



# SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR C

11 May 2025



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

## PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST:	Fr. Shinto Francis
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
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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.



#### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



#### Recently Deceased:

Pauline Vella

#### Please Remember:

Grace & Michael Buttigieg,  
Josephine & Charles Muscat,  
Jim Muscat, Charlie Chircop,  
Pius Muscat,  
John Gauci, Geyta Borg,  
Joe White, Catherine Gauci,  
Victor & Victoria Vella,  
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:

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

### Prayers and Blessings for the Newly Elected Pope Leo XIV



The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) has welcomed the election of Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost as the Pope, now to be known by the name Leo XIV.

This represents a momentous event in the life of the Catholic Church, the wider community of Christian believers and, in many respects, the whole world.

Conference President, Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, said the Catholic Church in Australia offered its heartfelt congratulations.

“Cardinal Prevost brought to his most recent role as Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops an approachability and willingness to listen which were no doubt developed throughout his many years as an Augustinian missionary in Peru.

“He will be warmly welcomed by the Church in Latin America, as Pope Francis was, by the Church in the United States from where he comes, from the English-speaking world as a native English speaker, and from the whole Church as a man of God steeped in the rich spirituality of his Augustinian Religious Order.

“As Pope Leo XIV, our new pope will bring the benefit of his wide experience to the many challenges and opportunities before him.”

Archbishop Costelloe said the new pope would guide the Church with renewed hope and strength.

“The Catholic Church in Australia assures Pope Leo XIV of our prayers, loyalty, and joyful anticipation of his spiritual leadership. May his pontificate be marked by peace, unity, and a deepening of the Gospel message throughout the world,” he said.

Pope Leo XIV paid tribute to Pope Francis in his first remarks, which focused on peace.

“Peace be with all of you,” he said.

He urged the faithful to “move forward, without fear, united, hand in hand with God and with each other”.

*From Catholic Outlook*

	10/11 MAY			17/18 MAY		
	<i>Vigil - 5.30pm (Luddenham)</i>	<i>7.30 am (Luddenham)</i>	<i>9.30am (Warragamba)</i>	<i>Vigil - 5.30pm (Luddenham)</i>	<i>7.30 am (Luddenham)</i>	<i>9.30am (Warragamba)</i>
<b>Minister of the Altar</b>	Br Joe Vassallo	Paul Rohan	Colleen Nicholas	Michael Tolentino	Grace Buda	Fiona Clarke
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Alicja Abela Silvia Genovese	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	Rose Marsh Mel Elmer	Elaine Luppino Liz Murko	Moiria Bryan Mary Powell	Karen Rogan Tony Sciberras
<b>Data Projector</b>	Janet Borg	Lily Attard	Theresa Lia	Pedro Calungsod Choir	Lily Attard	Ethan Tolentino
<b>Housekeepers</b>	12-16 May: Maria & Frank			19-23 May: Alice & Dennis		
<b>Flowers</b>	12-16 May:			19-23 May: Sylvia & Lorraine		



## A Mother's Day Blessing



Blessed is the Mother,  
Who lets the  
Lord be her  
guiding hand,  
Whose faith brings  
her family courage,  
Whose wisdom  
comes from God,  
And whose children  
still stand and  
honor her.

### Free information session on Pathways to Certificate III in

#### Early Childhood Education & Care: 13 May

Love working with kids? Get ready to launch your career in Childhood Education & Care with Macquarie Community College. Learn from expert educators about childhood development, safety and educational play. An information session will be held on **Tuesday 13 May at 10:30am at**

**Catholic Care's community centre,  
Mamre House and Farm,  
181 Mamre Rd, Orchard Hills.**

Contact Catholic Care WSBM 8843 2500 for more information.

### **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.



## Holy Family Luddenham Youth Connect!

**At Mount Schoenstatt Shrine**

**Friday 16th of May**

**6 pm-8:30 pm**

**230 Fairlight Road,  
Mulgoa**

**Food • Faith • Fun**



**Scan QR code to register**

### **Schoenstatt's Annual Marian Pilgrimage: 18 May**

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv will be celebrating Mass at Schoenstatt Shrine in 18 May at 10:30am. Join us from 9:30am for Reconciliation, Mass a Eucharistic procession, and more. This is an outdoor event so please bring your own chairs. Drinks & food will be available for purchase. All Pilgrim Mother Coordinators are encouraged to bring along your Pilgrim Mother Shrines. For more information contact Sr. M. Rita: 0493 026 628 [srrita@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:srrita@schoenstatt.org.au) or visit [schoenstatt.org.au](http://schoenstatt.org.au) or FB page: /MtSchoenstattMulgoa/

### **Low Cost Counselling Services**

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains provides low cost and affordable counselling services for individuals seeking support. Whether you're looking for general guidance or assistance with specific challenges like grief, loss, or family matters, Catholic Care is here to help. Call Catholic Care on 8843 2500 for a friendly chat today.

### **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/](http://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/](http://parracatholic.org/jubilee2025/)

**First Reading**  
**Acts 13:14. 43-52**

Paul and his friends carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R.** *We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

**Second Reading**  
**Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**John 10:27-30**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;  
I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater  
than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

