



# SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR 1/A

3 September 2023



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

## PARISH TEAM

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Fr. Shinto Francis  
DEACON: Deacon Charles Abela  
PARISH SECRETARY: Bernadette Morton  
ADMIN ASSISTANT: Colleen Nicholas  
SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR: Janet Borg  
PASTORAL PLACEMENT: Menard Gaspi

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00 am - 3.30pm

## CONTACT US

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## PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

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

## HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Ms Donna Mc Fadzean  
Assistant Principal: Ms Andrea Martin  
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 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.



# Happy Father's Day

*We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.*

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Recently deceased:**  
Ivan Boskovic.

**Sick:**  
Gaetano Mandarano, Mary Attard, Marcia Marmulla, Elia Muscat, Paul Attard, Josephine Bartolo, Therese Felli, Emmanuel Bauso, Lee Casaselli, Charlie Cutajar, Monica Muscat, David Allison Huerta, Guillermo Delcastillo, Jane Attard, Trudi Darley-Jones.

**Our Parish Bargain Centre** is opened on Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 4pm. We sell pre-loved clothes, books, DVDs CDs and bric-a-brac. Come in and grab a bargain or just drop in for a cuppa and chat.



**Bishop's Father's Day Appeal: Caring for those who have cared for us**

Our priests never stop giving their lives in service to our community. They dedicate themselves to carrying out God's ministry for as long as they are able. This Father's Day, let us show our thanks and appreciation for our priests' lifelong gifts of faithful service. Your compassionate donation will help our Clergy Support Foundation to care for our priests, and provide them with personalised health and wellbeing support.



Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal at [parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal](http://parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal) or scan this QR code. Thank you.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Peter must have felt duped by God when Jesus rebuked him. What did he say that was so bad? When Jesus foretold of his future suffering and death, Peter took what he considered an appropriate defensive stand. Not you, Lord! Never!

Only moments earlier, he had called Jesus the Messiah. Peter's understanding of that term meant conquering hero, not suffering servant of God's will. Peter liked to imagine victory achieved without a scratch. Victory gained at the cost of ultimate sacrifice was no victory in his mind. If Peter was duped, it was his own preconceptions about God and religion that betrayed him. Gaining the world at the price of the soul was no bargain. But losing everything for the sake of God's victory is the one purchase we all want to consider.

**For what are you willing to suffer (love, money, justice, peace, the truth)? How much are you willing to suffer for these things?**

The funeral service for Ivan Boskovic will be at 2.30pm on Tuesday 5th September at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Leppington.

**CHOIR—9.30 MASS**

*If you would like to join our choir, please contact the parish office or see Menard or Leia. Everyone is welcome.*

	2/3 SEPTEMBER			9/10 SEPTEMBER		
	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am
<b>Minister of the Altar</b>	Br Joe Vassallo	Grace Buda	Trish Kelly	Michael Tolentino	Paul Rohan	Tony Vella
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Youth	Benedetta Terry	Yasmin Tolentino Carla Mort	Angela Georgia	Marta Christian	Br Barry Leia
<b>Data Projector</b>	Youth	Lily Attard	Colleen Nicholas	Mel Elmer	Lily Attard	Kristin Borg
<b>Housekeepers</b>	4-8 September: Melinda Mandarano & Vanessa Corbo			11-15 September: Alice Buttigieg & Lily Buttigieg		

## 9 WEEK NOVENA TOWARDS THE DIOCESAN SYNOD WEEK 4 REFLECTION: JOURNEYING TOGETHER

We must continue along this path. The world in which we live, and which we are called to love and serve, even with its contradictions, demands that the Church strengthen cooperation in all areas of her mission. It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium.

What the Lord is asking of us is already in some sense present in the very word "synod". Journeying together — laity, pastors, the Bishop of Rome — is an easy concept to put into words, but not so easy to put into practice.

*Address of His Holiness Pope Francis, Paul VI Audience Hall, Saturday 17 October 2015*

### ADVENT SCRIPTURE TALKS

On each Wednesday before the Sundays of Advent, Br Barry Donaghue will host four presentations in preparation for the commemoration of the birth of Jesus.

Dates: Nov 29, Dec 6, 13, 20

Time: 7.30-9.00pm

Place: Edmund Rice Centre, Winbourne

Cost: Donation

The talks will be based on the Advent Scriptures, including time for questions, reflection and discussion.

**For catering purposes, please call or text Br Barry on 0478 408 337 or email him at [bgdonaghue@edmundrice.org](mailto:bgdonaghue@edmundrice.org)**

**Father Shinto will be away from 4th - 12th September, to attend a Canon Law Conference. Next week, we will have a Liturgy of the Word with Communion on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings. We will have a visiting priest for our Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday morning Masses.**

### HELP WITH DATA PROJECTOR NEEDED

We need a couple of people to operate the computer at our 9.30 Mass on Sunday.

If you are able to help once a month, please contact the parish office.

Training will be provided.



### NATSICC Indigenous Voice Website – One Journey Together

NATSICC and Caritas Australia have launched [www.indigenousvoice.church](http://www.indigenousvoice.church) – a website that empowers Catholics to make an informed decision at the 2023 Indigenous Voice to Parliament Referendum. The site contains a collation of statements of Catholic Organisations, resources to assist in discernment and the voices of First Australians and our Catholic Leaders.



## WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 23rd September  
9-11am



Guest Speaker: Sister Lydia Allen RSM

Sister Lydia Allen is a member of the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma, Michigan. She has worked and taught for many years in the field of psychology and counselling in the US, Germany and Australia. Together we will take a look at the precious gifts God has given to us in our humanity, through which He enables us to be happy and well-integrated as women.

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or Call 47738338

Cost \$25  
including breakfast

Family Hall  
Mt Schoenstatt  
230 Fairlight rd  
Mulgoa 2745

**First Reading****Jeremiah 20:7-9**

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;  
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock,  
everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,

imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 62**

**R.** *My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you

like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

For you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast. **R.**

**Second Reading****Romans 12:1-2**

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**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.

**Gospel****Matthew 16:21-27**

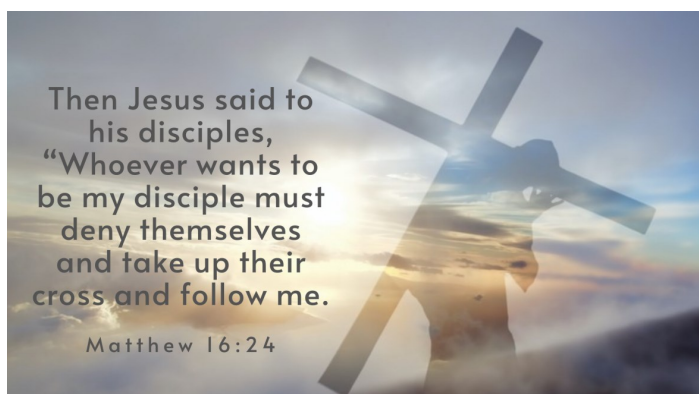
Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, '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 will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



Then Jesus said to his disciples,  
"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Matthew 16:24