

Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW- Scalabrinian Fathers

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16 February 2025 : — Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time : Year C

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<u>St Kevin's Church</u>

Weekday Masses: Mon-Sat:8:30am (Holy Rosary 8am) , Friday 12 Noon

Week-end Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 8am; 9.15am, 10.30am (in Italian); 6pm

Filipino Mass: 1st Sunday of the month 4pm & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.45am in Tagalog

<u>Mass in Spanish</u>: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4pm <u>Brazilian</u> <u>Mass</u>: 2nd & Last Saturday at 4pm. <u>Every 4th Sunday</u>:

Chaplaincy Youth Mass at 6.00 pm **Reconciliation:** Saturday: 9am

<u>Cenacle of Prayer</u>: Wednesday after the 8.30am Mass

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus First Fridays of the month: 7pm Mass

Eucharistic Adoration:

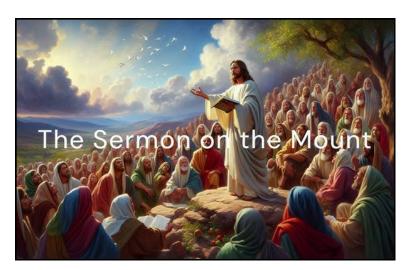
Fridays after 8.30am Mass till 11.45am Legion of Mary: Every Thursday at 2pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:

Every Wednesday at 7.00pm except 1st Wednesday (Novena Mass is every 1st Wednesday at 7pm)

St John the Apostle Church

Weekday Masses: Tuesday—Saturday: 9.30am Week-end Mass Times Saturday Vigil: 5pm Sunday: 8am & 9.30am (Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet 9.00am) Reconciliation: Saturday: following the 9.30am Mass EucharisticAdoration: Monday7pm-8pm 1st Saturday 8:45am: Devotion & Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary (prayers for Souls in Purgatory)



Today's Gospel reading is the beginning of what is often called the Sermon on the Plain. When spoken from the mountaintop in Matthew's Gospel, we can't miss the impression that Jesus is speaking with the authority and voice of God. The mountaintop is a symbol of closeness to God. As Luke introduces the location of Jesus' teaching, Jesus teaches on level ground, alongside the disciples and the crowds. Luke presents Jesus' authority in a

different light. He is God among us. As we listen to the Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.

'Happy are they who hope in the Lord.'

Mass Intentions for	the	Week
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St. John's, Narraweena :			
Saturday	5.00pm	15	
Sunday	8.00am	16	Dec Anne Golledge
	9.30am		Dec Anne Golledge, Francesco & Tom Valentino, Bruno & Carmela Raso, Pasquale & Maria Valentino, Giuseppa Maruca, Giovanni & Carmela Valentino
Tuesday	9.30am	18	Dec Tom Valentino (5th Anniv)
Wednesday	9 .30am	19	
Thursday	9.30am	20	
Friday	9.30am	21	
Saturday Chair of St F			
St. Kevin's, Dee Why:			
Saturday	6 pm	15	Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano
Sunday	8.00am	16	
	9.15am		Dec Minerva Santos (3rd Anniv)
	10 .30am		Dec Grace Rossi, Faustina Cordi, Francesco Sgro (Anniv), Carmen Useche Zambrano
6.00pm			
Monday	8.30am	17	Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano
Tuesday	8.30am	18	Dec Tom O'Connell (Anniversary).Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano
	10:30am		Funeral for Giovanni Marcellino
Wednesday 8 .30am		19	Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano
Thursday	8.30am	20	Dec Claudia Bertuol, Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano
Friday	8.30am	21	Dec Carlo Guardalo (6th Anniv), Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano,
12 Noon			Dec Maria Bombardiere
Saturday Chair of St F	8.30am Peter	22	Dec Carmen Useche Zambrano

Vox Episcopi : 13 February 2025

My sisters and brothers in Christ, As Bishop of Broken Bay, I feel compelled once more to speak out in the strongest terms against the recent surge of anti-Semitic speech and violence in Australia. It is my firm belief, and the teaching of the Church, that every human person is made in the image and likeness of God and deserves to be treated with respect and love.

We hope for nothing less within our own community of the Church, and our faith urges us to extend this respect with charity to every person in our society. As Catholics, we are called to love our neighbours as ourselves, and this includes standing in solidarity with the Jewish faith community, with whom we share a profound spiritual bond. The

Church condemns anti-Semitism in all its forms, and I reaffirm this position unequivocally. The shameful history of persecution against Jews must never be repeated, and we must work together to create a culture of mutual respect, understanding, and peace.

Jesus Christ Himself was Jewish, as was His blessed Mother, and the Church has affirmed the continuing and irreplaceable role of the Jewish people in God's plan of salvation.

Any act of anti-Semitic violence or discrimination is a grave offense against both God and our fellow human beings

I call upon all members of the community, especially those of faith, to reject all forms of prejudice, hatred, and division, and to stand united against anti-Semitism. We must not allow hatred to have a place in our society. We must instead build bridges of understanding, promote

dialogue, and work towards a future where all people, regardless of their background or faith, can live in safety, peace, and mutual respect. I urge all members of the Church of Broken Bay to recommit ourselves to promoting a culture of respect and care as individuals, and at every level of our family life, which extends to our Parish communities, our Catholic Schools, our CatholicCare, and indeed to every corner of the community of the Church. Let us pray for the victims of this senseless violence, for their families, and for an end to anti-Semitism. May we, as a civilised nation, be renewed in our commitment to justice, peace, and love for one another. +Anthony



The next Baptism Workshop will take place on Wednesday 12th March at 7pm. Please email the office on warringahparish@bbcatholic.org.au for more information and to book a place.



This weekend, Sunday, 16 February, we will launch our First Fruits Offering which focuses on our Planned Giving Renewal Program. We encourage you find out more about this program, which will help our Parish increase its income and ensure its survival and growth in the long term. The Planned Giving Program is an opportunity for our valued Parishioners to pray, reflect on their financial commitment to our parish, and learn more about how you can help. Resources and materials are currently available at the entrance foyer of both churches. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Sacrament of Reconciliation

An information night for parents and children will take place on 4th March 2025 at 7pm in St. Kevin's Church and 6th March 2025 also at 7pm in St John's Church. Parents may choose any session to attend. Eligible children must have received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and be in Year 4 or older to register for the Programme this year. For further information, please contact Mary on baldwin.mary.50@gmail.com

Sacrament of Confirmation

This year, children who are parishioners of our parish and in year 3 or older are able to prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 3 July. The compulsory enrolment/information meetings are on Tuesday 13 May at St Kevin's Church or on Thursday 15 May at St John's. Both meetings are at 7pm.



Welcome back from your holidays, Fr Jose. We hope you have had a great time with your family in Columbia.

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

Lawn Mowing Volunteer Needed

We are reaching out to seek a volunteer who could assist in mowing the grass at St Kevin's front presbytery



garden and also inside the presbytery driveway. If you are available and willing to help, please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience. Your support would be greatly appreciated!



Something to think about ...

Until addicted persons admit their need and seek help they cannot be healed. All who suffer from sin are in a similar position. Our hearts are defiled by desire and our spirit wavers between choosing good and evil. Lord, as You alone can help me overcome sinful habits, do not allow me to experience proud illusions, but please hasten to help me and come to my aid. Amen.



Meeting of Acolytes and Altar Servers Will take place on Thursday 27th February at 6.30pm in St Kevin's Church. Attendance is required. Please RSVP to the Parish Office. With many thanks.



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Upcoming Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain, France & Italy, accompanied by Fr Fabio Esteban c.s from 27th May-17th June 2025, flying with Emirates. For more details contact Mary / Rebecca at Viatour on 9799 3222 or Fr Fabio on 0410 001 462

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Entrance Antiphon

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

First Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah. The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. 'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,

with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green;

it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 1:1-4

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. **R**.

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. **R**.

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just

but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R**.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 6:23 Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

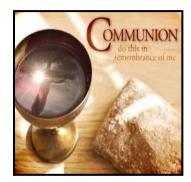
Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.' The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.





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