



WELCOME TO THE PARISHES
OF ST COLUMBKILLE'S
AND ST JOSEPH'S



St Columbkille's
Catholic Parish
CORRIMAL

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7 December 2025
Second Sunday of Advent Year A

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MASS TIMES AT ST COLUMBKILLE'S CORRIMAL

MON	8 DEC	FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION BVM <u>9:30AM MASS</u> (WITH SCHOOL)
TUES	9 DEC	10AM <u>ITALIAN MASS</u>
WED	10 DEC	ANGELUS <u>12MD MASS</u>
THUR	11 DEC	<u>5PM</u> ADORATION CONFESSION <u>6PM MASS</u>
FRI	12 DEC	ANGELUS <u>12MD MASS</u>
SAT	13 DEC	5:30PM CONFESSION <u>6PM VIGIL MASS</u>

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: TBC | POWERPOINT: K THOMPSON

SUN 14 DEC– THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YR A

9:30AM MASS LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: TBC | PPOINT: J EDWARDS

COUNTERS: M & L BROOKHOUSE, J BERTACCO

11AM ITALIAN MASS WITH FR ANGELO



MASS TIMES AT ST JOSEPH'S BULLI

MON	8 DEC	FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION BVM 8:30AM ROSARY & LITANY OF OUR LADY <u>9:30AM MASS</u> (WITH SCHOOL)
WED	10 DEC	<u>4:30PM</u> ROSARY & EXPOSITION <u>5PM MASS</u>
THUR	11 DEC	ANGELUS <u>12MD MASS</u>
FRI	12 DEC	8AM EXPOSITON & ADORATION <u>9AM</u> ROSARY <u>9:30AM MASS</u> 10AM RECONCILIATION MORNING TEA

SUN 14 DEC- THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

8:30AM MASS | **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

READERS: C FERNANDES, O PULIS | GREETER: C FERNANDES | ACOLYTE: D WHEATLEY | PPOINT: M HELSIN

5PM: RECONCILIATION | 5:30PM MASS

READERS : K HOPE, R GALLAGHER | GREETER: PEREZ | ACOLYTE: C HADLEY | POWERPOINT: A

The 2nd Sunday
of Advent Year A
encourages reflection
and readiness. It
reminds us to live with
hope, repentance, and
unity as we await
the Saviour.

[2nd Sunday of Advent Year A \(Dec 7, 2025\) Free Re-
sources and Reflections – Young Catholics](#)



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
of THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | THIS MONDAY 8th DECEMBER

ALL WELCOME

St Joseph's Bulli	8:30am	Rosary & Litany of Our Lady
	9:30am	MASS for school & Parish
St Columbkille's Corrimal	9:30am	MASS for school & Parish

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, BULLI
CHRISTMAS CONCERT (SCHOOL GROUNDS)

When: THIS WEDNESDAY, 10th December
Time: 6pm—7:30pm

BULLI CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS

Flowers such as Christmas Bush, Agapanthus or Hydrangeas are needed, **please deliver on Christmas Eve (Wed) from 8:00am till 10:00am.**



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH END OF YEAR GATHERING | SUNDAY, 14TH DEC

Fr Patrick together with the Parish Leadership Committee would like to invite you **Sunday, 14th Dec, 6:30pm-8:30pm (after 5:30pm Mass).** Drinks & Light refreshments provided in the Parish Courtyard. **Please RSVP by signing the sheet provided at the Narthex by 10th Dec or call the Parish office. You are welcome to bring a plate to share.**

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH | Sat 20 DECEMBER We are calling for a **Working Bee for our Church** and grounds to prepare for Christmas on **Saturday, 20/12/25 beginning at 8:30am till 11am.** Please come with a pair of gloves, some cloths & furniture / glass cleaners. One or two hours of your time will make a difference. Thanks for the help you give our Parish. *Fr Patrick*

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2025

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

WED, 17TH DEC 5:30PM AT BULLI
THURS, 18TH DEC 6:30PM AT CORRIMAL

ST COLUMBKILLE'S CORRIMAL

CHRISTMAS EVE | WED, 24TH DECEMBER

7:30PM VIGIL MASS

11PM VIGIL MASS

NO MIDNIGHT MASS

CHRISTMAS DAY | THURSDAY 25TH DEC
9:30AM MASS

ST JOSEPH'S, BULLI

CHRISTMAS EVE | WED, 24TH DECEMBER

3PM RECONCILIATION

5PM VIGIL MASS

7PM VIGIL MASS

CHRISTMAS DAY | THURSDAY, 25TH DECEMBER

8:30AM MASS

NB: NO EVENING MASS



ST VINCENT DE PAUL
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

There will be a bucket collection this weekend 6/7 December. Thank you for your generosity.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CORRIMAL & BULLI

For the month of December we are asking for **packets of spaghetti, pasta sauce, packets of 2 minute noodles.** Thank you to parishioners who continue to support our request.

THE BLESSING OF GRAVES & NICHES AT ST COLUBKILLE'S CEMETERY | SUN, 7 DEC:

I will be celebrating the **9:30am Mass, Sunday, 7 December** and to pray for all the Holy Souls and our loved ones. I will be **Blessing the graves and niches in our cemetery.** **Please join me** to have the graves of your family Blessed. **It will be straight after 9:30am Mass.** *Fr Patrick*

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES - ST JOSEPH'S & ST COLUMBKILLE'S: PLEASE NOTE TO LOOK FOR YOUR NAMES WHICH ARE CLEARLY LABELLED ON THE BOX. **WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING.**

THE DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG WARMLY INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE THE ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF DEACONS SINH LE, JOSEPH V NGUYEN and DARREN McDOWELL to be conferred by Bishop Brian Mascord.

This will take place **10am on Saturday 13 December 2025** at **All Saints Church, Shellharbour**. This is a moment of great grace for our diocese. As Deacons enter these final days of preparation, we keep them close in prayer, trusting in Holy Spirit's guidance as they draw near to their ordination. *(excerpt taken from DOW website)*



LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE & PARISH CAROLS 2025: You are invited to be a part of the Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Parish Carols at **St Francis Xavier Cathedral** on **Friday 19th December 2025, 7pm to 8.30pm.**

THE SONG COMPANY CONCERT - HARK | SAT, 13 DEC | 3PM | ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL, WOLLONGONG: The Song Company returns this December with Hark! 2025 – our much-loved annual celebration of the festive season. This radiant program rejoices in family, memory, and belonging, bringing together timeless Christmas favourites and sparkling contemporary works from Poulenc, Pärt, Judith Weir, Gabriel Jackson, and Bob Chilcott, alongside Australian composers Alice Chance, David Yardley, Joe Twist, and Ruth McCall. Join us in Wollongong for an evening of choral music and festive cheer. **Tickets here:** <https://the-song-company.supporterhub.net.au/events/hark-wollongong-13-december-2025?>

CARITAS AUSTRALIA - BE A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS FOR FAMILIES FACING ADVERSITY THIS CHRISTMAS - This Christmas, we are inviting Australians to “be a light in the darkness for families who are living through the trauma of war, displacement, and poverty. The intensity of the conflict in **Ukraine** has increased and more people are experiencing displacement and poverty. But with your support, we can bring hope to these families. Our partner, **Caritas Ukraine** are on the ground working hard to prepare food kits, emergency shelter kits and psychological assistance to families facing adversity. **Donate today:** <https://www.caritas.org.au/christmas-appeal/be-the-light-in-darkness/>



VOLUNTEER 2026

This is a fantastic opportunity to share your gift of service & connect with others. **Please call the Parish office on 4284 3000** to find out how you can get involved.

VOCATION VIEW John the Baptist cried out and made ready for the Lord. Promote the gospel in our community (Luke 3:1-6) ***If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane at vocations@dow.org.au***

BAPTISMAL PREP MEETINGS BULLI & CORRIMAL

NEW DATES WILL BE PLACED ON THE WEBSITES SHORTLY AND ON THE BULLETIN FOR UPDATES.

ST JOSEPH'S COLUMBARIUM & PEACE GARDEN

IF INTERESTED PLEASE VISIT THE PARISH OFFICE OR **CALL ON 4284 3000.** PLEASE NOTE THAT **THERE WILL BE A PRICE INCREASE IN 2026.**

AVAILABLE IN BOTH PARISHES.

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY NEWSPAPER:	\$2
VINNIES CHRISTMAS CARD:	\$10 (PK OF 10)
COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR 2026:	\$10
THE PROMISE ADVENT BOOK:	\$5
HAND MADE VARIOUS CARDS	3 FOR \$10
<i>(PROCEEDS FROM GO TO CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY)</i>	
MULBERRY JAM (* ONLY IN BULLI)	\$10 /JAR
<i>(PROCEEDS GO TO IMMACULATA SISTERS)</i>	

POPE LEO XIV'S MESSAGE DURING HIS RECENT VISIT IN LEBANON:

“I CARRY AWAY WITH ME PAIN, AND THE THIRST FOR TRUTH AND JUSTICE, OF SO MANY FAMILIES, OF AN ENTIRE COUNTRY. LEBANON IS MORE THAN A COUNTRY; IT IS A MESSAGE!” LET US LEARN TO WORK TOGETHER AND HOPE TOGETHER, SO THAT THIS MAY BECOME A REALITY.” “CHOOSE PEACE AS WAY, NOT JUST A GOAL” [Pope Leo at Beirut farewell: 'Choose peace as a way, not just a goal' - Vatican News](#)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Isaiah

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse, a scion thrusts from his roots: on him the spirit of the Lord rests, a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of counsel and power, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. (The fear of the Lord is his breath.) He does not judge by appearances, he gives no verdict on hearsay, but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land. His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless, his sentences bring death to the wicked. Integrity is the loincloth round his waist, faithfulness the belt about his hips. The wolf lives with the lamb, the panther lies down with the kid, calf and lion cub feed together with a little boy to lead them. The cow and the bear make friends, their young lie down together. The lion eats straw like the ox. The infant plays over the cobra's hole; into the viper's lair the young child puts his hand. They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy mountain, for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters swell the sea. That day, the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples. It will be sought out by the nations and its home will be glorious.

Responsorial Psalm:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fulness of peace for ever.

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everything that was written long ago in the scriptures was meant to teach us something about hope from the examples scripture gives of how people who did not give up were helped by God. And may he who helps us when we refuse to give up, help you all to be tolerant with each other, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that united in mind and voice you may give glory to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you. The reason Christ became the servant of circumcised Jews was not only so that God could faithfully carry out the promises made to the patriarchs, it was also to get the pagans to give glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says in one place: For this I shall praise you among the pagans and sing your name.

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!**

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet Isaiah spoke of when he said: A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, "We have Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

Communion Antiphon:

**Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy
which comes to you from God.**

DECEASED: Patricia Delbridge, Angelo Barone, Jeanette Elchaar, Michael Bernard O'Neill, Howard McGarry, Jacky Melder, Luigi Belsito, Michael O'Neil, Michael de Rosa, Frances de Rosa, Ettore de Rosa, Sr Martina Sarkis, Wilfred Moon, Grazia (Grace) Ugonotti, Elsie Bell, Daniel Hiew, Margaret Tonna, Bruce Cusworth, Rosina Genua, Michelle Crinnion, Rita Bonaz, Peter Stewart, Members of the Lopresti Family, Totino Family & Ierino family.

SICK: Fr John Pickering OFM, Lucila Montano, Jean McKeown, Joy Raines, Kara McKinnon, Manuela Manzini, Rhian Yeo, Errol Hansell, Colin Lewis, Sara Giannella, Tony Murphy, Robert Heyman, Vincent King, Frank Zompogna, Alessandro & Concetta Di Grazia.

MASS INTENTIONS: Dan Van Duin