mark the 20th anniversary of "9/11" the terrorist attack on the twin towers of the World Trade Centre, New York.

Joaquín Navarro-Valls, at the time the director of the Vatican press office, delivered the news to Pope John Paul II. In 2011, he recalled:

"I remember that terrible afternoon as if it were yesterday. I called the Pope, who was at Castel Gandolfo, I gave him the news. He was shocked not only by the tragedy itself, but also because he could not explain how man could achieve this abyss of evil..."

"This was an attack, not just on the United States, but on all of humanity. We must stop people who kill in the name of God."
Pope John Paul II

Two responses to the Catholic Faithful:

Full Response of Pope John Paul II

https://www.vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/audiences/2001/documents/hf jp-ii aud 20010912.html

<u>A Pastoral Message from USA Catholic Bishops: Living with Faith and Hope After September 11</u> https://www.usccb.org/resources/pastoral-message-living-faith-and-hope-after-september-11

A Video to Inspire You

There's perhaps no name better known in popular Catholic apologetics and Scripture studies than Scott Hahn. Scott Hahn was not raised in a particularly Christian family, but had a conversion to faith after his troubled teenage years. He gravitated towards the Presbyterian Church where he rose quickly through the ranks becoming an influential academic and the rector of a Presbyterian seminary. For years he was steeped in anti-Catholic theology, convinced that the Catholic Church had become corrupt somewhere along the line. Dr Hahn set out to deliberately disprove the claims of the Catholic Church, only to realise, to the incredible shock of his family and colleagues, that the Catholic Church contained the fullness of truth.

<u>Check out this interview with Australian presenter, Matt Fradd, in which Scott Hahn details the incredible story of his conversion to the Catholic faith.</u>



Sacramental Program Update



10 September 2021

Dear Families of Holy Name,

Members of the Parish Team send our best wishes to you and your families and to let you know we are thinking of you and praying for you all during this extended lockdown period.

While the Church building is closed and we are not able to gather in person, our Parish is still a community of faith and prayer, and the parish team is offering Pastoral care and support where possible.

We are dedicated to having our children prepare for, and celebrate, their Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and Eucharist and are keeping our Parish children uppermost in our planning.

We have made the decision to postpone the commencement of our next intake for the Sacramental Program until next year. We cannot say with certainty what future conditions and restrictions will prevail, so we shall keep in touch with you and let you know once we are able to begin the next Sacramental Program.

Students currently in Year 3 and older children, are the group which has been waiting to begin the Sacramental Preparation.

We know that our Parish children attend many of our local schools and we would like to have a list of 'Expressions of Interest' for children joining the program next year. Please email our Sacramental Co-ordinator, Sally Oong, to be added to the list so we can keep you informed directly: Sally.Oong@bbcatholic.org.au

Please share this information with any other interested families.

We shall provide ongoing resources on our website to enhance our children's Sacramental journey. Updates will be put in the Bulletin and on our website, along with other Parish news and information.

Please contact our secretary, Jackie Thornton, if you would like the Parish Bulletin emailed to you: **Holyname@bbcatholic.org.au**.

Take care and please contact our Parish office for further information or assistance.

With our prayers and best wishes,

Fr Paul (Parish Priest) and Sally Oong (Sacramental Coordinator)



Spirit of St Lucy's

Celebrating Father's Day!

Last Friday we celebrated the gift of those who are fathers in the lives of our students – dads, grandads, uncles, step-dads, etc. Each class participated in a liturgy that focused on what a blessing our fathers are, and the gratitude we have for these special people, and the role they play in the lives of our students. Each class found creative ways to bring this celebration to life for the students, including some links sent home for families to 'virtually' participate. We hope all families found some special way to enjoy their Father's Day on Sunday!











Happy Father's Day!

We remember this week



St John Chrysostom <mark>(347 -407)</mark> Feast Day - Monday, 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

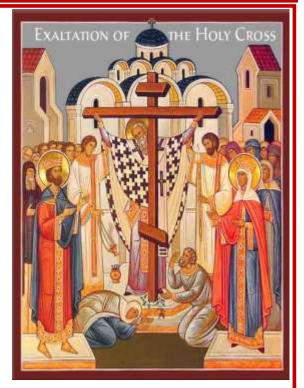
In the Christian liturgical calendar, there are several different **Feasts of the Cross**, all of which commemorate the cross used in the crucifixion of Jesus. Unlike Good Friday, which is dedicated to the passion of Christ and the crucifixion, these feast days celebrate the cross itself, as the sign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





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 Mary's 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)

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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Deacon:

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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 Rosarv 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

(Suspended until further notice)

Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am. Please make an appointment through the Parish Office

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.

Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020/2021: 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

The Parish has a NEW 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 and so we are asking that you contact the Parish Office as soon as possible by emailing: jackie.thornton@bbcatholic.org.au or 9489 3221

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 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