Are you a Catholic Teacher attending Holy Family Church?

We encourage Catholic teachers who are part of our parish community to connect with Father Henry. This is a valuable opportunity for Father Henry to get to know you, and for you to share your faith journey and a commitment to Catholic education. This information may be helpful for any pastoral references needed. Consider introducing yourself to Father Henry after Mass or make an appointment at a convenient time. Thank you for your service to our parish and schools.

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St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal 31 May & 1 June 2025

The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Members seek your financial support for our Winter Appeal. Please give to this appeal and help us to provide support for those in our community who need it the most. As the Conference has only volunteer members, all of the money raised by this Appeal will be used to assist the families in need.

High inflation and large cost of living increases due to rises in the cost of, rent, food, energy bills and petrol have affected us all, but it has affected the marginalised in our community more acutely. Families in private rental have been finding it particularly difficult dealing with large increases in rent, whilst others in the community have recently lost a job, are escaping family violence or are struggling on reduced income.

There will be appeal envelopes on the Church pews which you can use to make a cash or credit card donation, and these can placed in the second collection or be placed in a Appeal Box as you leave the Church. If you require a receipt for taxation purposes please include your details on the appeal envelope.

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 Winter Appeal posters 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-fundraising-page

Any monies donated through this link get allocated directly to the Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Conference. We thank you so much for your generosity in support of this Appeal.
The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Members.

Vinnies good works

Holy Family Catholic Parish

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136 Oxford Rd
Ingleburn

Holy Trinity Church
57 Guernsey Ave
Minto

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Email: ingleburn@dow.org.au
Hours: 8.45am-2.45pm Tues-Thurs
Phone:(02) 9059 4134

Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C
25 May 2025

Reflection

The readings on the Sixth Sunday of Easter encourage us to reflect on the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit within us, enabling us to face the future with hope and courage. They emphasize the importance of striving for unity within the Church, as the Spirit unites us and highlight the new Jerusalem, symbolizing God's transformative power and the promise of salvation for all, not just individuals. The readings also focus on the importance of love and obedience to God's will, leading to happiness and freedom.

The first reading shows how the early Church relied on the Holy Spirit to solve disagreements and stay united. The apostles prayed and listened to the Spirit, helping them make good decisions. This reminds us that the Holy Spirit can guide us, too, when we face hard choices. The Gospel highlights Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit. Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate, always with us to guide and comfort us. This promise assures us that God's presence is not limited to a place but is everywhere we go. The second reading speaks of the New Jerusalem, where God is always present, and there is no need for a temple. This shows us that God is not confined to buildings or rituals. He is with us in our everyday lives, offering peace and strength.

On this 6th Sunday of Easter we are urged to rely on the Holy Spirit for guidance and peace. By trusting in the Spirit, we can face challenges with faith and live out Jesus' teachings with confidence.

From Our Diocese

Hear from Pope Leo XIV
Sunday Echo is a **limited-release resource** the Diocese has developed using the Holy Father's most recent homily or reflection and accompanying discussion questions. **Each issue will be released the day after Pope Leo XIV gives a homily or reflection on the most recent Sunday Gospel readings** go to https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ to access or sign up to have sent straight to you.

SERVICE TIMES

Holy Family	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
		Tue	7pm
		Sat	5pm Vigil
		Sun	9am and 5pm
	Adoration	Tues	7.30pm
	Benediction	First Friday of each month	9.30am
	Reconciliation	Tue Sat	6.30pm - 7pm 9am - 10am
Holy Trinity	*Rosary*	Mon	7pm
	Mass	Wed	6pm
		Sun	8am

What's On In Our Parish

May

26 Sacrament of First Holy Communion Preparation Session 3 - 6.30pm Parish Meeting Room
28 Year 4 & Year 2 attending 9am Mass
31 Vinnies Appeal

June

1 Vinnies Appeal
2 Sacrament of First Holy Communion Preparation Session 4 - 6.30pm Parish Meeting Room
4 Year 1 & Year 5 attending 9am Mass
5 Marriage & Relationship Workshop - 7pm to 8.30pm, Parish Meeting Room
16 Sacrament of First Holy Communion Preparation Rehearsal in the Church - 6.30pm
18 Kindergarten & Year 6 attending 9am Mass
22 Sacrament of First Holy Communion

July

10-13 The Light: Ignite Conference 2025 (register at https://igniteconference.com.au/registration)
12 & 13 SVD Seminarian visit to Holy Family Church
23 CatholicCare Ageing With Confidence Workshop 10am-1pm at Campbelltown Catholic Club

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 5 June **Marriage & Relationship Workshop**
Holy Family Church from 7pm to 8.30pm

Sunday 22 June **Sacrament of First Holy Communion**
10.30am or 12noon for enrolled candidates only

LEGION OF MARY
7.30pm every Wednesday in the Church Meeting Room

BIBLE READING
9.45am 2nd & 4th Wednesday in the Parish Meeting Room

BIBLE STUDY
7pm 1st & 3rd Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE SHARING
7pm 2nd & 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS
6.30pm 2nd and 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room

CHILDRENS LITURGY
During 9am Mass every 2nd and 4th Sunday

Liturgical Dates

May

24 Our Lady Help of Christians
26 Saint Philip Neri, *Priest*
31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June

1 The Ascension of the Lord
6 Saint Marcellin Champagnat

Confession

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness". 1 John 1:9

Saturday 9am to 10am
Tuesday 6.30pm to 7pm

Visiting the Sick and Homebound: There are an increasing number of people who, whether due to age or ill health, are not able to attend Church, but would like to receive Holy Communion. If you, or someone you know, is in this situation, please contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: SESSION 3

Date: Monday, 26 May 2025
Time: 6.30pm. Please bring your workbook and a pencil with you.
Venue: Parish Meeting Room.
Reminder:
Attendance at all sessions is compulsory.
Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer at all sessions.
If you are unable to attend a session, please contact the parish office.

Please keep these candidates and their families in your prayers as they embark on their Holy Communion Sacramental journey.

What's On In Our Diocese

menALIVE Regional Weekend 9-10 August 2025, Xavier Conference Centre, Wollongong For more information and to register: https:/menalive-weekend-2025

What's On In Our Diocese (cont.)

Jubilee Year Liturgy - **Saturday, 7 June** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow. Mass at 10am. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11am – 3pm. Confessions 11am – 12noon and 1pm – 2pm. Benediction (simple) 2.50pm. Bishop Mascord will be present and will celebrate the Mass, at which he will impart the Papal Jubilee Blessing. All are welcome to attend

We pray ... For the children, their families and the sacramental team preparing for the sacrament of First Holy Communion. For the eternal rest of Pope Francis. For world leaders and policy makers to work to foster peace and justice in all nations. For those feeling overwhelmed and challenged in mind, body, soul and spirit. For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

For the sick and homebound: *May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers. Amen.*
For our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them. Maria Elizabeth Tuason, Emerlida Castillo.

For our recently dearly departed: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*
Santana D'Souza, Marcus Parker, Juan Cataldo, Paul Myers, Mary Lewis, Emeren Reyes, Richard Myers.

For those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.* For all of our family members and friends; Eladio and Eugenia Villarosa, Margaret Rose Mellish, Horatius Macariola, John and Margaret Matthews, Noel Del Rosario, Nenita Del Rosario, Yohanes Harjono and Yosefa Oeniwati.

Prayers of thanksgiving and personal intentions: For the eternal rest of Pope Francis. We pray to God the Father that Pope Francis, who served as the Vicar of His Incarnate Son on earth may, through Divine Mercy, rest in Peace.

With joyful hearts, during April, we welcomed the newly Baptised into our Holy Family Parish community:

Alexander O'Neill, Valentino Herrera, Domenico Debellis, Leon Faigafa, Iana Grasso, Penelope Peat, Sidney Peat.

We ask God to bless these children, their parents, Godparents and families, to surround them with your goodness and lead them in Your light each day of their lives.

CROSS+GEN FREE TECHNOLOGY TRAINING FOR SENIORS
Please join us in this opportunity to connect seniors and students for some information sharing in a fun, relaxed setting at St Benedict's Catholic College Oran Park.
Contact Jane Hollier, on 0417 018 152 or email janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au
Dates are as follows, and afternoon tea will be provided: Tuesday 27 May / Tuesday 3 June / Tuesday 10 June

AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE
Join Robert Fitzgerald AM, Age Discrimination Commissioner, as he explores the critical issues facing older Australians today - including elder abuse and ageism - while offering practical insights and strategies for ageing with dignity, purpose and positivity.

Wollongong
Friday 13 June - 10am to 1pm
Fraternity Club

Campbelltown
Wednesday 23 July - 10am to 1pm
Campbelltown Catholic Club, 20/22 Camden Road,

Registration is free, please call (02) 4227 1122 or online at catholiccare.dow.org.au/events

From Our Diocese (cont.)

In 2015, Pope Francis wrote that "charity and mercy demand that the Church, like a good mother, be near her children who feel themselves estranged from her. **The Interdiocesan Tribunal of Sydney**, which has an Office in the Diocese of Wollongong, is a service of the Church to assist with the pastoral care of Catholics and non-Catholics who are civilly divorced, and who are seeking to remarry or who want clarification of their standing in the Church. The Tribunal also assists remarried persons seeking to have their current marriage recognised in the Church, and remarried persons wishing to be baptised or received into the Catholic Church. Any divorced person, or a divorced and remarried person is welcome to contact the Wollongong Office of the Tribunal to obtain further information, or to have their status within the Church clarified. Brochures are available from the church foyer or notice board area. The Wollongong Office of the Tribunal is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. You are welcome to contact the Tribunal on 4222 2409 or tribunal@dow.org.au or visit www.tribunal.dow.org.au

The Diocese of Wollongong Cursillo Movement is celebrating 25 years of guidance by the Holy Spirit. We would like to invite anyone who has been involved with the CM in the past 25 years to join us for Mass and a reunion luncheon on 21st June at 11am. Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church Camden with lunch in the church hall. Please call Dianne for further details. 0418640373.