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6-7PM | TUESDAY 2 JUNE 2026
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Save the dates

Parish Social Gathering Weekends

Tea, coffee, treats and chats after each weekend Mass on

MAY 16th & 17th
JUNE 20th & 21st
JULY 18th & 19th
AUGUST 15th & 16th
SEPTEMBER 19th & 20th
OCTOBER 17th & 18th
DECEMBER 27th *Feast of the Holy Family*



Holy Family Catholic Parish

INGLEBURN & MINTO

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year A
3 May 2026

Holy Family Church
136 Oxford Rd, Ingleburn

Holy Trinity Church
57 Guernsey Ave, Minto

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Reflection by Father Henry

The readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter invite us to reflect on what it means to be a living, active Church - built not merely of structures, but of people called and chosen by God.

In Acts, we see the early Christian community facing tension and practical challenges. Rather than ignoring the problem, the apostles respond with wisdom, ensuring that care and service are shared. This moment reminds us that the Church grows stronger when each person's gifts are recognized and put at the service of others. Faith is not passive; it calls us into responsibility and collaboration.

Peter's letter deepens this image, describing us as "living stones" being built into a spiritual house. Each of us has a place, a purpose, and a dignity rooted in Christ. We are not merely participants in God's plan - we are chosen, called to proclaim His light in the world. This challenges us to consider how we are contributing to the life of our community: are we building up, or standing apart?

In the Gospel, Jesus offers reassurance: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." He reveals Himself as the way, the truth, and the life - not simply a guide, but the very path to the Father. To know Jesus is to know God, and to trust Him is to find direction even amid uncertainty.

Together, these readings remind us that the Church is alive when we trust in Christ, serve one another generously, and embrace our identity as God's people. In a world often marked by division and anxiety, we are called to be signs of unity, hope, and enduring faith.

8 weeks of Formation ALPHA YOUTH

Schedule

FRIDAY 24TH APRIL 6.30PM
SUNDAY 3RD MAY 10.15AM
FRIDAY 8TH MAY 6.30PM
SUNDAY 17TH MAY 10.15AM
FRIDAY 22ND MAY 6.30PM
SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 10.15AM
FRIDAY 12TH JUNE 6.30PM
FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 6.30PM

HOLY FAMILY INGLEBURN PARISH MEETING ROOMS

HOLY FAMILY PARISH INGLEBURN & MINTO
YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY 2026

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Diocese of Wollongong Aged Care Chat Sunday 3 May

CatholicCare will be present at the 9am Mass at Holy Family to provide an information session about the new Support at Home Aged Care Program and how it is changing the way older Australians access support. They will cover how to enter the aged care system, what the new Support at Home services mean for you or your loved ones, and the types of supports CatholicCare can provide to help people remain living safely and independently at home.

Free technology program for older parishioners

Cross+Gen is a FREE program where students support seniors with everyday technology in a friendly relaxed setting held at St Benedict's College Oran Park. Bring along your mobile phone, tablet or laptop and join other people who also struggle with technology. The dates and times are listed below:

Tuesday 28 April 12.45-2.30pm
Tuesday 12 May 12.45-2.30pm
Tuesday 16 May 12.45-2.30pm
Tuesday 9 June 12.45-2.30pm

Please contact Jane Hollier from CatholicCare on 0417 018 152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au

From the Diocese: A Vocation View "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? There are many opportunities now available through the Vocations and Youth Ministries of our Diocese, for young people to grow in faith and encourage each other. 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 - via this QR code or dow.sh/Ephphatha

If any young men or women would like help discerning their vocation, contact Fr Duane at

vocations@dow.org.au



Journeying Together - don't forget to grab the first bi-monthly publication, "Journeying Together in faith & Mission", announcing news and events from the Diocese of Wollongong.

SERVICE TIMES			
Holy Family	Mass	Wed - Fri	9am
		Tue	7pm
		First Friday of each month	6.30pm
		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
	Reconciliation	Wed	5.45pm - 6pm
	Mass	Wed	6pm
		Sun	8am

What's On In Our Parish

May

National Count of Attendance (Mass Count) - All Sunday Masses (including Saturday vigils)

3	CatholicCare Aged Care Information Session - 9am Mass
4	Sacrament Preparation Program: First Holy Communion - Session 2 at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room
6	Monthly Morning Tea after 9am Mass
10	Mother's Day
11	Sacrament Preparation Program: First Holy Communion - Session 3 at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room
13	Grade Mass (Year 6 and Year 3), 11:40am
16 & 17	Social Gathering Weekend
18	Sacrament Preparation Program: First Holy Communion - Session 4 at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room
23	Parish Fundraising Event: Bingo Night, 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room
25	Our Lady, Help of Christians, 9am Mass and 7pm Mass Whole School Mass, 11:45am
	Sacrament Preparation Program: First Holy Communion - Rehearsal at 6pm in the Church
31	Sacrament of First Holy Communion, 10:30am Mass and 12:30pm Mass

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 23 May - Bingo Night
6:30pm

Sunday 31 May - Sacrament of First Holy Communion
10:30am and 12:30pm Mass

Saturday 25 July - Christmas in July Dinner

Saturday 24 October - Parish Fair

Parish Planned Giving

You can continue to contribute financially to the Parish via the two collections at the weekend Masses, but if you prefer, the Holy Family Parish bank account details are:

First collection

Acct name: Ingleburn Presbytery
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001978

Second collection

Acct name: Ingleburn Parish
BSB: 066711
Account number: 001773

To contribute via planned giving envelopes, contact the Parish Office.

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Liturgical Dates

May

3	Saints Phillip and James, <i>Apostles</i>
13	Our Lady of Fatima
14	Saint Matthias, <i>Apostle</i>
24	Pentecost Sunday
25	Mary, Help of Christians

2026 National Count of Attendance (Mass Count)

This weekend sees the commencement of the 2026 National Count of Attendance (Mass Count), taking place over each weekend in May. This count, overseen by the Australian Catholic Bishop's National Centre for Pastoral Research ("NCPR") occurs in all dioceses throughout Australia. The count will occur over the first four weekends of May and includes all who attend Mass (of all ages), as well as participation in online liturgies.

This important initiative helps the Church better understand and respond to the pastoral needs of our communities.

New Presbytery

Father Henry is not leaving the parish. In the coming weeks, he will be moving into his new residence at the presbytery in Oxford Gardens. He will continue to his ministry here as usual and will remain readily available to parishioners.

Meetings, appointments, and enquiries will continue to be arranged through the parish office in the usual way.

Please keep Father Henry in your prayers during this time of transition.

Welcoming Father Mike Knight SVD as Resident Priest

We are pleased to share that from May, Father Mike Knight SVD will join our parish as a Resident Priest, helping Father Henry.

Please join us in warmly welcoming Father Mike to our parish family, and keep him in your prayers as he begins his ministry among us. We look forward to this new chapter in the life of our parish.



We pray ... For world leaders and all who shape public policy, that they may seek peace, uphold justice and protect the dignity of every human life. For all who have served and sacrificed in war; for those who gave their lives in service of our country, and for all veterans and their families. For those who are burdened in mind, body, or spirit, especially those carrying heavy crosses. For those who feel forgotten, for those who have no one to pray for them, and for the 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, Rebecca Velasco, Susitina Unasa, Josephine Flores Ferrer, Tumua Oláaiga, Pamela Smith.

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.*

Lorraine Kenworth, Anton Loduwick, Alexander Mackie, John Hall, Benita Cervantes, Juanita Emnas, Robert "Bob" James, Ofelia Tonogranua, Nanny Iskandor, Miriam Azwell, Maureen Hardy-Smith, Joly Cabuso.

For those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace.*

Amen. For those who have nobody to pray for them; For all of our family members and friends; Horatius Macariola, Santana D'Souza, Amado Ladera, Rodrigo LaPena, Josefina and Andres Relojero, Jan Collins, Hugo and Josefina Orecchia, Teresa and Antonio Nese, Melania and José Busto, Margaret and John Matthews, Mary Lily Lemasson, Anna Vo Thi Hue and Phero Le Dung, Naty G Jimenez, Eladio and Engenia Villarosa.

Other intentions: For those who received the Sacrament of Initiation, the older children baptised into our parish community at the Easter Vigil Mass, and the children who celebrated the Sacrament of First Reconciliation: may they continue to grow in faith and love. Kathleen L' Estrange, Thomas Lucky Laban.



RCIA Program 2026/2027 - Commencing in August

Are you, or someone you know, thinking about baptism or becoming part of the Catholic Church? We warmly invite you to begin this journey of faith through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program.

To express your interest or learn more, please email ingleburn@dow.org.au, speak with Father Henry or contact the Parish Office on (02) 9059 4134.

All are welcome.

Wanting to learn more about our Catholic Faith? Join our Level 2 Catechist Course in person or on Zoom this May! The Level 2 course is for all parishioners who want to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic Faith and includes topics such as: Jewish and Christian Foundations, The Gospel Narratives, Ecumenism, The Creed and Helping Children learn about the Church.

The Level 2 course will run 9:30am - 1:30pm, on Fridays in Rosemeadow, and on Mondays via Zoom. *Come to all or selected sessions.* For more information and to register visit: dow.sh/L2rose for Rosemeadow or dow.sh/L2zoom for Zoom/Wollongong.

An Invitation from the Neocatechumenal Way Community

'Who do you say I am', asks Jesus Christ of his first followers. Also today, this could be a confronting question for many. If you are wanting to better understand where God is acting in your life, then the Neocatechumenal Community of Holy Family Parish invites you to come and listen. First approved by St Pope Paul VI in response to the challenge of the Second Vatican Council, these catechesis will help you to discover your baptism in adult faith. Catechesis is held at 7pm every Sunday and Wednesday evening at Holy Trinity Church Minto. If you require assistance to travel or with babysitting, please call/text Bernie [0432 413 803](tel:0432413803).

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Session 2:

Date: Monday, 4 May 2026

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Parish Meeting Room.

Reminder: Please ensure you bring your workbook and a pencil with you..

Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer at all sessions.

Attendance at all sessions is compulsory. If you are unable to attend a session, please contact the parish office.

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they continue their Sacrament of Holy Communion journey.

