



SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR C

27 April 2025



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, Saturday: 9am-1pm.

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal:	Ms Donna Mc Fadzean
Assistant Principal:	Ms Jodie Van As
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HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday:	5.30 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham <i>Youth Mass - 1st Saturday of the month.</i> <i>Children's Liturgy - 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month</i>
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 4.30pm till Vigil Mass, or by appointment.

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.

A Message from Father Galbert

Dear Parishioners,
As you are aware, I will be leaving this parish on the 30th of April. I would like to thank all of you for your support during my time here. It has been a privilege to serve you in this parish, with a great hope for loving the Lord by loving one another. Thank you very much. Please pray for me, as I venture to another parish to continue my ministry as a priest. May God bless you.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased:

Pope Francis

Please Remember:

Mark Lia,
Salvatore Lia, Theresa Lia,
Mario Lia, Elizabeth Lia, Angelo Lia, Mary Lia, Horace Azzopardi, Carmen Azzopardi, Grace Tedesco, Gillian Attard, Giovanna Attard, Charles Attard.

Sick:

Matthew Khairy,
Baby Rafaella Roberts,
Suzanne Solafia-Rogan,
James Compton, Richard Curtis,
Lynne Clarke, Fr Bob Bossini.

Feast of St Ġorġ Preca

4th May, 2025

at 5.00pm

**Holy Family Church
32 Willowdene Ave
Luddenham**

In memory of Jane Attard



FLOWERS FOR CHURCH

If you would like to make a donation towards flowers for our churches, please place the money in an envelope marked "Donation for Flowers" and place it on one of the collection plates at Mass.

Our **Parish Bargain Centre** is located on Weir Road, Warragamba, next to Sacred Heart Church. We sell pre-loved Clothing, toys and bric-a-brac. **Uniforms for our local primary schools and some high schools are also available.** Please call in to grab a bargain, or to have a cuppa and chat.

**The Bargain Centre is open
9am to 4pm Tuesday and Thursday and
9am to 1pm Saturday**

	26/27 APRIL			3/4 MAY		
	Vigil - 5.30pm (Luddenham)	7.30 am (Luddenham)	9.30am (Warragamba)	Vigil - 5.30pm (Luddenham)	7.30 am (Luddenham)	9.30am (Warragamba)
Minister of the Altar	Colleen Nicholas	Paul Rohan	Carmel Fenton	Br Joe Vassallo	Grace Buda	David Egan
Ministers of the Word	Angela Georgia	Moiria Bryan Mary Powell	Theresa Lia John Cutajar	Youth Readers	Benedetta Terry	Leia Br Barry
Data Projector	Deb Walters	Lily Attard	Karen/Tony	Youth Choir	Lily Attard	James Cutajar
Housekeepers	28 April-2May: Karen & John			5-9 May: Melinda & Vanessa		
Flowers	28 April-2May: Donna			5-9 May: Melinda & Vanessa		

Holy Family Youth Mass

Our Vigil Mass every 1st Saturday of the month is dedicated as a Youth Mass and is followed with a light supper.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the parish office.

Children's liturgy

We have Children's Liturgy at our Vigil Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at Luddenham and our 9.30 Mass on the first Sunday of each month at Warragamba.

Children's Liturgy is for school aged children.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to help with Children's Liturgy.

MORNING TEA AT WARRAGAMBA

We have morning tea at our Parish Bargain Centre following our 9.30 Mass on the First Sunday of every month. Everyone is invited. We would love to see you there.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP CLEAN LUDDENHAM CHURCH

We need another 2 to 3 people to help clean **Luddenham Church**. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Today's Gospel - Questions for Reflection

How do you free the Spirit of holiness to work in your life? What are the Spirit's signs most evident in your life?

When you receive Christ on the Lord's day, what does it mean to you?

What made a believer out of you? What sustains your faith today?

From GPBS e-News



Make an IMPACT-Volunteer Abroad!

Use your knowledge to build self-reliance for those with little opportunity.

Join Palms [online](https://palms.org.au) for a special session showcasing how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities, from those who've done it before. Explore our [unique opportunities](https://palms.org.au) and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

Venue: Online- Scan the QR or register at palms.org.au/events

Date: Thursday 22 May 2025

Time: 6 pm – 7 pm

02 9560 5333

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The Diocese of Parramatta Mourns the Death of Pope Francis

Francis's Petrine ministry (2013 to 2025) was entirely devoted to his implementing and living out the vision of the Second Vatican Council, applied to our troubled times.

And in our increasingly violent and ethically challenged world, Francis's prophetic voice will be especially acutely missed. Very few leaders today possess his credibility, authenticity and willingness to oppose violence and war and to defend the environment so passionately.

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, the Bishop of Parramatta, said that while this Jubilee year of Hope would eventually end, Pope Francis would always be remembered for keeping the flame of hope, and the message of God's love, alive in a world that needs both more now than ever.

"He showed the rest of us how to find God's love, and how to show God's love," Bishop Vincent said.

"While today is a day of profound grief and sadness for us here in Parramatta and indeed right around the world, it is also a day to give thanks for the life of a man who gave so much to so many.

"He was an example to the rest of us that the source of all wisdom and sustenance is to be found in the Holy Spirit. And by spreading that message to as many parts of the globe as possible, he is the true embodiment of hope."

From Catholic Outlook

Bookings now open: Diocese of Parramatta's Adult 35 years+ Jubilee Pilgrimage

Join a life-changing 19-day pilgrimage from 7 to 25 September 2025, exploring sacred sites in Greece, Turkey, and Rome. Open to adults aged 35 and over, this journey follows St. Paul's path and the early Church, culminating in the Jubilee Year of Hope in Rome. Bookings close on 2 May 2025, with a deposit of \$800 required at the time of booking. The final payment is due by 7 July 2025. Don't miss this incredible faith experience. For more information and to register, visit parracatholic.org/jubilee2025/

Bookings now open: Diocese of Parramatta's Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage

Young people (18-35 years) from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are invited to join an 18-day pilgrimage to the Jubilee of Youth in Rome from July 19 – August 5, 2025, including a visit to Greece to trace the footsteps of Saint Paul and a celebration of the canonisation of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati in Rome. With only 45 spots available, secure your place by booking before May 10, 2025, with a deposit of \$800, and find out more or book at parracatholic.org/jubilee2025/

First Reading

Acts 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.*

Let the sons of Israel say: "His love has no end." Let the sons of Aaron say: "His love has no end." Let those who fear the Lord say: "His love has no end." **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **R.**

Second Reading

Apocalypse 1:9-13. 17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and

now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;

happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:1-9

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that

the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I

can put my hand into his side, I refuse to

believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in

the house again and Thomas was with them.

The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and

stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said.

Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger

here; look, here are my hands. Give me your

hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but

believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my

God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.