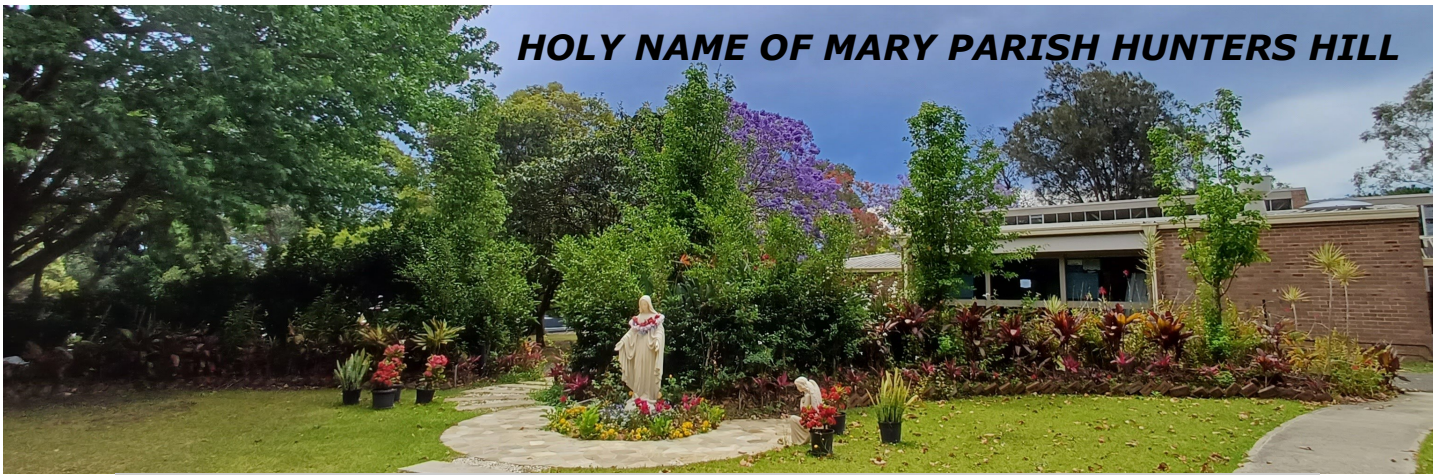


HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH HUNTERS HILL



We acknowledge the Wallumedegal people — the first custodians of this place



MARCH 16 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Year C

MARCH

- 16** **Colin House Family Mass & Morning Tea**
HNOM 10am
- 23** **Marcellin House Family Mass & Morning Tea**
SPC 9am
- 30** **Kindy Families Welcome Mass & Morning Tea**
HNOM 10am

APRIL

- 6** **SPC Working Bee**
SPC Church
Sunday 2pm-4pm
- 6** **Chanel House Family Mass & Morning Tea**
HNOM 10am
- 12** **HNOM Working Bee**
Parish House/Garden
Saturday 2pm-4pm

MAY

- 16** **Parish Dinner**
Save the date.

WEEKLY

Tuesday

Meditation

Tues 10-10:45am
Chapter Hall

Wednesday

Scripture Study

1:30pm Meeting Room

Ukulele

5pm Meeting Room

Friday

Adoration

7:30-9am HNOM

Friday

Legion of Mary

9:30am Chapter Hall

MONTHLY

- 1st** **Friday**
Twiddle Muffs
9:30am Meeting Room
- 1st** **Saturday**
Anointing Mass
8am HNOM
- 2nd** **Saturday**
Marist Laity
9-10:30am Chapter Hall

"A catechist – one who echoes the faith"

A catechist is one who *echoes the faith*. Our faith is comprised of facts and information and beliefs that we hold to be true. We want to echo all of that, not just one facet of the faith. There is a very old saying: "Faith is caught, not taught," which is very true. While it's important to teach the truths and facts of our faith, that is not enough. Some people might argue that the facts are the last thing to worry about and instead focus on coming to know who God is and what Jesus did for us. Good catechesis is not either/or; it's both. We are called to be authentic witnesses who teach by example, by the lives we lead.

For me these few statements are why I decided to teach SRE. I always had the faith, growing up in an Italian Catholic family. Mum and I would always go to Mass, I went to catholic primary and secondary school. We had a close parish priest who helped my mum and dad set up a boarding house for Italian migrants, for when they arrived in Australia, they had somewhere to stay.

This was all normal to me until I got to university and realised that not everyone had faith or a belief in God. The friends I made came from all different back grounds and religions, these people are good people, but just didn't want to or didn't know about Jesus or God.

I didn't think too much about it and went along my own path of faith and understanding who Jesus and God was for me. I got married to my wonderful husband Greg and have 3 wonderful children, who we sent to catholic schools. It was during this time that I understood the statement about "faith is caught, not taught" my children caught the faith through my husband and myself by the lives we lead.

At this point I wanted to help other children to catch that Faith. To always know that God loves them no matter what is happening in their lives or the people around them, so I became a catechist (SRE teacher).

From teaching at our public school, I have grown to have patience, understanding that everyone has a story, a background which may not be easy at times to have faith in anything. However, if I can be the light to remind the children that to have an inner peace and know that God and Jesus will always be with them and love them, throughout their journey.

Just like my journey, I have met people along the way that have lifted, inspired and given me hope during good and bad time. I want our public school Children to "Catch the Faith".



Rosalía Foley, Sacramental Coordinator

OFFICE EMAIL & PHONE ISSUES

We apologise for any inconvenience in contacting the office over the past few days and Thank You for your patience. We have had some issues with the

office@holynameofmaryhh.org.au

email address. The issues appear to have been resolved, but if you continue to experience any problems please call the office or drop by.

If you call us and we are unable to answer, please just leave a message and we will return your call as soon as we can.

BULLETIN EMAIL LIST

If you wish to have the bulletin emailed to you each week, please let us know and we will add you to the subscribers list. If however you are on the list and you **wish to be removed**, please email us and we can remove your email address from the list.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Toefuata'iga - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) a primary school student from Samoa faced severe water shortages at her school. Thanks to Caritas Australia and the generosity of supporters like you, her primary school now has a 10,000 L water tank. Teachers and students now have access to clean drinking water at their school and are able to focus on education.



Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation **boxes, envelopes, scanning the QR code,**



online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS LENT

Stations of the Cross will be held at Holy Name of Mary **every Friday at 7pm during Lent.**

DETENTION CENTRE MINISTRY

Would you like to learn about, and participate in, *the Ministry of visiting the detainees at Villawood?* It is a wonderful comfort to the detainees to have visitors and to participate in prayerful reflection. Please contact **Fr Alikei 0408 896 839.**

Thank you for the generous response to the request for Bibles for the detainees at Villawood Detention Centre. **We now have sufficient.**

WORKING BEES

We are having working bees to tidy the gardens around the Parish house and SPC church.

SPC: Sun 6 April 2pm to 4pm

Parish house: Sat 12 April 2pm to 4pm please bring your gardening tools, and meet at the carpark at 2pm

PARISH DINNER

Great Food & Sensational Company ALL ARE WELCOME

On: **Friday 16th May** (RSVP Friday 9 May)

6.30pm-10.30pm

At: **HUNTERS HILL**

CLUB

Madeline Street Hunters Hill

Buy Tickets Online

<https://events.humanitix.com/holy-name-of-mary-church-hunters-hill-parish-dinner-2025-friday-16th-may>

\$70 per person

If you would like to donate a raffle prize, please drop off at Parish Office. Enquiries: ppc@hnom.com.au

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Volunteers Needed

The Pastoral Care team take communion to the sick in our local nursing homes and people's home generally on Wednesday or Friday mornings. We need more volunteers to help with this important work. If you can spare 1 morning a month I would love to hear from you. Training will be given. Contact **Jennifer 0408 291 942**

GOOD FRIDAY WALK 2025

We are looking for people who would like to be part of our Churches Together

Good Friday Walk for 2025. We need disciples, women of Jerusalem, event organisers and someone to play the role of Jesus and Mary. Please contact richardkorkor@gmail.com or 0410431022.

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD

The Feast of the Annunciation is internationally recognised as the Day of the Unborn Child.

It marks the day Our Lord Jesus Christ became a tiny unborn in His mother's womb.

Join us to honour and celebrate The Day of the Unborn Child, **Sun, 23 March, St. Mary's Cathedral 10am Mass**, followed by 12pm Angelus, prayerful Street Procession, 1pm Benediction led by Archbishop Fisher & Cardinal Mykola Bychok followed by an address at Parliament House.

YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!

The next Youth Group evening will be **Friday 21st March in the Parish Hall, 6-8pm.** If you are in Yr 4 – Yr 6 please come along.

Cost \$5.

To book, scan QR code or follow the link

<https://events.humanitix.com/holy-name-of-mary-hunters-hill-parish-youth-group>



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If you are Year 3 or above and interested in joining the Altar Serving Team, please email altarhnom@gmail.com This is a wonderful way for your children to give back to the community.

HOLY NAME OF MARY POLO SHIRTS

If you are interested in ordering a blue polo shirt with the Holy Name of Mary logo (embroidered in white) please contact **Leesa at Awards R Us, 9879 7313** or drop into the shop at **24 Pittwater Rd, Gladesville.** If you order before Friday 14th March, the cost is \$43. After that the cost will increase to include a delivery fee.

Sizes:

Mens S-5XL

Womens 8-22



2025 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Details and dates for the 2025 Sacramental Programme can be found on our website www.hnom.com.au. Click on the "Sacraments" tab on the top of the homepage.

RECONCILIATION REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY 3rd FEB

If you would like to book your child into the Reconciliation Programme for this year, bookings open Monday 3rd February. Please go to our website www.hnom.com.au and select the "Sacraments" tab at the top of the homepage go into RECONCILIATION and you can book from this page.

PLANNED GIVING ONLINE & BUILDING FUND

First and Second Collections & Building Fund

You can now make regular contributions to the weekly first and second collections & the Building Fund at Mass online, using the QR code below. The first collection supports our priests, the second collection supports Parish operations and the Building Fund assists with the upkeep of our churches and maintenance.

Simply select the relevant collection from the drop-down list and enter the requested information.

Thank you for your generous support!

Our Parish
Our Spiritual Home

APPEAL UPDATE

OUR GOAL: \$300,000
PLEGGED: \$172,550

Pledge forms are available at the church doors

See also back page of Bulletin

JRS DONATIONS

Jesuit Refugee Service are collecting non-perishable food items.

SR FIDELIS

We are still collecting these men's items - toiletries, warm casual clothes, shoes & backpacks/roller luggage.

Please bring all items to the Parish Office

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5813 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE— IS OUR SPECIAL PRIORITY

USED STAMPS- Please place used stamps in boxes provided in both churches. (SPC foyer, HNM side entrance). Monies raised go to Marist Missions.

Pray for... PRAYER ZONE

Lenten Prayer

God of our journey, we are all pilgrims of hope brought together by your love, and your wish that we may all be one. We pray that in this Year of Jubilee, when we are called to greater justice and care for our common home, that we may *Unite Against Poverty*. May we work in unity for the freedom of the oppressed and the renewal of creation. May our compassionate minds and generous hearts help bring about a world where all can live in peace. May our Lenten pilgrimage of fasting, almsgiving and prayer bring us closer to your loving heart. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

Please pray for all those who are sick or in special need in our community: **Moira Sullivan, Tim Kelly, Christine Ward, Sister Mary Comer, Maria Maestro, Adrienne & Tony Ryan, Joe Bannon, Janet Muscat, Suzanne Traill, Valerie Grant, Catherine Keating, Michelle Makin, Colleen Hussin, Bill & Dorothy Campbell and Veronia Rinaldo.**



BAPTISMS:

Congratulations and a very warm welcome to
**Marisa Mallard, Ella Fallico
and Ava & Ario Gaeini**

who will be baptised into our Christian community this weekend.

This Week... SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. 'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this

land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Ps 26:1, 7-9, 13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' **R.**

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **R.**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! **R.**

Second Reading

Philippians 3:17- 4:1

[My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to

study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things.]

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown. *[Short Form: omit text in brackets.]*

Gospel Acclamation

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

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

This is my beloved Son, hear him.

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

Gospel

Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and

John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him'. And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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Next Week:

First Reading : Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15
Second Reading : Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
Gospel Reading : Luke 13:1-9



A PARISH OF THE MARIST FATHERS

PLANNED GIVING & PARISH BUILDING FUND

Payments for regular Planned Giving (1st and 2nd collections) or the Parish Building Fund can be made by scanning the QR code.



CATHOLIC WEEKLY LINK <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/catholic-weekly-newspaper-online/>

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Holy Name of Mary:

Sat.6.00pm

Sun.8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm.

St. Peter Chanel: Sunday – 9.00am.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Holy Name of Mary:

Monday to Friday – 9.00am.

Saturday – 8.00am.

St Peter Chanel: Wednesday 12.15pm

RECONCILIATION:

Holy Name of Mary:

Saturday - 5.15pm-5.45pm or by request.

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New or Returning Parishioners...

Please come along to the Parish Office for a warm welcome and to pick up a Parish Information Kit.

Parish Safeguarding Support Officer:

Linda Power:

E: safeguarding@holynameofmaryhh.org.au

BAPTISMS & PREP EVENINGS:

Please book online on the Sacraments tab, via our website www.hnom.com.au.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENINGS:

Feb 13th, March 12th, April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, Aug 13th, Sept 10th, Oct 8th, Nov 12th, Dec 10th in Parish Hall @ 7.30pm

MARRIAGE:

At least six months notice must be given. The parish clergy will officiate primarily for parishioners. Others will generally need to arrange their own Priest or Deacon.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

PPC Chair: Tom Roche, contact Parish Office 9817-5325

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Villa Play Group: Tues 9:30-11:30am
Parish Hall. Becky Klimeck 0475 568 060
www.hnom.com.au/children

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OUR PARISH PRAYER

Loving God,

you are the home for our hearts' deepest longings.

We find our way as families and as individuals only in you, through our brother Jesus, encouraged by the breath of your Spirit.

We thank you for all the blessings we enjoy in our parish family.

May we continue to share our gifts of life and love with glad and generous hearts.

May our world be somehow more alive because we have passed this way.

May Mary our parish patron continue to inspire us as we give new birth to your Word in our turn.

We make our prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.