



SAINT JOHN
the Evangelist
CATHOLIC PARISH DAPTO

St John the Evangelist Parish Dapto

A Living Community

3rd Sunday of Easter

14 April 2024

Welcome to St John's

*Come in and sit down, relax, don't stress. I welcome you to our beautiful parish & church. Please feel welcome and tell me if you need anything. Keep Smiling, **Francis Tran PP***



Parish Office Hours

Mon - Closed | Tues - Fri 9am - 4pm

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

You killed the prince of life: God, however, raised him from the dead

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING

1 John 2:1-5

Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and the world's

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments.

Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:35-48

It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead

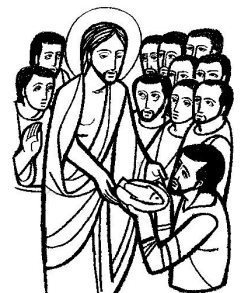
The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.



Please Pray For the Repose of the Souls of the Faithful Departed -

Special Intentions & Anniversaries:

Philomena Fox, Massi Dimech, Walter Hiscocks, Peter Clarke & Charmaine Blinksell.



BAPTISMS

This week we welcome in to the Catholic faith community Hallie Duggan, Noah Hartley, Miller Smith, Navie & Fallon Fowler.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy Sunday 9:30am. Children's Liturgy is a time, within the main church service, that the children get to learn about the Gospel at their level. It is enriched with discussion, song, activities and prayer. Worksheets, related to the Gospel, will be available in the foyer for children to access if you cannot attend the 9.30am mass.



A NEW VISION FOR PARISHES

Bishop Mascord has supplied multiple copies of Come and See Go and Make - A vision for Parishes in the Diocese of Wollongong for distribution amongst the faithful. Further to this, a short introductory video message from Bishop Mascord may be viewed / downloaded at <http://dow.sh/CSGMvision>
Come & See, Go & Make: A Vision for Parishes resources may be found at <http://dow.sh/CSGMresources>

COMPASS: Catholic Family Camping Weekend 17 – 19 May 2024 at Wooglemai Catholic Camping Facility, Oakdale

Join with families of all ages and stages to celebrate the incredible gift of family life. Cost: \$30 per adult or \$70 per family (regardless of size)

Enquiries: Jude Hennessy (02 4222 2407 / jude.hennessy@dow.org.au)

Camping & Bunk Room Options: You may like to pitch a tent, stay in a caravan, camper or swag. There are also male and female dormitory rooms with bunk beds. These will be allocated during registration on a first-come-first-served basis and will require strict supervision of children by parents/guardians. Come and join in the fun with other awesome people from around the Diocese.

To register: dow.org.au/events/compass-catholic-family-camping-Weekend



STAY CONNECTED WITH THE PARISH

Facebook search: **St John's Catholic Parish Dapto**



Instagram search: **St John's Parish Dapto**

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE

The Parish Council is hosting a Mother's Day Raffle. The tickets are \$2 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5. Proceeds from the raffle will go towards some exciting parish events.



The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday the 7th of May, in time for the winners to pick up their prizes for Mother's Day.

EXPOSITION /ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Tuesday after the 5pm Mass in St John's chapel – from 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

Please bring whatever devotional material you wish to read and reflect upon in the Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Matthew Nicholson (0459735640).

A VOCATION VIEW

Third Sunday of Easter (14/4/24)

Peter, who once denied even knowing Jesus, now boldly preaches in His Name. Do not let past weaknesses hold you back from being willing to share the power of His Message. (Acts 3:13-15,17-19)

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

CATECHIST TRAINING COURSE LEVEL 2

The Level 2 Course is a chance for all SRE Teachers and Helpers to take their knowledge of teaching and the Catholic Faith deeper. It focuses on a variety of topics to help you grow as a Catechist and Catholic. Mondays – Wollongong – Xavier Centre (36 Harbour St, Wollongong)

Fridays – Campbelltown – Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown

Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Dates:

Week 1 - Mon 29 April / Fri 3 May

Week 2 - Mon 6 May / Fri 10 May

Week 3 - Mon 13 May / Fri 17 May

Week 4 - Mon 20 May / Fri 24 May

Week 5 - Mon 27 May / Fri 31 May

Week 6 - Mon 3 June / Fri 7 June

Please register your attendance at either the Level 2 Course in Wollongong or Campbelltown by going to the link below, noting that you can attend either course and that if you miss one day, you can attend the other course so as to not miss any topics.

<https://web.thankqportal.com/cdowa/ccd-level-2-course-2024/#/stepper?pageId=13217>

BECOME A VINNIES MEMBER

If you would like to join Vinnies and help the disadvantaged in our local area please contact Denis on 0413 589 896



CATHOLICCARE - AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE

CatholicCare's Ageing with Confidence forum is returning across the Diocese, with sessions in Campbelltown, Wollongong and Nowra. The half-day information session will provide seniors with practical information on the aged care system and healthy ageing. Expert presentations from CatholicCare staff will be joined by presenters from the Seniors Rights Services NSW and the NSW Fire & Rescue Service to discuss topics such as accessing support services, keeping your mind and body fit, and advocating and supporting older people.

- Campbelltown Wednesday 8 May at 9.30am-1pm.
Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown.
 - Wollongong Wednesday 5 June at 9.30am-1pm.
The Fraternity Club, 11 Bourke Street, Fairy Meadow.
 - Nowra Wednesday 19 June at 9.30am-1pm.
Worrigee (Nowra) Sports Club, 131 Greenwell Point Road, Worrigee
- Places are limited. To register, call 02 4227 1122 or visit www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events. For any other information, contact Jane Hollier on 0417 018 152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au.

THE JOURNEY, 14 April 2024 – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast

On The Journey This Week: Fr Joshua Whicker says that Jesus is here now to redeem us in the fullness of our humanity in our current lived experience. Mother Hilda says speak and listen with the eyes of God. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Byron & Francine Pirola, and Fr Mike Delaney. The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS AT ST COLUMKILLES' PARISH CENTRE, CORRIMAL | 6 April (each month a different devotion)

April is devoted to Divine Mercy with a video presentation at 3 pm. Enjoy shared afternoon tea at 4 pm, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, International Rosary, Benediction, Anointing of the Sick at 4:30 pm. Reconciliation starts at 5:30 pm, leading to Holy Mass at 6 pm. All are welcome! Please bring a plate to share if possible.

COULD YOU PROVIDE A FOREVER HOME?

CatholicCare's Fostering Futures program are seeking separate forever homes for two boys, Lachlan* aged 11 years and Jacob* aged 9 years.

Lachlan is a happy, loving boy would like a family who can take him to the park to ride his scooter, kick a football around or push him on the swing. An ideal carer for Lachlan is someone who can help him find his feet in new surroundings.

Jacob has a strong connection to his Samoan heritage. He loves to play Pokemon on his Nintendo switch and watch superhero movies. He enjoys swimming, soccer and basketball. Your consistency and stability will help create an environment that is loving, predictable and somewhere Jacob feels safe.

There is a critical shortage of foster carers at the moment and Lachlan and Jacob have both been waiting for a long time for their forever homes. They are currently living with a roster of staff who are meeting their basic needs, but like all kids they deserve a home where they feel safe, secure and loved.

CatholicCare have over 30 years' experience helping carers give vulnerable children a loving home and a brighter future. Carers receive comprehensive support including training, regular case worker support and carer allowance for the child's day-to-day financial needs.

If you can provide a safe and supportive home for Lachlan or Jacob, or kids like them, we'd love to hear from you. Please call 0418 783 956 or email fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au for more information and we will support you every step of the way.

"I GIVE YOU MY WORD" Manual/Notebook – Sr Antonia Curtis OSB

The nuns of the Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo have published a manual for facilitators on Lectio Divina. The manual offers:

- General information on Lectio Divina
- Four complete lesson Plans
- Online access to teaching aids that can be download and printed
- Complimentary zoom session with Sr Antonia Curtis for extra help

An optional Notebook is also available for participants.

To purchase your copy visit:

www.jamberooabbey.org.au or visit Abbey Shop at 695 Jamberoo Mountain Road, Jamberoo

Church Roster - Those offering their time - Thank you

20/21 April	1st reader	2nd reader	Extraordinary Minister	Counters
Sat 5pm	C Honeysett	T Kadmon	C Daly, L Mammone, S Druery	D Croft E Caruana D Ritter
Sun 7.30am	E Brennan	J Jogen	S Wilson, G Teixeira, E Brennan	
Sun 9.30am	S Iverson	Je Jogen	S Iverson, M Fleming, L Negro	
Sun 6pm	K Gurney	L Burns	G Knowles	

MASS TIMES

Tuesday	Mass	5pm
Wednesday	Mass	9.30am
Thursday	Mass Followed by Benediction	9.30am
Friday	Mass	9.30am
Saturday	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	11am - 12pm 4.30pm 5pm
Sunday	Mass Baptisms	7.30am 9.30am - (Children's Liturgy) 6pm Every Sunday 11am

Baptisms – Sundays 11am. Bookings through parish office.

Marriages – Please contact Priest 6 months prior to wedding date.

Nursing Home Masses :

St Luke's NH: 1st Tue of month at 10.45am

William Beach NH: 2nd Wed of month at 2pm

Sick Calls – Please contact Fr Francis or the parish office.

Wollongong Hospital Chaplain – Fr Stork - 0475 815 506 or hospitalchaplain@dow.org.au

West Dapto Catholic Cemetery - Plots are for sale. Please contact the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDIES | Thursdays, 7:30-9pm

Xavier Centre, Conference Rooms (Come and explore the Bible with the mind and heart of the Church in an open and friendly environment. All are welcome. A missionary work of the Disciples of Jesus. Contact Tom Kadmon 0413 927 086

* Thursdays during school term

Welcome to St John's!

Are you new to our Parish? Have you registered at the office that you attend our church?

Please feel free to inform us of your arrival in our Parish as we would love to know that you are here and get to know you.

Please feel free to complete this form and return it to the office or place it in one of the collections at mass.

NAME/S:.....

CHILDREN:.....

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE:.....MOBILE:.....

EMAIL:.....

Would you like to join in planned giving to support our Parish? **Yes / Not now**

Please see Fr Francis or contact the office on 4261 1315

Thank you for making a difference to our Parish