

Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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Mass on Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am (8:45am Morning Prayer)
Rosary after Mass Tuesday—Friday and after 1st Saturday Mass
Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening during Lent: Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Weekend Masses:

FIRST Saturday of the month Mass at 9:15am

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.30pm

Mass is also celebrated :

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

St Leo's College, Wahroonga - Friday 1:15pm during school terms

Baptism: Preparation - by appointment with Fr Kelvin

Baptisms - 11.00am—2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month 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: Rosalie Belsey (Chair) , Anne-Louise Deakin (Co-Chair), Sajanee Senn (Secretary), Chrissie Goldrick, Sally Oong, Nick Chapman, Bernadette Holland-Lopez, Patrick Kirkwood, Libby Ringrose, Samantha Vieira, with Genevieve Smith (Prouille), Vanessa Dillon (St Edmunds) and a representative from St Lucy's.

Parish Finance Committee: Tony Monardo, Robyn Elizondo, Tim Quilty, Paul O'Brien.

Parish Fundraising Committee: Noel Kean (Chair), Meredith Baume, Anthony Weaver, Lyn Saul.

The Parish Bank Account Number: BSB: 062-784 ACC: 100010626 (Wahroonga Parish EFT Account)

SO WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? If you would like to deposit directly to the parish account (on a regular or ad hoc basis), please use the above account number. 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

**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.

IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

Our Church is equipped with a defibrillator in the event of a cardiac arrest.

It is located on the right hand side as you enter the Church next to the notice board behind the last pew.

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.

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16th March 2025 — SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear friends,

On 24th December, 2024, Our Holy Father Pope Francis opened the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome to commence the Holy Year of Jubilee entitled: 'Pilgrims of Hope.' This theme is taken from St. Paul's letter to the Romans: "And hope does not disappoint us because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

What is a Jubilee Year? According to the Judaic tradition, the fields would lie fallow for a 'Sabbath Year' after six years of labour. Every seventh Sabbath Year was followed by a Jubilee Year (50 years), during which slaves were released, commercial debts were cancelled and property was returned to its original owners. This became a year of honouring God.

In our Catholic tradition, Jubilees are now celebrated every twenty-five years. Jubilees are a time of pilgrimage, thanksgiving and repentance - it is a year for seeking and giving repentance.

In the Diocese of Broken Bay, Bishop Anthony Randazzo has designated three pilgrimage sites:

Our Lady of Dolours at Chatswood contains a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis (soon to be proclaimed a saint), the focus is a Shrine of Hope for young people.

St. Patrick's Gosford contains a relic of Pope St. John Paul II, and is designated as a Shrine of Hope for the Family.

Mary Immaculate Church, Manly, contains a relic of St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests and the focus is upon prayers for our priests, vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

When we venerate a relic, it is important to understand that this is not the same as worship. Worship is for God alone!

In venerating a saint we ask for prayers for us as we seek to grow in love for the Lord and model our lives on the virtues of that saint's life.

Blessings,

Fr. Kelvin

Jubilee Prayer

*Father in heaven, may the faith
you have given us in
your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of
charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of
your Kingdom.*

*May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds
transform from within both humanity and the
whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new
heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers
of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.*

*May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,
Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the
treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.*

*To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.*

Amen

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	17 March	No Mass				ST PATRICK, bishop
Tuesday	18 March	Mass	9.15am			Tuesday of the 2nd week of Lent
Wednesday	19 March	Mass	9.15am			ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Thursday	20 March	Mass	9:15am			Thursday of the 2nd week of Lent
Friday	21 March	Mass	9:15am	Anointing of the		Friday of the 2nd week of Lent
Saturday	22 March	Mass	5:00pm			Saturday of the 2nd week of Lent
Sunday	23 March	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5:30pm	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Robyn Miller (sister in law of Jackie Thornton, died 11 March aged 69yrs), Peter Hunt (former longtime parishioner, died 7 March—husband of Sue), Juan Lorenzo Miro Ramos (father in law of Roselena Miro, died in Madrid, Spain on 8 February), Gabrielle Flood (died 20 February, wife of Martin (dec), mother to Peter, Maryanne, Gemma (Couch), John and Marty).

ANNIVERSARIES: Noreen McGarry (wife of Brian, 21st anniversary on 18 March), Marceli Pochyly (44th anniversary on 19 March, father of Cecylia Ramsden), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England, 2nd anniversary 20 March), Edward James Lynch (Jennifer Gregory's Dad, 23rd anniversary on 23 March), Gus Almgren (5th anniversary 23 March), Rose Maiolo (1st anniversary 27 March, (wife of Noel, mother of Christine, Melissa and Sarah, sister in law of Trish and Tony Maiolo). Roger Thrum (14th anniversary, 13 March), Terry Gallagher (husband of Pam - 16 year anniversary, 14th March).

FOR THE SICK: Reg Martin (friend Margaret & Patrick MacMillan, Ray Kassis (brother of John Kassis), Nadia Waring (sister of Denise Kassis), Christine Pereira D'Andrade (cousin of Linette Sardinha), Neville Bownen (friend of Megan Khannah), Megan Khannah, Bernard Tighe (brother of Mike Tighe), Yvonne Malouf (mother of Joanne Klostermann), Gabrielle Flood (Gemma Couch's Mum), Philip Clump, Sienna McGrath (Dominic McGrath's niece and Reg Gibbons great-niece), Noeline Mannix, Tina Northcott, Mike Tighe, Mark Vinson Vallarta, Margaret Du Moulin (Edwina Potiris' mum, friend of Dominic McGrath), Conor and Leila McCreton, Margaret MacMillan, Jonathan Tighe (nephew of Caroline Montouro), baby Joseph Akkary (great great nephew of Denise Kassis), Henry Alan Field (4yrs—grandchild of dear friend of Cecilia Kean), Judy Ford (sister in law of Irene King), Pam Gallagher, Geoff Deacon (brother-in-law of Irene King), Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister).

Men's Rosary & Bible Study

The men of HNW meet every fortnight on a Tuesday night to pray the rosary and read the Gospel. All men welcome.

Program—next meeting 25 March

7:00pm Silent prayer in the church

7:10pm Rosary

7:45pm Gospel reflection & discussion

Contact : Tomasz Grzech 0413 802 069 for more information.



Congratulations
to the Gale and Buggy Vega Families
Cousins
Christopher (Kit) and Maximilian
will be baptised this Sunday.



Project Compassion 2025



This week's Project Compassion story features Lam from Vietnam.

Lam, a young man with a disability from rural Vietnam with a passion for graphic design, faced limited career prospects due to his disability. With support from the I-SHINE program, he pursued IT training and now runs a successful freelance graphic design business.

"When I got the chance to be a part of this program, I was over the moon – just bursting with excitement and joy," Lam said.

Caritas Australia has announced the launch of Project Compassion 2025, its Lenten fundraising and awareness appeal. Caritas Australia calling on the community to **Unite Against Poverty** for Project Compassion this year.

The theme, **Unite Against Poverty**, resonates deeply with the teachings of Jesus, who showed great care for the poor and marginalised. In Matthew 25, Jesus said, "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

This theme is explored through three inspiring stories of individuals from around the world who have overcome challenges in their own lives and gone on to become beacons of hope and resilience in their communities:

Kirsten Sayers, Interim CEO at Caritas Australia, said, "Lent is a season of reflection, prayer, and almsgiving. It is a time when we are called to examine our lives and make sacrifices to help those less fortunate. During Lent, our challenge is to respond to these stories courageously, with a yes to God's call to us all, to work towards a world where everyone can live with dignity and hope."

To donate, please look out for the Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes in the Church.



In the weeks to come, we will share the stories of how Caritas through the generosity of parishes Australia wide has helped change the lives of others around the world.

Where we work

For over 60 years, Caritas Australia has worked hand in hand with people in Australia and overseas to break the cycle of poverty.



Our Schools - Open Days

St Leo's Catholic College, Wahroonga



Open Evening & Expo
Wednesday, 26 March, 3-7pm

A caring, inclusive community renowned for our pastoral care and knowing each student.

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2027 AND BEYOND.

Find out for yourself everything St Leo's has to offer!

Priority enrolment* for students from our CSBB Priority Feeder Schools, including:

- Prouille, Wahroonga
- Sacred Heart, Pymble
- O.L.P.S, West Pymble
- Our Lady of the Rosary, Waitara
- St Patrick's, Asquith

Register today @ stleos.nsw.edu.au

Prouille

Open Day



Nurturing the Whole Child
Celebrating 75 Years in Education

Wednesday 7th May, 9-10am

To register: www.bit.ly/prouilleopenday2025
Prouille Catholic Primary School Wahroonga
(02) 7256 2146 | www.prouilledbb.catholic.edu.au



St Pius X College, Chatswood
OPEN DAY Saturday 22 March, 2025
Chatswood Campus



9am – 2pm
Oxford Falls Sporting Campus
8am – 12 noon
Meet the Principal, staff and

Students
Principal's Welcome
10:00 am and 12: 30pm at Chatswood

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL at
<https://www.spx.nsw.edu.au/enrolment/open-day/>



Loreto Normanhurst—Save the Date

150 Years of Loreto in Australia – Travelling Exhibition at Loreto Normanhurst

This year, the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary (IBVM) celebrates 150 years in Australia, commencing their ministry in Ballarat. The Loreto Sisters have been a blessing to our local area since they founded Loreto Normanhurst in 1897. Today, the school continues to embody their vision, fostering a strong sense of faith, justice, and education.

As part of the sesquicentennial celebrations, a travelling exhibition highlighting the rich history and lasting impact of the Loreto Sisters will be on display **from 23 May – 6 June at Loreto Normanhurst**. Please save the date to experience a stunning, creative collaboration from all Loreto Schools in Australia. More event details will be provided soon.

What do the Readings say to us this Sunday SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18: God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Second Reading: Phil 3:17 - 4:1: Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Lk 9:28-36: As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

Parish Events

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings during Lent

6:30pm



Benediction and Adoration will recommence on the
FIRST FRIDAY of the month after Easter - 2 May

Mass 9:15am Friday, 15 March
Anointing of the Sick



Lent 2025	
Ash Wednesday	5 th March 2025
Palm Sunday	13 th April 2025
Maundy Thursday	17 th April 2025
Good Friday	18 th April 2025
Holy Saturday	19 th April 2025
Easter Sunday	20 th April 2025
Easter Monday	21 st April 2025

Ladies Book Club Lenten Program

During Lent, our Ladies Book Club will be reading resources from the Diocese of Wollongong. They will meet on these Wednesdays in the Parish Sunroom if you would like to join in:

Week 1: Wed 5th March 7.30pm
Week 2: Wed 12th March 10.30am
Week 3: Wed 19th March 7.30pm
Week 4: Wed 26th March 10.30am
Week 5: Wed 2nd April 7.30pm
Week 6: Wed 9th April 10.30am



All sessions in the sunroom - plenty of booklets. No pre reading required

Further details, contact Hayley Edmunds: hedmunds42@gmail.com

CAYA Come As You Are Discussion & Reflection Group

Meet **Thursdays** after morning Mass in the
Parish Sunroom. Everyone is welcome.



2025 Sacramental Information

Our Sacramental Preparation groups for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) have commenced. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Wednesday, 26th March.

In our Diocese of Broken Bay, the Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated before Reconciliation and First Eucharist, so if your child is not yet confirmed, they cannot receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Holy Name Parish: Children's Sacramental Program 2025

RECONCILIATION

Sacramental Preparation Groups:

- Lesson 1: Saturday, 8 March at 3.45pm,
Lesson 2: Saturday, 15 March at 3.45pm,
Lesson 3: Saturday, 22 March at 3.45pm,
with each lesson followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church and then a sausage sizzle.



2025 Family Masses

We welcome everyone to come along and join in our Family Masses which involve our Parish students and student musicians and enjoy our special sausage sizzle and dessert afterwards.

Our Family Masses are on the following Saturdays at 5pm:

29 March	(Year 2)	28 June	(Year 4)
9 August	(Years 5 & 1)	20 September	(Years 6 & K)



BAPTISM FOR OLDER CHILDREN (Over 5 years)

We are taking registrations for Parish children aged 5 years and over to join Fr Kelvin Lovegrove for a Program of Preparation for Baptism.

Baptism lesson - held on one Saturday at 3.45pm in the Church, for parents/carers and children, in July or August (TBC) followed by attendance at the 5pm Mass

Baptisms will be celebrated on a date prior to Confirmation.

Please contact Sally Oong sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au or 9489 3221 (Parish office) if your child/children would like to participate

Jubilee 2025—Pilgrims of Hope



In the Catholic Tradition, Jubilees are now celebrated every 25 years. Jubilees are a year of pilgrimage, thanksgiving and repentance – it is a year for seeking and giving forgiveness.

In the Papal the Bull *Spes non confundit* Pope Francis talks about the following key themes:

Forgive debts & give pardons

Pope Francis offers a “heartfelt appeal” to affluent nations, asking them to “acknowledge the gravity of so many of their past decisions and determine to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them.” This includes “ecological debt” as addressed in Laudato Si and the pardon of prisoners.

Peace for a suffering world

Calling for a year of hope and patience in the face of much suffering in the world, Pope Francis “dreams that arms may fall silent”, encouraging diplomacy to end war and a “global fund” to put an end to hunger, rather than financing weapons.

Hope for the Future

Pope Francis highlights his concern for declining birth rates, stating various reasons, including frenetic pace of life, fears about the future, lack of job security and adequate social policies. With this he also mentions his concerns for young people, stating they are the rising generation, and we must not disappoint them.

Christian Unity

Jubilee year is an opportunity to focus on Christian unity and dialogue. 2025 will be the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. Pope Francis calls for continued work in Ecumenical dialogue, including working towards agreeing on a common date for Easter for Catholics and Orthodox. Perhaps providentially, Easter will be celebrated on the same day in 2025.

Copies of *‘Spes non confundit’* are available in the Church

SAFEGUARDING: Our parish is ...

Committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, most especially for children and vulnerable adults. If you are concerned about safety, contact the parish office on 02 9489 3221 or contact the Office of Safeguarding on 02 8379 1605.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all who enter our church.

Jubilee Prayer

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May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Franciscus



Do you want to learn to play the organ?

not just notes

Would you like to play the pipe organ?

Would you like to be part of the music ministry and learn skills to accompany the congregation? I aim to inspire whilst teaching technique and improving skills. Godelieve's Not Just Notes Scholarship Lessons are now available through the parish. Contact Parish Office 02 9489 3221

