# SACRED HEART PARISH

## LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA



Holy Family Church, Luddenham



Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba



St Mary's Church, Mulgoa



St Francis Xavier Church, Greendale

### Parish Team

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| 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 9.00am-3.00pm

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### Parish Bargain Centre

16-18 Weir Road, Warragamba
Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am-3.00pm, Saturday 9.00am-12.00pm

### Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 5.30pm - Holy Family Church, Luddenham (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 7.30am - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
Sunday 9.30am - Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba

### Italian Mass

11.00am, 3rd Sunday of the Month - Holy Family Church, Luddenham

### Spanish Mass

7.30pm, 4th Saturday of the Month - Holy Family Church, Luddenham

### Weekday Mass Times

Wednesday 9.00am - Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba
Thursday 7.00am - St Mary's Church, Mulgoa
Friday 9.30am - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
*(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 8.30am)*
Saturday 9.00am - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
*(3rd Saturday of the Month - St Francis Xavier Church, Greendale)*

**Reconciliation** Saturday after 9.00am Mass & 4.45pm
**Baptisms & Marriage** **Contact the Parish Office**

### Holy Family Primary School

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| Principal | Ms Donna McFadzean |
| Assistant Principal | Ms Belinda Geelan |
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## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Please Remember:**

*All those whose names are recorded in our Book of Remembrance*

**Sick:**

Peter Bazdaric, Terry Lia, Kevin, Monica Muscat, Doreen Vella, Chris Hamilton, Frank Bewley, Rosemary Penza, Manuela Santos, Oliver Franklin, Lyall Elliott, Julie Curry, Matthew Khairy, Lynne Clarke, Nicolas Mort

***Note: During November, only the names of those whose anniversaries occur around November can be included in the bulletin.***

### Book of Remembrance

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.

### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal 2026

Can you help St Vincent de Paul spread Christmas hope this year by donating items for our Christmas Hampers and Children's presents? Hampers and presents are for individuals and families in the local area of: Warragamba, Luddenham, Bringelly, Greendale, Silverdale, Wallacia, Mulgoa & Glenmore Park

## Scripture Reflection

The day of the Lord is coming, Paul warns in today's Epistle. What matters isn't the time or the season but what the Lord finds us doing with the new life, the graces He has given to us.

This is at the heart of Jesus' parable in today's Gospel. Jesus is the Master. Having died, risen, and ascended into heaven, He appears to have gone away for a long time.

By our Baptism, He has entrusted to each of us a portion of His "possessions," a share in His divine life (see 2 Peter 1:4). He has given us talents and responsibilities according to the measure of our faith (see Romans 12:3–8).

We are to be like the worthy wife in today's First Reading and the faithful man we sing of in today's Psalm. Like them, we should walk in the "fear of the Lord"—in reverence, awe, and thanksgiving for His marvelous gifts. This is the beginning of wisdom (see Acts 9:31; Proverbs 1:7).

This is not the "fear" of the useless servant in today's parable. His is the fear of a slave cowering before a cruel master, the fear of one who refuses the relationship that God calls us to.

God has called us to be trusted servants, fellow workers (see 1 Corinthians 3:9), using our talents to serve one another and His kingdom as good stewards of His grace (see 1 Peter 4:10). In this, we each have a different part to play.

Though the good servants in today's parable were given different numbers of talents, each "doubled" what he was given. And each earned the same reward for his faithfulness—greater responsibilities and a share of the Master's joy.

So let us resolve again in this Eucharist to make much of what we've been given, to do all for the glory of God (see 1 Corinthians 10:31). That we, too, may approach our Master with confidence and love when He comes to settle accounts.

*Dr Scott Hahn*




### Men's Faith Sharing Groups

There is a growing interest within our parish for starting a men's faith and sharing group. If you are interested in the idea of meeting once a month for a short time of reflection and sharing please leave your name and contact details in the form available at the entrance

DO NOT FEAR, JUST BELIEVE











Thanks to The Xerri's who donated beautiful pot plants to our garden at Luddenham. Thanks to Phil Tabone from **Greendale Landscape Supplies** for providing mulch.

### Parramatta Street Feast: 17 November

You are warmly invited to the Parramatta Street Feast, a Festival of Welcome: 17 November 2026, 10:45am–2:30pm, 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



Our garden at Luddenham looks beautiful. Thanks to the following four kind families from our parish for commiting to the ongoing task of maintaining the garden at Luddenham: **Peter and Donna Gaucci, Anthony and Diane Buttiegig, David and Diane Vella, Greg and Leanne Xerri.**

### Advent Scripture Reflection with Dr Michele Connolly RSJ: 21 November

Prepare for Advent with a guided Scripture reflection led by Dr Michele Connolly RSJ on Saturday, 21 November, from 3pm to 5pm at Our Lady of the Way Parish, Emu Plains. Hospitality from 2.30pm. All welcome!




| MASS ROSTER | 14/15 NOVEMBER | | | 21/22 NOVEMBER | | |
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| | Vigil | 7.30am | 9.30am | Vigil | 7.30am | 9.30am |
| Minister of the Altar | Carmel Fenton | Grace Buda | Tony Vella | Colleen Nicholas | Domenic Corbo | Fiona Clarke |
| Junior Servers | G.A.<br>G.A. | | J.S.<br>J.S. | A.F.<br>G.N. | | M.T.<br>T.T. |
| Ministers of the Word | Tenille Buttigieg<br>Dina Burrell | Marta Jennings<br>Christian Pervan | Br Jeff Regan<br>Mel Elmer | Angela<br>Georgia | Moira Bryan<br>Mary Powell | Theresa Lia<br>John Cutajar |
| Data Projector | Janet Borg | Lily Attard | Theresa Lia | Deb Walters | Margaret | James Cutajar |
| Church Cleaning | 16-20 NOVEMBER: Sammut Family | | | 23-27 NOVEMBER: Moira & Grace | | |
| Flowers | 16-20 NOVEMBER: Kristela | | | 23-27 NOVEMBER: Kristela | | |

**First Reading** **Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31**

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

**Responsorial Psalm**

***R. Happy are those who fear the Lord***

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. R.

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. R.

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life. R.

**Second Reading** **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.
But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

**Gospel** **Matthew 25:14-30**

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."'

**FEAST DAYS DURING THIS WEEK**

**17** November - St Elizabeth of Hungary
21 November - The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

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