

# The Catholic Parish of Pittwater

Sacred Heart & Maria Regina. Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.

A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us at Pittwater Parish Sacred Heart Church and Maria Regina Church



# God, our Father, Your power brings to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command,

Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command, we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. We pray in hope for our family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, to sing Your praise





#### **SAFEGUARDING**

forever and ever.
Amen.

We, the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay and the Catholic Parish of Pittwater are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

For Those Who Lost A Child

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss
of a son or daughter find support in their community,
and may receive peace of heart from the
Spirit of Consolation.

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### **Sacred Heart Church**

1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 

Tuesday 9.30 am
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
8.30 am followed by Mass

Wednesday 9.30 am

Thursday 7 pm
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
7.30 pm to 9.00 pm

Friday 9:30 am
First Friday of the month,
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction
from 9:30 am,
followed by Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 10.30 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am & 6.00 pm (SOUL)

RECONCILIATION Saturday Vigil 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm

BAPTISM 4th Sunday of the Month 11.30 am

#### **Maria Regina Church**

7 Central Road, Avalon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8.00 am

Wednesday 8.00 am

Thursday 10 am 9.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction at 9.45 am

Friday 8.00 am
First Friday of the month,
Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 8.00 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am

RECONCILIATION Before Vigil Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.00 am

# Recently Deceased Draga Tadic

May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen

### Prayer for the Sick

Anna Śmigowska **Anne Gerathy James Bruce Farr** Cindy Kalalo Maureen Larios Denise Wagner Anna Maria **Elaine Boyes** Pauline Chipman Anna Svetlana Leonor Sofia Anna Kantonec Mother Pauline Angela Miller Philip Khalifeh

Robert McCauley

#### **BOOK REVIEW**

The Holy Rosary -Rich in Jewish Tradition

By: Charles Hoffman



In 1990 Hoffman, a convert from Orthodox
Judaism, inspired greatly by the messages
our Blessed Mother gave to six visionaries in
Medjugorje, since 1981, wrote this reflection
on how rich the Rosary was in Jewish tradition.
He wanted to show why Mary told the young
visionaries that after Mass, the rosary is the
greatest prayer.



#### **Liturgy for the Week**

11/11 Monday, St Martin of Tours Titus 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

12/11 Tuesday, St Josaphat Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

13/11 Wednesday, Ordinary Time 32 Titus 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

14/11 Thursday, Ordinary Time 32 Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

15/11 Friday, Ordinary Time 32 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

16/11 Saturday, Ordianary Time 32 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

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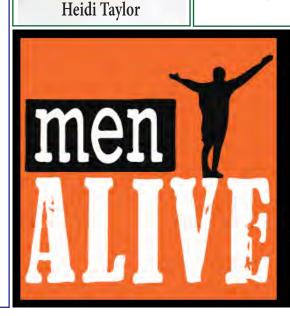
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Thank you for your continued contributions and support. Your financial contributions and your generous donations throughout the year are greatly appreciated.







#### menALIVI

A National Catholic Ministry for Men, founded out of a response to a great need in the hearts & lives of men & a great need in the life of the Catholic Church.

#### ALL MEN WELCOME

We Meet
First Tuesday of every Month
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Sacred Heart Parish Centre

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# GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banguet

#### **THANK YOU**

for your generous support to our Mission to dedicating lives to others; in partnership with communities, missionaries aim to create a positive change through spiritual care and the implementation of grassroots projects, such as healthcare and education, reaching far beyond Catholic communities.

## Lest we forget

## REMEMBRANCE DAY 11 November

Lord our God, bless those who have fought and valiantly died so we can enjoy liberty and freedom.



If you have MISSED OUT in ordering the 2025 Daily Mass Book,



We are placing another batch of orders. Please drop by at the Parish Office or ring us on 9517 0999 by Friday, 25 November

#### **Parish Morning Tea Gathering**

Everyone is welcome to join us every Month after the 8 am Mass on the 1st Sunday 10 am Mass on the 3rd Sunday

SACRED HEART CHURCH, MONA VALE

2nd and 4th Sundays after the 9 am Mass in front of MARIA REGINA CHURCH, AVALON



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#### Parish Bulletin - Term 4, Week 4

Our Year 11 students and their families are generously gathering items for the Christmas hamper appeal. They will soon visit the Jesuit Refugee Services to pack these essential items for asylum seekers who rely on our community's kindness.

As an effort to raise awareness for men's mental health, our staff are participating in the 'Movember' campaign by growing moustaches throughout the month. This initiative not only promotes important conversations but also helps raise funds for mental health programs. This week marks the completion of the HSC and Year 10 exams as we take a moment to spare a thought and offer our prayers for all students as they navigate this challenging time. It's been a massive week for sports at the College. Here are some highlights:

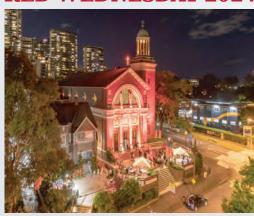
- •NSWCCC Junior Girls Basketball Championships: After a fantastic win at the Broken Bay tournament, our girls are set to compete against the champions from other Catholic dioceses at Bankstown.
- •Berg Shield Cricket Round 2: Our Year 8 and 9 students faced off against St. Eddie's at Kitchener Park.
- •CSBB Junior Touch Football Gala Day: Twentytwo of our students participated in this exciting event at Doyalson.
- •Chloe Dalton Girls Rugby 7's: Twenty-seven girls from Years 7 to 9 showcased their skills at Keirle Park in Manly.
- •MWBA Basketball: Over 200 students are actively involved in this competition, representing Mater Maria every Monday afternoon. It's a fantastic opportunity for our students to engage in school sports throughout the semester.

This week, our new 2025 College Captains and Vice Captains attended the annual CSBB Leadership Day at the Catholic Schools Office in Pennant Hills. This event was a significant highlight, allowing our students to meet with Bishop Anthony and Executive Director Danny Casey, inspiring them for the year ahead. Faith Fridays continue to take place during lunchtimes, providing a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together in reflection and prayer.

The College is currently accepting applications for Year 7 in 2027 and 2028, with a waitlist in place for Year 6 to Year 7 transitions in 2025 and 2026. For more information or to apply, families are encouraged to visit the enrolments page at matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments.



#### **RED WEDNESDAY 2024**



The Diocese of Broken Bay is once more supporting **RED Wedneday 2024,** an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) to pray for and support Christians around the world who suffer and are persecuted for their faith.

Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood will be flooded in red light on Wednesday, 20 November when Bishop Anthony Randazzo will celebrate Mass at 7.00pm, sharing the bond which unites us all in love and solidarity with our brothers and sisters in so many regions of the world who suffer and are persecuted for their love of Jesus Christ.

#### Everyone is welcome to the Mass.



#### PASTORAL WORKS BROKEN BAY - NOVEMBER APPEAL



In the first week of November, we will launch our Diocesan-wide Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) November 2024 Appeal. PWBB supports two key charitable works in the Diocese: the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and our Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program.

Asking for donations is never taken for granted, especially in challenging economic times. However, parishioners have been extremely generous in supporting the diocese's charitable works. Our Pastoral Works Appeal connects everyone to the mission of Jesus Christ in our Diocese. Every gift or donation brings comfort, friendship, or security and often opens the doorway to a faith-filled life.

Envelopes are available on the pews in both Churches. The Pastoral Works November Appeal is the last one for the 2024 calendar year, and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible.



# Be generous and selfless like

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



Jesus praised the widow for her generosity because she gave everything she had even though she was poor. What are some ways we can be generous like the poor widow?

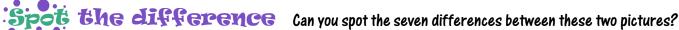






Jesus could see past the outward appearance of

people and into their hearts. He could see the good inside people who were shunned and despised in his society. Draw a picture of another occasion when Jesus helped or aknowledged someone who was considered a lesser person.







## The Living Word

Entrance Antiphon Psalm 87:3 Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

**First Reading** 

1 Kings 17:10-16

#### A reading from the first book of the Kings

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:
"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

#### The word of the Lord

#### **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2 **(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!**

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

#### **Second Reading** Hebrews 9:24-28

#### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest

going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

#### The word of the Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Matthew 5:3

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

#### The Gospel of the Lord

**Communion Antiphon** Psalm 22:1-2 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

#### **REFLECTION** by Diane Bergant

The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models. Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him.

It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows, individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members. Their generosity is religiously inspired, and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity. God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of floor and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for reward. They carry out their responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.

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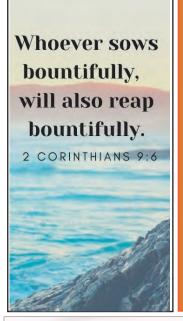
#### Book of Remembrance



If you would like the names of your deceased loved ones, relatives or friends published in our "Book of Remembrance", please fill in the "November Offerings" envelopes and drop it in to the Parish office or put it in the collection during the weekend Masses.

Each day in November, a Mass will be offered for all the names published in our "Book of Remembrance."







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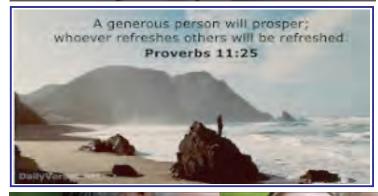
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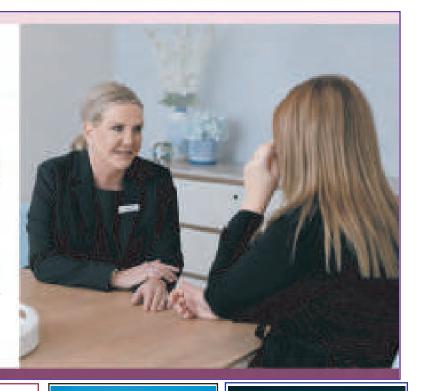
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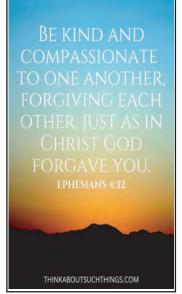
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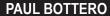
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