



SAINT JOHN
the Evangelist
CATHOLIC PARISH DAPTO

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

St John the Evangelist Parish Dapto

A Living Community

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Year A

7 June 2026

Welcome to St John's



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING **Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16** **He fed you with manna, which neither you nor your fathers had known**

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not become proud of heart. Do not forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

SECOND READING **1 Corinthians 10:16-17** **That there is only one loaf means that, though we are many, we form one body**

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL **John 6:51-58** **My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink**

Jesus said to the crowd:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

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

Recently Deceased: Daniel Lynam, Seamus Duignan

Sick: Peter Anderson, Lian, Chelsea Jones.

Anniversaries & Special Intentions: Mary Dimech, Daniel Micallef & Joe Agius.



BAPTISMS

This week we welcome in to the Catholic faith community Ember & Tatum Jenner, Oliver Rankin

STATE OF ORIGIN - Game 2

Everyone is welcome. 17 June behind the presbytery.

BBQ from 7pm. Kick-off at 8:05pm

Come and enjoy the company, the food and the Game.

Contact: Martin 0412101566 or Grant 0419125376



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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.



WHAT'S ON AROUND THE DIOCESE?

Check out upcoming Diocesan events and courses - too many to list in one place. Subscribe here and we will keep you in the loop dow.sh/stayingconnected about what's happening around our Diocese!

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



STAY CONNECTED WITH THE PARISH

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



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

PIE DRIVE

Our Pie Drive for 2026 has kicked off!!!! Don't forget to pick up your order form this week for our Pie Drive. Orders close on Sunday 12th July and pies are being delivered on Friday 14th of August (between 1pm and 4pm).

Correct payment can be placed in the box in the foyer or money can be transferred electronically into the fundraising account on the form.

All proceeds raised will go towards parish activities and equipment. Pies and cakes are made by Queen Street Bakery.



Join Our Mission – Diocesan Director Opportunity

Caritas Australia is still seeking a successful candidate to fulfill the Diocesan Director for Diocese of Wollongong. This paid casual position averages 3.75 hours per week across the year, with extra hours during our Project Compassion appeal (February–May). We are seeking someone who:

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- has a strong commitment to the mission of Caritas Australia, the ethos of the Catholic Church and Catholic Social Teaching
- has a desire to represent Caritas Australia in the Diocese with flexible work hours depending on the project
- has a preparedness to work collaboratively with Diocesan authorities and other agencies, parishes, schools and the wider community
- has experience presenting to various age groups, including children

If you're committed to social and ecological justice, we'd love to hear from you! Scan the QR code to learn more about this rewarding role and to submit your application.



PERMANENT PART-TIME ROLE:

Clergy Care Coordinator Assistant

The Office of the Bishop | Catholic Diocese of Wollongong is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced Registered or Enrolled Nurse to join the team as an assistant to the Clergy Care Coordinator. This is a permanent part-time position, starting at two days per week with the possibility of extended hours in the future. The role involves providing general healthcare assistance including phone and email enquiries from clergy, providing transport for medical appointments and assisting with Clergy Health Assessments. Please note this role may be required to cover annual or personal leave relief for the Coordinator as required. For further information or to request a full position description, please email

louise.macdonald@dow.org.au

IGNITE CONFERENCE SYDNEY 2026

Every year, Ignite Youth hosts one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth conferences. Ignite Conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, forming them and sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong will once again lead a cohort of youth and young adults to the conference at a subsidised price. If you'd like to be part of the group or would like more details, please contact youth@dow.org.au or visit igniteconference.com.au. When: Fri 9 July 5pm- Sun 12 June 1pm Where: Light of Christ Centre/St Leo's College, Wahroonga Cost: \$220- subsidised conference ticket, accommodation cost TBC For who: High school aged students & Young Adults (18-35)

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – Overnight Prayer Vigil

St Joseph's Parish, Bulli invites parishioners and visitors from across the Diocese, to celebrate together the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on **Friday, 12 June 2026**. 7:30pm Mass of the Sacred Heart, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament as part of an overnight vigil of prayer and praise With Our Lord Jesus. (Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Silent Prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation). The vigil concludes with Mass for the Immaculate Heart of Mary at 7:30am on Saturday, 13 June 2026.

Who is the Man Behind of the Shroud? 5:30pm–8:30pm Saturday, 27 June 2026 Xavier Conference Centre, Wollongong

Come join us for this inspiring evening with renowned Catholic speaker Francine Pirola as we explore the mystery of the Shroud of Turin and what it reveals about the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Enjoy a wine and cheese reception, view a rare life-size replica of the Shroud, connect with others, and conclude the evening with Eucharistic Adoration in the Cathedral. This is a free event, but registration is essential. Register: dow.sh/summitshroud

Caring support for you and your family

When life feels challenging, support can make a difference. CatholicCare's professional counsellors are here for you. We support children, adults, couples, and families, with appointments available in person, online, or by phone. Call 1800 967 894 to get started. You're not alone.

Ephphatha: Be Opened! - Calling young men 18-35 years old

How can we become more open to discovering God's plan in our daily lives? How do we know if we are called to marriage, priesthood or religious life? This is the first young men's discernment event, for all unmarried young men aged 18-35 to join Bishop Brian Mascord, the priests of the Vocations Team and our Seminarians for lunch, formation, Q&A, one to one chats and Eucharistic Adoration. Register as soon as you can! Where: **St Therese Parish, 2 Powell Street West Wollongong** When: **Saturday 13th June, 12:30pm for 1pm lunch; finishing at 4pm**

Cost: **Free, but registration is essential** – through this QR code or go to dow.sh/Ephphatha

If any young men or women would like help discerning their vocation, contact Fr Duane at vocations@dow.org.au



MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love! Come and join us on 19-21 June 2026 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville – a stunning and tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney. Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au



OneSydney | Together in Christ - A Historic Celebration As One

Sunday 14 June 2026 Sydney Opera House (Concert Hall) You are invited to be part of an ecumenical evening of prayer and unity. Christians from Orthodox, Roman Catholic, Anglican, Protestant, Evangelical and Pentecostal traditions will gather as one on Australia's most iconic stage – the Sydney Opera House. programme includes Dr Mary Healy, Matt Maher, Fr Rob Galea, and many more For more information and to register dow.org.au/events/one-sydney-together-in-christ/

JUBILEE OF ST FRANCIS - Warrawong Parish

Warrawong Parish warmly welcomes pilgrimage groups to visit St Francis of Assisi Church during the Jubilee Year of St Francis. A plenary indulgence is available, under the usual conditions, to all the faithful "who, with a heart detached from sin, participate in the Year of Saint Francis by visiting, in the form of a pilgrimage, any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship anywhere in the world dedicated to Saint Francis" (Decree, 10 January 2026).

Church Roster - Those offering their time - Thank you

13/14 June	1st reader	2nd reader	Extraordinary Minister	Counters
Sat 5pm	A Harnett	M Harnett	T Kadmon, P Portelli, C Daly	L Negro S Parker
Sun 7.30am	D Barry	D Clegg	Ru Gilmore, G Teixeira, E Brennan	
Sun 9.30am	A Negro	P Stephens	M Fleming, L Negro, M Nicholson	
Sun 6pm	H Knowles	J Knowles	G Knowles	

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 Joseph - 0475 815 506

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

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

THE ORDER OF THE MASS - QR CODE

Anyone who would like to follow the mass which is generally is available from the cards and the end of the pews at the entrance of the church, can now scan the QR code and follow the mass using your device.



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