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"He must increase, I must decrease"

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES
Vigil Saturday 5pm;
Sunday 7.30am, 9.15am, 6pm.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
Monday-Friday 7.45am (Monday & Tuesday with Lauds)
Saturday and Public Holidays 9am

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
First Friday 4pm Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Friday after morning Mass;
First Friday 3.30pm;
Saturday 11.30am & 4.30pm;
Sunday 7.00am.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Baptism Preparation - 9.30am second and fourth Sunday of the month
Sacrament of Baptism - 11.00am first and third Sunday of the month . Please contact the parish office for more information.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Saturday after 9am Mass until 10am
Monday until 9am (Public Holidays 10.15am)
Thursday 7.30pm-8.30pm for the needs of the Parish.

PARISH CHOIR
Enquiries: 4341 3367
Practice Wednesday nights in the church @ 7pm

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Psalm Response © Colin D. Smith cfc



Lord, show us your mer-cy and love, and grant us your sal - va - tion.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. *Alleluia!*

Readings can be found at www.usccb.org/bible/

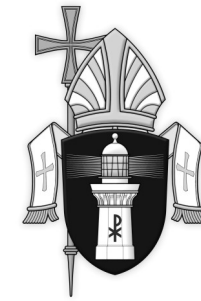
Keep Us In Your Prayers OF YOUR CHARITY PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF

Recently decessed: Mary Bradley, Nellie Brown.

Anniversaries: Neil Cameron, Lorraine Von Nida, Jim Filewood, Grace Bewley, Jules Stanislas, Bettie McGrath, Tom Fawkner, Betty Fawkner, Maurice & Mary Mathew, Paul, Kevin, Nora & Eli Houghton, James Alphonus Player, Mabel Catherine Snell.

Remembrances: Patricia Cameron, Maggie Moreau.

Sick: Val Simpson, Patricia Dwyer, Donna Vella, Donna Briemer, Oscar James Morreti, Joy Ball, Betty Fraser, Luis Emilio Garrido, Audrey Kirkman, Malin Tugaga, Pamela Power, Mary Scarf, Louis Aloisio, Olive Brittliff, Leon de Pradines, Margaret Davin, Helen Taylor, Amanda Sheridan, Karen Pearson, Margrate Sofie, Thambu George, Marta Panczyna, Sue James, Margaret Woollam, Mary Wood, Vicki Pirie, Therese Horner, Jack Dummett, Jo Farrelle, Yvonne Beattie, John Buatava, Paul Hennessy, Sue Rose, Anne Singleton, Tina Cohen, Ron Goodwin, Janice Green, Elaine Finlayson, Louisa Dunne.

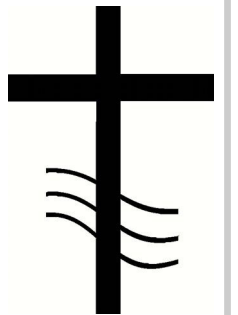


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St John the Baptist Catholic Church

Mission and Vision

Bringing Jesus Christ to ALL, through:
Worship and Liturgy
Outreach
Our Parish School
Hospitality
Adult & Child Faith Formation



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

15th July, 2018, Year B (Psalter Week 3)

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God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

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Parish News...

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli's Farewell Mass: All are invited to a Farewell Mass with all the faithful of the Diocese. Sunday 22 July 2018 at 2:00 p.m., Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. Followed by Thanksgiving Gathering at The Light of Christ Centre (light refreshments).

Congratulations! On Friday, August 3, **95** children will be confirmed in our Parish by Bishop Emeritus David Walker.

This is a remarkable number and our Sacramental Ministry Team has made a sterling effort preparing these candidates through this family-based programme.

But this year, we have been further delighted to have **34** children from our State Schools enrol to be Confirmed. That's more than a third of the total candidature - a sensational number. Well done to all the Catechist Ministry teachers and helpers.

Credit must also go to the parents, families and caregivers who have chosen to support the faith formation of their children in this vital way. Please pray for these children and their families. God bless you one and all. Dorothy Fulton (Sacramental Programme Coordinator) & Susan Simmons (Catechist Coordinator).

Housie: In addition to the regular Saturday nights, housie will also be run on Friday, 20th July 2018.

Volunteer Church Cleaning Roster 20/7/18: Anisha Burns, Elena Egan, Kathleen Cullen & Bill Cantley.

Children's Liturgy 22/7/18: Celeste Boonaerts, Emma Baker & Mimi Lambert.

Coffee, Cake & Chat: This month we will be celebrating Christmas in July! Harry's Restaurant, Ettalong Bowling Club, Springwood Ave, Monday, 16th July at 12pm. Christmas lunch: Roast & Pudding \$20. To book please call Bernard Edwards 4341 6343. All Welcome.

The Live, Pray, Love, Project: Save the Date: Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 September 2018 Sr Margaret Scully will be speaking on "Healing in the Family Tree". Sr Margaret Scully spoke on this topic back in March. The 2 hour session was well attended and many have expressed she return to deliver the complete program which is delivered over 2 days. For more information contact Gladys Leger 0421 312 362.

Pilgrimage with Fr Timothy: to Fatima, Spain, Lourdes & Medjugorje. 16 days, 17 May -1 June 2019. \$6,950. More detailed information is available on the gathering area table. Those interested may leave their names with the Parish Office.

Shalom World TV to partner with Proclaim 2018 Conference: Proclaim 2018, in conjunction with major sponsor, The University of Notre Dame Australia, is proud to announce Shalom World TV as a media partner. Shalom World TV is excited to bring LIVE and FREE coverage of the Proclaim 2018 Keynotes streamed daily over the three days starting from Thursday July 12, 2018. You can watch PROCLAIM 2018 via Shalom World Media Gallery: www.shalomworldtv.org/proclaim2018 It's Free to sign-up!

Morning Tea Roster 22/7/18: Catechists.

The Seasons for Growth Adult Program: Explore and learn how we can improve managing our difficult situations, cope better with stress and increase our awareness of our own needs. The Seasons Program helps build resilience and fosters social and emotional wellbeing, whilst deepening general understanding of the nature and impact of change, loss and grief. Come along to a three hour seminar from 9:30am, "*Understanding Change, Loss and Grief*" on Tuesday 14 August 2018, at St Joseph's Spirituality & Education Centre, 8 Humphreys Rd, Kincumber. Donation \$20.00 with morning tea. Please contact Linda Brown on 0458 234 548 for enquiries and to register bookings.

Tax Receipts for C.W.F. (last financial year) will be available in the gathering area next weekend.

Cash Housie every Saturday night at Peninsula Community Centre, Cnr Ocean Beach Rd & McMasters Rd, Woy Woy. Games start at 7.30pm and finish 10.20pm, cash prizes. Ticket sales from 6pm. Proceeds benefit Parish. Enquiries Rob: 0427 990 818.

St Vincent de Paul Society on the Peninsula assist and give a hand up to people in need. We have two Conferences with volunteers sharing the visiting or office work. We always welcome new Volunteers to our Conference. Please ring Peter 0425 358 376 or Joan 0422 272 339.

"Mary Mac's Place" Hospitality: volunteers provide nutritious, freshly cooked meals and information and referrals to appropriate community services. Open Monday to Friday, 11am-1pm, at the Ethel Cox Parish Centre. For more information, please contact 4341 0584.

The Apostles of Jesus' Australian community Golden Jubilee Celebrations at 6pm, 23rd July, OLR Catholic Church, 92 Glennie St, Wyoming. Commences with the Eucharist, followed by light refreshments. RSVP by Friday 20th July to Wyoming.parish@bbcatholic.org.au or 4324 3962.

The Apostles of Jesus working in Australia are Fr Andrew Mutubusi (Wyoming) Fr Stephen Wayoyi (Pennant Hills) Fr Magnus Kobbi (Bourke) Fr Sabas Assenga (Cobar) Fr Raphael Kimaro (Narrabeen) Fr Vincent Musindalo (Lower NorthShore).

St John the Baptist Youth Group: Held once a fortnight during school terms for high school students (Years 7-12), in the Leo Mahon Room. For more information, contact Matthew French on 0411 792 587.

Catechist Helpers: We're almost halfway through the school year and the children are doing extremely well. While we have temporarily lost two valuable teachers and one helper, we are finding that our class numbers, particularly in composite classes, is putting an extra burden on teachers. In an ideal world every class would have a teacher and a helper, a **valuable member of the ministry** who is there to assist individual children with activities, help the children focus, lead them in prayers and help with reading. It's a lovely role and you can be as involved in the lesson as you want. **We'd love to have more helpers, so if you have an hour a week, please call me and learn more. Susie 0411 566 622.**

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