

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

389 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah



Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass on Saturday night 5.30pm (Reconciliation 4.30pm-5.15pm)

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 5.30pm

PARISH TEAM

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MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 7pm Mass for the repose of the soul of Liliana Pierina Teremi

Tuesday 9.15am Optional
St Francis of Paola, Hermit

Wednesday 9.15am

Thursday 7am Optional
St Isidore, Bishop, Doctor

Friday 9.15am (Inc. OLF Yr 4) Grade Mass
St Vincent Ferrer, Priest (Opt)

Saturday 8am Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Divine Office: Psalter Week 4

Fourth Sunday of Lent Year C

30 - 31 March 2019

Entrance Antiphon cf. Isaiah 66: 10-11

REJOICE, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First Reading Joshua 5: 9-12

The people of God went to the promise land and there kept the passover.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33: 2-7. R. v. 9

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21

God reconciled us to himself through Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 15: 18

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and
against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Reading Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Your brother here was dead and has come to life.

Communion Antiphon Luke 15: 32

You must rejoice, my son,
for your brother was dead and has come to life;
he was lost and is found.

First Friday, 5 April in the Chapel

**Please join us in prayers and adoration
in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

8.30 pm - Adoration

9.30 pm - The Sorrowful Mystery followed by
meditation

10.30 pm - Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Act of Consecration to the Sacred
Heart of Jesus

11.30 pm - The Joyful Mystery
- Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

12 pm - **Conclusion**

Parish Office Hours this week:

Tuesday - Friday - 9am - 4pm

Baptisms

We welcome into the Church family this weekend through the waters of Baptism:

Tahlie Margaret Geldenhuys

The Baptism Preparation Class is a one on one session with the Priest. Parents and child along with their godparents attend the Naming Ceremony at the 9.30am Mass. Guests are encouraged to attend the Mass. Baptism is at 10.30am on Sundays.

For enquiries, please ring the Parish Office - (02) 9524 7283

Tuesday morning prayer group

We invite you to say the rosary on Tuesday mornings before Mass and to join us for a cuppa and a friendly chat after Mass in the meeting room.. **All welcome.**

Cook wanted!

“The Redemptorist Community Kogarah is seeking a part time cook (30 hours) Monday to Friday. For further details, please call Stephanie Machee (02) 9553 3777”

Catholic Weekly

- Once every 10 years he plays Jesus
- Walk for life numbers up
- The Coptic way
- Vatican says vaccinations are OK
- Movie review: Captive State
- Jesuit finds Jesus on the streets

The Catholic Weekly is in the Foyer for \$2

Donation Towards the Cost of the Donkeys for Palm Sunday

Two mini Mediterranean donkeys have been organised for the 13th of April Procession before the Vigil Mass. After Mass, you are invited to join in the sausage sizzle. This is an opportunity to meet other parishioners. Thank you to those who added a little extra donation to the second collection last year towards the cost of the donkeys.

Donation of Palms for Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is just around the corner! If you have Palm Trees in your gardens, can you please donate some to the Parish for use on Palm Sunday. Please email or ring Mila at the Parish Office with your contact details.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please pray for the faithful departed

Recently DECEASED: Dominic Mandile, Marie Maguire, John Michael Vassarotti, Sr Bernadette Franks, RSM, Liliana Pierina Teremi, Mary Lichtenbergers, Rita "Betty" Margaret Johnson, Renato Opilas, Mary Bereau, Neil Coughlan, Ronald Gilchrist, Rita Agius, Dr Albert Montgomery.

Anniversaries of Death: Ron Smith, John, May and Phillip Searson, Geoffery Duggan, Colin Henry Hawkes, Ernesto Montenegro, Alfonsina, Pietro and Giuseppe Colantuono, Gregoria Ortega, Ralph Pitarelli, Brian Healey, Margaret Andre, Gonzalves Family, Emelia Lopes, Benedetto "Tony" Bongiorno, Montenegro Family, Gwynnyth (Gwen) McDougall, Emilia Lopes, Guillermo Longa, C.M. Mathai, Patricia ("Pat") Neilson, Fred Stapleton.

ALSO: Eileen & John Cammerford, May and Frank Hammon, Ciriaca Baldevia Ortega, Herminigildo Rosales, Valdiria Family, Rhonda Shallala, Charles Montgomery and Jean Montgomery. All the Souls in Purgatory.

May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick

Clark O'Brien, Hugh Walsh, Carlo Tagliapietra, Lauren Hanrahan, and all the patients in the hospitals in our Parish.

Names in the bulletin will be published as follows: Recently Deceased 4 weeks, Anniversaries 2 weeks, Deceased 4 weeks, unless otherwise notified to the Parish Office, Special Intentions 1 week, Sick 2 weeks.

6th - 7th April	A/V Operator	Readers
Saturday 5.30pm	Vigil Choir	Louise Birdsall, therese Ziems
Sunday 8.00am	Mark Abad	Anna Joj, Marisa Casaceli
Sunday 9.30am	Eleftheriades Family	Anna Cindric, Rhonda Francis
Sunday 5.30pm	Edwin Mathew	Maria Townsend, Greg Thornton

Children's Liturgy, 7th April: Louise Gordon, Liz O'Brien

Communion Ministry to the Sick, 7th April: John Jaeger, Mary-Lynne Osland

Choir Practice for Easter Services

We know that there are many parishioners who can sing and play instruments. **We need your help!** You are invited to join the choir practice for Holy Week and Easter Services on **Thursday, 11 April and Wednesday, 17 April at 7.30pm in the Church. COME ALONG!** Pizzas will be available before the practice.

Project Compassion 2019

Project Compassion continues throughout Lent. Please consider taking an envelope pack or donation box from the Church Foyer.

Note: Your Project Compassion box/envelope should be handed in during Holy Week.

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, 13 and 14 April.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Customs and culture

The parable of the lost son is a fascinating study of Jewish culture and purity laws. The son could not have distanced himself more from Jewish custom. Firstly, he demanded his inheritance, effectively treating his father as dead. Secondly, he travels to a pagan land and then in despair finds himself feeding pigs – animals whose meat was forbidden to Jews. He knows that his actions have alienated him from his family and culture and yet when he returns, his father gives him a fine robe and a ring to wear – signs of a father claiming a son as his own.

from the perspective

The Older Brother

We might have a little sympathy for the position of the older brother who has stuck by his father and done all that was required of him. All of a sudden his wayward brother returns and his father pulls out all the stops to welcome him home. The older brother is like the Pharisees and scribes who criticised Jesus for dining with sinners. They were sticklers for the rules and had no sense of compassion if it involved moving outside the requirements of Law. Like the older brother, they could not comprehend a God who could be extravagant in expressing his love.

Parish Diary

Stations of the Cross

Friday, 5 April and 12 April

All are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross in the Church followed by fellowship. All welcome!!!

2 April - Make up Information evening for those preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy communion. 6.30pm in the Chapel.

5 April - First Friday Holy Hour & Adoration

7pm to 8pm - Chapel

8.30pm to midnight - Adoration

6 April - First Saturday Adoration

8.30am to 5pm - Adoration

Tuesday to Friday during Lent - Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for 1/2 hour after Mass in the Chapel.

11 April - Thursday - Choir Practice for Holy Week Services

7.30pm at the Church

13 April - Saturday, Working Bee

From 8am - lunch will be available for volunteers

17 April - Wednesday - Choir Practice for Holy Week Services - 7.30pm at the Church

18 April - Holy Thursday

7.30pm - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

19 April - Good Friday

10am - Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation afterwards)

3pm - Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

20 April - Holy Saturday

9.30am - Morning Prayer of the Church

7pm - Easter Vigil Mass



HAVE YOU THOUGHT?

The Prodigal

Because the only context in which most people ever hear the word prodigal is in relation to this parable, there is a common misunderstanding of the word. Because the parable is also referred to as the parable of the lost son, many people think prodigal means lost. However, to be prodigal means to be wastefully extravagant. When the son took his father's money he adopted a prodigal lifestyle. However, the irony of the story that is often lost is that the father too was prodigal in the extravagant welcome he gave. The father's extravagance echoes God's extravagant and abundant grace and love.



I was lost but now I am found



My name is

4th Sunday of Lent, Year C

Gospel

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

Lent is a time to focus on the act of forgiveness.

We ask God to forgive us for the wrong things that we do. In the story of the prodigal son....

What wrong things did the younger son do? _____

What did he do to show he was sorry? _____

When I do things against my friends, I can show them that I am sorry by...

When I do things against my family, I can show them that I am sorry by...

When I do things against God, I can show him that I am sorry by...

Our Tabernacle has returned home to us safe and sound - can you spot the difference? 😊



JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

I was lost but now I am found

Lk 15:1-3, 11b-32

A R J X S J U N L W I O D B
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 S V O B E Y E D K N U X C L
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Try to find these words:

begged
 celebrate
 eats
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 friendly
 glad
 obeyed
 property
 ring
 slave
 starving
 wasted



OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC PARISH, CARINGBAH

2019 HOLY WEEK LITURGIES AND RECONCILIATION

THURSDAY 7 pm	11 April 2nd Rite Reconciliation	Parish Enquiries 9524 7283
FRIDAY 7 pm	12 April Stations of the Cross	
CLEANING from 8.30am	13 April, (Saturday) Lunch will be provided	
PASSION SUNDAY 4.30pm – 5.15pm 5.15pm	14 April 2 Mediterranean donkeys will be in the courtyard Procession before Vigil Mass - BBQ afterwards. Sunday , 7.45 am, 9.15 am and 5.15 pm.	
TUESDAY 9.15 am	16 April Mass	
WEDNESDAY 9.15 am	17 April Mass	
HOLY THURSDAY 10 am 7.30 pm	18 April Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Exposition until 12 midnight in the Chapel	
GOOD FRIDAY 10 am 3 pm	19 April Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation Afterwards) Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion	
HOLY SATURDAY 9.30 am 7 pm	20 April Morning Prayer of the Church (Chapel) Easter Vigil Mass	
N.B. – No scheduled Reconciliation on Holy Saturday and Vigil starts at 7 pm NOT 5.30 pm		
EASTER SUNDAY 8 am, and 9.30 am	21 April Masses	
EASTER TUESDAY TO EASTER FRIDAY 9.15 am	Masses as normal except Thursday at 7am	
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 5.30 pm 8 am, 9.30 am and 5.30pm 2 pm 3 pm	28 April - Masses as normal Vigil Mass (Saturday, 27 April) Divine Mercy program with Adoration until 3pm. Mass	
FIRST FRIDAY 7 pm to 8pm 8 pm to 8.30 pm	3 May Holy Hour (Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) Mass (after Mass adoration continues until midnight).	

NEW NOTICES

1. 2019 ANZAC Eve Mass of Remembrance

Sydneysiders are invited to join Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, active and retired members of the Defence Force for Mass, prayer and reflection on the Eve of ANZAC Day. There will be a Wreath laying ceremony with the Governor of NSW and the Australian army band Sydney will join the Cathedral choir to provide a beautiful musical accompaniment to the Mass.

Date: 24th April 2019

Time: 5.30pm

Location: St Mary's Cathedral

Please see attached flyer for further details.

2. Walk the Lenten Journey on your Mobile Phone

In his message for Lent 2019, Pope Francis emphasised that we should “not allow this season of grace to pass in vain.” With new content daily, the Lent Calendar App can help those who desire to journey through Lent with purpose. The App includes the daily Gospel, a suggested Lent act, and a multimedia feature to pray and reflect upon. Available as an App on Apple and Android devices, and online at www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3lent

3. Prayer Campaign Pentecost 2019

In order to prepare for this new Pentecost, CHARIS is launching a major prayer campaign from this month. This campaign is simple and accessible to everyone. Each month (March, April, May) an address will be given by Father Raniero Cantalamessa, the Ecclesiastical Assistant to CHARIS, who will prepare us to open our hearts for a new outpouring of the Spirit.

Here is the link with the first teaching of this campaign: <https://goo.gl/CXmNSC>

4. Ron Huntley from Divine Renovation Ministry Team

Ron Huntley from the Divine Renovation Ministry Team will visit Australia next month. Ron Huntley works internationally with Church leaders to build passion and get results. Alongside Fr James Mallon, author of “Divine Renovation”, Ron works with Catholic parishes around the world through seminars, the Divine Renovation podcast and a coaching network where he mentors pastors seeking to transform the culture of their parishes.

Sydney – Sunday April 7th

Book Launch: Unlocking Your Parish: Making Disciples, Raising Up Leaders with Alpha

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall - 2A Charles Street, Ryde

7pm-9pm

Cost: \$15

For bookings and more information click [here](#).

5. Could you help a child in care?

We urgently need compassionate people to provide short-term foster care.

To learn more, come to our information night.

Tuesday 2 April 2019, 5:30pm-8pm

Marist 180 36 First Avenue Blacktown NSW 2148

6. Light to the Nations (LTTN) 2019

LTTN is an Easter Pilgrimage event held biannually for Catholics (singles and families) aged 16+. Camp under the open skies with 1,000 other young people as we celebrate the Easter Triduum. Held in the grounds of Chevalier College, Bowral NSW - 18-21 April 2019. Visit www.lttn.org.au for more information and register today. Contact info@ltnn.org.au or ring 0432 228 250.

7. One Million Rosaries For Unborn Babies

The One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for 3, 4 and 5 May this year. People will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of the unborn. For details and to register go to: <http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org/>

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**Every First Friday and First Saturday
the Chapel is open for Prayer 14.5 hours as an
Oasis of Mercy**

Enquiries 9524 7283 Parish Office

Open next weekend

8.30pm - Midnight Friday, 5 April and

8.30am - 5pm Saturday, 6 April

"Were you not able to keep watch (with me) for one hour?"

Mark 14:37 or Matthew 26:40

