



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

Australia Day

Year C Cycle I

26 January 2025

God Bless Australia!



Australians All Let Us Rejoice!

Set your hearts on God's kingdom. The Great South Land of the Holy Spirit is richly blessed by God. May the Providence of God continue to be manifest among us through the way we live, preferring good to evil, having a profound respect for one another, sharing our goods with those in need and making hospitality our special care.

St Pauls Sunday Missal

Let Us Strive

The Gospel today presents us with the beatitudes. Christ promises blessedness to the poor, the merciful, the meek, the peaceful. On this day of national remembrance, it is appropriate to ask ourselves how do we embody the evangelical values of the beatitudes collectively, as a society and as a people? Are we a generous nation, a peaceful, gentle and kindly community? Let us strive to be a land which welcomes the stranger and the refugee, remembering that Jesus, Mary and Joseph were themselves refugees in Egypt. Let us strive to be a society which cares for the poor and the sick, remembering that Jesus himself had nowhere to lay his head, and went around doing good to the afflicted and excluded. And let us strive to be a people who embrace diversity, remembering that we are all the children of the one, loving God.

God's Word Fr Robert Nixon OSB

Farewell for Fr Joshi!

Fr Joshi has been appointed as Assistant Priest at Warnervale starting from 31 January. We thank him for his fine ministry with us since his appointment in August 2023 and wish him well, and we continue to pray for him as he begins a new chapter at St Mary of the Cross MacKillop community.

We are having a farewell morning tea for Fr Joshi this Sunday 26 January in the Parish Centre after 9:30am Mass. Please join us in thanking Fr Joshi for his time with us. He will be greatly missed!





**Feast Days
This Week**

**St Thomas
Aquinas**

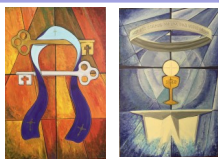
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St John Bosco
31 January

Values & Truths

As human beings we all have a common great desire for happiness. In this Gospel reading today on the beatitudes and as we celebrate Australia Day, Jesus comes to tell us who are the really happy human beings of this world. These are the poor, the humble, the merciful, the makers of peace and those persecuted for their faith. These are the ones who seek God's powerful intervention in history, and shall find in Christ and his kingdom their real dignity and fulfilment as human beings. Jesus today reminds us of the values and truths which will guide us on our earthly pilgrimage towards that happiness we all desire.

God's Word Fr Johnson Chacko SSP



**Congratulations
Isaac Spiteri**

on the occasion
of your
preparation for
Reconciliation and
receiving your
1st Eucharist!

CatholicCare Home Care

CatholicCare is proud to announce our new accreditation for Home Care packages. Our social care agency in the Diocese of Broken Bay has been supporting the Northern Sydney, Northern Beaches and Central Coast communities for 35 years.

We understand many seniors prefer to stay at home as they age. The Government's funding for Home Care Packages can help you live independently at home for longer. We want to know if our Home Care Packages are of interest to you, or a loved one and want to prioritise the needs of our parishioners before we promote to the general public. As a Catholic organisation we want the seniors we support to know they are truly cherished and valued and we're confident our services will be very well received. There's no obligation to partner with us. We may contact you to discuss your needs, but you're welcome to opt-out at anytime.



**JOIN US
YOUTH GROUP**

STARTING 8TH FEB
MASS @ REYNOLDS ROOM OLR PAR

NEW! - Youth Group Corner

Young people aged 12-17 are invited to the launch of our Youth Group at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in the Reynolds Room on Saturday 8 February, after the 5pm Mass.

The evening will include food, games, and a thought-provoking talk titled "Christ's Hands and Feet - Discovering Our Part in the Universal and Local Church." It's a chance to explore our parish's history, connect with the wider Church community, and reflect on how you can contribute to the faith. The evening wraps up by 8:30pm. Come along and be part of something meaningful! To register contact the parish office 4332 2216 or email theentranceparish@bbcatholic.org.au



**Low Gluten
Hosts**

Please see one
of the Priests
before Mass
if you are
a coeliac.

2025 Sacramental Programme Dates

The dates for our 2025 Sacramental Programme have now been set. Please see the parish website for more information or pick up a flyer from the church foyer or scan the QR code to take you to our webpage.



Catholic Mission Appeal Thanks

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Mongolia and House of Mercy. Thanks to your kindness, many people will have access to the support they need and help to get back on their feet. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.

To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please go to the website at catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia or freecall 1800 257 296. Your action will make a profound change to people's lives.

Priestly Ordination Diary Dates

As announced Deacon Rosan Mathew will be Ordained a Priest at OLR Cathedral Waitara on Wednesday 19 March at 7.30pm.

Two buses have been booked to allow parishioners to be transported to the Ordination. We will take bookings shortly. The buses will leave around 5pm and return approximately 10pm. Your own personal transport will be needed to and from the Church.

A second celebration with invited guests will be Fr Rosan's First Mass of Thanksgiving, which will be held here on Thursday 20 March at 11am, to which all are welcome to attend, followed by a light lunch in the Parish Centre. There will also be a parish celebration at the 5pm Mass on Saturday 22 March, with supper to follow in the Parish Centre.

A busy year to come - more details to follow but please mark these very important dates in your diaries!

New Interment Fees

Cemeteries & Crematoria NSW (CCNSW) is the regulator of cemeteries and crematoria in NSW. They have introduced levies to fund their work which will take effect from 1 July 2025 as follows:

Cremation \$41 Ash Interment \$63 Burial \$156

This will affect all Ash Interments in our Memorial Walls. The fee of \$63 will be payable to the parish at the time of interment, when the Plaque Engraving cost is paid, and the parish will have to pay these fees to CCNSW quarterly. More information available at the parish office.

Please Note

Jubilee for Consecrated Life

All are invited to celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life with Bishop Anthony at Holy Mass on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Sunday 2 February 9:30am, at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Waitara.

Holy Souls Crusade

Please join in prayer with others around the world for the Holy Souls in Purgatory! This will be after Mass each Tuesday in the Church. Enquiries: 0438 320 927.



Welcome Visitors!

A warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish over the Christmas Season. It is lovely to have you with us.



Welcome

to the Ford & Reardon Families for the Reception of their children for the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Catholic Weekly

The Catholic Weekly

Now on sale on the Church tables. \$2 to the poor box please.



Shop Locally!

Please support the shops in the Carnival Hall building 40-48 The Entrance Road. These shops support our Parish.

THE ENTRANCE PARISH DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

A beacon of Faith, Hope and Love

PARISH PRIEST & DEAN OF THE CENTRAL COAST Fr Brian Moloney **ASSISTANT PRIEST** Fr Joshi Naduppura
DEACONS Rev Rosan Mathew & Rev Paul Simmons **PASTORAL ASSOCIATE** Colleen Smith
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Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court) Maronite Mass 5pm.
Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am
Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm
Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am
Cenacle Prayer Group Wednesday 9:30am **Christian Meditation** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

Australia Day

Is 32:15-18

1 Cor 12:4-11

Mt 5:2-12

Entrance Antiphon: I will praise you, Lord, among the peoples, among the nations sing psalms to you, for your mercy reaches to the heavens, and your truth to the skies.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Keep Us In Your Prayers *There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel*

Recently Deceased: Mario Cauchi, Victoria Greenway, Marie Williams.

Anniversaries: Fr Michael Kelly (1st), Jadwiga Blicharz, Prachah Pakdee.

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, Terry Howard, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Marian Blicharz, Joanne De Joan, Stan Darocha, Zophia Darocha, Rita Malone, Charlie Gatt and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Sick: Angel Gustavo Cabral, Patricia Bubb, Neville Allen, Rosalyn Evans, Charmaine Goodwin, Margaret Ayres, Glenda Way, Jacob McCarroll, Beau Davis, Max Leete, Frano Stitic, Anne Clancy, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

Welcome Newly Baptised: Ivy, Allie & Charlotte Boase, Lily Cooke, Lucibelle & Hunter Collins.

Pearly Gates Revisited



Welcome to OLR Sacred Gifts

We have a new name! OLR Sacred Gifts is open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass. You'll find us in the foyer of the Church. Enquiries: 4332 2216.