SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR C

4 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
Assistant Principal:	Ms Jodie Van As
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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 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.

Dear Friends in Christ,

My name is Fr Shinto Francis. Some of you may remember me from the second half of 2023, when I had the pleasure of serving as administrator in your parish. I'm delighted to share that I've recently been appointed as the parish priest of Sacred Heart Parish Luddenham-Warragamba, and I'd love to take this opportunity to reintroduce myself—especially to those I haven't yet had the chance to meet.

I undertook my priestly formation at our diocesan Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park and was ordained by Bishop Vincent Long in 2017. Since then, I've been blessed to serve in several parishes across the diocese, each one shaping my journey in a unique and meaningful way.

Thank you sincerely for the warm welcome and kind words I've received upon my arrival. I'm truly looking forward to meeting each of you, walking together in faith, and continuing to grow as a community rooted in love, hope, and charity.

May the Risen Lord bless you always.
Fr Shinto Francis

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased:
Pope Francis

Please Remember:
Peter Borg

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

PROJECT COMPASSION
Total donations from our parishioners to Project Compassion amounted to $1596.95. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION
On Good Friday, our parish raised $897.25 for the Holy Land.
Thank you for to everyone who contributed.

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

	3/4 MAY			10/11 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	Carmel Fenton	Grace Buda	David Egan	Br Joe Vassallo	Paul Rohan	Colleen Nicholas
Ministers of the Word	Youth Readers	Benedetta Terry	Leia Br Barry	Alicja Abela Silvia Genovese	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	Rose Marsh Mel Elmer
Data Projector	Youth Choir	Lily Attard	James Cutajar	Janet Borg	Lily Attard	*Volunteer needed*
Housekeepers	**5-9 May: Melinda & Vanessa**			**12-16 May: Maria & Frank**		
Flowers	**5-9 May: Melinda & Vanessa**			**12-16 May:**		

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.

Webinar 10 Years Since Laudato Si'
A Time for Hope or Despair?: 8 May

MET Parramatta and the Australian Cardijn Institute invite you to a webinar with
Sebastian Salaske-Lentern and Sue Martin, who will reflect on the ecological journey that Pope Francis has taken us on in the past ten years, since his encyclical Laudato Si'. Have we made enough progress? And what can give us hope for the path ahead in this Jubilee Year?

Please register to receive a zoom link for Thursday 8 May, 7pm – 8pm:
tinyurl.com/10-years-LS

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

Make an IMPACT- Volunteer Abroad!

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

Join Palms online 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 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

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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 5:27-32. 40-41

The high priest demanded an explanation of the Apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. *I will praise you, Lord,*
for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**

Second Reading
Apocolypse 5:11-14

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; He has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

Gospel **John 21:1-19**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.
'I tell you most solemnly,
when you were young
you put on your own belt
and walked where you liked;
but when you grow old
you will stretch out your hands,
and somebody else will put a belt round you
and take you where you would rather not go.'
In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.