



**LUMEN CHRISTI**  
CATHOLIC PARISH

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**10 MAY 2026**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, A**

*Liturgy schedule in our parish*

**ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL**

36 Harbour Street, Wollongong

Monday: Mass: 7am  
 Tuesday: Mass: 7am  
 Wednesday: Mass: 7am  
 Confessions: 11:30am  
 Mass: 12.10pm  
 Thursday: Mass: 7am  
 Friday: Mass: 7am  
 Adoration: 11:30am  
 Confessions: 11:30am  
 Mass: 12.10pm  
 Saturday: Confessions: 11am—12pm  
 Sunday: Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

**ST JOHN VIANNEY, CO-CATHEDRAL**

1 Cabbage Tree Lane, Fairy Meadow

Tuesday: Mass: 9.30am  
 Sunday: Mass: 8.30am, 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

**MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH,**

47 Balmoral Road, Balgownie

Sunday: Mass: 10am  
 Children's Liturgy (3rd Sunday)

**ST BRIGID'S CHURCH**

119 Gipps Road, Gwynneville

Saturday: Mass: 5.30pm  
 Thursday: Mass: 9.30am  
 Sunday: Mass: 9am



SUPPORT  
OUR PARISH

*Parish Centre*

**PARISH OFFICE**

36 Harbour St, (P.O. Box 874)  
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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 8.30am — 2.00pm  
(Closed for Lunch 12pm—12.30pm)

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**MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE...**

Fr John Pickering, Peter Dowler, Barbara Malady.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
OUR SICK PARISHIONERS...**

Duc Trong Nguyen, Jacek McLaurin, Angela Mosley, Brian Mattock, Jim Lyon, Teresa George, Chiara Sirianni, Joyce Milan, Noel Meddows, Dianne Hukins, Matthew Johnson, Pat Carr, John Gauci, Joseph Scalia, Liesl Caiba.

*“As a **mother** comforts her **child**, so will I comfort **you**.”*

— Isaiah 66:13

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country, Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.



OUR

*Sacraments*

SCAN TO VISIT OUR WEB PORTAL



# Welcome to LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH

## Parish Calendar

- Tue, 12 May: GSFM Year 6 Parish Mass Attendance
- Thu, 14 May: Cathedral Confirmation Session 3, SFX 3.45pm
- Sat, 16 May: SBG Year 6 Parish Mass Attendance
- Sun, 17 May: Children's Liturgy 10am, MDB
- Sun, 17 May: Ascension of the Lord
- Tue, 19 May: GSFM Reconciliation for Confirmation Candidates
- Tue, 19 May: GSFM Year 6 Parish Mass Attendance
- Tue, 19 May: GSFM Retreat Day for Confirmation
- Tue, 19 May: Finance Council Meeting, Rigney Room 5pm
- Wed, 20 May: Baptism Class, SFX 7pm

### BISHOP OF WOLLONGONG

Most Reverend Brian G Mascord,  
Diocesan Bishop

### PARISH STAFF

Very Reverend Bernard L Gordon,  
Vicar General, Dean of the Cathedral  
& Parish Priest

Reverend Cang Tran,  
Assistant Priest

Kevin Galea,  
General Manager

Leanne Burlin,  
Parish Secretary  
Patricia Di Leva,  
Administration Assistant

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Kathy Uroda,  
Chair of the Pastoral Council  
Vicky Davidson,  
Chair of the Finance Council

### PARISH SCHOOLS

Amy Sammut, Principal  
St Brigid's Gwynneville  
Pauline Chrostowski, Principal  
Good Samaritan Fairy Meadow

### PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

CHURCH ACCOUNT:  
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING  
BSB: 066 711 Account: 008056  
Account Name: LC Parish

PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT:  
FOR THE CLERGY  
BSB: 066 711 Account: 002286  
Account Name: LC Presbytery

### HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN

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## Happy Mother's Day

*We pray with love and gratitude for all Mothers with us and all who are in God's care.*

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| Margaret Faughlin     | Irene Mary Mallon        | Patricia Potter   |
| Maria Gan             | Emma Jane Graham         | Sarah Potter      |
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| Josephine Ianni       | Kathleen Mary Norcott    | Angelena Potter   |
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| Maria Vigorito        | Sarah Anne Carroll       | Talia Raschilla   |
| Rebecca Ianni         | Lay Ha Ah Yong           | Rosina Raschilla  |
| Josie Ianni           | Jo Jang Yee              | Rebecca Raschilla |
| Ruth Wilson           | Elisabeth Lechner        | Carmela Raschilla |
| Patricia Laura Lennon | Phyl Hurrell             |                   |
| Julie Hendriks        | Mary Wong                |                   |
| Therese Kiayias       | Norma Wong               |                   |
| Raffaella Mercuri     | Benaïda Bliss            |                   |
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| Patricia Mary Hayes   | Marija Alamango          |                   |
| Luisa Estrada         | Dolores Gravino          |                   |
| Agnes Caibal          | Sharon Alamango          |                   |
| Ruth Estrada          | Tracey Alamango          |                   |
| Lilia Estrada         | Stephanie Buxton         |                   |
| Suzanne Collins       | Simone Buxton            |                   |
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| Helena                | Mary Formosa             |                   |
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| Ellen Ryan            | Margaret Flakelar        |                   |



# NEWS *in brief*

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Heidi Haybittle  
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Thelma Catto  
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Millicent Cummins  
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A. Di Milia  
Dee Jiggy  
Leah Ice  
Marlee Christ  
Ommy Dee  
Mamay  
Tita Gen La Vik  
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Shiromie Chandrasekera  
Suranga Nanayakkara  
Mary Dowler  
Wendy Dowler  
Miriam Jackson  
Evelyn Frew  
Mona Tobin  
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Sheila Mcnamara  
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Shirley Driscoll  
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Melanie Corera  
Wimala Fernando  
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Katharina Killar  
Vickie's Mother  
Vickie Hawker  
Violet Hawker  
Sarah, Sarah's Mother  
Sophie, Sophie's Mother  
Penny, Penny's Mother  
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# THIS WEEK'S

# Readings & Commentary

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf Isaiah 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

## First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.*

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. see v.1

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

## Second Reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

*In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.*

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

## Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

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

## Gospel

John 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
I shall ask the Father,  
and he will give you another Advocate  
to be with you for ever,  
that Spirit of truth  
whom the world can never receive  
since it neither sees nor knows him;  
but you know him,  
because he is with you, he is in you.  
I will not leave you orphans;  
I will come back to you.  
In a short time the world will no longer see me;  
but you will see me,  
because I live and you will live.  
On that day  
you will understand that I am in my Father  
and you in me and I in you.  
Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps  
them  
will be one who loves me;  
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,  
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

## Communion Antiphon

John 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,  
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another  
Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Parallel Truths

Today's Gospel speaks of an advocate. This translates a Greek word: 'paraclete'. Our Lord says: 'I will send you another Paraclete to be with you forever.' Our Lord was a Paraclete, and he would send another.

What does this strange sounding word mean? Here is a hint. We all know that parallel lines run, well, para-llel. They run alongside each other. A paraclete is a person who stands alongside someone and pleads their case.

That is how our Lord Jesus Christ saw himself. His role was not to condemn but to plead the case for mercy and compassion, to be the intercessor par excellence.

Our Lord promises another Paraclete dwelling within us, individually and as the body of Christ's disciples, the Holy Spirit advocating our cause, assisting us to live Truth-fully by the measure of the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. This Paraclete particularly assists us by acting as the Spirit of Truth.

