



# SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR 1/A

8 OCTOBER 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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32 Willowdene Avenue, Luddenham  
PO Box 56, Luddenham NSW 2745

## 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: 6.00 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.



*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.*

## MASS FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

This weekend, our Masses are dedicated to our Year 12 students, as they prepare for their exams.

We pray that they will draw on the fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit that they possess inside them. May the Spirit give them peace, wisdom, right judgement and courage at this time. And may the Spirit guide them as they discern their future career paths.

### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### Sick:

Tony Xuereb, Jane Attard, Lynne Clarke, 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.

### Farewell and Thank You Father Shinto

Father Shinto will be leaving us this week to take up his new role as Administrator of Corpus Christi Parish, Cranebrook. Please join us for supper after our Vigil Mass or morning tea after our 9.30 Mass, to thank Father Shinto for his service in our parish.

*“There are two kinds of people: those who say to God, ‘Thy will be done’, and those to whom God says, ‘All right then, have it your way.’”*  
C.S. Lewis.

## Melbourne Cup

7 November

Holy Family School Hall  
Doors open 10.30 am

*Come, enjoy a day of fun,  
with morning tea and lunch,  
games in between  
and prizes to be won.*

Cost \$50.00 Bookings essential.

Janet 0433 091 788 - Rose 0419 416 980



**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.



### Children's liturgy

We have Children's Liturgy at our Vigil Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at Holy Family Church.

### Holy Family Youth Mass

The 6.00pm Mass every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month will be dedicated as a Youth Mass.

	7/8 OCTOBER			14/15 OCTOBER		
	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am
<b>Minister of the Altar</b>	Carmel Fenton	Paul Rohan	Colleen Nicholas	Br Joe Vassallo	Grace Buda	Trish Kelly
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Youth	Moira Bryan Mary Powell	Theresa Lia John Cutajar	Liz Murko Br Joe Vassallo	Benedetta Terry	Karen Rogan Anthony Sciberras
<b>Data Projector</b>	Youth	Lily Attard	Kristen Borg	Deb Walters	Lily Attard	Colleen Nicholas
<b>Housekeepers</b>	9-13 October: Alice Buttigieg & Lily Buttigieg			16-20 October: Esther, Rose & Moira		

**9 WEEK NOVENA TOWARDS THE DIOCESAN SYNOD**  
**WEEK 9 REFLECTION: MISSION**

Mission....We need to avoid becoming closed persons by making the Church constantly go out from herself, keeping her mission focused on Jesus Christ, and her commitment to the poor. Only a heart open to mission can ensure that everything we do is marked by the regenerating power of the Lord's call. Mission always involves passion for the poor, for those who are "in need", not only of things material, but also spiritual, emotional and moral. Those who hunger for bread and those who hunger for meaning are equally poor. The church is summoned to reach out to every form of poverty. The church is called to preach the Gospel to everyone, since all of us are poor; all of us are, in one way or another, needy. But the Church also reaches out to the poor because we need them: we need their voice, their presence, their questions and criticisms. A person with a missionary heart feels the absence of his brother or sister, and, like a beggar, accosts him or her. Mission makes us vulnerable. It helps remind us that we are disciples and it makes us rediscover ever anew the joy of the Gospel.

*Address of His Holiness Pope Francis to the Roman Curia, Benediction Hall,  
Thursday 23 December 2021.*

**Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals –  
Morocco / Libya**

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died, and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water, and medical assistance. Please support Caritas Australia's emergency appeals.

Donate at [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)

**Celebrate the opening of our first-ever  
Diocesan Synod!**

All members of the faithful young and young at heart are invited to celebrate the beginning of the first-ever Diocesan Synod at LIFTED Live in the Forecourt: Bridge to the Synod on **Thursday 12 October** at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta from 6.30pm. We're inviting our entire Diocesan community to experience and celebrate our young Church with live music, prayer, stalls, games and more!

**Position Vacant:**

Prevention, Healing and Support Specialist  
Diocese of Parramatta

**Applications close 13 October 2023**

More details at: [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

**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)**

**Catholic Care Circle of Security**

**Education Program: Starts 11 October**

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue

Mountains is running an online parenting series via Zoom for parents or caregivers of children from birth to 18 to make sense of what your child is really asking from you, and how to strengthen the parent-child relationship. The sessions will run each Wednesday from 10am to 12.30pm from 11 October to 29 November. The cost is \$105, with discount or free training offers available to eligible families.

To register and for enquiries, please call

(02) 8843 2500 or

email [enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au](mailto:enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au)

**Catholic Care Keeping Kids in Mind Education  
Program: Starts 16 October**

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, in partnership with CatholicCare Broken Bay, CatholicCare Sydney and CatholicCare Wollongong, are running a five-week online program via Zoom on supporting children following family separation. The course begins with a pre-session on 16 October from 6pm to 7pm, with a session each Monday from 6pm to 8.45pm from 23 October to 20 November. The cost is \$10 for workbooks and minimum postage fees. All participants must participate in a pre-group interview.

For enquiries, please contact (02) 8843 2500 or email [enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au](mailto:enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au)

**First Reading****Isaiah 5:1-7**

Let me sing to my friend  
 the song of his love for his vineyard.  
 My friend had a vineyard  
 on a fertile hillside.  
 He dug the soil, cleared it of stones  
 and planted choice vines in it.  
 In the middle he built a tower,  
 he dug a press there too.  
 He expected it to yield grapes,  
 but sour grapes were all that it gave.  
 And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
 and men of Judah,  
 I ask you to judge  
 between my vineyard and me.  
 What could I have done for my vineyard  
 that I have not done?  
 I expected it to yield grapes.  
 Why did it yield sour grapes instead?  
 Very well, I will tell you  
 what I am going to do to my vineyard:  
 I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on,  
 and knock down its wall for it to be trampled  
 on.  
 I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;  
 overgrown by the briar and the thorn.  
 I will command the clouds  
 to rain no rain on it.  
 Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts  
 is the House of Israel,  
 and the men of Judah  
 that chosen plant.  
 He expected justice, but found bloodshed,  
 integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 24**

**R.** *The vineyard of the Lord is the  
 House of Israel.*

You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
 to plant it you drove out the nations.  
 It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the  
 Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls?  
 It is plucked by all who pass by.  
 It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,  
 devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,  
 look down from heaven and see.  
 Visit this vine and protect it,  
 the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

And we shall never forsake your again:  
 give us life that we may call upon your name.  
 God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine  
 on us and we shall be saved **R.**

**Second Reading****Philippians 4:6-9**

There is no need to worry; but if there is  
 anything you need, pray for it, asking God for  
 it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that  
 peace of God, which is so much greater than  
 we can understand, will guard your hearts and  
 your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally,  
 brothers, fill your minds with everything that is  
 true, everything that is noble, everything that  
 is good and pure, everything that we love and  
 honour, and everything that can be thought  
 virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the  
 things that you learnt from me and have been  
 taught by me and have heard or seen that I do.  
 Then the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,  
 because I have made known to you  
 everything I have learnt from my Father.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel****Matthew 21:33-43**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of  
 the people, 'Listen to another parable. There  
 was a man, a landowner, who planted a  
 vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress  
 in it and built a tower; then he leased it to  
 tenants and went abroad. When vintage time  
 drew near he sent his servants to the tenants  
 to collect his produce. But the tenants seized  
 his servants, thrashed one, killed another and  
 stoned a third. Next he sent some more  
 servants, this time a larger number, and they  
 dealt with them in the same way. Finally he  
 sent his son to them. "They will respect my  
 son" he said. But when the tenants saw the  
 son, they said to each other, "This is the heir.  
 Come on, let us kill him and take over his  
 inheritance." So they seized him and threw him  
 out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when  
 the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he  
 do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will  
 bring those wretches to a wretched end and  
 lease the vineyard to other tenants who will  
 deliver the produce to him when the season  
 arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never  
 read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that  
 became the keystone. This was the Lord's  
 Doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will  
 be taken from you and given to a people who  
 will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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