



SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

25 August 2024



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

PARISH TEAM

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Fr. Galbert Albino
 DEACON: Deacon Charles Abela
 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 & Thursday: 9:30am - 4:00pm

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Ms Donna Mc Fadzean
 Assistant Principal: Ms Jodie Van As
 Contact Number: 02 4773 7100

HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday: 5.30 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham
Youth Mass - 1st Saturday of the month.
Children's Liturgy - 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month

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

First Friday of month at 9.30am Mass or by appointment.



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.

CHANGES TO WEEKDAY MASSES
UNTIL FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Please note that, while Father Galbert is on leave, we will not be having morning Masses on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.
On Fridays, we will have Rosary and prayers at 8.30am and a Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 9.30am.
We will still have a Vigil Mass at 5.30pm on Saturdays.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased:

Rita Vella

Please Remember:

Stipe-Doma-Mirko Preovich, David Gerhard, Noel Nicholas, Thelma Sylvester, Salvatore Lia, Theresa Lia, Mario Lia, Elizabeth Lia, Angelo Lia, Mary Lia, Horace Azzopardi, Carmen Azzopardi, Grace Tedesco, Gillian Attard, Giovanna Attard, Charles Attard, Mark Lia.

Sick:

Paul Azzopardi, James Compton, Paul Refalo, Richard Curtis, Lynne Clarke, Fr Bob Bossini.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick or housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

SEASON OF CREATION 2024
PARISH LAUDATO SI DISCUSSION GROUP

From September 1st till October 4th (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) the Church and our Diocese celebrates the Season of Creation. Apart from various liturgical mentions and events in parish's we are encouraged by the Australian Bishop's Conference to engage in the agenda of Pope Francis' famous encyclical of 2015 which sets out a plan for social and environmental action.

But how many of us have learnt much of this famous plan in past years? Therefore have we acted.

Last November Pope Francis published his exhortation "Laudate Deum" where he simply said that we had not listened. Hence in an attempt to help us listen and learn and share it is proposed that you are invited to join a discussion group in our parish for 4 evenings in September (commencing week September 2 – 8).

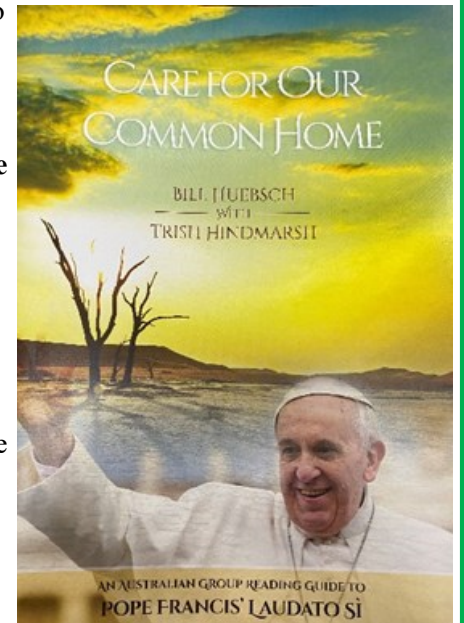
Please put your name down on the sheet in the church foyers. We are attempting to see if a Monday or Wednesday evening suits people best and which venue suits most (Luddenham or Warragamba).

Sessions will probably go for an hour or a little longer if participants feel it would be fruitful.

We will be using the parish booklet pictured here.

Young people would be a great addition to the group as they probably know more about this than most. We will start in the second week of September.

Brother Jeff Regan



	24/25 AUGUST			31 AUGUST/ 1 SEPTEMBER		
	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30am	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30am
Minister of the Altar	Br Joe Vassallo	Grace Buda	Fiona Clarke	Michael Tolentino	Paul Rohan	Carmel Fenton
Ministers of the Word	Angela Georgia	Benedetta Terry	Theresa Lia John Cutajar	Tenille Alicja	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	Leia Br Barry
Data Projector	Schoenstatt Choir	Lily Attard	Colleen Nicholas	Janet Borg	Lily Attard	Theresa Lia
Housekeepers	26-30 August: Karen & John			2-6 September: Melinda & Vanessa		
Flowers	19-23 August: Carla			2-6 September: Melinda & Vanessa		

Youth connect encounter night 18th August

A group of six volunteers from Youth Mission Team Sydney hosted thirty youth connect participants at our Luddenham-Warragamba Parish last Sunday. It was noticeable how Each YMT reached out to all youth throughout the night to establish relationship with parish youth and ensure all were welcomed and loved. Following icebreaker games such as 'reverse charade's, a clip from bugs-life was shown to highlight the importance of each person's giftedness and individuality. This led to a drama which expressed how Jesus, through His sacrifice for us on the cross, is always with us in good times and bad, to love and accept us. This assurance of our dignity in Christ, invited the youth participants to respond with prayers, expressed by lighting a candle for Jesus, at the end of the night.

"At youth connect I experienced a great connection with God, through many fun games. I made many new friendships and my relationship with God grew as I learnt that Jesus is always by my side. It was a fun night and it helped me relax knowing that God is always there with me."

Youth Connect member.



KIDS VOICES ART COMPETITION

In June this year, to support our commitment to zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person, the Diocese of Parramatta launched its first art competition for children and young people.

Judging of these artworks has been completed by our judging panel, and nominations for the People's Choice Awards are now open! The theme of the competition is: 'My Church community is a safe place for me'.

Winners will be announced during National Child Protection Week (Sunday 1 to Saturday 7 September).

[Vote now for People's Choice: 2024 Kids' voices art competition | Diocese of Parramatta \(parracatholic.org\)](https://parracatholic.org)

EFTPOS MACHINES IN CHURCH

We have installed EFTPOS machines in Luddenham and Warragamba Churches.

Donations to the parish can be made using a debit or credit card. Select the amount you wish to donate and tap your card.

IN MEMORIUM

DAVID PATRICK GERHARD

23/8/66-25/8/83

All these years have passed and we miss you more each day. We love you.
Dad, Mum, Peter, Rhonda & Donald,
Anthony & Deb, Natalie
and all their families.

PARISH DIARY

Children's Liturgy

Sunday 1 September	9.30am Mass, Warragamba
Saturday 7 September	Vigil Mass, Luddenham
Saturday 15 September	Vigil Mass, Luddenham

Rosary

Sunday 25 August	9am, Warragamba
Sunday 8 September	(before 9.30 Mass)

WINBOURNE PRESENTATIONS 2024 WITH BR (DR) BARRY DONAGHUE

Saturday 14 September: Sin & Redemption (half day)

Saturday 28 September: The Aramaic Lord's Prayer (half day)

Saturday 19 October: The Spirituality of the Lord of the Rings (full day)

For more information or to book, contact (02) 4773 5555 or email info@winbourne.org

First Reading**Joshua 24:1-2. 15-18**

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? What is more, the Lord drove all those peoples out before us, as well as the Amorites who used to live in this country. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The Lord turns his eyes to the just
and his ears to their appeal. **R.**

They call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save. **R.**

Many are the trails of the just man but from
them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep
guard over all his bones, not one of his bones
shall be broken. **R.**

Evil brings death to the wicked;
those who hate the good are doomed.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him
shall not be condemned. **R.**

Second Reading**Ephesians 5:21-32**

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a

husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. *For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body.* This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

Gospel**John 6:60-69**

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?

'It is the spirit that gives life,
the flesh has nothing to offer.
The words I have spoken to you are spirit
and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.