



# Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

**St Kevin's Church**  
50 Oaks Ave, Dee Why,  
2099, N.S.W.

**St John the Apostle Church**  
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**24th May 2020 : The Ascension of the Lord— Year A**

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### St Kevin's Church

#### Weekday Masses:

Mon-Sat:8:30am (Holy Rosary 8am); Fri 12 noon

#### Week-end Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil:** 6pm

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

**Filipino Mass: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 4pm &  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month 11.45am** - in Tagalog

#### Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday:

Chaplaincy Youth Mass at 6.00 pm

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: 9am

#### Cenacle of Prayer:

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

**Spanish Mass :** 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4.30pm.

**Divine Mercy :** 3rd Friday at 7pm.

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:

Every Wednesday at 7.30pm except 1st Wednesday  
(Novena Mass is every 1st Wednesday at 7pm)

**Friends of Jesus:** 3rd Thursday 7.30pm-8.30pm

### St John the Apostle Church

**Weekday Masses:** Tuesday—Saturday: 9.30am  
( Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet 9.00am )

#### Week-end Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil:** 5pm

**Sunday:** 8am & 10am (with Children's Liturgy)

**Reconciliation:** Sat: following the 9.30am Mass

**Cenacle of Prayer:** 9.45am Wednesday

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Monday 7pm-10pm

#### Prayers to the Sacred Heart for the Sick

Every First Friday of each month after 9.30am Mass  
Prayers of the Faithful & Novena to Sacred Heart for the Sick

**Indian Prayer Service** 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month  
at 7.00 pm.

#### Prayers to the Immaculate Heart

1st Saturday of the month after 9.30am Mass.  
Rosary, Litany & Consecration.



Jesus' return to the Father does not mean that he is no longer with us. St Matthew wrote in his Gospel to reassure Christians that Jesus is still with us. At the very beginning of his Gospel, the angel tells Joseph that the child will be called Emmanuel, a name which means " God is with us" . And in the very last words of today's Gospel Jesus says " And know I am with you always, yes, to the end of time" While Christ is with us in spirit, we are now the hands, feet and heart of Christ in our world. It is we who must go out and proclaim Christ to the ends of the earth. It is through us that people will meet the risen Christ.

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*"Jesus has been taken from you  
into Heaven, this same Jesus will  
come back in the same way as you  
have seen him go there"*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### St. John's, Narraweena

<b>Saturday</b>	5.00pm	<b>23</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	8.00am	<b>24</b>	Private Thanksgiving Intention
	10.00am		
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	<b>26</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	<b>27</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	<b>28</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	<b>29</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	<b>30</b>	
<b>St. Kevin's, Dee Why</b>			
<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm	<b>23</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	8.00am	<b>24</b>	Dec Philomena Arcos, rec decd Neda Page, Vicente Cembrano
	9.00am		
	10.00am		
	5.00pm		
	6.00pm		
<b>Monday</b>	8.30am	<b>25</b>	Dec Francesca Reale. Dec Charles Domanski ( 8th anniv)
	9.30am		Dec Giovanni Battista Panetta ( Birthday ), Dec Charles Domanski ( 8th anniv)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.30am	<b>26</b>	Dec Antonio Romeo, June Beninati ( 18th anniversary
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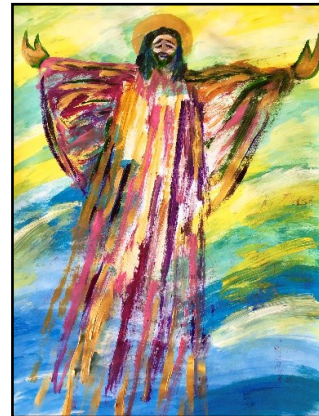
**KEEP** *calm*  
**& PRAY**

Almighty and all-merciful God, lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds, in whom there is no shadow of death, save us in this time of crisis; grant wisdom and courage to our leaders; watch over all medical people as they tend the sick and work for a cure; stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation; if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open. By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear, that hope may never die and the light of Easter, the triumph of life, may shine upon us and the whole world. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.

St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.



### A Message from Bishop Anthony

"My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, In 1844, Australia became the first country in the world to adopt the patronage of Mary, Mother of God, under the title Help of Christians. For 176 years, Australians have invoked Mary's heavenly intercession, in joyful times and in times of suffering."

It is with confidence in Mary's love and fidelity that the Catholic Bishops of Australia have turned once more to her intercession in a particular way during the COVID-19 pandemic. This year, on Sunday 24 May at the conclusion of the 8.30am Mass at our Cathedral, I will entrust the community of the Church of Broken Bay to the protection of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Help of Christians. I will also celebrate the Mass of the Solemnity of Mary Help of Christians at the Cathedral on Monday 25 May at 7am. I hope that people all around the diocese will be able to participate in these Masses, as they will be livestreamed.

(More information can be found on [bbcatholic.org.au](http://bbcatholic.org.au), under News & Events )

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us.

### Ascension Sunday Family Discussion

Has someone you love very much gone away for a long time, maybe a holiday?

Talk about how you felt when you said goodbye.

Our memories of times with the person who has gone away often help us when we are missing them. How do you think the disciples felt when Jesus told them that he was going away? Jesus knew his friends would be sad and afraid but he told them that he would be with them always.

What are some of your favourite stories about Jesus?

### Something to Think About

Jesus says to the disciples, and to us, "I am with you always". Think of some ways you know that Jesus is with you in your life. Now it is up to us to continue Jesus' work on earth through our actions. The Holy Spirit will help us to show love, and let us know what to say.

### NEW MASS SCHEDULE IN DEE WHY WITH 10 PEOPLE

#### MONDAY TO FRIDAY

8:30 AM

9:30 AM

6:00 PM

#### SATURDAY

8:30 AM

9:30 AM

4:00 PM

5:00 PM

6:00 PM

#### SUNDAY

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

10:00 AM

11:00 AM

5:00 PM

6:00 PM

At St John's from 23rd May

#### Saturday

9.30am

5pm

Sunday 24th May

8am

9am

10am

Tues 26th– Friday 29th

9.30am

Please book in to attend any Mass by contacting the Parish Office: Tel: 02 9982 6536

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At this stage Mass attendance is only once a week to allow more parishioners the opportunity to attend as well.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Dear Parishioners of Warringah Parish,

In the hope that you and your loved ones are well and safe, we address this letter to you to share some good news.

This morning, on the day we celebrate the feast of Our lady of Fatima, 13 May, our Bishop Anthony Randazzo sent us a letter explaining the new provisions according to the Government announcement last Sunday, 10 May.

In his letter the Bishop outlined the following recommendations:

*In respect to our own context, we can note the following which is possible from Friday 15 May 2020. Each of these provisions is contingent on practising social distancing of 4 square metres per person and hand hygiene through the ready use of sanitiser.*

- Churches are able to be open for private prayer, with a limit of 10 people in the church at any one time.

- Religious gatherings, either formal or informal, are permissible inside churches for groups not more than 10 people. The names of each person at the gathering must be recorded.

- Weddings may be permitted for a group of 10 people.

*Further clarification received from the NSW Premier's Office has been received advising that the couple and the celebrant are not part of the group of 10 people. Therefore, it is permissible for a wedding to include the celebrant, the couple and 10 guests*

- Funerals may be permitted for groups of 20 people indoors and for 30 people outside, practising social distancing of 4 square metres per person and hand hygiene through the ready use of sanitiser at church entrances.

*This is encouraging news for us and we welcome our capacity now to re-open our churches. And I direct that all our churches open accordingly as from 15 May 2020 or as soon as possible thereafter.*

Following these recommendations, we are very pleased to announce the re-opening of St Kevin's Church for Masses with a limit of 10 people plus the priest.

We foresee a good number of people being interested in attending the available daily and weekend Masses. We are required to record names and contact mobile numbers for all people that attend gatherings to comply with Government requirements.

If you wish to attend Mass please either call or email the Parish Office on 02 9982 6536 /

[office@warringahcatholicparish.org.au](mailto:office@warringahcatholicparish.org.au) and indicate your preference to attend daily or weekend Mass. The office will create a roster and then contact you to confirm your attendance. For the purpose of accommodating as many people as possible we are adding extra Masses to our daily and weekend schedule. The idea is to have different people attending the daily and weekend Masses so we are fair to everyone. Please be patient with the office as we work through this new arrangement. For further information or to contact our secretaries from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday to Friday please visit the parish website; <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/warringah>.

Let us keep united in prayer in this challenging time!

Yours in Christ, our Risen Lord,

Fr Reinaldo Vassoler CS

# SCRIPTURE READINGS

## Entrance Antiphon

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

## First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

## Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians  
May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

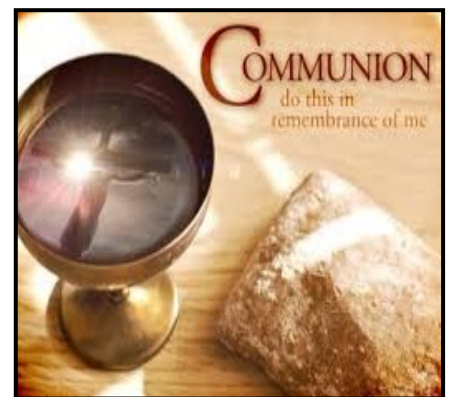
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  
The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Communion Antiphon

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.



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