

Boolaroo—Warners Bay and Booragul Parishes

We celebrate the Lord's Day on

Saturday at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Boolaroo at 5.30pm

Sunday at St. Mary's Church, Warners Bay 9.00am and 6.00pm.

There is no weekend mass at St. Michael's Church, Ranclaud St., Booragul

Children's Liturgy is held at the **9:00am** Mass on Sunday mornings during school terms.

Children's Liturgy is conducted by leaders who have a current New Working with Children

Check clearance, registered with the parish office and verified by the Diocese.

Reconciliation: 5:00pm-5:15pm Saturday before Mass

New Parishioners? Welcome! Please fill in a form in the foyer.

Weekday Masses and Liturgies:

Booragul:	Tues:	9:00am	Mass.	<i>For Advent,</i>
	Fri:	9:00am	Liturgy.	<i>come along and</i>
Boolaroo:	Wed:	9:00am	Mass	<i>celebrate a</i>
Warners Bay:	Thurs:	9:30am	Mass	<i>weekday Mass</i>
	Fri:	6:00pm	Mass	<i>or Liturgy.</i>
	Sat:	9:00am	Liturgy.	

A3 versions of the bulletin are available.

Please be mindful of our neighbours when parking your car.

We pray the Preface of Advent time and Euch. Prayer 3

Bereavement Mass Thank you to all those who came along for the Bereavement Mass and all those who prepared and served the lovely evening supper.

Faith Development Group end of year Mass will be held on Friday 7th December at 6pm followed by dinner at Warners Bay Hotel. All members, past and present, are invited to attend. Please phone Marie Osborne 49474537 or mob. 0429191245.

The Christmas Appeal for the Society of St Vincent de Paul will begin this weekend and conclude next weekend. A feature of the appeal will be a plant 'sale' on Sunday morning at the 9:00am Mass for the benefit of the Society of St Vincent de Paul – a warm "thank you" to Ann and Rob Loughran. Booragul Conference of SVDP requests the previous supporters of St Michael's Hamper appeal to donate to the Christmas Appeal from this year.

The Diocese Council for Ministry with Young People have been exploring the possibility of re-introducing the Young Christian Students (YCS) movement back into the Diocese. YCS is a movement that is run for, by and with secondary school students. Information nights will be held 26 November 7-8.30pm in the Toohey Room and 27 November 7-8.30pm in the Dwyer Room, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West. More information <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/youth/dcmyp/>

Position Vacant: Parish Secretary, Blackbutt North (formerly New Lambton, Lambton & Waratah parishes)- Permanent Part-time, 15hrs/week (2 days per week) <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/about/careers/positions-vacant/>

Blessings of the baby Jesus figures from your cribs will take place on the weekend of the 8th & 9th December. After mass there will be some Christmas (should I say "Advent") cake for all.

Simbang Gabi at St. Joseph's Merewether In preparation for the Solemnity of the Lord's birth, novena Masses will be celebrated at the St. Joseph's Merewether in the evenings of 15 December to 23 December. The Christmas novena Masses, also known as Simbang Gabi to Filipinos, is a long tradition brought by the Spanish Friars in the Philippines in 1669. The novena Masses are in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Expectant Mother of God, and serve as a preparation for the commemoration of the Birth of Our Lord and Saviour. All are welcome and the Eucharistic celebration promptly starts at 7pm.

Check the notice board for further information. The activities in this bulletin are endorsed by our parishes as part of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle.

SVDP has Columban Calendars \$6.00 each and Christmas Cards Pkts. of 10 \$5.00 for sale at weekend Masses.

B/Gul Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee meeting Thursday 6th December at 7:00pm at St Michael's Hall.

B/WB Finance Committee Tuesday 11 December at St Mary's Parish Hall meeting room at 7:30pm.

St Pauls' Annual Missals. Unfortunately (and embarrassingly!), I have discovered that St Paul's Bookshop are NOT publishing the annual missals. There is a copy of the three year missal in the foyer to see, to help you decide whether you would like to order a copy. If so, add your name to the list. The cost is \$25. *Fr Brian.*

Less than a month to Christmas—For those who are early planners, below is a list of the Mass times for Christmas!

Monday night 24/12. Vigil 5:30pm St Mary's Warners Bay

Vigil 7:30pm St Mary's Warners Bay

Christmas Day 9:00am St Mary's Warners Bay

Please note that if you're coming to the 5:30pm Mass and you're running very late, it may be an idea to bring a fold up chair for outside.

The Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)

St. Mary's Warners Bay 6:30pm-7:00pm Monday 17th December.

Our Lady Help of Christians Boolaroo 6:30pm-7:00pm Tuesday 18th December.

Christmas Rosters. Can you help? We need lots of help! Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Distributors of the Gift, Collectors, Car Park attendants and Altar Servers. Names need to be on the list early so people can be contacted.

Thanks! *Fr Brian.*

Past Christmas Ornaments will be available during the weeks of Advent for a donation of \$2 each.

Let us pray for the sick, including Gary Rudd, Lupe Fonua, Philomena O'Neill, Kath Gocher, Joyce Ross, Matt Lanigan, Fran Power, Colin Conroy, Mary Maier, Neville Betts, Kelvyn Elward, Barry Maggs, James Grew, Don Richards, Greg Adam, Allan Baxter, Cooper Daniel, Anthony Rigby, Colin and Elizabeth Oaten, Bayly Turner, Anne Keating, Sharna, Anna Veltruski, Kate Vincent (Crossingham), Veronica Hipwell, John Evans, Pam Mason, Delma Clarke, Winston Aslin, Susan Salamon, Ryder Withers, Maria Terwkar, Rita Sutton, Kristie Porters, Narelle Lackenby, Reuben Neilson, David Owens, Jacqueline Smith, Adele Duffy, Rebecca Reid and Margaret Mullins.

(If you know that any of the above names can come off the list, please let the office know).

We pray for those who have died recently. We pray too for Hue Do and Jackie and Tim Gosling who are remembered especially at this time.

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ABN for Boolaroo/Warners Bay Parish is 29 084 970 430. ABN for Maitland Newcastle Diocesan Trust Fund (for the purpose of tax receipts) is 46 167 334 530

ABN for Booragul Parish is 17 725 561 225

Any parishioner wishing to join the Planned Giving Program, please fill in the brochure in the foyer of the Church or contact Fr Brian on 4958 2031. Donations can be given by direct debit and credit card facilities—forms are in the foyer.