



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5 pm
Sunday 7:30 am; 9 am;
10:30 am & 5 pm

Weekday Masses
Monday – Friday 9:30 am

Adoration

Friday 10 am - 11 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 11 am – 12 pm (with Adoration)

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Mass Today

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

FIRST READING | Exodus 22:20-26

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 17

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING | 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his son.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL | Matthew 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

This Week

9:30 am Mass – Mon 26 Oct

9:30 am Mass – Tues 27 Oct

9:30 am Mass – Wed 28 Oct – **Saints Simon and Jude, apostles [Feast]**

9:30 am Mass – Thurs 29 Oct

9:30 am Mass – Friday 30 Oct

Monday 2 Nov (All Souls): Masses at 9:30am, 12pm, 7pm

READINGS NEXT WEEK – All Saints Day
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Love Commands

Jesus told His disciples that He came “not to abolish” the Old Testament Law “but to fulfill” it. And in today’s Gospel, He reveals that love—of God and of neighbor—is the fulfillment of the whole of the law.

Devout Israelites were expected to keep all 613 commands found in the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible. Jesus says today that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be boiled down to just two verses of this Law.

In this distillation, He seems to summarize the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the Ten Commandments: The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God, such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbor, such as those against stealing and adultery.

Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the Law. We can’t love God, whom we can’t

see, if we don’t love our neighbor, whom we can. But this love we are called to is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God—loving with our whole beings, with all our heart, soul, and mind. Our love for our neighbor must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in today’s First Reading.

“We love because he first loved us”. As we sing in today’s Psalm, He has been our deliverer, our strength when we could not possibly defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death.

Grateful for our salvation, we show others the love that God has shown us. In this we become imitators of Jesus, as Paul relates in today’s Epistle—laying down our lives in ways large and small, seen and unseen, our daily living offered as a continual “sacrifice of praise”.

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In the spirit of reconciliation we acknowledge the Dharawal people as traditional custodians of this land. We pay our respect to all Elders, past and present, and extend that respect to all First Nations peoples today.



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Announcement: New Principal for St John's Parish Primary School

After seven years of dedicated service as Principal of St John the Evangelist Parish Primary School, **Mr Paul Moroney** will retire at the end of 2026.

On behalf of our parish community, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to Paul for his leadership, commitment and care for the students, staff and families of St John's. We wish him every happiness and God's blessings as he begins a new chapter of his life.

I am also delighted to announce that **Mrs Katrina West** has been appointed as the new Principal of St John's Parish Primary School, commencing at the start of term 1 in 2027.

Katrina is no stranger to our parish and school community. She is a parishioner, a former student of St John's, and previously served as Religious Education Coordinator (REC) at our school. She is currently the Principal of St Michael's Parish School in Mittagong.

I believe Katrina is an excellent choice for this important role. Having grown up, received her education and served at St John's, she has a deep connection with our parish and understands the Catholic identity and values of our school. We warmly welcome Katrina back to St John's and look forward to working with her in strengthening the relationship between our parish, school and families.

Please join me in thanking Paul for his wonderful service and in praying for Katrina as she prepares to take up her new responsibility.

May God bless them both.

Fr John Ho, Parish Priest

Upcoming Events

Anointing Mass

10am Sat 7 November

Prayer Ministry

Receive prayer for any need—physical or spiritual—11:30am Sunday 8 Nov.

Children's Mass

10:30am Sunday 25 October

SPECIAL INTENTIONS & THE SICK

Pope Leo, Guadalupe Jordan, Fr Ross Naylor, Craig Moores, Felisa Orca, Phillip W, Sean Logan, Joan Samuel, Helen Barnes, Ronald Elliott, Jack Wheeler, Roslin, John Moore, David Jones, Nathan Taylor, Cathy Hurst, John Wagner, Alan Johnson, Allan Marquinez, Carmela Labrador, Karen Milenkovic, Josefino Pangilinan.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jess Valix, Virinia Teodoro, Justiniano Andres, Van Xavier Nyugen, Aurea Consunji Santos.

ANNIVERSARIES & THANKSGIVING

Agnes Sutton, Mary Seaman, Madeline Collins, Marie Priddis, May McPherson, Lucila Mendoza, Emenita Sinson, Leticia & Rosario Villanueva, Leonardo Valdes, Tom McNally, Eusebia Lalap, Antonio Reyes, Camilo Dagami, Joseph Borg, Emily Omilig, Neville (Marty) Hyland.



NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

Remembering Our Faithful Departed

As we approach November, the *Month of All Souls*, the Church invites us to *remember and pray for our loved ones who have gone before us*.

On **Sunday 1 November**, we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**, honouring all those who now share in the glory of heaven. We will have the usual Sunday Masses.

On **Monday 2 November**, we commemorate **All Souls**, praying for all the faithful departed and entrusting them to God's loving mercy.

ALL SOULS DAY

Masses will be at 9:30am, 12pm, and 7pm.

Throughout November, **all Masses in our parish will be offered with special prayers for all the faithful departed**, especially our deceased family members, friends and parishioners.

During this month, our parish bulletin will list **only those who have recently died**, while all the faithful departed will be remembered in our prayers at every Mass.

If you would like your deceased loved ones to be remembered, please take a **November Offering Envelope** and write their names on it. These names will be entered into our **Parish Book of Remembrance**, and we will pray for them at all Masses throughout November.

Let us remember that our love for those who have died does not end at death. Through our prayers, we remain united with them in faith, love and hope in the Resurrection.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Prayer Intentions

Rosters Sunday 1 November

Acolyte

V5 Michael Norris

7:30 Tom Hunter & Uruguay

9 Joy Kuriakose & Emmanuel

10:30 John Hill, Andrei Valderrama

5 Jason de Guzman

Extraordinary Ministers

V5 Graeme & Roseleen Goldie

7:30 Jean Reid, Ian Star

9 Erin Jones, Falakika Nau

10:30 Hazel Vargas, Imelda Landrigan

5 Rowena & Patrick Cooke

Readers

V5 Carmel Gorman, Angel Estepa

7:30 Tarek Boulos, Atoni Kaufusi,
Mary Johns

9 Flor Artus, Wendy Fawbert

10:30 Norma McNally, Broone Periera,
Tessie Yaghooti Fam

5 Maria Brookes, Melinda Canete

Musicians

V5 Ben McKenzie & John George

9 Glynn Family

10:30 Joe Talamaivao

5 Siervas Musika Choir

Piety Store Volunteers

Thank you to the parishioners who have volunteered so that we can now open the store after every Mass. Thank you so much. Please stop by the store today to see what is available for purchase. If you don't have any cash, you can use the tap machine to pay for the purchase.

The **2027 Columban Calendar** is now available for purchase for **\$11 each**.

First Reconciliation - Commitment Weekend

As the formation program for First Reconciliation begins this weekend with workshops for both children and parents in the Parish Hall on Saturday and Sunday afternoon from 3:30pm to 4:45pm, we will also have a brief commitment ceremony during each Mass this weekend.

One Foot Forward

October is Mental Health Month and I'm walking **400km** across the month to help create better mental health for all. Please make a donation and support my walk to help change lives.

To sponsor me, place cash into an envelope (#OFF) on the collection plates or to make a tax-deductible gift visit:

oneff.co/a/RichaHea

Thank you, Fr Richard



The MGL Sisters warmly welcome you and your family to the **“Alive” Family Retreat Day** to unleash the power of the Holy Spirit. Discover as a family your unique mission and how to live with boldness and love! This interactive retreat is designed for all ages to enjoy together.

9am – 4pm Saturday 14 Nov 2026

Where: Beginning with 9am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Varroville, then moving to the parish hall for a day of inputs and activities.

Meals: Please bring your own lunch and snacks to safely accommodate your family's specific dietary needs and preferences.

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FORMATION PATHWAY: Watch Your Language! Words That Shape Culture

Could the words we use be holding back parish renewal? Join us as we explore how everyday language shapes our beliefs, behaviours and parish culture, with practical workshops and an open Q&A on all things parish renewal.

Tuesday 3 November: Campbelltown
Wednesday 4 November: Wollongong or
Zoom Time: 7–9 pm
Register: dow.sh/fpnov26



After hearing “Love your neighbour as yourself”, a parishioner asked, “Does that include the neighbour with the leaf blower?”
Father said, “Yes, though you are allowed to pray for rain.”

✦ Christmas Craft Class ✦

Get ready to ignite your Christmas spirit at a festive afternoon of family fun, fellowship, and creativity! Join us for free Christmas Craft & the Story of Christmas Celebration—the perfect way for children to learn the story of the very first Christmas! Your family can make beautiful Christmas Cards and Sparkling Tree Decorations.

2pm Sat 28 Nov in the Parish Hall.
Open to adults and children – bring your family and friends! Enjoy laughter, fellowship and a chance to meet other people. All material supplied.
No experience needed. – just come ready to create and connect! Tea and coffee provided. Please bring a plate to share. Let's celebrate the joy of Christmas together!

RSVP essential for all by Thur 26 Nov to the Parish Office: 02 4625 8044.

Diocesan Annual Catechist Mass

All active and retired SRE Catechists and those involved in the Sacramental preparation of children are warmly invited to the Annual Catechist Mass and Awards Ceremony on Saturday, 21 November at 10am at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. Join Bishop Brian Mascord, for this celebration, followed by a light refreshment. To register: visit dow.sh/cm26 or contact helen.bennett@dow.org.au for more information.



A Post-School Getaway for Year 12 Graduates

Finishing Year 12 can bring big changes. BEACHHOUSE is a relaxed three-day beach house experience helping school leavers build faith, friendship and community as they begin life beyond school.

Jesuit Villa House, Gerroa
16–18 February 2027
\$275 (includes accommodation & meals)
Year 12 graduates
Only 20 places available

A chance to slow down, connect with other young Catholics and start the next chapter well.
More details & registration:
dow.sh/beachhouse

News from the Diocese

A vocation view

Jesus gathers every vocation around love of God and neighbour. Ask how your gifts can serve those overlooked, vulnerable or new in your community.

Jesus teaches that the greatest commandment is wholehearted love of God expressed through love of neighbour. Listen carefully to where that love is leading you, and courageously follow Christ's call. (Matthew 22:34-40)

If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact Fr Duane Fernandez, the diocesan vocations director, vocations@dow.org.au



Vocaris Youth October 2026

Do you have a high school-aged young person who you would love to see grow in their faith, discover the beauty of the Catholic faith and make like-minded friends? Then they won't want to miss VOCARIS Youth - a free, fun and faith-filled day for students in Years 7-12 on **Saturday, 31 October, 10:00am-3:00pm** at **Wilton Community Centre**, featuring a Cookie Station, Sausage Sizzle Lunch and Ice Cream Topping Bar! For more information or to register, visit dow.sh/VocarisYouth.

Please donate to support our parish

Use the 3 tap machines to donate \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 or other amount (\$1 - \$99).

We know that less people are carrying cash, so the **DoW App** exists to allow you to donate on a one off or regular basis.

Visit parishgiving.dow.org.au to register to setup a donation for **Campbelltown Parish**—it takes only **30 seconds** to register and setup. All donations made are safe and secure—you need to enter your card details and then confirm your information before any payments or donations are processed. You can also change or edit your giving at any time in the app.





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