

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

NORTH HARBOUR

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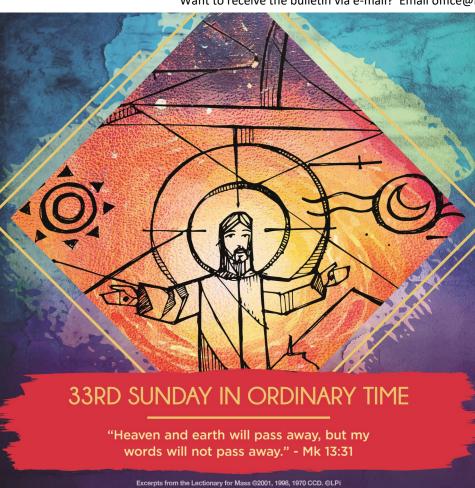
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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay



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1st Reading

Daniel 12:1-3 At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1
Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

2ND READING

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 *Jesus has made one offering for all our sins.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 21:36
Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand
before the Son of Man.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32
Watch for the signs of the coming of the kingdom.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms. Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and include Pre-Marriage Course as part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday, 8.30am

Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

* Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Fridays.

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11,30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

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In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather. We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

Answer:

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death. And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us. When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness. ©LPi

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

We don't have to focus on the end times to experience the feeling of fear and anxiety today. Just living in the everyday of this uncertain world can cause the same concern. So how do we learn to live with this uncertainty? Consider what it is like when a woman is preparing to give birth to a child.

I remember my ninth month of pregnancy, the Christmas before Phillip was born. He was due at the beginning of January. He was our fourth child. Roger Andy was six, Kristin was two, and James was a year. Strangely enough, getting ready for both Christmas and a new baby seemed to help me focus on getting things done.

It was probably the only year I was really ready for Christmas. I was so afraid I would go into labour early that my presents were bought and wrapped, cards were signed and addressed and cookies were baked by mid-December. My house was in order every day because I knew that as soon as I went into the hospital my mom would becoming down from Chicago to help with the kids.

That year I really enjoyed the Christmas season because everything was done and I was ready. I remember sitting with my feet up sipping hot cocoa listening to carols and watching the children play. That was the one and only year I kept a daily journal for a few months. It was such a good feeling being ready—a feeling I had rarely experienced before and hardly ever experienced afterward.

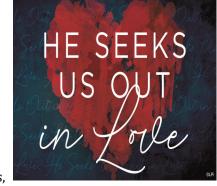
I think that is the peace and joy Jesus wants us to experience as we live every day in these scary, uncertain times. We focus on what needs to be done and get it done. We get ourselves and our lives ready for whatever, whenever, and enjoy the present moment knowing that uncertainty is part of life.

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Have everyone answer the following question: If you had only ten minutes to grab the things you wanted to take on a very long trip, what would you make sure to take?

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Other than your family members, what things are most valuable to you in your home?



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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

On November 17th we celebrate the feast day of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. She was canonized a saint for her devotion to the poor and her choice to give up a life of luxury to work with the sick and those most in need. Your challenge this week is to examine your own lifestyle. What is

one thing you could do to live a more simple life? What could you give up in order to help someone who has so much less than you? Choose just one item in your closet or home to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. Or give up one movie you were going to see, or another activity you were going to do, and give the money that would have cost to Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities, or another worthy helping agency.

CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

November 19 is National Recycling Day. Although it's still a challenge in some parts of the country to recycle paper, glass, aluminum, tin, and plastic items where there isn't curbside recycling, it takes even more effort to find places to recycle cloth, worn-out tennis shoes or blue jeans. Luckily, by searching online, you can often find locations where you can take or ship such things. This week, pick one such item, research how and where to recycle it, and offer to do it for your friends, neighbors, and co-workers too.

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PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the Eucharist, sacraments of reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to receiving the arrange sacraments, contact Parish Office.

SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

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Edith Frances Hawke

Daughter of Peter and Jesamina

Dougie William HydeSon of Albert and Danielle

Madeline Jane Lowe

Daughter of Benjamin and Katherine

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Colin Patmore, Joyce Arnold, Cecilia Yeung, Geoff Richardson, Yvonne Taylor, Erroll Abbott, Pat Cooper, Greg Hyde

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Hodson, Catherine Griffin, Alex Boutin, Giuseppina Polito, Frank Pike, Joseph Monteleone, Bill Walsh

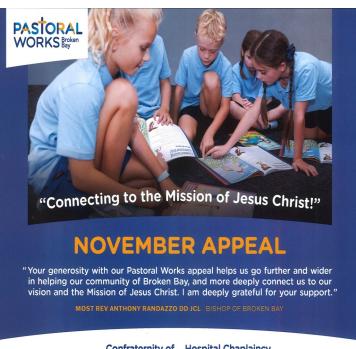
ANNIVERSARIES:

Bob McEwan, Ida & Cedric Connolly, John Mangraviti

Our community would love to pray for you.

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PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES



Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care





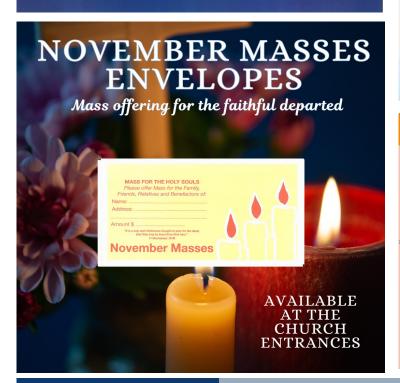
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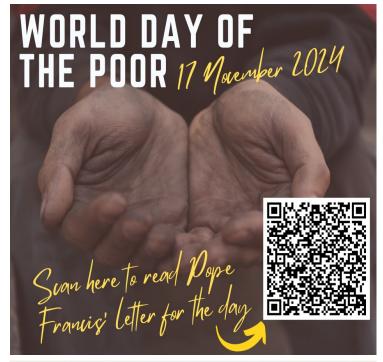


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THE ORDINATION TO THE SACRED ORDER OF PRIESTHOOD OF

)eacon Joseph Van Vu Nguyen, osa



MASS OF ORDINATION

7.12.2024

11:00AM, St Kieran's Church, Manly Vale

THANKSGIVING MASS

8.12.2024

9:30AM, St Kieran's Church, Manly Vale

Refreshments to follow both Masses. Please bring a plate to share.

TAP&GO MACHINES



Our Tap&Go machines are now fully operational.

Red: First Collection supporting our priests and Augustinian ministries

Blue: Second Collection supporting our parish **Green:** For Special Appeals

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As a team, we help discern, develop and lead prayer practices in our parish.

This forms part of our process of parish renewal inspired by **Divine** Renovation

Together, we:

Pray individually for our parish Connect daily to pray and share Pray the Intentional Rosary Prayer of Divine Renovation

Want to pray with us? **Got questions?**

Please contact the Parish Office.



Join us for our



Duties:

Running the Provincial Office

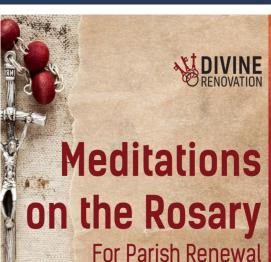
Processing flight and travel documentation for Order personnel

Editing and formatting emails, documents and Order publications

Organising and preparing agenda for **Provincial Council meetings**

Organising and preparing events, including morning teas and meetings

> For enquiries and more information, please contact Fr Peter Jones osa, Prior Provincial, at prioring-noise.com/. Provincial@osa.org.au. Applications close 24 November 2024.



You are invited to pray the Rosary with your family for the renewal of our parish. Prayer booklets and rosaries are available in our churches. You can pray with others using this meditation after Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.



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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A CHILD

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

ST CECILIA'S SCHOOL NEWS

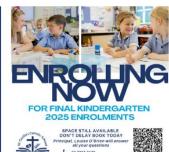
It is Week 5 at St Cecilia's and on the 11th day of the 11th month we commemorated Remembrance Day with a moving liturgy and 2 minutes' silence. As we fast approach our End of Year Celebrations, our Year 6 students are engaging in their High School Preparation program and Year 5 students continue to work on Leadership skills, preparing their speeches for the numerous Leadership roles next year. We completed our final Step into School session for our new Kindy 2025 students and parents this week.

They have plenty of resources to read through as the new school year approaches. Teachers are finalising all student reports, and the sound of Christmas carol rehearsals can be heard in music lessons across the school.

We are very excited to announce the appointment of our new Assistant Principal, Mr Thomas Walters, who will be joining us in 2025. Thomas currently holds the position of Instructional Specialist and Acting Assistant Principal at St Fiacre's Catholic Primary School, Leichhardt. Thomas has great understanding, passion and dedication to building a culture of faith and learning that is Christ-centred.









Sharing the Gospel

You have fifty dollars and spend all of it on a birthday present for your mother. Your mother is happy. But you are sad because you have no money at all. God will give you back more than you give away. It might be money, clothing, food, or shelter. He will always provide what you need. Believe in the power of God's love for you. Share with a smile.

Prayer

Lord, give me a heart that is willing to share money, food, clothing, and toys.

Mission

I will share my time with God by reading the Bible.

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Lord, with Your help we have done what You commanded. Reward us as You promised. Sermon 31, 6 - St. Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (24 NOVEMBER): OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - YEAR B

1st Reading

Daniel 7:13-14 *Vision of the son receiving* kingship, dominion and glory.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1 The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

2ND READING

Revelation 1:5-8 The Lord is the Alpha and the Omega.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mark 11:9, 10 Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 18:33-37 Pilate questions Jesus about his identity.

23 NOV, 5.30PN
ST KIERAN'S
Senior Server

Louise Readers Ronda

Val

Music

Parish Choir

Communion Min

Volunteer needed

Powerpoint

Volunteer needed

Welcomers

Volunteers needed

24 NOV, 7.30AM ST KIERAN'S Senior Server Anna

Readers Lea Tim

Music None **Communion Min** Volunteer needed **Powerpoint** Volunteer needed Welcomers Volunteers needed

24 NOV. 9AM ST CECILIA'S

Senior Server Antoinette Readers School or Cathy

Music Love Thy Ngbr **Communion Min Powerpoint**

Volunteer needed Volunteer needed Welcomers school

24 NOV, 9.30AM ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server Michael Readers

Kave Anne

Music **TBA Communion Min** Volunteer needed

Powerpoint Volunteer needed

Welcomers Volunteers needed 24 NOV. 5PM ST KIERAN'S

Senior Server Paul

> Readers Leanne Caroline Christine Music

Emmanuel Communion Min

Volunteer needed **Powerpoint**

Volunteer needed Welcomers Volunteers needed

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 17 NOVEMBER

Mon 18 Nov: Monday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Year II Tue 19 Nov: Tuesday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Year II Wed 20 Nov: Wednesday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Year II

Thu 21 Nov: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fri 22 Nov: St Cecilia, virgin and martyr

Sat 23 Nov: Saturday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time, Year II

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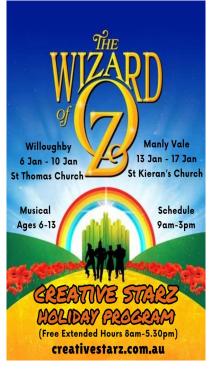
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