



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

Pentecost - Year A

24 May 2026

Welcome to St John's



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things
understands what is said, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit;

there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God,
alleluia.



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

Recently Deceased: Fr John Pickering

Sick: Peter Anderson, Lian, Chelsea Jones.



BAPTISMS

This week we welcome in to the Catholic faith community Ivy & Isla Hogden, Evie Webster, Duah Morales & Jalen De Mesa

STATE OF ORIGIN - Game 1

Everyone is welcome. 27 May 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



MAY - ROSARY MONTH

Everyone is invited to come and pray the Rosary together during the month of May every Saturday evening at 4.30 just before mass in honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

A statue of our lady is also available to visit you and your family to pray the Rosary together during May. Please call Paul on 0418113947

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.



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**

NO MASSES

There will be no masses next week from Tuesday to Thursday 26/05 - 28/05 due to clergy in-service.

Mass will resume as normal on Friday 29/05

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.



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society are conducting our Annual Winter Appeal, in the form of a **BUCKET COLLECTION** on the weekend of **30/31/MAY**. We are also looking for donations of blankets, jackets and jumper to support those in need in our area. Donations can be left at the Piety shop in the foyer of the Church. Thank you for your support.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON VIDEOS ON 'CATHOLISM'

Session 7 in the presentation of Catholicism will take place in the parish meeting room on Tuesday 26th May at 6pm. The focus in this episode is on **The Liturgy and The Eucharist**

Even if you have missed earlier episodes of the series, you are most welcome to attend. Each episode lasts for about 1 hour and has a different theme. You are most welcome to bring a friend.

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!

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)

AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE – What's age got to do with it?

Tuesday 9 June 9am-1pm The Fraternity Club

Join CatholicCare for a free community event with Dr Emily Steel from the Australian Human Rights Commission, sharing practical approaches to ageing well.

Morning tea and info stalls included.

Register via the QR code, call 1800 967 894 or www.catholiccare.dow.org.au.

Enquiries to Jane Hollier 0417 018 152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au



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

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



EUCCHARISTIC FORMATION OPPORTUNITY

Join the Office of Renewal and Evangelisation for *Rediscover the Real Presence*, a FREE four-part Zoom series exploring Christ's real presence in the Eucharist. Three sessions feature a FORMED.org video series, with a final deep dive into the riches of the Church's teaching on the Eucharist. Each session includes opportunities to reflect on the content and to connect with other participants. This series is a great means to assist you in your journey towards the International Eucharistic Congress 2028.

The series will run on Zoom **Tuesdays, 7:00–8:15pm, from 26 May to 16 June**. Register here: tinyurl.com/RRPZoomSeries

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/

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY

Thursday nights during school term, 7.30pm, Xavier Centre behind the Cathedral. Contact Tom Kadmon on 0413927086.

Church Roster - Those offering their time - Thank you

30/31 May	1st reader	2nd reader	Extraordinary Minister	Counters
Sat 5pm	T Kadmon	C Honeysett	T Kadmon, P Portelli, C Daly	M Harnett A Harnett D Errington
Sun 7.30am	D Clegg	A Peeyer	M Whatman, Ru Gilmore, G Teixeira	
Sun 9.30am	M Howe	S Iverson	E Gill, M Fleming, L Negro	
Sun 6pm	K Gurney	H 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