



Sacred Heart Parish

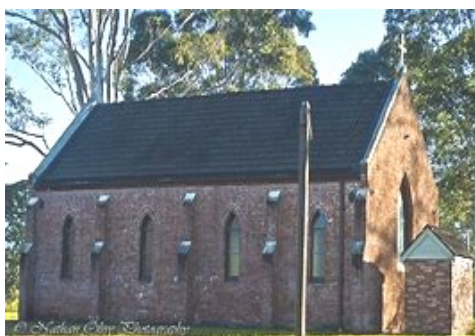
LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7 August 2022



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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00 am - 3.30pm

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PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

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

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr. Anthony McElhone
Assistant Principal: Amanda Cassar
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
Italian Mass: 11.00 am at Luddenham (3rd Sunday of the month)
Spanish Mass: 7.30 pm at Luddenham (4th Saturday 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 Most Sacred Sacrament:
8.20 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.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased:

Joseph Xiberras, Emanuel Camilleri

Anniversaries:

Josephine Muscat
Charles Muscat



Always remembered:

Anthony & Theresa Refalo,
Frank & Laurie Buttigieg,
Joe White, John Gauci
Grace & Michael Buttigieg,
Nicholas Saliba, Margaret Elias,

Sick:

Paul Refalo, Jane Desira,
Monica Muscat, Michael Pace,
Rose Lopreiato, Lee Casaselli,
Therese Felli, Josephine Bartolo,
Emmanuel Bauso, Alison Megaritty,
Guillermo Delcastillo, Pia Gauci,
Fr Chris Riley SDB

KEEP AWAKE TILL HE COMES

The early Christians applied this teaching of Jesus to their expectation of His second coming. More generally speaking, today's Gospel parables should encourage us to be morally vigilant at all times and ever ready to encounter, in the midst of daily life, the 'God of surprises'.

Paul has similar advice for us: 'Keep alert, stand firm in your faith.'

Potatoes, Eggs, and Coffee Beans

Once upon a time a daughter complained to her father that her life was miserable and that she didn't know how she was going to make it. She was tired of fighting and struggling all the time. It seemed just as one problem was solved, another one soon followed.

Her father, a chef, took her to the kitchen. He filled three pots with water and placed each on a high fire. Once the three pots began to boil, he placed potatoes in one pot, eggs in the second pot, and ground coffee beans in the third pot. He then let them sit and boil, without saying a word to his daughter. The daughter, moaned and impatiently waited, wondering what he was doing.

After twenty minutes he turned off the burners. He took the potatoes out of the pot and placed them in a bowl. He pulled the boiled eggs out and placed them in a bowl. He then ladled the coffee out and placed it in a cup. Turning to her he asked. "Daughter, what do you see?" "Potatoes, eggs, and coffee," she hastily replied. "Look closer," he said, "and touch the potatoes." She did and noted that they were soft. He then asked her to take an egg and break it. After pulling off the shell, she observed the hard-boiled egg. Finally, he asked her to sip the coffee. Its rich aroma brought a smile to her face.

"Father, what does this mean?" she asked.

He then explained that the potatoes, the eggs and coffee beans had each faced the same adversity – the boiling water. However, each one reacted differently. The potato went in strong, hard, and unrelenting, but in boiling water, it became soft and weak. The egg was fragile, with the thin outer shell protecting its liquid interior until it was put in the boiling water. Then the inside of the egg became hard. However, the ground coffee beans were unique. After they were exposed to the boiling water, they changed the water and created something new.

"Which are you," he asked his daughter. "When adversity knocks on your door, how do you respond? Are you a potato, an egg, or a coffee bean?"

Moral: In life, things happen around us, things happen to us, but the only thing that truly matters is what happens within us.

	THIS WEEKEND			NEXT WEEKEND		
	<i>Vigil</i>	<i>7.30am</i>	<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>Vigil</i>	<i>7.30am</i>	<i>9.30 am</i>
Minister of the Altar	Michael Tolentino	Paul Rohan	David Egan	Br Joe Vassallo	Paul Rohan	Tony Vella
Altar Servers	Ethan Tolentino Kian Tolentino	Elisa Camilleri		Mikayla Camilleri Matilda Calderwood	Elisa Camilleri	
Ministers of the Word	Angela Calderwood Georgia Calderwood	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	John Cutajar	Jacqueline Genovese Tenille Buttigieg	Moira Bryan Mary Powell	Yasmine Tolentino Carla Mort
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Trish Kelly	Mary Powell	Angela Franich	Margaret Buttigieg	Debbie Brown	Mary Vella
Data Projector	Debbie Walters	Lily Attard	Help needed	Liana Corbo	Lily Attard	Help needed
Housekeepers	Melinda Mandarano, Vanessa Corbo & Donna Gauci					

HELP WANTED

Volunteers needed to help in the **Bargain Centre** at Warragamba on Tuesdays for as many hours as you are able to give.
One hour, two - nothing is too little.

Many hands make light work.

Also needed are **Data Projector Operators** for all Masses so that a roster can be planned.
Training will be given.

We are also in great need of anyone interested in **Flower arranging** to help with our floral tributes to the Lord at Holy Family Church - Luddenham.



*"The harvest is plentiful,
but the workers are few."*
Luke 10:2

Please contact Parish Office if interested in helping out in any of the above.

FR ZVONIMIR'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION

Date: Sunday 28th August 2022

Time: 10.30 am

Place: St John 23rd Catholic College School Hub

Entry can be via the school gates near the church carpark

Please join us afterwards the Mass for some light refreshments in the School Hall.

RSVP for catering purpose

to : secretary@john23rd.org.au or on 9883 5981

Some have been asking if we will be organising a bus to take parishioners to this event.

For this to happen we need to find out if we have enough to fill a bus in the first place and if we are willing to pay a bus fare to cover the cost of hiring a bus. Please indicate on the boards in the foyer if you would prefer to go by bus for a small fee.

CLAIM THE DATE

November 1 Melbourne Cup Luncheon



Father Giovanni on Leave

Fr Giovanni will be away on a long deserved holiday visiting his family in Columbia and will return on the 15th September.

During this time there will be no weekday Masses at our various churches and no 3rd Saturday Mass at Greendale.

Our Sunday Masses including Vigil will continue as normal.

We wish Father Giovanni a safe trip and a blessed and enjoyable visit with his family and friends.

Bon voyage Father Giovanni.

WEARING OF MASKS AT MASS

In consideration of the most recent NSW health Advice, our Diocese highly recommends that for the safety of our parishioners all worshippers wear a mask in the church.

2022 FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR: 12 AUGUST

Guest speaker Robert Haddad will discuss "Living marriage, living faith, ideas to inspire your children" at the Faith in Marriage Seminar hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta's MET - Marriage team. The seminar will be held on Friday 12 August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, from 7.30pm. The event is free, but booking is required. Free parking is available in the lower ground car park and on neighbouring streets. Please register your attendance to (02) 8838 3460 or marriage@parracatholic.org

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN 2022

Getting married in 2022?

Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare.

Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates, to book and pay.

An online preparation called *SmartLoving* can also be booked via the website. For more information email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0403 305 431 or Marisa on 0412 280 017

*Today is life - the only life you are sure of.
Make the most of today. Get interested in something. Shake yourself awake.
Let the winds of enthusiasm sweep through you. Live today with gusto.*

- Dale Carnegie

First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1,12,18-20,22

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2,8-12

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 24:42,44

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.