



Sacred Heart Parish

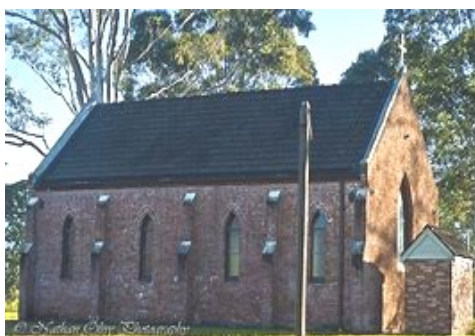
LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR 1/B

12 September 2021



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Giovanni Presiga Gaviria
 PARISH SECRETARY: Bernadette Morton
 ADMIN ASSISTANT: Colleen Nicholas
 SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR: Janet Borg
 PASTORAL PLACEMENT: Matthew Dimian

PARISH OFFICE HOURS **TEMPORARILY CLOSED**

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PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

16/18 Weir Road, Warragamba
 Tuesday: 9:30am - 4:00pm
 Thursday: 9:30am - 4:00pm
 Saturday: 9.30am - 12.00pm

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr. Anthony McElhone
 Assistant Principal: Miss Jodie Van As
 Contact Number: 02 4773 7100

HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday: 5.30 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham
 Sunday: 7.30 am at Luddenham
 9.30 am at Warragamba (*Pre-registration required*)
 Italian Mass: 11.00 am at Luddenham (*3rd Sunday of the month*)
 Weekday Mass: 9.00 am at Warragamba - Wednesday
 7.00 am at Mulgoa - Thursday
 9.30 am at Luddenham - Friday
 9.00 am at Luddenham - Saturday (*except 3rd Saturday*)
 9.00 am at Greendale - 3rd Saturday of the month
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
 8.30 am at Luddenham - Friday

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

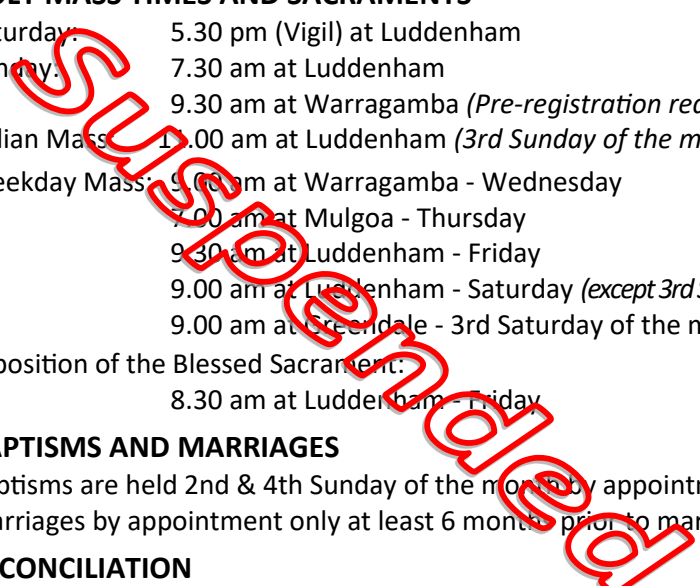
Baptisms are held 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month by appointment only.
 Marriages by appointment only at least 6 months prior to marriage.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.00am Mass & from 5.00pm till Vigil Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By appointment. Please contact the Parish Office.





WELCOME to SACRED HEART PARISH - Luddenham / Warragamba

If you are new to Sacred Heart Parish and would like to register as a parishioner or be placed in our mailing list please call the parish office.

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

[FAN THE FLAME – TOWARDS PLENARY ASSEMBLY ONE OCTOBER 2021](#)

‘If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.’

There can be no shortcuts, no bypassing the cross or the tomb, to encounter the resurrection. For new life and new hope to emerge, we need to acknowledge that we are a broken, hurt and traumatised Church.... by standing in solidarity and compassion with each other, particularly the wounded, the poor and the traumatised. (*Humble, Healing and Merciful – Discernment Paper pp. 12 and 18*)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/

In October 2021, the Catholic Church in Australia will gather for the first Assembly of the Plenary Council to be held since the second Vatican Council. In 2018, when the decision to hold a Plenary Council was announced, the entire People of God in Australia began preparing for this historic moment by listening to God and by listening to one another's stories of faith.



Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the first Assembly will be a mix of in-person and online delivery. See the up-to-date [PLENARY COUNCIL JOURNEY 2020-2022](#).

Responses to the discernment journey which began with the [Listening and Dialogue Phase](#), followed by the [Listening and Discernment Phase](#) can still be accessed for your consideration and reflection.

The six Thematic Discernment papers and Reflection Guide, prepared by several writing groups are also still available, by clicking [here](#).

As we make the journey in these months towards the first Assembly, we are all invited to be mindful that the members (formerly called delegates) will be commissioned and participate in formation sessions in preparation to fulfil their role as members. At the same time, we are all called to continue our own journey of prayer and discernment as we look forward in hope to the renewal of the Catholic Church in Australia.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased:

Arthur Squires, Estefano Mirabito, Kevin Johnston

Anniversaries:

Fr Edward (Ted) Cooper SDB, Fr Gerry Breen SDB

Always remembered:

Sick:

Paul Refalo, Monica Muscat, Fr Chris Riley SDB, Nick Saliba, Lucy Andaloro, Alison Megarrity and all those suffering from the affects of Covid-19.



*“The best way to find yourself,
is to lose yourself in the service of others.”*

Mahatma Gandhi

SMART LOVING BREAKTHROUGH

An Online Course for spouses in troubled marriages

If your marriage is under stress or you feel disconnected from your spouse, but don't know how to ease the pain, join us for this online course.

- ◆ Identify your conflict triggers.
- ◆ Learn strategies to de-escalate an argument.
- ◆ Restore hope with practical relationship strategies.

smartloving.org/breakthrough

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY: 12 SEPTEMBER

Our Parish and the Diocese of Parramatta are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

OFFICE FOR SAFEGUARDING OFFERING ONLINE TRAINING TO KEEP OUR PARISHES SAFE

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team are currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout September and October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office on safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

VINNIES SUPPORT CENTRES

St Vincent de Paul Support Centres across Greater Sydney are still available and taking calls to arrange for food vouchers or other items to be provided to those in need.

If you need assistance, call the Support Centres in Blacktown on (02) 8861 9777, Harris Park on (02) 8861 9757 and Penrith on (02) 8861 9770.

To find out more about what support is available, visit

<http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

'THE WELL' OFFERS SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown?

Why not check out 'The Well'?

The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Check it out on <https://thewell.org.au>

THANK YOU FOR CARING FOR OUR RETIRED CLERGY

Thanks to your kind and compassionate support, the [Clergy Support Foundation](http://ClergySupportFoundation.org.au) can continue to ensure our priests' physical, emotional, and mental wellbeing is nurtured. And, where needed, support our ageing priests' daily living, health care and medical expenses; along with home comforts and essentials for living well. Donations for the Father's Day Appeal can be made at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal or call (02) 8838 3482.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT & GENEROSITY

Dear Parishioners, please know that I keep you all in my prayers daily. Any special intentions that you would like me to pray for with our parish community send to admin@warragambaparish.org.au.

Please join us in community prayer, in unity and support of each other till we are able to come together again, by using one of the following links to join us for Mass on Sundays at 10.00am:

Direct Mass link - <https://fb.me/e/16075yaQa>

Sacred Heart Facebook page - www.facebook.com/SacredHeartLuddenhamWarragamba/

Sacred Heart Parish Website - <https://warragambaparish.org.au/>

To contribute to the First Collection - *supporting the Diocesan priests* please donate via Direct Debit to:-

BSB: 067 950

Account #: 000004265

Account Name: Diocesan Clergy

Reference: 6039 - Sacred Heart Parish

To contribute to the Second Collection - *for support of the Parish* please donate via Direct Debit to:-

BSB: 067 950

Account #: 00000412

Account Name: Warragamba Catholic Church

Reference: Your Name or Envelope #

If you or anyone you know is in need of pastoral support please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office.

Hopefully we will be able to worship together again soon in our churches and our Sacrament children will be able to receive their First Holy Communion. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

May the Lord be with you and your families.

Fr Giovanni

First Reading

Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part,
I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.
My vindicator is here at hand.
Does anyone start proceedings against me?
Then let us go to court together.
Who thinks he has a case against me?
Let him approach me.
The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 114:1-6,8-9

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.**

I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. **R.**

They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me! **R.**

He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. **R.**

Do not be anxious about anything,
but in everything by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your requests be made
known to God. And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding, will guard
your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

Second Reading

James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Gospel Acclamation**

Galatians 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.