



Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

35 Billyard Avenue Wahroonga 2076

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Sunday 13 December— Third Sunday of Advent

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.

Our Christmas Masses

Christmas Mass times are available for online bookings Please take a flyer from the Church for full details or see our website. Are you able to assist us at one of our Christmas Masses? We are looking for Acolytes, servers, readers, Eucharistic ministers! Please find a sign up sheet for volunteers on the table at the entrance to the church. We would appreciate your involvement for sure!

St Dominic's Playgroup

Playgroup is back on! Monday mornings 9:30-11:30
All ages (including babies) welcome
Come enjoy a play in the beautiful Holy Name Church grounds.

2020 Dates

Monday 7th December Christmas Painting

Monday 14th December Christmas Party

Monday 21st December
Free Play

All welcome, for more details Kylie 0422763091

Playgroup will be cancelled if it is raining so we are able to maintain social distancing and remain COVID safe.

Our Second Rite of Reconciliation will be on
Monday 21 December at 7:30pm

Our Advent Wreath



The Presider, or an assistant light the third candle, which can be named the Saints' Candle to call to mind all the saints who share the life of Christ by being baptised into his Body the Church.

Lord Jesus, your coming was foretold by the prophet Isaiah who cried with joy, for God clothes us in the garments of salvation (First Reading). As a joyful, hope-filled Servant Community may our hearts be filled with gratitude for the many gifts God has given us. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you come among us now as the light of the world. St Paul urges us to be happy at all times and to pray constantly (Second Reading). May the joy of the Lord be in our hearts as we journey together, listening to what the Spirit is saying to the Church of Australia. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you sent John the Baptist to be a witness for the light (Gospel). Like John the Baptist may we be witnesses to the power of Jesus and be people open to Conversion and Renewal in the Church of Australia. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Presider [Collect: Third Sunday of Advent]
O God, who sees how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen

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	14 December	No Mass				St John of the Cross, priest, doctor
Tuesday	15 December	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of 3rd week of Advent
Wednesday	16 December	Mass	9.15am			Wednesday of 2nd week of Advent
Thursday	17 December	Mass	9.15am			Thursday of 3rd week of Advent
Friday	18 December	Mass	9.15am			Friday of 3rd week of Advent
Saturday	19 December	Mass			5.00pm	Saturday of 3rd week of Advent
Sunday	20 December	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Felix Vindurampulle, Diane Poirrier (sister of Mike, aunt of Sally Oong), Fr Luke Rawlings (died in New Zealand, 3 November), Betty Hoskings (died 27th October, mother of Bob (deceased) and Paul), Mark Brookes (friend of Barry Clibborn, died 17 October).

ANNIVERSARIES:

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), Paul Limbers (father of parishioners Jane Watson, Julia Burfitt, Peter and John Limbers, 2nd anniversary on 30 November), Frances Sim (3rd anniversary on 30 November), Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 15th anniversary on 29 November), Marie Shortis (3rd anniversary on 27 November), Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 1st anniversary 16 November), Arie van der Plaat (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 5th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 3rd anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 53rd anniversary on 16 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 2nd anniversary 10 November), Dr Joseph Couch (Paul's father, 11th anniversary on 25 October), Dr Anthony Lopes (brother/brother-in-law of Quinnie & Tony Machado - 6th anniversary on 19 October), Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma and Martin, 3rd anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 9th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 2nd anniversary on 21 October). Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo's mother, 7th anniversary 23rd October), Sarah Royle (ex Prouille student, daughter of Jill and Peter, sister of Leah, 20th anniversary), John Vince (Cecilia Kean's father, 35th anniversary on the 9 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas' Mum, 11th Anniversary on 9 October).

FOR THE SICK:

Caterina Randazzo (Bishop Anthony's mother), Bill Murrell, Danielle Uskovic, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Sr. Karen Stafford smsm, 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), Philip Stanley, Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Eunice Spangaro, 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.

Position Vacant - Youth Minister 10 hours per week St Agatha's Catholic Parish, Pennant Hills

Do you have a passion for working with youth and young people? Are you dynamic and enthusiastic about the Catholic faith? Are you willing to help our youth and young people engage with their faith in a fun, caring and supportive environment? St Agatha's Catholic Parish, Pennant Hills invites you to join our team as a Youth Minister. Visit bbcatholic.org.au/jobs for the full advertisement.

The successful applicant will be required to undertake a pre-employment Working with Children Check and National Police History Check.

Christmas EVE 5:00pm CHILDREN'S Mass

1st Practice: Monday 14 December in the Church
3.30-4.30pm (Afternoon tea - 3.15pm)

- * Allocation of Nativity roles
- * Jobs (prayers and readings etc)
- * Sorting out costumes. Parents welcome to help.

Please contact Sally Oong 9489 3221 for all details, including additional practices and other information or email sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au

You MUST PRE-BOOK your tickets for the Mass:
<https://www.trybooking.com/BNKDL>

From Fr David

Dear friends

My deepest gratitude to you all for the most wonderful parish lunch last Sunday afternoon at Hornsby RSL. It was tremendous to bring so many in our parish together after such a difficult year. And thank you for the most generous gift you have given me as I prepare to take up my new appointment at Chatswood. It is deeply, deeply appreciated. As I mentioned last Sunday I will write you all a Farewell Letter in the coming weeks.

Even in this final stretch of the year we have been busy with a number of improvements for our parish: a full upgrade of our Parish Office IT, the introduction of new parish hymn books for our church, "Catholic Worship Australia" replacing the older "Gather Australia" hymnals and slender, and quickly deteriorating, green ones we used to keep in the pews, and the construction of a canopy over our Statue of Our Lady in our garden, with gratitude for the Bacich family.

Welcome to Aditya Sugiarto, a new student for the priesthood in our Diocese! Adi will have the summer weeks with us in the Priory. Do make him welcome!

Thank you from Fr Joey

"Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not want to go." (John 21:18) Before, I did not put too much attention on this passage since I thought that these words were only addressed to bishops and cardinals since they were spoken by our Lord to Peter. But in my experience as a priest, I am convinced that these words are for all Christ's followers. These words might sound scary and dangerous and yet we will find out that when we take the risk to stretch out our hands so that God might be the one to fasten our belts that will lead us to places where we do not want and expect to go, then as long as we have total trust in Him, our journey will become an exciting adventure and we reap the benefit of letting go of our will and let God's will be done. This is what happened to me when I came to Wahroonga. Although I was not able to come to know you more personally because of the lockdown, I could say that my stay here was one of the most fruitful time in my priesthood. With Father David's tutelage, I learned how to cook and make fun videos. But more importantly, I learned how to be a priest. My stay here was like a long retreat with a common life with Father David and Father Anselm with our seminarian Shayne. I enjoyed our time together during prayer and dinner. I am also amazed on how I was welcomed here with warmth and hospitality by all of you. Your kindness, generosity, thoughtfulness and care for your priests and the parish are awesome! I would also like to thank Jackie and Sally in the office, Mark and Nathan for my school ministry, and Cecilia for my Catechism class who are all fun to work with. And of course, I could not miss to acknowledge all of you who inspire me as a priest because of your dedication and faithfulness to our Catholic faith Thank you for a memorable and fruitful stay in Holy Name Parish and I hope and pray that we continue to grow in Christ!

Spirit of St Lucy's

End of Year Family Mass for St Lucy's

As a community, we recently gathered together to celebrate the year that has been 2020! This special Family Mass took place at Holy Name Church and saw a number of staff, students, families and friends gather in prayer and worship. This Mass was made all the more special by the Baptism of one of our students, Jordan, and his older brother, Levi! Additionally, we were able to thank and farewell Fr David with the presentation of a beautiful painting and personally designed priest's stole. A thank you message on behalf of the St Lucy's community was also shared:

'Dear Fr David,

You have indeed impacted many lives throughout your time here in Wahroonga. Your association with St Lucy's, which began over 13 years ago, has deepened into a beautiful relationship and connection. Many who enter the St Lucy's community often comment on how quickly and significantly it draws them in... it is indeed a unique place that is all the more enriched by the beauty of the children, the inspiration of the families and the selfless dedication of the staff. You have become part of the heart that beats within our place. You have laughed with us, you have danced with us, you have guided us, you have cried with us, you have responded to us, you have listened to us...but most importantly you have truly come to know and love us.

At our recent Year 6 graduation you said that Love is Listening. That each of our students have their own internal song which they each know and harness. It is listening to their song, and learning their song, and singing their song with them, that we come to express our love for them.

You have indeed listened to our collective song here at St Lucy's. You have learnt the tune by heart and you have sung it with us many times over. Most significantly, in listening to this song, you have heard the melody of its tune, and you have seen the beauty which comes in the harmonising of it.

Thank you for the Joy which you have shared in, the Community which you have pastorally fostered and served, the Courage which you have honoured and the Truth which you have revealed in your relationship with us, and sought in the connections you've made with us.

To express our gratitude we could think of no better way than to present you with some gifts which indeed reflect the artistic song of our students. We have an artwork that all the children have contributed to, and another gift which has also been personally designed and created.'

Thank you from St Vincent de Paul Conference

The Wahroonga Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society would like to extend its thanks and appreciation to those who generously prepared Christmas hampers and also to the volunteers that either delivered the hampers last week or otherwise helped in making this event work. About 130 hampers were prepared and delivered for those in need in both the Whalan area of western Sydney and also to those who live closer to our own Parish. In particular we would like to acknowledge Chris Madden for once again generously providing his great organisational skills.

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Cecilia Kean	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mr John Boswell; Mr Chris Madden; Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)	
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:	Mr Chris Goldrick cgoldrick@optusnet.com.au 0450 963 596	
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

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday (Suspended)

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

(Suspended until further notice)

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 Sue Bevan (Prouille) and Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Terry O'Keefe (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.