"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs..."



Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY
35 Billyard Avenue Wahroonga 2076



3 October — 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From Fr Paul

Dear Parishioners

This Sunday marks the **27th Sunday** in Ordinary Time. In today's Gospel, Jesus encourages us to uphold the **ideal of marriage** intended by God from the beginning: that a man and woman be in a lifelong committed relationship.

Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," i.e., his counterpart, his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate". "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning". (see Sunday Readings and inspiring videos in Bulletin)

We are coming to the close of the school holidays! We wish families well as they **resume home-based learning**, and schools prepare to have students return in the coming weeks.

Bishop Anthony has released detailed guidelines for the opening of Churches in the coming weeks. Please click on this link.

We are looking forward to the **Ordination of Deacons** Roger Delmonte, Aldrin Valdehueza and Sam French on 18th October at OLOR Cathedral, Waitara. Please note information about the Ordination ceremony in the bulletin (page 5) and more details will emerge by next weekend.

Our **Sunday, 31st October 9.30am Mass** will be celebrated as a **Mass of Thanksgiving**, after which we shall present a gift to the newly ordained Fr Sam, and have a morning tea/brunch. This will be livestreamed and recorded. We expect there will be a limit on numbers who can attend. Later, when we can gather in bigger numbers, we shall have a further celebration. More information will follow.

(Please note this Mass of Thanksgiving was to have been on 24th October, but this will not be possible under the new guidelines from Bishop Anthony.)

Again, best wishes to families at the beginning of Term four for 2021.

With Fr Anselam and Deacon Sam, we assure you of our continued prayers and good wishes.

Fr Paul

Parish Masses This Week

Monday	4 October	No Mass			St Francis of Assisi
Tuesday	5 October	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 27
Wednesday	6 October	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 27
Thursday	7 October	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday	8 October	Mass	9.15am	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 27
Saturday	9 October	Mass	5.00pm	Livestreamed	Weekday, Ordinary Time 27
Sunday	10 October	No Masses			28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Remember in your Prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Kere Molesworth (nee Ockwell; mother of Richard, Pru and Alex, died 21 September), Bruno Schicht (husband of Mavis, father of Nick and Karin, died 20 September), Don Matheson (brother in law of John Clark, died in Melbourne, 17 September), Susana Velasco (friend of Rose Raward, died in the Philippines), Lyn Smith (mother of Mandy York, died in South Africa), Fr James Duck (died 9 September), Eduardo Gregory (son of Remi and Terry), Edward Brown, Giovanni (John) Papandrea (husband of Catarina (Nancy), father of Maria and Tonella, died 1 September aged 81yrs), Fr Paul Purcell OP (Parish Priest of Holy Name Wahroonga from 1982-1989, died 29 August aged 94yrs), Fr John Neil OP (ordained at HNW October 1960; brother of Carole Wilson, died 21 August), Dexter John Giblin (died 17 August), Augusta Matejovski (sister in law of Amalie Gunzenhauser, died 9 August), Trish Panton (died 2 August, aged 85), Gigliola Cantarella (friend of Margaret and Pat MacMillan).

ANNIVERSARIES:

Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, 1st anniversary 21st September), Bev Dunlop (2nd anniversary on 17 September, friend of Margaret and Pat MacMillan), Phylis Arnott (21st anniversary on 15 September), Maria Pullin (wife of Gordon, 1st anniversary, 16 September), John Delaney (friend of John McGarry, 1st anniversary, 11 September), Michael Matejovski (23rd anniversary on 13 September) and Emilia Matejovski (11th anniversary on 22nd September) - parents of Amalie Gunzenhauser, Hend El-Daher (mother of Denise Kassis - 13th anniversary on 11 September), Margaret Denham (Tess Denham-Fabry's mother, 5th anniversary 13 September), Shirley Ranson (Fr David's Mum - 7th anniversary on 18 September), Eileen and Aloy de Silva (parents of Sandra Fernando—29 September), Claire McGrath (wife of Ves, 15th anniversary on 1 September), Faye Amodeo (Alan Amodeo's mother, 4th anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Darwell (Greg's mother, 5th anniversary 6 September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 4th anniversary, 3 September, Vincenzo Monardo (Tony's Dad, 3rd anniversary), Betty Laing (Ken's Mum, 3rd anniversary, 22nd August), Patricia Loneragan (sister of Fred, 4th anniversary on 26 August), Jean Goldrick (Mum of Chris, 6th anniversary on 27 August), Barry Price (husband of Marie-Claire, 6th anniversary on 28th August), Rose Leong (aunt of Caroline Ho, 1st anniversary, 18 August), Louis Planas (15th anniversary on 19 August), Melissa Lopes (sister in law of Quinnie Machado, 11th anniversary on 17 August), Alexandra Lopes (mother of Quinnie Machado, anniversary on 20 August), Peggy Smyth (Chrissie Goldrick's mum—2nd anniversary on 4 August), Patricia (Trisha) Smyth (sister of Chrissie Goldrick - 10th anniversary on 5 August), Mary Bourke (Grandmother of Rosalie Belsey, 5th anniversary on 10 August), Patrick Madden (brother of Chris, 5th anniversary on 10 August), Catherine Bourke (daughter of John and Penny Bourke, 6th anniversary, 11 August), Don Dell (husband of Joan, 13th anniversary on 13 August), Takehisa Koyanagi (brother in law of Michael Calvi, 8th anniversary on 13 August), Manh Phan (Melvin's father, 1st anniversary, 14 August).

FOR THE SICK:

Ves McGrath, Sinead Joyce (friend of Dot & Mike Tighe), Kathleen Le Gras (Sister of Brian McGarry), Halina Brzozowski, Tina Northcott, Emma Vassallo (Granddaughter of Will Hayward), Peter Higgins (son of Norma), Dawn Phillips (Lynne Attard's Mum), Ina Evans, Alyssa Kent, David Walker (Bishop Emeritus of Broken Bay), Margaret Fandral (mother in law of Joanne Rolleston), Ted Hook (Antonina's husband), Gerard Vince (brother of Cecilia Kean), Kevin Brown (brother-in-law of Halina and David Brett in England), Joe Pulis, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Patricia McGrath, Helen Dunning (niece of Leila McCreton), John Clark, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiacomo, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Walter Sutcliffe, Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, 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, baby Kendal, Reginald Broderick, Michael Walsh, Caoimhe Browne, Murray Howe, George Dunne.

2021-2022 CWF (NOW CALLED PASTORAL WORKS BROKEN BAY) APPEAL #1

If you have an automatic deduction in place, this will be processed next week. If you would like to contribute, please do so via the website: holynamewahroonga.com.au or by Credit Card over the phone or cash/cheque/eftpos in the Parish Office Thursday or Friday of next week. PWBB Donations over \$2 are 100% Tax Deductible. Thank you.

What does the Word say to us this Sunday?

First Reading (Genesis 2:18-24). God made man and woman for each other. The bond of marriage means they are no longer two but one.

Second Reading (Hebrews 2:9-11). By entering fully into human life, and by experiencing the bitterness of death, Christ became a brother and a saviour to all people.

Gospel (Mark 10:2-16). Christ teaches that the marriage bond comes from God and is to be considered indissoluble.

The central point of the readings of today is the marriage relationship between man and woman. First of all, it is the relationship of equals with neither superiority nor inferiority.

Secondly, the relationship between man and woman is complementary. The complementary nature of man and woman indicates that man by himself is not complete, nor a woman by herself can experience fullness.

Thirdly, the relationship between man and woman is reciprocal. It is not a relationship where one seeks one's own advantage, while not respecting the dignity of the other. Rather, it is a relationship which seeks to promote mutual growth. This relationship is of divine origin.

The principal motive of this relationship is the good of all: man and woman, the family and the society. Hence, we can hold that the hope for the future does not depend upon great and new inventions, but upon human relationships which are loving and good, strong and sincere.

Reflection on Marriage for this Sunday





"The plan inherent in marriage is truly wonderful!

It is expressed in the simplicity, and also in the fragility,
of the human condition.

We are well aware of the many difficulties and trials
there may be in the life of a married couple.....

It is true that married life has many difficulties:
work, there isn't enough money, there are problems with the children ...
and often the husband and wife become irritable and argue amongst themselves.
There are always arguments in marriages,
and at times even plates are thrown.
But we must not be sad about this: this is human condition.

And the secret is that love is stronger than the moments in which we argue, and I therefore always advise married couples never to let the day draw to an end without making peace.

There is no need to call in the United Nations peacekeepers.

A little gesture is enough: a caress, see you tomorrow, and tomorrow we start afresh.

This is life, and we must face it in this way,

with the courage of living it together.

Married life is beautiful, and must be protected."

Pope Francis: Catechesis on the Sacrament of Marriage

Videos to Inspire You

In this Sunday's readings Jesus is challenged by the Pharisees on the subject of marriage and the legality of divorce. In answering their question, Jesus takes them back to God's original plan for marriage it was revealed in the book of Genesis: "But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So, they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder."

A powerful theology of marriage emerges when we take a moment to understand what it means for "two to become one flesh." In the following video, Christopher West and his wife Wendy discuss the incredible powers that God gives to spouses who are united in the Sacrament of Matrimony.



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In the Gospel, Jesus emphasizes that divorce was never a part of God's plan for marriage. There remain, however, many questions about what the Catholic Church teaches on the subject of marriage, divorce, and annulment. The following video presents a discussion panel between Ryan Della Crosse, Ryan Scheel, and Fr. Rich Pagano where they discuss:

- What does the Bible actually say about Divorce?
- Can a Catholic actually get a divorce?
 - What is the difference between divorces & annulments?
- Can divorced Catholics receive Holy Communion?
 - What reasons allow a person to get an annulment?
 - What impact is divorce having on society and the Church?

An Update from Catholic Mission

In three weeks, Catholic Mission will share the essential mission work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies during their time of need. You will have the opportunity to respond to this great work and help Sister Chalaad reach out to more mothers and their babies. Please come with an open and generous heart.

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Ordination of Samuel French as Priest

Hi parishioners and friends,

You might be aware that I am set to be ordained as a priest next month on Monday, 18 October.

It would be an enormous help to me if you could: Pray for me

As numbers will be limited in the Cathedral, you will be able to view the livestream at : **www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination** (See official invitation below)

In Christ, Deacon Sam

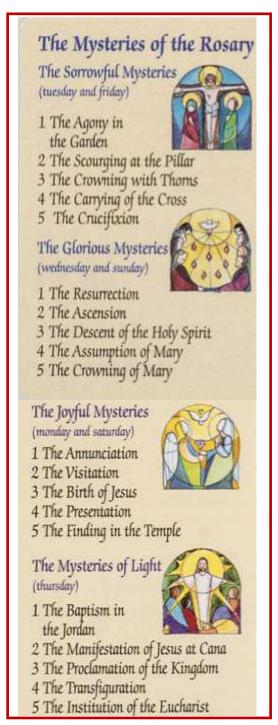




October—The Month of the Rosary

"Of course, the Rosary belongs to every month, but in October the Church celebrates this prayer in a special way: reminding us of its simple beauty and gentle power. It is a time of grace for us to return to this prayer if we have let it slip away: or perhaps to discover for the first time, in the company of Mary, how the Rosary can guide us into unpretentious prayer". Bishop Michael McKenna







Novena to pray for the three Broken Bay Deacons preparing for their Ordinations as Priests:

Next week we shall publish an outline of the Novena prayers as we encourage all parishioners to pray for the Deacons at this time. From Monday, 11th October to Saturday, 16th October Deacons Sam, Aldrin and Roger will be on retreat in preparation for their Ordinations to the Sacred Priesthood on the Feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist!



We remember this week



St Francis of Assisi— c. 1181-1226 Feast Day 4 October

Saint Francis of Assisi was a Catholic friar who gave up a life of wealth to live a life of poverty. He established the Franciscan Order of friars. He grew up leading a privileged life as the son of a wealthy merchant. His father wanted him to become a businessman. At the age of nineteen Francis went to battle and was captured and taken prisoner. He was held prisoner for a year before his father paid the ransom and he was set free.

Over the next few years Francis began to see visions from God that changed his life. The first vision was when he was sick with a high fever. At first he thought that God had called him to fight in the Crusades. However, he had another vision in which he was told to help the sick. Finally, when praying in a Church, Francis heard God tell him "repair my Church, which is falling in ruins." Francis gave all his money to the church and took a vow of poverty. He lived his life of poverty and preached to people about the life of Jesus Christ.

Francis had one basic rule which was "To follow the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and to walk in his footsteps". The Franciscan Order grew as men joined and made vows of poverty.

Francis was known for his love of nature and animals. There are many stories about Saint Francis and his preaching to animals.

Francis became ill and spent the last few years of his life mostly blind. He died in 1226 while singing Psalm 141. He was declared a Saint of the Catholic Church only two years after his death.

Our Lady of the Rosary—Feast Day 7 October

Many religions use beads to keep track of prayers. Our Rosary, a circle of beads, is like a garland offered to Mary because we pray a prayer on each bead.

On 7 October , 1571 the Rosary Confraternity of Rome was meeting at the Dominican headquarters there. The group recited the Rosary for the special intention of the Christians in battle. The Christians defeated the Turks in a spectacular victory and believed it was the intercessory power of the Blessed Virgin that won the victory.

Pope Pius V dedicated the day as one of thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory. Pope Gregory XIII later changed the name to the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary focuses on the intercessory power of Mary. It shows that when we are in danger, in pain, discouraged, or having trouble accepting God's will, we can also go to Mary.



Mary has encouraged praying the Rosary in her various apparitions. At Lourdes when she appeared to Saint Bernadette, Mary had a Rosary. As Bernadette prayed it, Mary joined in on the Glory Be prayers. At Fatima Mary (who introduced herself as "Our Lady of the Rosary"), exhorted the three children who saw her to pray the Rosary for peace.

The Rosary is a scripturally –inspired prayer because as we recite the Our Fathers, Hail Marys, and Glory Bes, we meditate on the mysteries in the lives of Jesus and Mary.

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.00pm

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 8.00am — 8.30am Silent Prayer

8.30am— 8.45am Morning Prayer of the Church

8.45am — 9.00am Rosarv Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Special Intercessions/intentions remembered at Friday Mass.

Friday evening: Holy Hour from 7.00pm (Suspended)

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

(Suspended until further notice)

Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am. Please make an appointment through the Parish Office

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. 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: Gemma McDermott (Chair), 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 Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Jason Scanlon (St Edmunds)

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

The Parish has a NEW 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 and so we are asking that you contact the Parish Office as soon as possible by emailing: jackie.thornton@bbcatholic.org.au or 9489 3221

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 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