



SACRED HEART PARISH

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
YEAR C

2 November 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
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HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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: Wednesday - *No Mass this week*
Thursday - *No Mass this week*
Friday - 9.30am at Luddenham
Saturday - 9.00am at Luddenham
3rd Saturday of the month - 9.00 am at Greendale
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
8.30am 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 4.45pm 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.

**ALL SOUL'S DAY MASS AT
ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH, GREENDALE**

11AM, SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

All are invited to attend in remembrance of the faithful departed with special attention to those who have been buried there. You are welcome to stay afterwards for a BYO picnic lunch.

We will not be having our 9am Mass at Luddenham on Saturday 8th November.

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Please note that we will not be having our **Morning Masses** on **Wednesday 5th November and Thursday 6th November**, as Father Shinto will be on annual leave.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased:

Janis Liepa

Please Remember:

Michael Grima (17th ann),
All those whose names are recorded in our Book of Remembrance

Sick:

Radojka Marinsic,
Joseph Buttigieg, Frank Bewley, Rosemary Penza, Peter Apap, John Vukovic, Manuela Santos, Oliver Franklin, Lyall Elliott, Julie Curry, Matthew Khairy, Lynne Clarke, Fr Bob Bossini.

Please note that, during November, names will only be included in the bulletin and Masses will only be offered for those whose anniversaries occur.



CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS

*Christmas is soon upon us, and we extend an invitation to all families with young children to attend Christmas Eve Family Mass. In the meantime, practice will begin with school age children from any school on Fridays after school - 3.15-5.00pm commencing **Friday 14th November**.*

All children are welcome to participate, there is something for all - singing, dancing, reading, acting or just dressing up in costume.

NOVEMBER MASSES

During the Month of November, we traditionally pray for all our family members, friends and all the Holy Souls who have died. If you wish to have people remembered in our Parish Masses during November, there are special envelopes for November Masses on the table in the foyer. Please write **clearly** the names of those you wish to remember on the envelope and place it with your donation in the collection plate or in the November Mass box in the foyer. These names will be recorded in our Book of Remembrance, which will be displayed during the month of November.

	1/2 NOVEMBER			8/9 NOVEMBER		
	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	Paul Rohan	Tony Vella	Michael Tolentino	Grace Buda	Colleen Nicholas
Ministers of the Word	Youth Readers	Marta Christian	Theresa Lia John Cutajar	Elaine Luppino Liz Murko	Moiria Bryan Mary Powell	Leia Br Barry
Data Projector	Youth Choir	Lily Attard	Colleen Nicholas	Ethan Tolentino	Margaret Buttigieg	James Cutajar
Church Cleaning	3-7 November:			10-14 November: Esther & Moira		
Flowers	3-7 November:			10-14 November: Carla		



The Souls of the Virtuous are in the Hands of God

When St. Paul talked about the resurrection of the dead with the philosophers at Athens, many laughed and mocked him (Acts 17:32). The Gospel, he would later write, is “foolishness” to the wise of this world (1 Corinthians 1:18). Yet this week’s First Reading tells us that it is foolish to think that the souls of the just are dead. Instead, theirs is a “hope full of immortality.” By His Resurrection, Jesus frees the human race from the fear of death—from the terrible fear of the unknown, of our own disintegration—that holds us in a kind of slavery (see Hebrews 2:14–15). Because He has walked the dark valley of death before us, because He has promised to walk alongside us, we can take “courage” and “fear no evil,” in the words of this week’s Psalm.

This is God’s will for us, the reason Jesus came into the world, according to today’s Gospel: that we will recognize Jesus as the Son of God and by believing in Him be raised to eternal life. If we believe in Him, we will follow Him, as the Psalmist says: He will refresh our souls in the waters of Baptism, anoint our heads with the oil of Confirmation, and set before us the table of the Eucharist.

There our cups will be filled to overflowing. And by these mysteries of His kindness and goodness, we will “dwell in the house of the Lord” in this life and in the life to come. The First Reading seems to allude to the doctrine of Purgatory, to the souls of the just being purified as gold in a furnace and made worthy of God (see 1 Corinthians 3:11–12).

This reading also tells us of the glory of the saints, who will share in the rule of Christ, judging and ruling over the nations (see Luke 22:30). Through the “newness of life” we have in the sacraments, this week’s Epistle adds, we “grow into union” with Jesus, confident that we will be together with Him when He comes again at the end of time.

Dr Scott Hahn



Listening to the Edges of Each Other Saturday 8th November, 9.30am-12.30pm

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We bring a whole range of persons to our interactions with each other; we could be joyful or sad, interested or bored, peaceful or violent and so on. We are in and part of an emotional storm. It is us and we are it - partly. Don't pull the plug by violence or collapse. It is enough to begin with a sense that an emotional storm is happening. The simple fact: impact is happening, and we need to be in a space where we can deal with it.

Annual Bishop Vincent Vatican II Lecture: 12 November

How does Vatican II continue to inform the work of becoming a synodal church? To learn more, all are invited to Bishop Vincent's annual lecture on Vatican II on Wednesday 12 November, 6:30pm – 8:30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown, cnr Flushcombe Road. Register for limited seating and share with others via <https://tr.ee/xzetr5kVl> OR get in touch with the team via met@parracatholic.org

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death forever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek, he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said. See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation, the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. **R.**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. **R.**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart, Hope in the Lord! **R.**

Second Reading

Romans 5:5-11

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless, when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us, is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count of being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 7:11-17

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town, it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople were with her. When the Lord saw her, he felt sorry for her. "Do not cry", he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier, and the bearers stood still, and he said, "Young man, I tell you to get up." And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God, saying, "A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people." And this opinion of him spread throughout Judea and all over the countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.

Mass and prayers for Deceased Clergy: 12 November

The Diocese of Parramatta invites you to its annual Mass for our deceased clergy on Wednesday 12 November at 9:15am at Holy Name of Mary Parish, Rydalmere, followed by prayers at the gravesites of clergy buried in Rookwood Cemetery. All are welcome to attend and give your gift of prayer to those whose lives were dedicated to bringing us all closer to Christ. We encourage each parish to offer a Mass for the deceased priests and deacons who have served in your own parish on the same day, to unite in prayer for this special intention.

Parramatta Street Feast: 19 November

You are warmly invited to the Parramatta Street Feast, a Festival of Welcome on 19 November 2025 from 11am-3pm at St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct, Parramatta. It's a space for people from all walks of life to come together in a spirit of community, solidarity and friendship, and to enjoy delicious food, free services, creative activities and great music! You can support the Street Feast as a volunteer, or share your talent by hosting an activity table. Find out more and express your interest at parracatholic.org/streetfeast