

# Faith

A voice of one crying out  
in the desert:  
Prepare the way  
of the Lord.  
Luke 3:4



## Holy Name Catholic Parish

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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*Sunday 6 December— Second Sunday of Advent*

**Welcome!**

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at Holy Name please visit our parish website at [www.holynamewahroonga.com.au](http://www.holynamewahroonga.com.au).  
We hope you enjoy your time here at Holy Name Wahroonga. Please visit us again soon.



**This weekend, we farewell Fr Joey  
as he takes up his new position of  
Assistant Priest Chatswood Parish  
We will miss you Fr Joey!**

**Welcome to students from Prouille Years 1 and 5  
and their teachers and families.**

**Fr David will celebrate Mass with them Sunday at 11:00am.**

### **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal**

Please remember hampers must be returned to the Church no later than the morning of Sunday 6th December.

### **Food Pantry Christmas Items**

**For Christmas**, the Dish will have a Christmas meal and everyone will go home with a few treats. A few ideas would be **mince tarts, small pudding or biscuits**. If you are able to donate something for this that would be great and they could be put in the basket in the foyer.



### **Our Christmas Masses**

Christmas Mass times will be available for online bookings from Monday, 7th December.

Please take a flyer from the Church for full details or see our website.

**Are you able to assist us at one of our Christmas Masses? We are looking for Acolytes, servers, readers, Eucharistic ministers! Please find a sign up sheet for volunteers on the table at the entrance to the church. We would appreciate your involvement for sure!**

**Our Second Rite of Reconciliation will be on Monday 21 Dec.**

### **Our Advent Wreath**

The Presider lights the second candle, which can be named the John the Baptist Candle. John the Baptist was the one who prepared the way for the Lord.



Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophet Isaiah who described you as a 'shepherd feeding his flock, gathering the lambs in his arms' (First Reading). The Plenary Council invites us to be a Humble, Healing and Merciful community. Like the shepherd may we be people with arms outstretched in love. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you will come again. St Peter reminds us to live holy and saintly lives while we wait and long for the Day of God to come (Second Reading). Waiting can be filled with anxiety. The unexpected can be frightening. Help us to live in the Spirit always. **R. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord Jesus, you call us to baptism in the Holy Spirit (Gospel). Be with us as we 'Listen to what the Spirit is saying' throughout the journey of the Plenary Council. **R. Come, Lord Jesus**

Presider

Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen**

*We seek to grow as a Welcoming and Inclusive Community, supporting Life's Journey, through God's Grace and Mercy*

## Parish Masses This Week

Monday	7 December	No Mass				St Ambrose, bishop, doctor
Tuesday	8 December	Mass	9.15am			The IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESS VIRGIN MARY
Wednesday	9 December	Mass	9.15am			Wednesday of 2nd week of Advent
Thursday	10 December	Mass	9.15am			Thursday of 2nd week of Advent
Friday	11 December	Mass	9.15am			Friday of 2nd week of Advent
Saturday	12 December	Mass			5.00pm	Saturday of 2nd week of Advent
Sunday	13 December	Mass	8.00am	9.30am	5.30pm	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## Please Remember in your Prayers

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Felix Vindurampulle, Diane Poirrier (sister of Mike, aunt of Sally Oong), Fr Luke Rawlings (died in New Zealand, 3 November), Betty Hoskings (died 27th October, mother of Bob (deceased) and Paul), Mark Brookes (friend of Barry Clibborn, died 17 October), Róisín Brosnan (mother of Louise Smith, died in Ireland 21 September) Dan Gibbons (brother of Reg Gibbons, husband of Marie and father of Annette and Diane, died 1 October aged 92), Bill Byrne, Maria Pullin (wife of Gordon, died 16 September), Rondalea Anne Perkins (died 12 September), John Delaney (friend of John McGarry, died 11 September).

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Terry Goldrick (Chris' father, 6th anniversary on 7 December), Geoff Ranson (Fr David's Dad, 1st anniversary on 15 December), George Thornton (3rd anniversary on 15 December, Tony Coutinho (husband of Lucinda, 7th anniversary on 16 December), Paul Limbers (father of parishioners Jane Watson, Julia Burfitt, Peter and John Limbers, 2nd anniversary on 30 November), Frances Sim (3rd anniversary on 30 November), , Samir Nader (brother in law of John Kassis, 15th anniversary on 29 November), Marie Shortis (3rd anniversary on 27 November), Brian O'Brien (husband of Denese and father of Marianne, Paul, and Jenny, 1st anniversary 16 November), Arie van der Plaats (Sandi Candotti's Dad, 5th anniversary on 13 November), Swarna Perera (Lucian Wijetunga's sister, 3rd anniversary on 14 November), Toufic Kassis (father of John Kassis, 53rd anniversary on 16 November), Brian Priestley (Candy Cosgriff's father, 2nd anniversary 10 November), Dr Joseph Couch (Paul's father, 11th anniversary on 25 October), Dr Anthony Lopes (brother/brother-in-law of Quinnie & Tony Machado - 6th anniversary on 19 October), Dr Martin Flood (father of Gemma and Martin, 3rd anniversary on 20 October), Genevieve Mangos (Granddaughter of Pam Gallagher, 9th anniversary on 20 October), Sylvia Hebblewhite (mother of Janet Fitzpatrick, 2nd anniversary on 21 October). Melba Cincotta (Trish Maiolo's mother, 7th anniversary 23rd October), Sarah Royle (ex Prouille student, daughter of Jill and Peter, sister of Leah, 20th anniversary), John Vince (Cecilia Kean's father, 35th anniversary on the 9 October), Monica Foote (Patrice Buzinskas' Mum, 11th Anniversary on 9 October), John Crow (Hayley Edmund's father, 1st anniversary 25 September), Dr John Duggan (father of Christopher, grandfather of Terence, Dominic and Isabelle and dear friend of Pam Gallagher, 2nd anniversary on 25 September), Ted George (Joy's husband, 29th anniversary on 21 September), Vincenzo Monardo (Tony's Dad, 2nd anniversary), Margaret Denham (Tess Denham -Fabry's mother, 4th anniversary 13 September), Shirley Ranson (Fr David's Mum - 6th anniversary on 18 September), Hend El-Daher (mother of Denise Kassis - 12th anniversary on 11 September), Faye Amodeo (Alan Amodeo's mother, 3rd anniversary, 6 September), Patricia Darwell (Greg's mother, 4th anniversary 6 September), Mick O'Conner (father of Louise Limbers, 3rd anniversary, 3 September), Claire McGrath (wife of Ves, 14th anniversary on 1 September).

### FOR THE SICK:

Bill Murrell, Danielle Uskovic, June Lynch (sister in law of Rosalie Talty), Edda Fragiaco, Maurice Aliprandi (father of Erica Bayldon), Conor McCreton, Sr. Karen Stafford smsm, Margaret Anderson (sister-in-law of Frank and Jo Waldron), Nonoy Tad-y (cousin of Rose Raward), Colin Higgins, Candy Cosgriff, Anne Carney, Richard Connolly (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Nancy Den Hertog, Walter Sutcliffe, Karen Tighe (daughter of Mike), Isla Fisher, Norma Higgins, Davin and Sharon Ho, Leanne (Sharon's sister), David Waldron (son of Jo and Frank), Mike Tighe, Cyril Littrich, Chris Le Gras, Judith Hodson, Dennis Morgan, Susie Dunning (sister of Leila McCreton), Gloria Boswell, Mel Vince (Cecilia Kean's Mum), Baby Thomas Joseph Elley, John McGarry, Freya Carney, Peter Brassil (great friend of Helen and Bill Tysoe), Fr Michael Fallon msc (friend of Patrick Kirkwood), Steve Ralph, Margaret Woodlands, Hildegard McLaughlin, David Coombes, Doris Buzinskas, Christopher Anderson, Jim Clayton (Fran's father-in-law), Madeleine Ryan, Gabrielle Flood, Mary Greco (friend of Eleanor Cooray), Grant Jepson, Noeline Mannix, Madeleine Reicher (granddaughter of Patricia Cox), Philip Stanley, Thomas Nash, Ross Truda, Frances Hall, Anne Sutcliffe (Walter's wife), Helen Gait (wife of Tom), Lillian Whitty, Mary Gibbs, Chad Walkaden, Noelene Burke, Eunice Spangaro, Maureen Ritchard, 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.

### Co-ordinator needed for 2021

Our wonderful Playgroup Co-ordinator is unable to continue in 2021 due to other commitments, so we are looking for someone to take up this role. Playgroup meets Mondays 9:00-11:00am during term time. Please let the office know if you can help.



## From Fr David

Dear friends

Bishop Anthony has now published the full list of clergy transfers in our Diocese. It is the most extensive reconfiguration that we have experienced in many years. I am honoured to be appointed as Parish Priest of Chatswood. Chatswood will be a very different experience for me. As you appreciate it is a vibrant, bustling, multicultural, urban context with the largest church in our Diocese. It is our only true city parish. It will be an exciting opportunity to enable it to become a great centre of Catholic culture in the middle of the city. The site there also is on the cusp of major capital development. So, it is both daunting and exciting at the same time. My final weekend with you will be that of 2nd-3rd January as my new appointment takes effect on 8 January. It is poignant for me that the 3rd January is the Feast of Holy Name. I will celebrate each of the Masses on that weekend to join with you in Eucharist as I depart our wonderful community after 10 years of service with you.

I am delighted that Fr Paul Durkin has been appointed as your new Parish Priest. He is one of our finest priests and has undertaken a most remarkable ministry as Parish Priest of Pennant Hills where he is much loved and so highly regarded. I have every confidence Fr Paul will enrich Holy Name community enormously and bring great pastoral renewal to our parish, especially in the post COVID era, whilst ensuring that the stability of the last number of years not only continues but consolidates and grows. I think the appointment is a very graced one for Wahroonga and I am personally very pleased that Bishop Anthony has made this appointment.

This weekend we farewell Fr Joey who goes ahead of me to the Parish of Chatswood. Thanks you Fr Joey for your gentle and available pastoral presence with us over this last, difficulty year. It has been a great joy for us to know you!

### *"From the Congregation"* *A Poem by Conor McCreton*

A gentleman and  
really handsome  
we here, refer, to David Ranson  
Our admiration's nearly rabid  
YES! we mean it Fr David



A vacuum you leave behind  
But our regards around you wind  
Where ere you are  
will fill with calm  
Provided by your natural balm

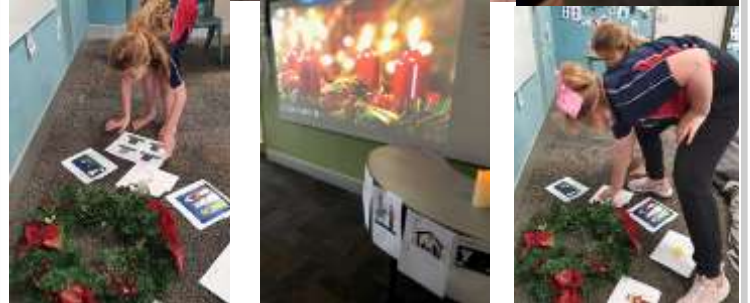
You changed our lives  
NOW hearts are saddened  
But, where you go, they will be gladdened  
We leave you with a last adieu

Now missing from us all round here

## Spirit of St Lucy's

### Celebrating Advent

This week we celebrated the arrival of the Season of Advent with our students! The children have been learning about this special time of year within their Religion units this term, and on Monday, each class marked the occasion with a class-based liturgy. In this liturgy, the children learnt about the significance of the Advent wreath, the meaning of the candles and identified some other special symbols and images that mark the Season of Advent and the coming of Christmas.



### Christmas EVE 5:00pm CHILDREN'S Mass ALL WELCOME

**1st Practice:**  
Monday 14 December in the Church  
3.30-4.30pm  
(Afternoon tea - 3.15pm)



- \* Allocation of Nativity roles
- \* Jobs (prayers and readings etc)
- \* Sorting out costumes. Parents welcome to help.

Please contact Sally Oong 9489 3221 for all details, including additional practices and other information or email [sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au](mailto:sacrament@holynamewahroonga.com.au)

**You MUST PRE-BOOK your tickets for the Mass:**  
<https://www.trybooking.com/692301>

## Parish Contact Information and Mass Times

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CCD Coordinator :	Mrs Cecilia Kean	
Eucharist Ministry to the Sick Coordinators:	Mr John Boswell; Mr Chris Madden; Mr Paul Sutherland (Housebound)	
Weekend Ministries Co-ordinator:	Mr Chris Goldrick cgoldrick@optusnet.com.au 0450 963 596	
St Vincent de Paul (Wahroonga Conference):	Mr Anthony Weaver (President) 0423 842 823, Mr Ken Laing (Treasurer) , Mrs Candy Cosgriff (Secretary)	

### 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

Rosary after Mass on Tuesday

Morning Tea after Mass on Wednesday (Suspended)

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

### Eucharistic Adoration is available in the Aquinas Chapel:

Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.00am – 6.00pm

(Suspended until further notice)

### Baptism:

Every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 11.00am.

Please make an appointment through the Parish Office

### Marriage:

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.

### Sacrament of Anointing:

Last Thursday of the month following the 9.15am Mass

### Parish Pastoral and Missionary Council for 2020

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 Sue Bevan (Prouille) and Vanessa Dillon (St Lucy's) and Terry O'Keefe (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

### 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 upkeep of the Parish.

We invite you to help our Parish by committing to a Planned Giving scheme. Please see the parish office for the way you can participate in this. Another way to assist our parish is to consider a gift in your will. Your gift of any size will help our parish continue our good works & outreach. Please contact the parish office for a confidential discussion or more information.

(Alternatively see the "giving" pages at [www.dbb.org.au](http://www.dbb.org.au)) **EFTPOS Available in Parish Office**

**Our Parish has Tap n Go Facilities at the entrance to our church. The money donated at these terminals contributes to our Parish Planned Giving—These monies are for the support of our Parish and Clergy.**