



Catholic Parish of Warringah

Diocese of Broken Bay, NSW— Scalabrinian Fathers

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8th December 2024 : — Second Sunday of Advent Year C

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St Kevin's Church

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

Mass in Spanish : 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4pm

Brazilian Mass : 2nd & Last Saturday at 4pm.

Every 4th 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

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 (Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

9.00am)

Week-end Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am & 9.30am

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)



The awesome, austere and formidable figure of John The Baptist appears in our readings today, exhorting us to make straight the path for the Lord. In reflecting upon our own lives, we may often find the paths which we have travelled (and are still travelling on) are very far from straight, but complex and indirect. This is an almost inescapable reality in our modern world. In listening to John's words, it is opportune to ask ourselves, "How could I make the path of my own life a little straighter? What are the unnecessary complexities which I could easily let go of?"

Simplicity is in itself a beautiful and desirable thing.

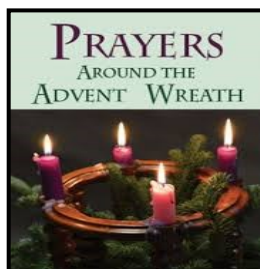
Paradoxically it is both very difficult to achieve, and yet ready at hand as soon as we desire it. A good step in drawing near to it is to meditate upon the supreme simplicity of God.

***The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.***

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John's, Narraweena :

Saturday	5.00pm	7	Private Special Intentions
Sunday	8.00am	8	
	9.30am		
Monday	10am		Funeral Mass for Rosa Speziali
	7pm		Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary.
Tuesday	9.30am	10	
Wednesday	9.30am	11	
Thursday	9.30am	12	
Friday	9.30am	13	
St Lucy			
Saturday	9.30am	14	
St John of the Cross			
St. Kevin's, Dee Why :			
Saturday	6pm	7	
		8	Dec Zelim Bakaev, James Louis Hutson, Holly Bowled, Simone White, Bianca Jones, Anne-Sofie Orkild Coyman, Freja Vennervald Sorensen
Sunday	8.00am		
	9.15am		
	10.30am		Dec Grace Rossi, Faustina Cordi
	6.00pm		
Monday	8.30am	9	Special intention John & Anne Greenleaf
Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary			
	12 Noon		Extra Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary
Tuesday	8.30am	10	
Wednesday	8.30am	11	
Thursday	8.30am	12	
	10am		Funeral Mass for Gaetano (Tony) Leonardi
Friday	8.30am	13	
St Lucy			
	10am		Funeral Mass for Antonio Coniglio
	12 Noon		
Saturday	8.30am	14	
St John of the Cross			



Advent Wreath Prayer 2nd Week of Advent : December 8th 2024

Dear Jesus,

You entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of **Peace**. This Advent, as we strive to become the best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter especially those who need it most. Amen.



The next Baptism Workshop on **Wednesday 11th December at 7pm, has been CANCELLED**

Please email the office on warringahparish@bbccatholic.org.au for more information.

Parish Fundraiser Lucky Number Update.

The fundraiser is progressing well. We are waiting on a final few books to be returned. If you still have a book, please return it to the Parish Office at St.

Kevin's Church. If you would like to buy a ticket please contact Gerard on 0415 035 022. Many thanks for your support.



Carols at Chatswood Concourse Saturday 14 December 7:30pm

Gather your loved ones, grab a chair or rug, and warm up your singing voices! Join us as we celebrate **Carols at the Concourse**, sharing the joy of the Christmas season on the steps of the Chatswood Concourse.

All are welcome as we begin this wonderful season together!



There will be a Working Bee at St John's on **Saturday December 14** after the 9:30am Mass to tidy up the church grounds, sweep, and set up the crib. All welcome. Many thanks for your assistance.



Rosters Next Week: 3rd Sunday of Advent

St Kevin's Cleaning Team : B

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS



Christmas Mass Times 2024

ST KEVIN'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES

Commencing 15th-23rd December at 7.30pm .

CHRISTMAS EVE : Tuesday 24th DECEMBER
MASSES: 7.30pm (FAMILY MASS) & 12 MIDNIGHT
(CAROLS FROM 11.30pm).

CHRISTMAS DAY : Wednesday 25th DECEMBER
MASSES: 8am, 9.15am and 10.30am (ITALIAN).

BOXING DAY : Thursday 26th December
Mass : 8.30am

NEW YEAR'S DAY : Wednesday 1st January
Mass : 8.30am

ST JOHN'S CHURCH
CHRISTMAS EVE : Tuesday 24th DECEMBER
5pm **OUTDOOR MASS** (weather permitting) bring a chair
or rug to sit on. Children can come dressed as angels,
shepherds or a king.

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FEDERAZIONE CATTOLICA ITALIANA
Carte e tombola, Martedì alle 6:30pm.

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

We at the St Vincent de Paul association are preparing to assist those we have helped throughout the year, with Christmas celebrations. Your help is appreciated. This weekend, 7th / 8th December, we will host our Annual Appeal. St John's will provide envelopes with details of a family, if you can possibly help by making a Christmas Hamper. Both churches will provide envelopes if you can make a financial donation. Thanking you in advance and wishing you all a Happy & Holy Christmas.

John Colby & Kevin Hardy.

Presidents : Narraweena & Dee Why



You're invited To
CHRISTMAS
DAY LUNCH
St Mary's Catholic Church
Enter from Denison St, School Entrance
11am - 1pm

This year we will be providing a
Take Away Picnic Lunch and gift.

There will be some tables set up under
the big tree if you wish to enjoy your
Picnic with some other guests.

It's been a tough year for many, so no matter what your
circumstance, you are always welcome to come along!!

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Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
Monday 9th December 2024
Masses will take place :
At St Kevin's : 8.30am & 12 Noon
At St John's : 7pm

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

First Reading

Baruch 5:1-9

A reading from the prophet Baruch. Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'.

Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them. Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God. And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. **R.**

Second Reading

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 3:4, 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make

straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley will be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, winding ways will be straightened and rough roads made smooth. And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.





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