"Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."



Holy Name Catholic Parish DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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20th November - Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

From Fr Paul

On this last Sunday of the Liturgical year, the Church celebrates the **Feast of Christ the King**, officially called the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**. The Feast was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas*, to respond to a world that was rejecting Christ and was being dominated by Secularism and Communism.

Pope Pius hoped that the establishment of this feast would bring about the following:

- •That this annual celebration would assist the faithful to gain strength in their true King, Jesus Christ;
- •That leaders and nations would recognise that they are bound to submit and give respect to Christ the King;
- •That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state.
- •That the faithful should honour and recognise Jesus as their 'Sovereign King' and emulate his total gift of self, perfectly embodied on the Cross. In imitation of their crucified King, believers can help bring love and relief to those who suffer, and help to proclaim the Good News of Christ in the world today.

Jesus' kingship is in the hearts and minds of those who have accepted him as their Lord and Saviour. Its driving force is love. Thus, wherever a believer is, there Jesus is, too, influencing our every thought, word and action. In these times when we are challenged in our faith, let us remember that Jesus Christ is our King who reigns forever and invites us into his Kingdom which will have no end.

To mark the Solemnity of Christ the King, we shall have a Procession as part of the 9.30am Mass on Sunday morning. We shall have Wine and cheese (and soft drinks) **after the 5:30 pm Mass** on the Solemnity of Christ the King.

A reminder we are marking these two Sundays as Family Masses:

- Family Mass Prouille Yrs 2, 3, 4 joining us 9:30am THIS SUNDAY
- Family Mass Prouille Kindergarten, Yrs 1, 5 and 6, 9:30am SUNDAY 27th.

Please note the following in the life of our parish:

- Bishop's Visitation next Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 25-27th November.
- St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal; hampers due on 3rd and 4th December; it is a season to be generous and caring toward others.
- Carols Bus 17th December (See Page 7)

We look forward to several end-of-year events, such as Graduation Masses, whole school Masses, and various concerts and celebrations. You will be kept informed of dates and details. I acknowledge there are those among us who are grieving and burdened by illness and those who have found these recent years particularly burdensome. I also acknowledge many in our society are struggling with increasing mortgage rates and the cost of living.

For this Sunday and in the coming week, let us carry in our hearts the words of Jesus spoken to Pilate: "Mine is not a kingdom of this world... yes, I am a King. I was born for this, I came into the world for this; to bear witness to the truth..."

We give thanks to God for the blessings of this Liturgical year and give praise to Christ the King. We give thanks that we can celebrate and meet our Lord in the sacred Liturgy every week. We look ahead to the Season of Advent and the celebration of Christmas. With my prayers and good wishes, Fr Paul

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	21 November	No Mass				The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday	22 November	Mass	9.15am			St Cecilia, virgin, martyr
Wednesday	23 November	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 34
Thursday	24 November	Mass	9.15am			Sts Andrew Dũng-Lạc , priest, and companions, martyrs
Friday	25 November	Mass	9.15am			Weekday, Ordinary Time 34
Saturday	26 November	Mass	5:00pm			Weekday, Ordinary Time 34
Sunday	27 November	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Peter McDermott (son of Julie, & stepson of Brian McGarry, died 17 November), Barbara Woodfine (mother of Michael, died 15 November aged 92), Franciszek Smigowksi (died 1 November in Jurkow, Poland, aged 88. He is survived by his wife, Ana and his 8 children. Father of Fr Zygmunt Smigowski SDS, Assistant Priest in the Parish of Pittwater), Denis Joyce (brother of Maureen Rolleston, died 28 October), Joan Dell (died 22 October), Corinne (Joan) Westhoff (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).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 3rd anniversary 16 November), Bill McPhillips (brother & brother-in-law of Jennifer and Barry Clibborn, 1st anniversary 17 November), Jim Dibben (father and father-in-law to Kerri & Mark Donovan and grandfather to Justin, Christian and Matthew, 1st anniversary 9 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 4th anniversary 10 November), John Fleming (friend of Patrick Kirkwood, 1st anniversary 11 November), Arie van der Plaat (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 7th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 5th anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 55th anniversary on 16 November), Joe Couch (Paul's Dad, 13th anniversary on 25 October), Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo's mother, 9th anniversary 23rd October).

FOR THE SICK:

Gerard de Silva, 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 to the Ashari Family

Oliver will be baptised this Sunday





Congratulations to Maureen Rolleston

who will celebrate her 90th birthday on Monday, 21 November



Readings for Week 34 - Year C The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

First reading (2 Samuel 5:1-3). We see how David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigures the universal kingship of Christ.

Second reading (Colossians 1:11-20). Christ is not only head of the Church but Lord of all creation.

Gospel (Luke 23:35-43). Christ reigned from the cross and brought salvation to one of the thieves crucified with him.

David had already been anointed King of Judah by his own people at Hebron. Now we hear how the northern tribes also acknowledge him as their king (First Reading). Thus, David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigured the universal kingship of Christ.

The Second Reading is essentially a liturgical hymn in praise of Christ. The first part speaks of his role in creation; the second of his role in redemption. On this feast we acclaim Christ as head of the Church and ruler of the universe.

In the Gospel we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers, and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus. The irony is that the titles which are pronounced in mockery are true: Jesus is both Messiah and King.

Quotes for the Week

"The Lord is the goal of human history, the focal point of the desires of history and civilization, the centre of mankind, the joy of all hearts and the fulfilment of all aspirations. It is he whom the Father raised from the dead, exalted and placed at his right hand, constituting him judge of the living and the dead. Animated and drawn together in his Spirit we press onwards on our journey towards the consummation of history which fully corresponds to the plan of his love: "to unite all things in him, things in Heaven and things on earth" (Vatican II document: Gaudium et Spes, no. 45).



"The Lord Jesus Christ is in a class all by Himself; there are no competitors, no rivals; He is unique. He is Lord of all. He is King of kings, Lord of lords, the image of the invisible God. He is Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Preeminent One." David Jeremiah

Catechists Needed

Sharing the good news of our Catholic faith to the children in our local state schools is an important ministry in the life of our Parish.

We wish to thank Hayley Edmunds for agreeing to take on the role of Catechist Co-Ordinator from the beginning of the school year 2023. We still require **two** (2) Catechists.

This is a most important and fulfilling ministry requiring about an hour of your time each week.

All training and resources are provided. If interested or you would like some further details, contact Fr Paul or Fr Sam or Jackie in the Parish Office.

We take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge Cecilia Kean for her outstanding and generous contribution as Catechist Co-Ordinator over many years. The Priests and Catechists of the Parish will meet on 30th November to recognise Cecilia's wonderful ministry and to farewell Sister Margaret Tische who is retiring.

VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2022

Father Sam French, Assistant Parish Priest of Holy Name Parish will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Holy Name Church 35 Billyard Avenue Wahroonga on Thursday 1st December 2022. The evening commences with Mass at 6.00 PM followed by dinner and a short formal meeting.

Following the meeting, President Terry Scanlan, will be speaking about the origins, the objectives, the activities, and future plans of Serra. If you would like to know more about Serra's vocations activities in our Diocese and make a difference in encouraging new and supporting existing vocations, please "come and see". Following Terry's presentation, Father Sam will speak to us about his first year of priesthood including his role at Joseph House, a young men's house of discernment.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, for those completing the discernment process and for the perseverance of existing vocations.

For catering purposes please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email <u>terry scanlan@bigpond.com</u> by Monday 28th November if you would like to attend. **We look forward to seeing you on the 1st December.**

Episcopal Visitation to the Parish of Wahroonga

Bishop Anthony Randazzo will be visiting our Parish
NEXT FRIDAY 25th November—SUNDAY 27th November.
We have now drawn up a three day schedule for the Bishop
which cover these various aspects of Parish life he has asked for.



- ◆ 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 familiarised 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.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal



Our Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference will again this year be inviting parishioners to prepare Christmas Hampers for families who have received assistance from Vinnies during the year.

Most of the hampers will be directed to Emerton and Whalan, suburbs of significant under privilege in Western Sydney. Hampers will also be sent to the Hornsby Women's Refuge and some local families.

The appeal will be launched at the weekend Masses **THIS WEEKEND—on 19th & 20th November** with hamper labels being allocated after Mass.

For the first time this year we will be inviting a few families to choose to prepare a *gluten free hamper* as this is a growing need.

Those preparing hampers will be asked to return them to the Church at the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday 3 December or the 8:00am or 9.30 Masses on Sunday 4 December. As always your generosity is very much appreciated by the recipient families.

At the same time we will also like to get details of *volunteer drivers* who can deliver the hampers out to the Holy Family Centre at Emerton on the mornings of *Friday 2 December* and *Sunday 4 December*.

SUGGESTED FOOD ITEMS FOR HAMPERS

Christmas Cake Tinned Salmon/ Tuna

Christmas Pudding Tinned or packet dried Soup

Mince Pies Tinned Fruit

Packet of Sweets Long Life Fruit Juice

Savoury Biscuits/pretzels

Christmas Crackers

Pasta

Cordial

Pasta Sauce

Baked Beans

Tea

Coffee

Jam

Honey

Tinned ham Rice

Tinned Carrots/Peas/Potatoes Jelly Crystals

Please do not include any the following:

Perishable foods (e.g., dairy products, fresh fruit juice, chocolate)
Food past its "Use By" date
Nuts or peanut butter
Alcoholic beverages of any description

You are welcome to leave hampers in the Parish Office prior to the weekend of 3rd and 4th December if this is more convenient for you.

Proposed Parish Maintenance Program

Below is a proposed Maintenance Program for the coming two years. I thank Frank Waldron, and members of the PFC and PPMC for their contribution to this. Parishioners may wish to make a donation toward a specific work.

All donations in response to this shall be placed in a designated Maintenance Fund. Enquiries can be made to Fr Paul directly or to the Parish Office. Your support is very much appreciated.

	MAINTENANCE	\$	
1	Clean Black mould on Church and Presbytery roofs and walls and driveway wall	6500	
2	Gutters and downpipes on Church—replacing and restoring	6500	
3	Repair and paint ceilings in sacristy, crying room and store area and graffiti in toilets	4000	
4	Clean, repair and re-coats Crying Room to outside timber doors		
5	Repair and paint ceilings and other surfaces in need of repair in Presbytery		
6	Replace remaining original lights in Church		
7	Retaining wall near sunroom	1200	
8	Air conditioning in Sunroom	4000	
9	Remove soil behind western garden wall and fix drainage		
10	Replace wiring, conduits and light fittings along driveway		
11	Car park repairs - front		
12	Car park repairs - rear	62000	
13	Driveway and roadway from Chilton Parade repair	20000	
14	Restoration of flower room		
15	Presbytery wiring	35000	in sections
16	Church wiring	20000	in sections
17	Paint the additional areas of Presbytery and offices	20000	
18	Painting of Church and buildings outside	10000	in sections
19	Upgrade sacristy facilites (sink and cabinet)	6000	
20	Restore the existing drawers and bench in sacristy	3000	
21	Restoration of the Parish basement as a Youth Centre	5000	
		273500	
21	Carpet in Church: Replace with carpet/grade floor	35000	to 50 000
22	Provision for replacement of equipment which has an operational life (audio systems, kitchen and office equipment etc. An estimated costs (based on a current estimate for a similar Church to) to upgrade the Church PA system would be \$100,000. NB This equipment has exceeded its normal operation life span. It	100000	

Saints we remember this week



St Cecilia—Feast Day 22 November St. Cecilia, Cecilia also spelled Cecily, one of the most famous virgin martyrs of the early church. She is a patron saint of music and of musicians.

According to a late 5th-century legend, she was a noble Roman who, as a child, had vowed her virginity to God. When she was married against her will to the future saint Valerian, then a pagan, she told him that an angel of God wished her to remain a virgin. He promised to respect this wish if he were allowed to see the angel. She replied that he would if he were baptised.

On his return from baptism he found Cecilia talking to the angel. She then converted his brother Tiburtius, who also saw the angel. Both men were martyred before she was. She distributed her possessions to the poor, which enraged the prefect Almachius, who ordered her to be burned. When the flames did not harm her, she was beheaded.

Preparing for Advent and Christmas

Though the civil New Year begins on January 1st, **next Sunday (27**th **November) the Church begins the Advent season** of preparation for the special coming of Christ into our community at Christmas: the feast on which we celebrate the most momentous moment in human history – the birth 2000 years ago of Jesus of Nazareth.

Each season has its special grace, and the special grace of Advent is to prepare our world, our nation, our city, our home, and our heart, for the one who is always coming to us to heal us and to make this world a sanctuary in which God's loving will is done.

Our Advent tree will be put up for the first Sunday of Advent and our nativity scene and further decorations will be on display for Advent Week 3.

The Meaning of the	Symbol	Meaning
ADVENT WREATH	Circle	Eternity of God
	Evergreen Wreath	Life, Immortality
	Candle	Jesus is the light of the world.
	4x Candles	Four weeks of Advent
The state of the s	3x Purple	Purple = prayer, penance, & preparation
	1x Rose (Pink)	Rose = Rejoicing

The Carols Bus is back

On the 17th December the Holy Name Carols bus will be making its way around the neighbourhood. The bus carries a group of parish singers who will visit homes in the parish and sing a few favourite carols before moving on to the next home.

- We will need volunteer drivers for the buses.
- * Good singers who can hold a tune acapella.
- * Households willing to host fellow parishioners and neighbours where the carols bus will stop.
- * Households will need to be within a 2 kilometre radius of the church and have enough room for the choristers to assemble in the front garden or inside if the weather is inclement.

 There can be up to 20 of them.

We can visit five (5) homes at most and will choose locations based on the most practical itinerary if we are oversubscribed with host homes. The bus will travel between 6.30pm and 9pm.

Please complete the expressions of interest forms at the back of church or contact the office.

Saints we remember this week

St Andrew Dung-Lac (1795-1839) Feast Day 24 November He was a Catholic convert ordained to the priesthood, martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. He was canonised during the papacy of Saint John Paul II.

Christianity came to Vietnam through the Portuguese. Jesuits ministered to Japanese Catholics who had been driven from Japan. In 1832, Emperor Minh-Mang banned all foreign missionaries, and tried to make all Vietnamese deny their faith by trampling on a crucifix. Many hiding places were offered in the homes of the faithful. Persecution broke out again in 1847.

The last of the martyrs were executed in 1862. France guaranteed religious freedom to Catholics, but it did not stop all persecution. By 1954, there were over a million Catholics in the north.

Buddhists represented about 60 percent. Persistent persecution forced some 670,000 Catholics to abandon lands, homes and possessions and flee to the south. In 1964, there were still 833,000 Catholics in the north, but many were in prison. In the south, Catholics were enjoying the first decade of religious freedom in centuries.



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Weekend Masses:

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 3rd 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.