"For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."



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28th August-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

From Fr Paul

We Australians tend to like our sporting and other heroes to be humble in regard to their talents and success. We are drawn to people who are humble, rather than those who are proud and boastful.

Today we hear Jesus say:

"Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Jesus warns the proud of heart and those who 'engineer their way to the top.' That's not the way to gain honour in the Kingdom of God. In the Kingdom, God confers honour on those who are humble. May we pray to be people who are humble about our gifts and be willing to give God honour and thanks for our blessings.

Fr Sam and I regularly celebrate Mass for the Catholic residents of Southern Cross Care at Turramurra. I thank and acknowledge the parishioners who regularly support and take Holy Communion to the sick, housebound and elderly.

Last Sunday a group of young men gathered for a very worthwhile retreat day to hear input, discuss and pray about the topic of 'Being men of faith in the contemporary world'. The two talks drew on the image of "God the Father" and "Christ the bridegroom" and considered aspects of masculinity, relationships, marriage and fatherhood in today's world.

It is good to welcome the students from Prouille and St Edmund's joining us for our weekday Masses. This Sunday I shall celebrate the Father/Daughter Mass for the Boarders of Loreto College, in anticipation of Fathers' day on 4th September.

We continue our Confirmation for 54 children in the Parish and pray that this will be a time when the Holy Spirit blesses these children and their families. We are supporting 10 St Lucy's children who are preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

This Tuesday evening, the Parish Pastoral Missionary Council plans to meet. If there are issues you would like to have raised please let me or a member of the PPMC (listed on the last page of the Bulletin) know.

Today we mark Social Justice Sunday in the Catholic Church in Australia. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement "Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse" calls for parishes and other faith communities to support and believe those going through domestic and family violence and abuse, to hold perpetrators to account and work towards individual and social transformation.

A reminder of the Liturgy of Lament to be held at the Cathedral church at Waitara next Friday evening. (see Page 5 for details)

With my continued prayers and good wishes, Fr Paul

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	29 August	No Mass			The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr
Tuesday	30 August	Mass	9.15am		Weekday, Ordinary Time 22
Wednesday	31 August	Mass	9.15am		Weekday, Ordinary Time 22
Thursday	1 September	Mass	9.15am		Weekday, Ordinary Time 22
Friday	2 September	Mass	9.15am		Weekday, Ordinary Time 22
Saturday	3 September	Mass	5.00pm		St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor
Sunday	4 September	Mass	8.00am	9.30am 5.30	Opm 23rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Fathers Day

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Max Arnett (husband of Pat, died 22 August aged 87), Dr Ranjan Fernando (father of Dr Lakmalie Perera, died 11 August), John McGarry (died 12 August, aged 95), Lorraine Gaffey (mother of Trish Migdoll and Peter Gaffey died 17 August, aged 86yrs), Barbara Wing (wife of George, died 31 July), Anna DiGuglielmo (mother of Carla, died 2 August in Ayr, Queensland), Paul Joseph Mitchell (father of Michael Mitchell, died 21 July), Susan Woodfine (daughter of Barbara and Maurice, sister of Michael, died 6 July, aged 67), Father Bernard Joseph Maxwell (Ordained at Holy Name, died aged 92), Halina Brzozowski (mother of Joanna, died 18th June, aged 83), John Fisher (husband of Yvonne, died 13 June aged 82), Jason Booker (nephew of Trish and Tony Maiolo, died 5 June aged 50).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Eduardo Dumalag (son of Remy Gregory, 1st anniversary, 4 September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 5th anniversary, 3 September), Fr John Neill OP (1st anniversary, 21 August), Betty Laing (Ken's Mum, 4th anniversary, 22nd August), Patricia Loneragan (sister of Fred, 5th anniversary on 26 August), Jean Goldrick (Mum of Chris, 7th anniversary on 27 August), Rose Leong (aunt of Caroline Ho, 2nd anniversary, 18 August), Louis Planas (16th anniversary on 19 August), Melissa Lopes (sister in law of Quinnie Machado, 12th anniversary on 17 August), Alexandra Lopes (mother of Quinnie Machado, anniversary on 20 August), Augusta Matejovski (sister in law of Amalie Gunzenhauser, 1st anniversary on 9 August), Mary Bourke (Grandmother of Rosalie Belsey, 6th anniversary on 10 August), Patrick Madden (brother of Chris, 6th anniversary on 10 August), Catherine Bourke (daughter of John and Penny Bourke, 7th anniversary, 11 August), Don Dell (husband of Joan, 14th anniversary on 13 August), Takehisa Koyanagi (brother in law of Michael Calvi, 9th anniversary on 13 August), Peggy Smyth (Chrissie Goldrick's mum—3rd anniversary on 4 August), Patricia Smyth (sister of Chrissie Goldrick - 11th anniversary on 5 August).

FOR THE SICK:

Philip Clump, Chris Le Gras, Judith Mackay (sister of Barry Clibborn), Lachlan Kean (nephew of Cecilia and Noel), Sally Salehian, Jo Keijzer (daughter of Leila & Conor McCreton), Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Lasserre Gomes (father of Linette Sardinha), Conor and Leila McCreton, Mike Tighe, Tina Northcott, Rosalie Bertaglia (friend of Megan Khannah), Dympna Hayes (sister of Maureen Kippax), Kathryn Gilmore, 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), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), 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), Gloria Boswell, 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, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Martin McCreton (brother and brother in law of Conor and Leila McCreton), Margaret Hayes, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.



Congratulations
to the Tavernese Family
Leo Domenic Jon
will be baptised this Sunday



What does the Word of God say to us this Sunday - 22nd Sunday Year C?

First reading (Sirach or Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29).

There is praise for the person who is humble.

Second reading (Hebrews 12:18–19, 22-24). This contrasts Mount Sinai, where the old covenant was made with Mount Zion, which stands for the heavenly Jerusalem.

Gospel (Luke 14:1, 7-14). Jesus urges his followers not to covet places of honour, and always to act out of unselfish motives.

The readings stress the importance of humility, especially for those in high places. The First Reading praises the humble person who is conscious of his own weakness, and never rejects wisdom, no matter where it comes from. Such a person will find favour with God and with friends and neighbours. Pride raises a barrier to communion with God and others.

This links with the Gospel where the key phrase is: "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Jesus criticises those who thrust themselves forward and who 'engineer their way to the top.' That's not the way to gain honour in the Kingdom. In the Kingdom, God confers honour on those who are humble.

Reflections of Humility

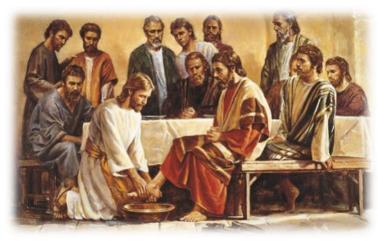
The readings today highlight the importance of humility in the spiritual life. Likewise, many saints have stressed this important virtue:

"If you should ask me 'what are the ways of God?', I would tell you that the first is humility, the second is humility, and the third is humility.

Not that there are no other precepts to give, but if humility does not preced all that we do, our efforts are fruitless."

Saint Augustine





"You must always **humble** yourself lovingly before God and before others, because God speaks only to those who are truly **humble** and enriches them with His gifts.

As gifts increase in you, let your **humility** grow, for you must consider that everything is given to you on loan."

St Padre Pio of Peitrelcina

Sacrament of Confirmation—Enrolling Now

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised and be eight years of age or older (Year 3 2022 minimum).

In the Diocese of Broken Bay, Confirmation is celebrated prior to Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Enrolment: Please make a separate booking for each child, if more than one being registered for Confirmation, as you will be required to fill in the information for each candidate.

To Enrol: https://www.trybooking.com/CBCSP

Please note:

The candidate's Confirmation (Saint's) Name is recommended to be the name given to them at Baptism, if this is a Saint's Name. If not, please choose the name of a suitable, canonised Saint (see 2. below). 'Old Testament' people are not Saints. Please discuss this with Sally Oong if you require assistance with this choice. You can advise this name by August 22, if not yet decided.



- The Saint's name should be of relevance to your child: eg Feast day near their birthday, affinity with the Saint's life or their cause, their own name, or the name of person special to them. The website http://www.catholic.org/saints/ is a good place to start or there are many books on the Saints.
- The Sponsor must be a practising Catholic, who is a fully-initiated member of the Catholic church (i.e. has completed their Sacraments, being Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Communion) and is over the age of 16. It is desirable that the Godparent at Baptism, if present, also be the Sponsor at Confirmation. A parent cannot be the sponsor. An adult may 'stand-in' on the day for the Sponsor, e.g. if the Godparent cannot attend. If you wish to discuss any of the above, please contact Sally Oong at sally.oong@bbcatholic.org.au

PROGRAM DATES:



Preparation Lessons: Weekly Lessons and Masses are all compulsory for the candidate and a parent/carer.

However, sometimes life happens so please contact Sally if attendance is not possible.

These are held at Prouille School, 5 Water St, Wahroonga. Please meet as a group with Sally in the School Hall each week, prior to the lesson.

Lesson 2: Saturday 27 August at 3.45pm

Lesson 3: Saturday 3 September at 3.45pm

Lesson 4: Saturday 10 September at 3.45pm,

** with each lesson followed by 5.00pm Mass at Church, then a sausage sizzle

<u>Practice</u>: Tuesday, 20th September, 2022 at the Church at 5.30pm.

<u>Compulsory</u> attendance for all Candidates. Sponsors may attend, which is helpful, but it is not compulsory.

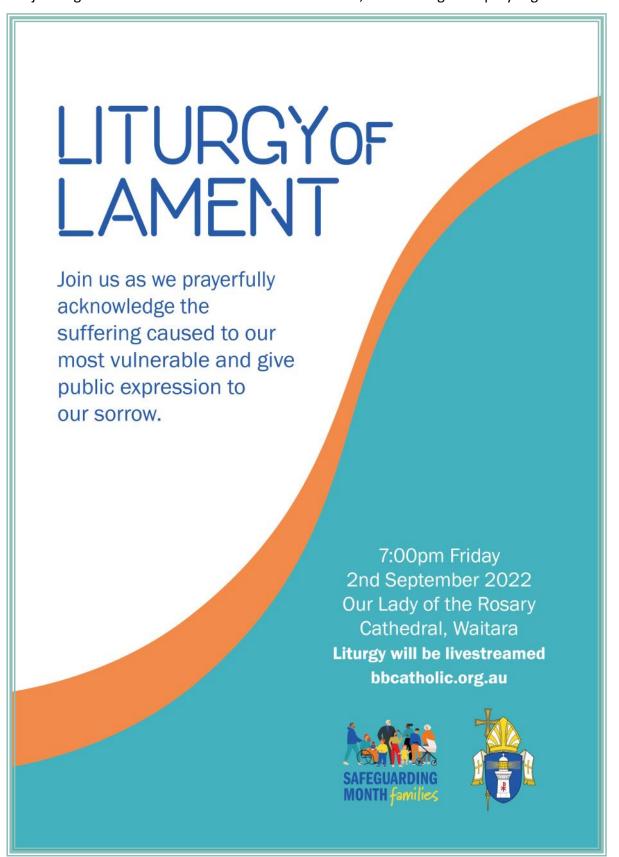
<u>Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation</u>: THURSDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2022 at 5.30pm at Holy Name Church. The above information is able to be downloaded from our website: www.holynamewahroonga.com.au

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Liturgy of Lament

Friday 2 September at 7.00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

Everyone is welcome to our annual *Liturgy of Lament*. Please put the date in your diaries and let us join together on this occasion when we remember, acknowledge and pray together.



Social Justice Sunday—28th August



The 4th Sunday in August is Social Justice Sunday.

This year's theme, released earlier this month by the Australian Bishops, is titled :

"Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse".

The statement says, 'The roots of violence lie in the abuse of power to control and dominate others. This stands in stark contrast to the relationships to which God calls us – relationships marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control."

Resources can be found at https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/

To purchase the Prayer/Action Card, please visit:

https://www.catholic.org.au/shop/acbc-shop#!/Social-Justice-Statement-2022-Products/c/137195759

Parish Groups to Consider

Children's Liturgy

I am grateful to the volunteers who have come forward for this ministry. Other volunteers are welcome. Please consider being part of our Children's Liturgy group. Contact the Parish Office for further details. Parents of young children, please note we plan to begin Children's Liturgy again as soon a the new roster is prepared. **Fr Paul**

Livestreaming our Masses

Ken Laing and Anne-Louise Deakin have been livestreaming our Masses since we began doing so. We are looking at putting together a team who can 'lighten the load' for Ken and Anne-Louise. It would involve a few lessons on how to use the equipment and then availability for one Mass on the weekend (on a rostered basis).

PLEASE let us know if you are interested in helping out with this valuable service. We still have some parishioners who are unable to come to the Church and rely on this livestreaming.

Morning Tea Roster

Here at Holy Name we have always been supportive of hospitality in our Parish. We are hoping to make our Sunday Morning Tea following the 9:30am Mass a regular event again. If we have 3 or 4 families who are willing to help on one Sunday of the month, that would be wonderful. Currently we have our Men's Group who host a BBQ on the first Sunday of the month and a family who do Morning Tea on the third Sunday of the month.

What's involved? Setting up the tables in the Church Portico with cups, milk and sugar (all provided): making up the pots of coffee and tea and putting out biscuits/cakes: serving after Mass and packing up and putting away. A terrific opportunity for a family to get involved.

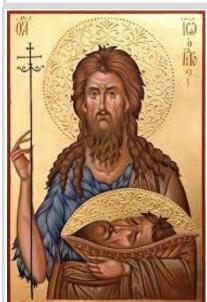
Men's Rosary Crusade

MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE at St Mary's Sydney Cathedral Forecourt—Saturday 3 September at 1pm

Our Lady of Fatima's request to pray for peace, making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and fulfilling the First Five Saturday's Devotion has never been more important. Confession is available from 11.30am and Holy Mass at 12pm in St Mary's Cathedral. Men, it's time for ACTION - join us, share the message, invite others and bring your mates and sons along. Rain, hail or shine it's on! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

MEN'S ROSARY CRUSADE is a movement of men publicly offering reparation and repentance to God on the 'First Saturday' of each month in honour of Our Lady of Fatima and her requests. #mensrosarycrusade For more information call Tomasz on 0413 802 069

Saints We Remember this Week



John the Baptist

(Born Late 1st century BC— Died 28 – 36 AD by beheading on 29 August)
He is viewed as a prophet. According to the New Testament, he was a Preacher who baptized people.

John called people to turn to God and to prepare for the coming of the Messiah (Jesus). He baptised Jesus in the Jordan River. People would go to him so that he would put them in the water to show that they have turned away from their sins, so that they could get into heaven.

John was the son of Zechariah and Elizabeth, and a relative of Jesus. According to the New Testament, John anticipated a messianic figure greater than himself. Christians commonly refer to John as the precursor or forerunner of Jesus, since John announces Jesus' coming.

St Gregory the Great (540—604) Feast Day 3 September

Gregory, before he became Pope, saw some Anglo-Saxon slaves for sale in a Roman marketplace. He asked about the race of the remarkable blond men and was told they were "Anglos." "Not Anglos, but angels," he was said to reply. As a result, it is said, Gregory was later inspired to send missionaries to England.

Gregory was descended from Roman nobles with a strong Christian faith. He was related to two previous popes (Felix III and Agapitus I), his aunts were nuns. He was raised in Rome.

By the age of 30, he was the chief administrative official of the city, responsible for finances, police, provisioning, and public works—an experience that helped him hone his administrative skills and, together with his personal wealth, gave him the opportunity to create six monasteries.

Yet, Gregory remained dissatisfied, and upon his father's death in 574, he converted his house into a monastery and retired to a life of contemplation and prayer. During these years, the happiest in Gregory's life, he began a detailed study of the Scriptures. Here he also ruined his health with fasting, a sacrifice that would precipitate his early death.



His administrative skills did not remain unappreciated. In 577 Pope Benedict appointed Gregory one of the seven deacons of Rome, and Pope Pelagius II sent him, in 578, as representative to the imperial court, then later recalled him to serve as his confidential adviser. In 589, a flood destroyed the grain reserves of Rome, instigating a famine and then a plague that swept through Rome and killed Pope Pelagius. Gregory was elected to succeed him. Though he had tried to refuse the office, once elected, he went to work with vigour.

Gregory was actively concerned about the work of priests. He wrote a book of instruction for bishops, On Pastoral Care, in which he wrote, "Act in such a way that your humility may not be weakness, nor your authority be severity. Justice must be accompanied by humility, that humility may render justice lovable." It became a manual for holy life throughout the Middle Ages.

Gregory set a high mark for the medieval papacy. He defended the primacy of the Chair of Peter against even the smallest slight. He reconciled many independent bishops to Rome by humble appeals, not defending his personal rights but those of the institution. He was the first Pope to call himself **Servus Servorum Dei, "the servant of the servants of God,"** a title still in use today.

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(Treasurer), Mrs Candy Cosgriff (Secretary)

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 on Tuesday

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.