



COME & SEE

Sunday 14 January—2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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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.

ENTERING INTO THE LITURGICAL SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME AFTER THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

A Reflection by Fr. David

As the Sundays of Ordinary Time now follow the Christmas Season we are immersed into the story of Jesus. The Spirit reminds us of his story and makes the story present now. We cannot tire of hearing this story and of discovering its depths in new ways according to the changing circumstances of our lives. Each Sunday we hear part of that story, we reflect on it, we wonder with it and discover ourselves in it. We are delighted, disturbed, challenged and consoled. We become moulded by the story, by the memory. Jesus' story becomes our story. Every occasion we gather for the Liturgy of the Word we enter into the power of story and memory. We are a people of memory, a people who savour and cultivate the memory of the story of Jesus of Nazareth, who remember his journey from death into life, and in that memory, out of that memory, called also to be the people who seek new possibilities for ourselves and our societies. It is one of the principal roles of the Holy Spirit to so 'remind' us. "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you." (Jn 14:26)

In our faithfulness to the story of Jesus, in the Spirit, we become both the storyteller and the story itself: the ones' who keep the memory alive and at the same time the very story of God's continuing action in our time and in our place. We are both the guardians of a sacred memory and those who create new memories, new accounts of the Spirit's work in Jesus. So significant is human memory that we have dared to affirm that it is one of the means in and through which God's revelation takes place. Not only is the mystery of God revealed in the word of Scripture but in the people's memory of that word. Tradition, too, is a source of God's revelation. This vital pillar of the Catholic imagination derives from the Judaic understanding of memory's power of divine revelation. For the God of the Hebrews was not a divinity attained through the horizon of speculation but the God who had acted in history. Israel knows its God through its memory. As Louis Dupre has remarked, "to the faithful Jew no act has deeper significance than the remembrance of the origins. The memory of history is a religious duty . . . Yet more than being a sacred obligation, the remembrance of Israel's past provides the Jew with a pattern for understanding and accepting the present. . ." When the Vikings of old raided the Saxon villages the very first people that they would seek out to assassinate would be the village storytellers. They knew only too well that to take out the story tellers was to remove the story of the people. Rupturing the people's link with the stories which animated their common and personal life was to deliver a mortal blow to the memory of the village. To sever memory was to create disorientation, to render the village into a profound sense of hopelessness. When there was no memory, neither could there be a future. The Sundays of Ordinary Time are an opportunity for us to realise once again the story we have fallen into, the story by which we have been seized, the memory by which we have been grasped. We have been seized by a story, we have been grasped by a memory. It is a story rich in imagination. His name is Jesus. Let us take the better part, holding the memory and wondering at the possibility.

*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	15 January	No Mass	Weekday of Ordinary Time 2
Tuesday	16 January	9.15am Mass	Weekday of Ordinary Time 2
Wednesday	17 January	9.15am Mass	St Anthony, Abbot
Thursday	18 January	9.15am Mass	Weekday of Ordinary Time 2
Friday	19 January	9.15am Mass	Weekday of Ordinary Time 2
Saturday	20 January	5.00pm Mass	Vigil of the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	21 January	9.15am, 5.30pm Mass	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Children's Liturgy Resumes in 2018

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eugene O'Carrigan (brother of Helen Kirkwood), Ricki Hayes, (friend of Cecilia Kean, 7 January), Margaret Couch (Paul's mother, 25 December, aged 93), Dr Tom Macken, Molly Goldsworthy (sister of Chris Madden, 19 December), Joan McNalley (mother of Greg, 19 December, aged 100), Joe DeGuara, (Father of Damian), Neville (George) Thornton (Jackie's father in law, 15 December, aged 98), Barry Fields (brother of Helen Tysoe), Yvonne Pickup (14 December), Priscilla Sebastian (2 December), Frances Sim (30 November), Brian Muir (former parishioner, 30 November, friend of Jennifer and Barry Clibborn), Theophilus Allen, Marie Shortis (27 November), Kathleen Bosch (24 November, in USA, sister of Mike), Adrian Forsyth, Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 14 November), Winifred (Wyn) Grainger (sister of Dennis Robson, died in England, aged 96 years), James Gray (grandson of Edda Fragiaco and son of Sylvia Fragiaco/Gray), Martin Flood Snr (husband of Gai, father of Marty and Gemma, died 20th October).

RECENT ANNIVERSARIES

Jacqui Hunter (birthday on 16 January), Elisa Restrepo Azos and Soila Restrepo, Tim O'Brien (8 January), Emila Nassa (7th anniversary, 6 January), Mario Severino (26 December), Tony Coutinho (4th anniversary on 16 December), Muemile Nassar (anniversary 6 January), Elisha Foti (4 January), Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 3rd anniversary on 7 December), Angela Papaluca (20th anniversary on 10th November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 50th anniversary on 16 November), Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 12th anniversary on 29 November), Hamid Marzouki (brother in law of John Kassis, 28th anniversary on 1 November), Raj Hugh Cooray (brother of Eleanor Cooray, 1st anniversary 27 October), Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo's mother, 4th anniversary on 23 October), Dr Joseph Couch (Paul's father, 8th anniversary on 25 October), Genevieve Mangos (granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 6th anniversary on 20 October), Dr Anthony Lopes (brother/brother-in-law of Quinnie & Tony Machado-3rd anniversary on 19 October), John Vince (Cecilia Kean's father, 32nd anniversary on the 9 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas' Mum, 8th Anniversary on 9 October).

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Rose Paton (friend of Pam Gallagher), Christopher Roche (Lillas' son), Reg Kirkwood (brother of Patrick), Mary Salter, Liz Rodgers (friend of the Waldron's in Melbourne), Steve Ralph, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Vera Priestley (mother of Candy Cosgriff), Pat MacMillan, Alex Koroknay (Pam's husband), Lucy Chee (David's mother), Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Gus Almgren, Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Philip Stanley, Thomas Nash, Raymond McGarry (brother of John), Catherine McManamey, Donna Lucas, Andrew Watson, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Brian Macmillan (Pat's brother in NZ), Jack Graham (son of Peter and Ali Graham), Khanh Nguyen (brother of Judy Bohlsen, in the US), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Matthew Ho (father of Caroline Ho), Maggie Henriks, Kevin Madden (brother of Chris), Priya Amernath, Ferdie Moraza (nephew of Rose Planas), Fay Partridge, Sandra Perera and Wilma Arndt (friends of Sri Wijetunga), Gamini Beneregama (Eleanor Cooray's brother in law in Melbourne), Katie Amor (grand-daughter of Norma and Athol Higgins), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Eunice Spangaro, Maureen Ritchard, Margaret Comensoli (Bishop Peter's mother), Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Denise Waudby (Patrice Buzinskas' sister), Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne, Sue Roche.



We congratulate

Caelyn Margaret Hughes and Christian William Courtney

being baptised
Sunday 14 January at 11am



From Fr David

Dear friends,

The year slowly begins to get underway! Here we are now in the liturgical season called Ordinary Time. And there is the sense that our ordinary lives are beginning to get underway again after the celebration of Christmas and New Year, even though a few of us are still enjoying being in holiday mode!

We welcome to our Saturday 5pm Mass this weekend Fr Greg Chee, our friend from Corpus Christi Parish, St Ives. I must attend to some diocesan matters on Saturday afternoon, so I am very grateful that Fr Greg can assist us.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Helen Kirkwood on the recent death of Eugene, her brother. And we continue to hold Bishop Peter's mother, Margaret in our prayer. Margaret continues in the last phase of her journey, and we extend our affection to Bishop Peter at this difficult time for him and his brothers as they wait patiently beside their mother.

At our Sunday 9.15am Mass, we welcome the family of Emma Spinks who will join us as they commemorate the birthday of Emma's daughter, Jacqui Hunter on the 16th January. Jacqui died tragically during the course of last year. We surround Emma and her son and his family, and Jacqui's own husband, Luke and her young daughters Dakota and Saige with our love at this poignant time.

The erstwhile Andrew Placko has been very active in our garden this last week, removing the last of the stumps from the western embankment and tidying up the bamboo along the bottom eastern driveway. Andrew has cut back the bamboo from the road as it was encroaching further and further! In the coming weeks, he will also remove the bamboo next to the drain along the eastern fence to provide us greater access to the drain which requires repair and maintenance. Some time in the months ahead we will give thought as to what to do with the remaining bamboo on the eastern embankment. It is a weed, though, of course, it is a buffer. Notwithstanding this, it covers what is actually a terraced embankment with its own rock walls. The removal of the bamboo, altogether, would alter the visual aspect of our entrance, so before progressing any further than the current tidying project, I will seek your advice about the desirability, or otherwise, of this.

Upcoming Events

Thurs 25 Jan	9.50am	Sacrament of Anointing
Fri 26 Jan	9.15am	Australia Day Mass
Sun 28 Jan		Promotion of Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick
Mon 29 Jan	9.15am	Opening Mass for our Parish School Staff
Thurs 1 Feb		Start of School Term 1
Fri 2 Feb	11.30am	Loreto College Opening Mass
Sun 4 Feb		Promotion of our Catechists Ministry
	9.15am	Catenian Presidents Mass
Fri 9 Feb	11am	Prouille School Opening Mass
Sun 11 Feb		Promotion of our Liturgical Ministries Half Yearly Financial Report
Wed 14 Feb		Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Season of Lent



Recently our Parish Celebrated its Feast Day—3 January Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus

The Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus has been celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church since the end of the fifteenth century. The celebration has been held on different dates, usually in January, because 1 January, eight days after Christmas, commemorates the circumcision and naming of the child Jesus; as recounted in the Gospel read on that day, "at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb." Medieval Catholicism, and many other Christian churches to the present day, therefore celebrated both events as the Feast of the Circumcision of Christ, usually on 1 January. Bernardino of Siena placed great emphasis on the Holy Name, which he associated with the IHS Christogram, and may be responsible for the coupling of the two elements. In the Latin Rite Catholic Church it is observed as an optional memorial on 3 January by Catholics following the present General Roman Calendar.

Parish Diary in the Coming Week

Monday	15 January	2.30pm	Parish History Group Meeting, Parish Sunroom
Tues	16 January		Arrival of Fr Bogdan Skupien, a priest from the Archdiocese of Czestochowa, Poland, a guest to our parish for several days
Friday	19 January		No Holy Hour through the month of January
Monday	22 January	8.30am	Return of our Parish Secretary, Jackie Thornton, from summer leave!

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 9.15am and 5.30pm.

Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening: Holy Hour from 7.00pm (not in January)

Mass is also celebrated:

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara: Monday 9.30am

St Leo's College: 12.55pm Friday during school terms

Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

(Vespers with Dominican Lay Chapter 3.00pm on 2nd Sunday)

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

Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass
At Hammond Care, North Turramurra monthly

Parish Pastoral Council in 2018

Ken Laing, Kerri Donovan, Rachel Mitchell, Lauren Montgomery, Tim Quilty, Janet Walker, Gemma McDermott, Tom Waugh, Lucian Wijetunga, Giovanna Flores-Clarke, along with Sue Bevan (Prouille) and Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's)

Parish Finance Committee in 2018

Marinela Mendes, Tony Monardo, Brian McGarry, Robyn Elizondo

Parish Fundraising Committee

Noel Kean (Chair), Alan Amodeo, Meredith Baume, Kevin Figueiredo, Jo Karaolis

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)

Donation by Electronic Transfer

Wahroonga Catholic Parish Account BSB: 062-784 Account No: 1389 8001 CBA- 48 Martin Place, Sydney

EFTPOS Available in Parish Office

Do be sure to take a copy home of "Our Sunday Celebration" available at the entrances to our church.

From Sunday 4 February, again, Inside there is much wonderful reading for our spiritual nourishment.

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secretary@holynamewahroonga.com.au

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