

Mha Bairira

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

21st & 22nd September 2019

Amos 8:4-7; Ps 112; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 . Eucharistic Prayer 2

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| Sunday 22nd September 25thSunday in Ordinary Time Year C | 7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 10.30am Listening & Dialogue- Vince Dobson Group 11.00am Baptism 3.00pm Schubertiade Choral and Chamber Concert | |
| Monday 23rd September St. Pius of Pietrelcina | 9.00am Mass 7.30pm Listening & Dialogue g Fuller | raup-Colleen |
| Tuesday 24th September | 9.00am Mass 7.00pm Cantabile Choir Practice | |
| Wednesday 25th September | 8.00am Mass followed by Rosary 9.30am Playgroup P/C 7.00pm Bridge P/C | |
| Thursday 26th September | 9.00am Mass 1.00pm SRE Meeting M/R 1.30pm Bridge P/C 7.30pm International Dance Group P/C | |
| Friday 27th September Sts Vincent de Paul & Finbar | 9.15am St. Finbar's Feast Day School Mass 1.00pm Bowlers P/C | |
| Saturday 28th September | 9.00am Mass 10:30am Te Deum Choir practice 4.45pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass | |
| Sunday 29th September 26thSunday in Ordinary Time Year C | 7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass | - |

Reflection on the Gospel

We return again to the Lukan theme of money and how it can get in the way of being a true disciple. This week's gospel passage reminds us that we cannot be a follower of God and



chase after riches at the same time. That parable of the steward and his master is one that is rarely quoted and would be unfamiliar to most readers. The actions of the steward upon learning that he is to be dismissed seem to us to be evidence of his dubious dealings and yet the master praises his astuteness.

When a steward entered into loans and deals on behalf of his master, he would build into the repayment a profit for himself. This was quite normal and acceptable. So the amount that the steward asks the debtors to reduce their debts to the master is actually the cut that he had built into the deal for himself. His actions are, surprisingly, quite noble and legitimate. What he is doing is ensuring that his master receives all that is owed to him whilst the steward is making himself more popular with the debtors because they don't have to pay back as much. It would be like a modern day salesman saying that he would forego his commission on the sale so that the purchaser didn't have to pay as much.

But why does Jesus use this parable? He makes the point that when the crunch comes – when the kingdom of God is imminent – monetary wealth is going to be meaningless. It is best to cut your losses and turn your energy to building relationships rather than riches.

Reflection by Greg Sunter

SUNDAY BAPTISMS:

The Parish joyfully announces the Baptism of Parker Henry Rayner and Isaiah Leila Angeles this Sunday, and warmly welcomes them into our Faith Community.



WELCOME all visitors to our church today. We extend our greetings to you. If you wish to join St Finbar's Parish, please make yourself known to one of our Wardens so we can give you our Parish Welcome Pack.

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ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

Thank vou!

Many thanks to the 75+ parishioners who participated in the Listening and Dialogue groups that have been running in our parish over the past 4 weeks and to the many more who have been praying during this time. We are so privileged to be part of such a hope-filled and dynamic faith community here at St Finbars.

A special thank you to the facilitators of these groups for creating a safe and welcoming space for us to discern, listen and dialogue together:

Vince and Carmel Dobson, Wendy and Steve Brown, Martin and Lyndal Rogers, Mila Svehla, Ann O'Connor, Colleen Fuller, Carolyn Duval, Claire Brown, Andrew Duval and Jesse Mowbray. Thanks also to Jim and Julie-Ann McLoughlin for coordinating Friday night Adoration.

If you were not able to participate in one of the small groups but would like to contribute your thoughts and ideas, then please complete one of the feedback forms available in the church foyer and place it in the box provided.

A parish gathering will be held on Sunday October 27 after the 9.30am Mass and everyone is welcome. This will be an opportunity for each small group to share some of the key messages that emerged during this process of listening and dialogue and to find out about how we hope to respond to these as a community. Please continue to pray for the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit during this significant time.

PARISH TRIVIA NIGHT: The Parish Trivia night will be held on Saturday 12th October in the Hall at 6.30pm (for a 7pm start). The cost will be \$10 per person and there will be room for 8 people on each table. BYO drinks and nibbles. We will set up a table in the Narthex next week where you can write the names of the people on your table. We will also have a Guessing Competition set up on the table. The cost is \$1 per guess or 3 guesses for \$2. **<u>DONATIONS WANTED</u>** - we are looking for donations of non-perishable food & household items (tea, coffee, biscuits, cereals, dishwashing liquid, cleaning products etc.) which will be used for prizes. Please place these items in the washing baskets near the table in the Narthex. Looking forward to a great night full of fun.

CARERS WEEK EVENT

15th October 2019

High tea with the silver fox quartet (Story telling & Poetry) St. Finbar's Parish Centre 10am – 1pm Carers and Others Welcome - Wheelchair access For Catering purpose please write your name on sheet at the wardens table Or Contact Kath 47392651; ktierney@bigpond.net.au RSVP 9th October

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Gillian Roche (relative of Brian and Thea), Charlotte Mansour (Juliana Khnouf's mum), George Frampton, John Parker (husband of Gwen), Tony Hickey, Brian Martland, Aiyana Cabanero, Baby Joseph Maher, Kathleen O'Connor, Victor Baker, Rita O'Malley, Stanley Harris and Ian McNay.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Chris McGillion, Robert Carey (Ann Keating's brother), Ken Moore, Margaret Christensen, Ryder Lopez, Rev. Max Barrett (CSSR) (Jim Barrett's Brother), Sandra & Chris Paine, Mark Bates, Lyn Downes, Reg Moore, Pam Clyne, Mary & Robert Keith, Ellen Moffitt, Terry Stevens, Jacqui Visser, Elise & Hilary Doyle, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Sophie Hollies, Colleen Nolan and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSRIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Philomena Quinn, Ethel Cornish, Eileen Gillian, Sylvia Bourke, Maria Boehm, Marie Hill, Christopher McNamara, Mary Heaver, Grace Chambers, Roch Cunningham, Mary O'Connor, Kathleen Rowe, Patricia Nagle, Thelma Dwyer, Shirley Glover, Thomas Beattie and Paul Morgan.



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ACADEMY SINGERS AND SYDNEY SCHUBERT SOCIETY

present

"SCHÜBERTIADE"

This Sunday the 22nd of September at **3pm**.

A celebration of the works of Franz Schubert including choral and chamber music **Directed by Paul Terracini**

Afternoon tea will be served in the parish hall after the concert. Adults \$25, Concession \$20, Child \$5, Family \$55

DROUGHT RELIEF: We have a car available to take food and toiletries to Gunnedah on 19th October. If you would like to support this parish initiative, please place items into boxes in the Narthex. Thank you from the Pastoral care team and St. Vincent De Paul.

<u>PARRAMATTA CATHOLIC FOUNDATION GIFTS IN WILLS CAMPAIGN.</u> What Will Be Your Legacy of Faith, Hope and Charity? During Include A Charity Week, we invite you – after providing for your loved ones – to consider leaving a Gift in your Will to our Parish, or a ministry in Parramatta Diocese. Legacy gifts advance Christian works of faith, hope and charity for future generations. For information on remembering the Church in your Will: yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills

<u>Diocese of Parramatta Notices</u> <u>Plenary Council 2020</u>

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The "Listening and Discernment" phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

<u>Institute for Mission (IFM) in conjunction with St Thomas Aquinas Parish, invite parishioners for the workshop:</u>

"From Invisible to Invincible - Embracing God's gift of years"

WHEN: Wednesday, 9 October 2019

WHERE: St Thomas Aquinas Parish Centre, 168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood TIME: 10.30am – 1pm. Contact and RSVP: Margaret Smith (0427 081 936)

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass: 27 October

All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on 27 October at 11am. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Mass and will join couples and their families for a light lunch in the Cathedral Hall afterwards. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 02 8838 3460 or email lmf@parracatholic.org.

ACBC Social Justice Statement 2019/20:

The Australian Catholic Bishop Conference has launched its 2019/20 Social Justice Statement: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world,' ahead of Social Justice Sunday on 29 September. The Statement shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. Order the Statement online at bit.ly/socialjusticeshop. For further details about the Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice website www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or call (02) 8306 3499.

Catholic Bushwalking Club Are you are interested in Bushwalking, Camping, Abseiling, Canyon and Ski Trips? Apply for Membership with the CBC Visit our website www.cbcnsw.org.au Or contact Adriana on 0478 919 427



PARISH INFORMATION

<u>Sacraments</u>

Sat 4.45-5.15pm Confessions: Baptisms: By Appointment Weddings: By Appointment

9.30am - 3.00pm

Office Hours: 9.30am - 3.00pm Monday to Friday Office Phone: (02) 4739 8928

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| Liturgical Ministries | 5.30pm | 7.30 am | 9.30 am |
| Sacristan | Marie Hurley | Carl Moll | Gerard Egan |
| Senior Server | Patrick McLoughlin | Carl Moll | Volunteer Please |
| Junior Server | Volunteer Please | | Volunteer Please |
| Warden | Huia Kingi | Volunteer Please | Gary Clune |
| Welcomer | Paul Etherington | | Peter & Trish Hurley |
| 1st Reading | Eileen Jones | Maura Williams | Carmel Higgins |
| 2 nd Reading | Gideon Goosen | Geraldine Lohan | Yvonne Scanlan |
| Intercession | Duane Parslow | John De Mattia | Joanne Stubbs |
| I.T Operator | Yvonne Etherington | Elizabeth Konza | Patrick Watson |
| Musician | | | Cantabile |
| Presentation of the Gifts | Parishioners are | Invited to bring | Up the gifts |
| Minister of | John Verhoeven | Margaret Dickson | Stephen Brown |
| Communion | Sandra O'Meara | Ian Dickson | Wendy Brown |
| | Chris O'Meara | Colleen Fuller | Sue McGrath |
| | Beth Culliver | John Killeen | Bernie Fisher |
| Children's Liturgy | School Holiday | | |
| Cashier | Margaret Christensen & Joe Grange | | |
| Hospitality | Julie Fehon, Anne Hobbs, Martin & Lyndel Rogers | | |
| Church Care | Julie Fehon, Tania Walker, Janette Ankers, Lynda Favell & Kylie Lane | | |
| Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass | Noreen Taylor | | |
| Garden Club | Tony 1 | Doyle, Neil Evans & Helen | Keogh |

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