"Pray always and never lose heart."



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16th October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From Fr Paul

Today Jesus says to us "Pray always and never lose heart." (Luke 18.1) Saint Augustine said "Faith pours out prayer, and prayer strengthens faith." Jesus presents the image of the poor widow who cries out persistently to the ill-tempered judge. This poor widow could well represent all humanity. When we hear Jesus' words we may think of our own prayers and pleas — and that of all humanity today and through the ages — that appear to go unheeded. But we must never give up and never lose heart! Our very life must be a prayer to God, our very being an act of trust in God.

For those who like to **look ahead**: today is the 29th Sunday of Ordinary time. We end Ordinary Time on 20th November, the 34th week of **Ordinary time**, on which we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (usually referred to as Christ the King). We then begin the Season of **Advent** on 27th November, a four-week season of waiting, expectation and preparation for the great Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord on **Christmas** Day.

I wish to inform the parish that **Bishop Anthony Randazzo will conduct an official Visitation** of Holy Name Parish from Friday 25th to Sunday 27th December. I have been working with the parish team, along with the Dean of the North Shore deanery (Fr Colin Blainey) and the Executive Officer for the Secretariat for Clergy (Mr Chris Lee) to ensure we have all records and policies concerned with Administration, Governance and Registers in place. Fr Colin will come to the parish before the Visitation to inspect these records and policies.

Bishop Anthony will be the main celebrant at all Masses that weekend (26th-27th November) and he looks forward to the opportunity to meet as many parishioners as possible, including visits to schools and homes. I shall draw up a proposed outline for the Bishop's three day Visitation (see Page 6 for more information)

Fr Sam and I presented to the Prouille Staff at their Staff Development Day last Monday. It was an opportunity to explore the Charter for schools in the Broken Bay Diocese. We explored what it is that Catholic faith and a Catholic worldview offers to students and families in the 21st century. A reminder that Children's Liturgy is commencing again at this Sunday's 9.30am Mass.

I wish all the staff, students and families of the parish all the best for this final term of the school year. We continue to pray for the Year 12 students sitting their HSC exams.

This Tuesday 18th October (Feast Day of St Luke) marks the first anniversary of Fr Sam's Ordination to the Priesthood. We congratulate him and give thanks to God for Fr Sam's response to his call, for his witness and for his generosity. We pray God's blessing on him today and always.

Note that we are celebrating this anniversary next Sunday 23rd October. Fr Paul



Please join in the celebration for the

1st Anniversary of Fr Sam's Ordination

Sunday, 23rd October

Commencing with Mass at 9:30am, followed by a delicious Paella brunch on the lawn, cake and refreshments.

Everyone is welcome

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	17 October	No Mass				St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr
Tuesday	18 October	Mass	9.15am			St Luke, evangelist
Wednesday	19 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 29
Thursday	20 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 29
Friday	21 October	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 29
Saturday	22 October	Mass	5:00pm			Weekday, Ordinary Time 29
Sunday	23 October	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Corinne (Joan) Westoff (died 11 October aged 96), Sam Calvi and Vince Calvi (brothers of Ralph), Judith Mackay (sister and sister in law of Barry Clibborn and Jennifer, died 30th September), Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife, died 14 September), Peter Higgins (son of Norma, died 26 September), George Maiolo (brother of Tony, died 21 September aged 73), Moira Owen (aunt of Dylan Belsey), passed away in Scotland on 26th August 2022, aged 75 years, Max Arnett (husband of Pat, died 22 August aged 87), John McGarry (died 12 August, aged 95), Dr Ranjan Fernando (father of Dr Lakmalie Perera, died 11 August).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum, 1st anniversary, 15 October), John Vince (Cecilia Kean's father, 37th anniversary on the 9 October), Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma and Martin, 5th anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 11th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 4th anniversary on 21 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas' Mum, 13th Anniversary on 9 October), John Crow (Hayley Edmund's father, 3rd anniversary 25 September), Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, 2nd anniversary 21st September), Dolly Anderson (Margaret MacMillan's mother, anniversary 15 September), Bev Dunlop (dear friend of Margaret and Pat MacMillan, anniversary 17 September), 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 14 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), Eduardo Dumalag Snr and Eduardo Dumalag Jr (husband and son of Remy Gregory, anniversaries September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 5th anniversary, 3 September).

FOR THE SICK:

Margaret MacMillan, Mike Tighe, Philip Clump, Chris Le Gras, Lachlan Kean (nephew of Cecilia and Noel), Sally Salehian, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Lasserre Gomes (father of Linette Sardinha), Conor and Leila McCreton, Tina Northcott, Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Dympna Hayes (sister of Maureen Kippax), 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 Fragiacomo, 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, Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.



Congratulations

Lasserre Gomes (father of Linette Sardinha)



What does the Word of God say to us this Sunday - Year C Week 29?

First reading (Exodus 17:8-13) tells of the first battle the Israelites fought after their deliverance from Egypt. Their victory resulted, not from their own efforts alone, but from the power of God mediated through the intercession of Moses.

In the parable of the unjust judge (Gospel: Luke 18:1-8), Jesus exhorts his disciples to pray continually and never to lose heart. The judge is approached by a widow - who represents the powerless ones. It is presumed that she has right on her side, but the judge is not interested in the rights of a penniless widow. However, when she persists in her plea, he finally relents.

The message is intended for the disciples who are faced with suffering and persecution. If an amoral judge can be moved by the persistent pleading of a widow, how much more will God see justice done for his faithful ones who cry out to him continually? The only question is: will they be found capable of confident and persevering prayer, or will they lose faith, just because their prayer isn't answered immediately?

For Reflection this week -Summary: Prayer from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Ten or more important points on prayer as set forth in The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)

- 1. <u>Prayer is vitally necessary</u>. Indeed, prayer and the Christian life are inseparable. Without perseverance in prayer, we risk falling back into the slavery of sin (CCC 2744, 2745). It is the life of prayer that places us in relationship with God (CCC 2565).
- 2. Humility is the foundation of prayer. We should go to God in prayer as "a beggar," asking Him to bestow on us "the gift" of prayer (CCC 2559).
- 3. An effective means to begin prayer is to consciously place ourselves in the presence of God (CCC 2803).
- 4. After placing ourselves in the presence of God, the basic movement of Christian prayer should start with adoration (CCC 2626). In this type of prayer, we adore the Trinitarian God who is the source of every blessing.
- 5. Before turning to prayers of petition, where we ask God for help with our needs, it is essential to first ask God for mercy and forgiveness. This "is a prerequisite for righteous and pure prayer."
- 6. During our prayer time, it is appropriate to pray for others (intercession), 2634, and to spend time praising God "simply because HE IS" (CCC 2639).
- 7. An effective means to end prayer is in Thanksgiving, thanking God, in the name of Christ Jesus, for all He has done for you, and even for your trials and tribulations (CCC 2638).
- 8. An effective means to enter into meditative prayer is to read the Bible or the writings of the great Saints in order to stir our thoughts, imagination, emotions and desires towards the love of Jesus Christ (CCC 2705 2708).
- 9. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* specifically recommends that, throughout the day, we invoke the name of "Jesus". The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* also highly recommends prayer to and with the Virgin Mary.
- 10. How important is prayer? Those who pray will be saved; those who do not pray will be lost (see CCC 2744 quoting St. Alphonsus Liguori).

Remember, the best way to pray is to pray! Lift your heart to God!



Fr Sam's First Anniversary of Ordination

This Tuesday, 18th October is the First Anniversary of Ordination for our Fr Sam.



Please join us in celebrating this occasion next Sunday, 23rd October.

Following Mass at 9:30am, we will share a Paella brunch (generously prepared by Samantha and Jose Vieira), cake and refreshments (wine, beer, juice, coffee & tea).

Everyone is welcome to be part of this gathering and to wish Fr Sam congratulations on his first year of Priesthood.

"The Hands of a Priest" - is a very old poem written in Ireland, author unknown. In our contemporary world and Church, it may offer an overly sentimental and idealised view of the ordained Priesthood. Nevertheless, it is a reminder that every Priest shares in the Priesthood of Christ, and has the sacred duty of dispensing the Sacraments to the faithful, especially that of celebrating the holy sacrifice of the Mass. This beautiful old Irish poem reminds us of the dignity and high calling of our Priests.



We need them in life's early morning, We need them again at its close; We feel their warm clasp of true friendship, We seek them when tasting life's woes.

At the altar each day we behold them, And the hands of a king on his throne Are not equal to them in their greatness; Their dignity stands all alone;

And when we are tempted and wander, To pathways of shame and of sin, It's the hand of a priest that will absolve us-Not once, but again and again.



For Our HSC Students

Special HSC Message from Bishop Anthony and Director of Schools Danny Casey

We are thinking and praying for our HSC students as they commence their exams this week. Be proud of all your achievements and know you have the whole community behind you!





Community Pantry

Community Pantry Fusion are in desperate need of supplies. We have offered to help them with the wonderful work they do and would appreciate donations of:

Canned food (ie soup, ham, tuna, vegetables, fruit);

Pasta, rice, noodles, muesli bars, biscuits, cereal; **Soap**, deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo etc.



We have a container in the foyer of the Church where goods can be placed or alternatively, they can be dropped to the Parish Office.

We will arrange delivery to Fusion in Hornsby. Thank you for your generosity to those who are experiencing difficult times.

Holy Hour & Discernment Evening

Pray, Discern & Act



Pray, Discern & Act with us as we seek God's guidance in our lives!

We will be praying for Vocations to the priesthood, 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.

Special Guest Speaker: Tom Waugh

Join us in prayer and discernment; and help us to spread the word about vocations. Please share on your social media pages.

Holy Hour & Discernment Evening Friday, 21st October, 2022 at 6:00pm Holy Name Parish Wahroonga

RSVP to:

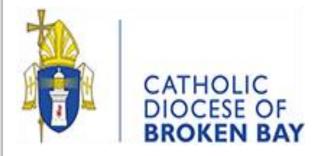
vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au Or Msg or call Ph: 0418 522 449

Episcopal Visitation to the Parish of Wahroonga

Bishop Anthony Randazzo will be visiting our Parish from 25th November—27th November.

When it comes to the time of the parish Visitation, he would like the time to include:

- ♦ A meeting with the Parish Priest and Assistant Priest
- Meet with Parish and any other pastoral staff, eg Pastoral Associate, Youth Worker
- A meeting with the School Principal and School Executive
- A visit to the Parish School could include morning tea with the staff and greeting the children in the yard, or in particular classes, or at an assembly.
- A drive around the Parish to be familiarized with the area
- A Parish gathering where all parishioners are warmly invited, particularly those involved in ministries in the Parish.
- Visiting any key Catholic facilities, e.g. houses of religion, St Vincent de Paul store, Catholic nursing home etc.
- Meeting with Catechists, liturgical people and so on.
- ◆ Having an evening Parish meeting with key personnel, e.g. Parish Council members, others involved in particular works within the Parish.
- Visiting several sick or shut-ins: the Bishop can bring Holy Communion or Anoint the Sick if required.
- Celebrate and preach at the Masses.
- Spending some time meeting parishioners.



Bishop Anthony Randazzo



Saints we remember this week

St Luke—Evangelist & Gospel Writer - First Century Feast Day - 18 October

Saint Luke was one of the four Evangelists but not one of the Twelve Apostles. Like Saint Mark, Luke was not among that select group who walked alongside Jesus as he journeyed through Palestine during his three years of public ministry. Luke was more likely a disciple of Saint Paul, who mentions "Luke who accompanied me on my missionary journeys". Little is known with certainty of Luke's life. What is known is that he wrote the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles—over a quarter of the New Testament. The two volumes of Luke and Acts are foundational works for knowing the life, works and teachings of Jesus Christ and the early Church.

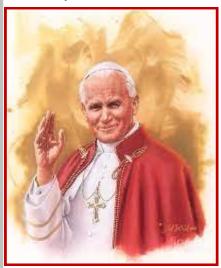
Saint Luke likely wrote for a non-Jewish audience. He translates into the Greek language words that the other Gospels leave in their original language, a hint that Luke's readers were non-Jews who could not read Hebrew and Aramaic. Luke alone tells the story of Lazarus and the rich man who repents of having ignored him.



Luke's Gospel is famous for its infancy narrative and it is through him that we come to know so much about the place of Mary. Only Luke writes down the Virgin's Magnificat and gives us the scriptural basis for the "Hail Mary". His Gospel begins with the birth of Jesus and the Acts of the Apostles begin with the birth of the infant Church. The Evangelists make the original events of the life of Christ present today.

Saint Luke, your words preserving the life of Christ make you known and loved to the Church today. Through your intercession, we ask that the riches of your Gospel, especially your words about the Blessed Mother, may inspire us to be more faithful disciples. Amen

St John Paul II—Pope 1920 – 2005 Feast Day - 22 October



St. John Paul II, original name Karol Józef Wojtyła, (born in Poland and died in Vatican City; beatified May 1, 2011; canonized April 27, 2014; feast day October 22), bishop of Rome and head of the Catholic Church (1978–2005), the first non-Italian pope in 455 years and the first from a Slavic country.

His pontificate of more than 26 years was the third longest in history. As part of his effort to promote greater understanding between nations and between religions, he undertook numerous trips abroad, and he extended his influence beyond the Church by campaigning against the political oppression of Communism and criticising the materialism of the West. He also issued several unprecedented apologies to groups that historically had been wronged by Catholics, most notably Jews and Muslims.

Generally, John Paul used his influence among Catholics and throughout the world to advance the recognition of human dignity and to deter the use of violence. John Paul II is remembered for his fearless faith in Christ; his stand for true freedom; his outreach to the world; his dialogue with Jews and Muslims; his stand for peace; his proclamation of new saints; his concern for the dignity of woman; the dignity of the sick; his outreach to youth, especially through World Youth Day.

He called on the Church and all humanity to be open to God in the third millennium.

St John Paul, you often called to the Church in the words of Our Lord: "Do not be afraid". Help us to live with courage and to trust in the Lord. Amen.

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Weekend Masses:

Sacramental Coordinator:

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 Tuesday—Friday and after 1st Saturday Mass 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 <u>AED Plus Step-by-Step Demo - YouTube</u> in case of an emergency.