

Sacred Heart Parish

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

3rd Sunday of Lent, Year B

4 March 2017

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil - Saturday 6.00pm, Luddenham
7:30am, Luddenham
9.30am, Warragamba

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 9:00am, Warragamba
Thursday 7.00am, Mulgoa
Friday 9.30am, Luddenham
(Adoration from 8.30am)
Saturday 9:00am, Luddenham
(3rd Saturday of Month Greendale)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30am, Luddenham
Saturday 5pm, Luddenham
Wednesday 9.30am, Warragamba
Or anytime by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Preparation Class:
4th Wednesday each month;
Presentation: 1st Sunday each month.
Please contact Parish Office to book.

ANointing OF THE SICK

1st Wednesday of Month at 9am Mass,
Warragamba
1st Friday of Month at 9.30am Mass,
Luddenham

ITALIAN MASS

3rd Sunday of Month 11:00am
Luddenham

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr. Giovanni Presiga Gaviria
Pastoral Associate: Carmel Fenton
Parish Secretary: Tracey Caruana
Admin Assistant: Colleen Nicholas
Pastoral Placement: Jessie Duan Balorio

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

Weir Road, Warragamba

Tuesday : 9:30am - 4:00pm
Thursday : 9:30am - 4:00pm
Saturday : 9:30am - 12:00pm

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SACRAMENTAL PROCESS - CONFIRMATION

An information and registration session for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held at Holy Family Church on

Wednesday 7th March 9.15am or 7.00pm.

Please note that this session is for **parents only**.

All information regarding the program will be given at this meeting.
You must attend this session in order to enrol your child in the program.

To be eligible for Confirmation, your child must be Baptised and have made their First Holy Communion.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY FACILITATORS

We need more facilitator's for our Children's Liturgy. No experience is necessary. You will be given all the material. You will not be facilitating alone - there are always two facilitators.

Please contact the parish office if you are able to help.



ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday 17th March

St Patrick is the Patron of Ireland. Legend says he used a shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity - the 3 leaves of the shamrock representing 3 separate parts of the same being: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We will be celebrating St Patrick's Day with a Children's Mass at 6pm. At the conclusion of Mass, we will share a meal together in the school hall. During the night, there will be a number of green activities for the children, including face painting. Parishioners of all ages are invited to wear an item of green as we celebrate St Patrick's Day as a community.

Cost \$15 adults, \$8 children. Includes dinner.

For catering purposes, please write your name and contact number on the sheet provided, or contact the Parish Office on 4773 4321 or Rose Gauci on 0419 416 980.



God's Houskeepers Needed

We need some help to clean Luddenham Church. The commitment is about 2 hours once every 6 weeks. If you are able to help, please contact our parish office.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: READING THE BIBLE IN THE CHURCH

**Through Lent with Mark and John
JESUS AND NICODEMUS -**

IN JOHN (Mar 6)

Engage in some reflection and sharing with others who are also exploring their faith more deeply. A great way to get to know Jesus better!



Sessions led by Brother Kevin McDonnell cfc, Christian Brothers, Winbourne, Mulgoa

Tuesday Evenings March 6 & 13

7.00-8.15 pm

In the foyer of Holy Family Church Luddenham.

Stations of the Cross

**Every Friday during Lent at 7pm,
alternating between
Luddenham and
Warragamba Churches**
9 March Warragamba,
16 March Luddenham,
23 March Warragamba.



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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: Fr George O'Mara, Pio Muscat, Alice Carneiro Silva.

Please Remember: Salvatore Spatari, Michael & Grace Buttigieg Anthony & Theresa Refalo.

Sick: Margaret Price, John Wood, Rena Formica, Elia Muscat, Jessie Zammit, Diane Hill, Margaret Hardy, Michelle Stait.

Entrance Antiphon: My eyes are ever fixed on the Lord, for he releases my feet from the snare. O look at me and be merciful, for I am wretched and alone.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Next week: 4th Sunday of Lent, Year B. Readings: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21.

St Dominic's College Open Day
Sunday 4th March, 10am-2.30pm
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 Email: info@stdominics.nsw.edu.au
 Website: www.stdominics.nsw.edu.au

Caroline Chisholm College Open Night
Monday 12th March 2018, 5.30-7.30pm
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24 hours for the Lord: 9-10 March
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 with the Lord and His Mother in the Schoenstatt
 Shrine

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 Planned Giving Envelopes*

*Welcome back Jessie! We hope you
 enjoyed your time with family and friends*

FROM THE GOSPEL

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

We must read the Gospel of John carefully, especially in its presentation of Jesus' relationship to Judaism. The Gospel of John tends to reflect greater tension and animosity between Jesus and the Jewish authorities than the Synoptic Gospels. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With greater frequency than the other Evangelists, John intersperses post-Resurrection reflections of this Christian community in his narrative.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

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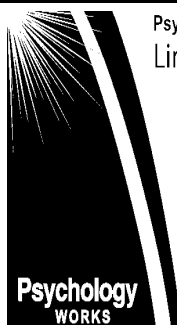
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