



SAINT JOHN
the Evangelist
CATHOLIC PARISH DAPTO

St John the Evangelist Parish Dapto

A Living Community

Christ the King

26 November 2023

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***



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king *until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessing on him, who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. 'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."

'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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

Recently Deceased: Joe McQuillan, Joseph Portelli

Anniversaries: Brayden Chater



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.



NO MASS - 29/11

There will be no mass on Wednesday 29 November at 9.30am due to Clergy Deanery meeting in Nowra .

NOVEMBER ALL SOULS

All Souls Day is on the 2 November and is a holy day set aside for honouring for those who have passed away. For the month of November we commemorate All Souls. In preparation for this there are envelopes available on the altar for you to write down the names of those who you would especially like to remember and pray for during this month. Names will be printed and placed in the book on the Altar during the month of November.

BE HELPED OR WANT TO HELP - VINNIES

The Dapto Conference is operating for crisis help (food, furniture, clothing).

A phone service is available:
Mon – Fri, 9.30am - 11.30am.
Ph: 0412 912 641

New members welcome



BENEDICTION

Benediction is resuming every Thursday straight after the 9.30am mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ANOINTING MASS



There will be an anointing mass held on Wednesday 13 December at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

SOCIAL JUSTICE POINTS

Many in the scientific community have pointed out that changing this [economic] model is “urgent” and can no longer be postponed. A great scientist recently said – some of you were certainly present – “Yesterday my granddaughter was born; I would not like her to be living in an uninhabitable world thirty years from now”. We must do something. It is urgent and cannot be postponed.

- Address of His Holiness Pope Francis to the Members of the "Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice" Foundation, Clementine Hall, Monday, 5 June 2023

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY - Thursdays 7:30-9pm - Xavier Conference Room, Wollongong Cathedral commencing 9 November

You are warmly invited to join us in studying the Bible from the mind and heart of the Catholic Church. The Study is open to anyone who is interested in engaging more intimately with the living Word of God in an atmosphere of prayer, discussion, and reflection. Discover the joy that comes with belonging to the People of God, whose story the Bible is a story that we continue to live and make today. The Catholic Bible Study is a work of the Disciples of Jesus Covenant Community.

To register your interest please SMS/call: Tom Kadmon on 0413 927 086.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Tuesday after the 5pm Tuesday Mass in the Sacred Heart chapel – from 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

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

– many thanks, Matthew Nicholson (0459735640).



STAY CONNECTED WITH THE PARISH



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

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THE JOURNEY, 26 November 2023 – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast

On The Journey This Week: Fr Mark De Battista says that we're celebrating something that is yet to come, that Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. Mother Hilda has a story of a dud toaster acting like God. Plus, Fr Tony Percy on doing a spiritual audit, Fr Dave Callaghan, and Fr Mike Delaney. The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au.

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B THE CHANGE FOR BRAYDEN

Your help is needed to protect children against Meningococcal B in NSW. Help get Meningococcal B on the NSW state immunisation plan. Please sign the petition in memory of Brayden. Scan the barcode to sign or go to meningitis.com.au/b-the-change-for-brayden



CatholicCare are currently looking for Community SupportWorkers.

Becoming a CatholicCare Community Support Worker will give you a career that you love, whilst providing a valuable connection to people living with a disability or the aged in our Diocese. If you want to find out more about becoming a Community Support Worker go to catholiccare.dow.org.au/get-involved/careers/ or call 4227 1122.

RETREAT DAY "LET THERE BE LIGHT" | Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo - Saturday 2 December 10am-3:30pm

This day is especially set aside as a day of reflection with Christmas in mind. We see it as, a day to visit hope, a day to look forward toward the light that may just have escaped us during this past year, and yet still shines brightly beyond the clouds, beckoning us toward all that is good in the time ahead. There will be three input sessions by the Sisters along with time for quiet reflection and a guided meditation by one of the Sisters as well.

MASS: 9am for anyone who would like to come

LUNCH: Bring your own, plenty of tea and coffee here

COST: \$30 (Morning Tea provided)

To register please phone 42 360011 Ext 106 (Just leave your name and number)

POSITION VACANT | Program Coordinator at Arete Centre

As the Program Coordinator at the Arete Centre, you will play a pivotal role in ensuring the efficient operation of our organisation. This position is part-time, with a commitment of one day a week. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for fostering a positive and professional student journey. They will coordinate four Intensive Retreats each year and serve as the primary point of contact for students.

Additionally, they will oversee the coordination and management of Student Mentor groups, upkeep of student database, and be responsible for all associated administrative tasks. To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to the Laura Neeson: office@aretecentre.org. Please specify "Program Coordinator" in the subject line. Only successful applicants will be contacted. Applications for this Position close Wednesday 6 December.

"PURPOSE CONFERENCE" - Free Bus from Wollongong/Macarthur - 18-35 Years Old

The 'Purpose Conference' will feature world renowned Catholic speakers Jason Evert and Matt Fradd, and hundreds of young adults from Sydney and all over Australia. We are also providing a free bus from Wollongong Diocese where you can connect with other local young adults on the way to the event. Tickets to the event are limited and so are spots on the bus, so register for both as soon as you can!

Book your tickets: Book your own ticket to the conference via: dow.sh/Purpose23

Book your travel on Free Gong Bus: Feel free to make your own way to the Conference on Thursday 7 December, but be sure to reserve your spot on our Free Gong Bus for Friday 8 December by registering here (dow.sh/YA-BUS) and connect with other young adults from our Diocese on the journey - departing from West Wollongong Parish at 4pm or Rosemeadow Parish at 4.45pm.

Deadline for booking a spot on the bus is 3 December.

Contact Fr Duane and the team at vocations@dow.org.au if you have any questions.

Those offering their time - Thank you

2/3 December	1st reader	2nd reader	Extraordinary Minister	Counters
Sat 5pm	T Sumner	C Stringer	A Johnston, L Mammone, T Kadmon	D Croft E Caruana D Ritter
Sun 7.30am	C Needham	D Clegg	S Wilson, G Teixeira, E Brennan	
Sun 9.30am	S Parker	P Stephens	L Foy, S Iverson, M Fleming	
Sun 6pm	E Burns	L Burns	G Knowles.	

ART IN THE CHURCH - Crucifix stained glass window

The crucifix is a principal symbol for many groups of Christians, and one of the most common forms of the Crucifixion in the arts. It is especially important in the Latin Church, but is also used in Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Catholic Churches, as well as in Methodist, Lutheran and some Anglican churches (though less often in other Protestant churches) and it emphasizes Jesus' sacrifice — his death by crucifixion, which Christians believe brought about the redemption of mankind. Western crucifixes usually have a three-dimensional corpus, but in Eastern Orthodoxy Jesus's body is normally painted on the cross, or in low relief. Strictly speaking, to be a crucifix the cross must be three-dimensional, but this distinction is not always observed. A painting of the Crucifixion of Jesus including a landscape background and other figures is not a crucifix either.

Large crucifixes high across the central axis of a church are known by the Old English term 'rood'. By the late Middle Ages these were a near-universal feature of Western churches, but are now very rare. Modern Roman Catholic churches often have a crucifix above the altar on the wall; for the celebration of Mass, the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church



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