



HOLY FAMILY PARISH, MT DRUITT

Under the care of the Australian Jesuit Province

252 -254 Luxford Road, Emerton NSW 2770



PARISH VISION: Holy Family Mt Druitt is a welcoming community: on a journey towards a personal encounter with Jesus; called to unity and celebrating our diversity; living and sharing the joy of the Gospel.

We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

Parish Office:

Located in the Holy Family Centre
(via 11 Emert Pde, Emerton NSW 2770)

Postal Address:

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9.00am - 4.30pm
Friday: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Find us on

Holy Family Parish, Mt Druitt

<https://fb.me/HFPMtDruitt>

Or visit our website:

www.holyfamily.org.au

PARISH TEAM

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Kevin Johnson

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Mass Times at Holy Family, Emerton

WEEKDAY:

Monday - Saturday: 9.00am

WEEKEND:

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm
Sunday: 9.00am & 10.30am

**NO MASSES AT WILLMOT
UNTIL SUNDAY 18th JANUARY 2026**

Mass and Anointing
2nd Saturday of every month:
9.00am

Holy Hour - Emerton
Saturdays from 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays: 9.30am - 10.00am OR
by appointment.

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Reflection for the

The Epiphany of the Lord

The Feast of the Epiphany is a celebration of light and revelation. It marks the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus, highlighting that His coming is for all nations. Through reflections on Isaiah's prophecy, Paul's letter to the Ephesians, and the Gospel of Matthew, we explore how Jesus' light shines for all, guiding and inviting us to follow Him.

The Light That Shines for All

The Feast of the Epiphany is a celebration of light. Isaiah's prophecy speaks of a great light shining upon Jerusalem. This light attracts nations and kings. It shows the presence of God and marks the beginning of a new time. This prophecy points to the coming of Jesus, the Messiah. He is the light for all people. Isaiah mentions gifts of gold and frankincense. These gifts are the same as those the Magi brought to Jesus. This connection ties the Old Testament to the New Testament. It shows how the prophecies are fulfilled in Jesus. The gifts of the Magi honor Jesus as king and God.

The Epiphany is not just about an event long ago. It reminds us that Jesus' mission is for everyone. He came for all nations and all people. The light of Jesus shines on us today, guiding us and showing us the way. This light invites us to follow Jesus and to share His light with others.

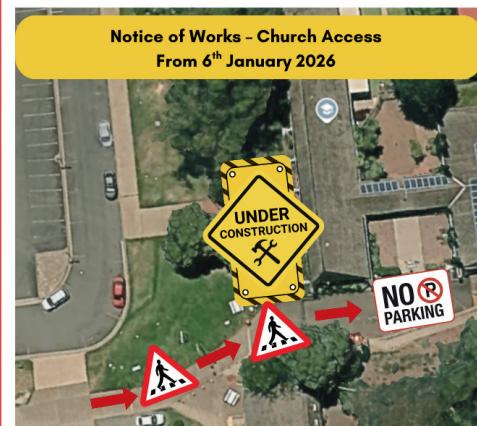
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Rise up in splendor,
Jerusalem! Your light
has come, the glory of
the Lord shines upon you.
See, darkness covers the
earth, and thick clouds
cover the peoples; but
upon you the Lord
shines, and over you
appears his glory.

Isaiah 60:1-2



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Notice of Works on Front Pavement - Church Access

Please be advised that concrete works on the front pavement will commence on Tuesday, 6 January 2026, and are expected to take approximately 10 days to complete.

During this time:

- The front stairs and ramp will be closed
- Disabled parking will be unavailable due to safety requirements
- Access to the church will be via the driveway to the disabled parking area only

We ask for your patience and cooperation while these essential works are carried out.

Thank you for your understanding.



SCRIPTURE READINGS - YEAR A

The Epiphany of the Lord

LET US HEAR AND RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD

**Collect:**

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 71 (72): 1-2, 7-8, 10-13
R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

Matthew 2:2

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

LIST OF THE SICK: Richard Ward, Marie Purcell, Soane Quensell, Pam Picart-Manalac, Ketea Vave, Kim Ahmad, Vivian Masters, Makasini Vave, Fifita Sitani, Loretta Josephine Seupule, Leue Dunlop, Lino Dunlop, Cheryl Barrell, Lisimoa Hufanga, Jenny Gillman, Chris Wilson, Norah Gibson, Sabrina Ellingsworth, Jean Mari Frederic, Brian Russel, Toss Van den Berg, Pat Phelan, John Murray, Lemisio Fa'ulua, Lourdes Bustamante, Pippa O'Neal, Mathew Sieders, Jose Manalo, Fely Dela Paz Manalo, Maria Barbara, Sylvia Greene, Mayda Attachian, Faye Iffland, Tim Meagher, Emma Lawrence, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fara Vargas, Fe Llave, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave.

RECENT ANNIVERSARIES: Joyce Prevett, Lee West.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2026**
For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church. Amen.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH - ON-SITE SERVICES
Christmas & Summer Closure Dates 2025-2026

Holy Family Primary School: 18/12/2025 - 27/01/2026

Life Start: 19/12/2025 - 05/01/2026

Holy Family Pre-School: 19/12/2025 - 27/01/2026

Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation: 19/12/2025 - 16/01/2026
Programs recommence February 2026

Willmot Community Hub & JSS: 19/12/2025 - 05/01/2026

Ignite Food Store: 19/12/2025 - 12/01/2026

St Vincent de Paul Hub(Vinnies): 10/12/2025 - 21/01/2026

Aboriginal Catholic Services: 18/12/2025 - 05/01/2026
•OzHarvest Hampers resume: 8 January 2026

The Shed
Closed on public holidays. Will remain open.

Holy Family Parish Office
24 December 2025 - 6 January 2026

For urgent matters, please contact:
(02) 9628 7272

Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

The revelations means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

*We have seen his star in the East;
and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!*

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

We have come from the East to worship the king.

Prayer After Communion:

Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord, always and everywhere, that we may perceive with clear sight and revere with true affection the mystery in which you have willed us to participate. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings for Sunday 11th January 2026:

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

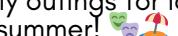
\ 1st Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7 //

\ 2nd Reading: Acts 10: 34-38 //

\ Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17 //

**SUMMER FAMILY HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2026**

Fun, family-friendly outings for local families this summer!



Bluey's Big Play - Sat 10 Jan, 12:30pm,
Sydney Coliseum Theatre

Clontarf Beach Day - Wed 14 Jan
Austinmer Beach Day - Fri 23 Jan

Tickets & full flyer: www.holyfamily.org.au

Tickets go on sale from Tuesday 6th January 2026

LITURGICAL 10th / 11th JANUARY 2026**5.30pm Vigil Mass**

Minister at the Altar: J. Gillman / P. Morell
Minister of the Word: F. Hinder / G. Bruton
Eucharistic Minister: T. Murray
AV Operator: P. Gillman

9am Sunday Mass

Minister at the Altar: S. Watt / M. Mealamu
Minister of the Word: M. Clements / E. Villanueva
Eucharistic Minister: C. Payne
AV Operator: M. Abad

10.30am Sunday Mass

Minister at the Altar: M. Funaki / P. Loloa
Minister of the Word: K. Loloa / P. Mafi
Eucharistic Minister: -
AV Operator: V. Setefano

*If you would like to be a part of the roster,
please see Sr Carlene OR contact the Parish Office.*

SERVE THE LORD IN HIS WORD AND SACRAMENT

The next **Liturgical Ministry Training Course** will be held in Blacktown and Penrith in 2026.

Enrolments close Friday, 23rd January 2026
(or earlier if full).

Enrolment forms are available at the back of the church.

Please return the signed form as soon as possible to secure your place.