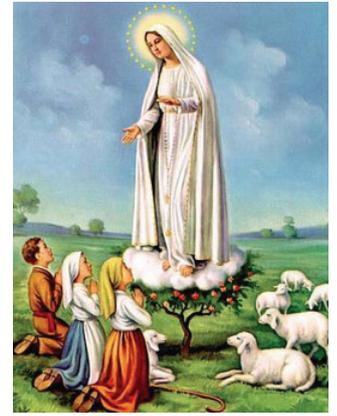


# Our Lady of Fatima Parish

389 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah



## Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass on Saturday night 4pm & 5.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am

(Reconciliation: Saturday - 10am-11am)

Adoration: Tuesday: 6pm-6.30pm, Wednesday: 8.45am-9.15am,

Friday: 8.45am-9.15am & Saturday: 9.45am-11am

Bookings are available too.

### PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Rev Fr Julian Belich

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Friday - 9am - 4pm

**THE SEASON OF LENT** is the most appropriate time for celebrating the SACRAMENT OF PENANCE.

Already on Ash Wednesday the people of God has heard the solemn invitation, *Turn away from sin and believe the good news*. It is therefore fitting to have several penitential celebrations during Lent, so that all the faithful may have an opportunity to be reconciled with God and their neighbour and so be able to celebrate the paschal mystery in the Easter Triduum with renewed hearts. RP 13

The Sacrament of Penance is better celebrated before rather than during the Easter Triduum.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

(Year B)

20 - 21 February 2021

### MASSES THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	No Mass	The Chair of St Peter, Apostle (Feast)
<b>Tuesday</b>	6.30pm	Collect of St Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr (Optional)
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15am	
<b>Thursday</b>	7am	
<b>Friday</b>	9.15am	6.30pm Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday</b>	9.15am	

Divine Office: Psalter Week 1

### Baptisms

We welcome into the Church family this weekend through the waters of Baptism:

**Alvin Gomez Centeno**

**Dash Davis Centeno**

**Joey John Mexon**

**Daniel Kevin Papas**

**Dominik Jesse Zukowski**

*Please pray for them and their families*

### Stations of the Cross at 6.30pm (in the Church)

Friday - 26 February

Fridays - 5, 12, 19, 26 March

28 March - Palm Sunday

1 April - Holy Thursday

2 April - Good Friday

4 April - Easter Sunday

### Entrance Antiphon

cf. Psalm 90: 15-16

**WHEN** he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.

### First Reading

Genesis 9: 8-15

*I will recall the covenant between myself and you ...  
the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy  
all flesh.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24: 4-9. R. cf. v. 10

**Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth  
to those who keep your covenant.**

### Second Reading

Peter 3: 18-22

*The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which  
saves you now.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4: 4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that  
comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

### Gospel Reading

Mark 1: 12-15

*He was tempted by Satan,  
and the angels looked after him.*

### Communion Antiphon

Matthew 4: 4

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that  
comes from the mouth of God.

or

cf. Psalm 90: 4

The Lord will conceal you with his pinions, and under  
his wings you will trust.

**Bible Study  
with  
Fr Julian Belich**



**YOU ARE INVITED!**

COME ALONG to the **Bible Study after the 6.30 pm Mass. Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.** In these eight videos, Edward Sri provides a captivating overview and explanation of the Gospel of John.

**Topic for Tuesday, 23 February 2021:** 3. At the Well: Our Deepest Thirst (John 3:1-4:42)

**Venue: Parish Meeting Room.**

**200 Years of Sydney Catholic Education**

This year Sydney Catholic Schools is celebrating 200 years of Catholic Education. In order to celebrate this as a school community, we are asking if there are any past students from Our Lady of Fatima Primary School who may have photos, stories, uniforms, books or any other paraphernalia from their time at school which they would be willing to donate or lend to the school.

If you do, please contact Liz O'Brien via email [liz.obrien@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:liz.obrien@syd.catholic.edu.au) or via phone on 9524 9980.

**Working Bee**

So far 3 parishioners volunteered to be in the Parish Working Bee Ministry. To make the workload lighter, we need more parishioners to help clean the Church once a month (every 4th Saturday of the month) starting 27 March 2021 from 11am to 1pm. Lunch will be provided.

If you can spare an hour or two, please let the Parish Office know. Telephone No: (02) 9524 7283

**Blessed Sacrament**

The Blessed Sacrament is back in the Day Chapel. All welcome to pray in the Day Chapel which will be open during office hours - Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am to 4pm.

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

Lenten Donation Envelopes are available. Please take a set of envelopes home.

*"Aspire not to have more, but to be more"*  
- Saint Oscar Romero

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

In these difficult times, your Project Compassion donation matters more than ever! By being more together, we are supporting the world's most vulnerable communities

**Congratulations!**

We congratulate Mrs Sandra and Mr John Roseworn on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless the love in their hearts and their life together with an ever-deepening faith. Best Wishes on their golden jubilee.

**Have you thought? – Temptation?**

When we adopt a view of Jesus as the Son of God, it is hard to imagine him even facing temptation, let alone the possibility of him giving in to it. However, when we see Jesus as also being fully human, we realise that he was just as likely to face temptation as we are. But what might have tempted Jesus? Was he tempted to simply go back to his life in Joseph's carpentry business and not respond to God's call? Was he tempted to display his power in flashy demonstrations for all to see? Was he tempted to despair at what lay ahead of him?

**Living the Gospel - Change of heart**

Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom of God is a call to live out God's transformative dream of right relationship with one another and with our world. To accept this call requires a change of heart and mind (a metanoia) and the adoption of a new orientation, a new worldview based on living the kingdom of God. This is a challenge to be counter-cultural – to go 'against the flow' of the majority attitudes at times. It is certainly not an 'easy option' that we are called to live. Jesus' call to 'repent and believe' is a very appropriate call to begin the Lenten season.

**Historical Context – The Wilderness**

The Jordan Valley was a relatively fertile area. However, Jesus would not have had to travel too great a distance to find himself in very arid, desert-like wilderness. Crossing the River Jordan and climbing out of the Jordan Valley to the east, Jesus would have emerged onto the northern part of the TransJordan Plateau and the edge of the Syrian Desert. The area was not only geographically rough but it was also full of bandits and rebels. It was a dangerous place to be. However, the desert wilderness holds great significance in the Bible as a place of preparation for a new stage of life or a new relationship with God.

*By: Greg Sunter*

**Pearl of Wisdom**

*Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.*

*Deuteronomy 7: 9*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Please pray for the faithful departed**

**Recently DECEASED:** Bosena Jelusic, Margaret Harvey, Neville Oake, Noel Roy Randle, John Edmund Stewart, Carlo Taliapietra, Joan Connell, Yvonne Elbert, Jane Wickam, Lorna Mildred Kane, Joan Hagley, David Ramsay Stephenson, Aldo De Martino.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Ron Gilchrist, Phillip Searson, John Searson, Seamus McGreevy, Carmela Zappia, John Druon, Rita Agius.

**ALSO:** Albert Montgomery and all the Souls in Purgatory.

**May they rest in peace.**

**Sick:** Fr Leonardo, his family and parishioners, Fr Clarence Canafe, Jonah Carinan Geralin and those who are suffering in anyway.