



# Holy Family Catholic Parish

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## Weekly Notices | 27 – 28 November 2021

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### **Memorial Mass for Fr Peter Caruana Friday 10th December 2021 6pm**

We can announce that Bishop Mascord will be visiting the parish on Friday 10th December at 6pm to celebrate a Memorial Mass for Fr. Peter Caruana.

Because of the Covid restrictions, no one was able to attend Fr. Peter's funeral, so it is fitting that you, his parishioners, are given an opportunity to farewell him and thank God for his 36 year of service to the parish of Ingleburn.

The Bishop will celebrate Mass, Fr Sean will concelebrate, and members of Fr. Peter's family will be in attendance. Because restrictions are still in place, it will be necessary to pre-register if you would like to attend this Mass.

<https://buytickets.at/hfp/616512>

### **A reminder that from this Sunday 28th November, the morning Mass will be held 9am.**

Your new parish priest will take up his appointment on January 1st, 2022, and this change in Mass time will help him with his scheduled commitments.

### **St Vincent De Paul Society Christmas Appeal:**

The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Members invite you to help local struggling families again this Christmas, particularly in these difficult Covid 19 times, with many in the community having recently lost a job or struggling on reduced income. Please give to this appeal and help us to provide support for those in our community who need it the most.

Due to some Covid-19 restrictions still in place we are again doing things differently this year and are only seeking monetary donations with which we will buy gift cards to give to some of these families.

There will be a collection box at the back of the church and we will also be handing out appeal envelopes at the end of mass for those who wish to donate the following week, or by credit card, and who wish a receipt. Please return the envelopes to the donation box over the next two weeks.

If you wish, you may also donate on-line directly to the Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Conference by following the below link to our fund-raising page. You can also scan the QR code on the Vinnies Christmas Appeal poster in the Church and this will also take you to the fundraising page.

<https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/fundraise-your-way/holy-family-parish-ingleburn-st-vincent-de-paul-christmas-appeal>

Any monies donated through this link get allocated directly to the Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Conference.

Thanking you so much for your support,

The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Members.

### **The Piety Stall is open**

The Piety Stall will once again be open after the 5pm Saturday Mass and the Sunday 9.30am Mass. Please come and look at the range of devotional and inspiration gifts. The sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion are coming up in December and there are appropriate cards and gifts available. Columban Calendars are now available. There are also Christmas cards in stock. As well as a service to the parishioners, any funds raised from the Piety Stall go to the St Vincent de Paul parish work.

### **Advent Resource**

Families are invited to use this wonderful advent resource in preparing primary aged children for Christmas. It is full of games, activities, stories, and music. Please click on

[https://issuu.com/ccressnsw/docs/2021\\_adventchristmas\\_sre\\_family\\_resource\\_wollongon](https://issuu.com/ccressnsw/docs/2021_adventchristmas_sre_family_resource_wollongon)

to use this free Catholic resource.



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Congratulations to the following Catechists from our parish who received awards:

Mrs Teresa Clarke - 15 Years Bishops Citation

Ms Marie Townend - Diploma of Catechesis

Thank you to all the Catechists from our Parish for your dedication and hard work.

### **International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women – 25 November 2021**

The annual *International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women* was held this week (Thursday 25 November). As Pope Francis noted in February this year: “The various forms of ill-treatment that many women suffer are acts of cowardice and a degradation of all humanity.... Let us pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded by all.” We will pray together today the following *Prayer to End Violence Against Women*:

Just and merciful God,  
As a mother comforts her child,  
so you comfort us. Grant us the  
grace to reflect your love for all  
women who are created in your  
image and likeness.  
Provide comfort and a safe  
resting place for those who have  
experienced violence, and give  
eternal peace to those who have  
died through acts of hatred.  
As a community of faith, give us  
the courage to love and protect  
women everywhere and at all times.  
Heal your children who have  
seen loved ones subjected to  
ill-treatment. May they grow to be  
people who respect the personal  
dignity of others.  
Soften the hearts of those who  
do harm. May they repent, seek  
guidance, and replace their acts  
of violence with deeds of love.  
We ask this through Christ,  
our Lord. Amen.  
Our Lady Help of Christians,  
*pray for us.*  
St Rita of Cascia, *pray for us.*



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## **Plenary Council First Assembly - Member Q&A Session**

Interested in hearing about the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, held 3-10 October?

Some of the Diocese of Wollongong Plenary Council Members will be sharing their experiences and answering questions via a Zoom livestream on 8 December 2021, 7:00p.m. – 8:30p.m. The event will also be recorded and provided to Parishes.

Please register <https://bit.ly/3FJHIAV> where you can also include any questions or topics you would like to hear about. There will also be a small amount of time given to questions submitted during the event through the Zoom Q&A function. In the meantime, the Concluding Statement from the First Assembly is available.

## **Prayer Seminars: Experience various prayer styles – All Welcome**

### **Thank you to all those who have attended Prayer Seminars!**

This coming Tuesday, 30 November, is our final Prayer Seminar for this year and we urge you to join us for what will be a very inspiring seminar! Paul Elarde, who witnessed his wife Juliana being healed and walking out of her wheelchair at Lourdes, will lead us to 'Rediscover the Power of the Rosary'.

The Rosary for some, may seem to be a repetitious and an old-fashioned style of prayer. Heaven, however, would disagree. In every Church approved Marian apparition for the last 150 years, Mary has called us to pray the Rosary. It is THE prayer of our times! Fatima visionary Sr Lucia said: "There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." In this seminar we will offer solutions for the common problems in praying the Rosary and then offer a chance to pray and enter deeply, in perhaps a new way, to help rediscover the immense power of the Rosary. Please register before the day of the seminar, to ensure you receive your zoom link on time. <https://www.dow.org.au/events>.

## **Technology skills workshops**

Early next year, CatholicCare and the Being Connected network are teaming up to facilitate small group sessions aimed at assisting older Australians with improving their digital skills and knowledge. Sessions will be held in three parish centres in Wollongong, Shoalhaven, and Macarthur early next year and spaces are very limited. This is a great opportunity to learn new skills and connect with others. There will be more information early next year on venues and times. We are also seeking mentors who have digital or technology skills to assist with this program. For more information Jane Hollier, Parish and Community Liaison Officer 0417 018 152 [janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au)

## **The Journey, 28 November 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast**

On the Journey this week: Fr Mark De Battista says in Advent we must stay awake and step outside the secular culture around us, Mother Hilda calls us not to settle for the superficial, plus Michelle Vass, Deacon Josh Clayton and more! The Journey available now as a podcast – [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au).

## **An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving**

Given that some parishioners are unable to attend Mass in our church, many who support our parish planned giving envelope program have asked how they can continue to financially support the parish. So, we respectfully encourage all parishioners to join our electronic parish planned giving program to help us ensure that we limit the financial pressure this current situation will impose on our parish. Please visit <https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/> to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically.



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## **Support our Holy Family Primary School**

As school returns this week, we congratulate all the children and staff for all their hard work during remote learning. Click on the link below to see the amazing efforts from the Holy Family School community. Don't forget to 'Like' the Facebook page and stay informed about all the exciting things happening at our parish school. [Holy Family School Facebook Page](#)

## **The Year of St Joseph**

Pope Francis on 8 December 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. You are encouraged to visit the ACBC year of St Joseph page at <https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

## **CatholicCare - We're always here, if you ever need...**

These are challenging times for everyone and CatholicCare are here to support you and your family to navigate the uncertainty. We offer confidential online and phone counselling to support you with the frustration of managing family emotions, relationship pressures and employment changes. To find out more about CatholicCare's counselling service call us on 4254 9395 or email [intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au)

**Stay awake, praying at all times**

(Jesus, Luke 21:36)