

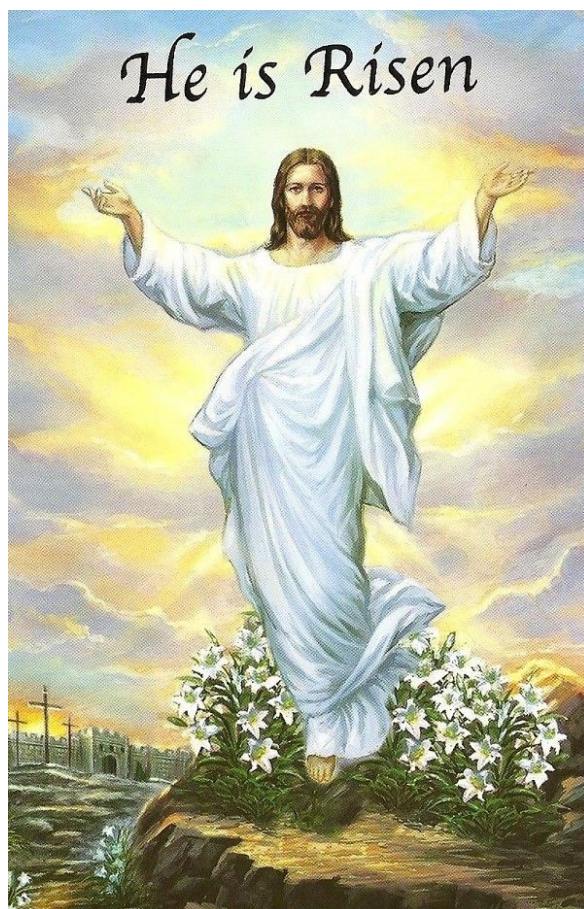
The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook

31st March and 1st April 2018

Easter Sunday, Year B

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 117; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9



He is Risen

Christ Is Risen, Alleluia

Sunday 1st April Easter Sunday	7.30am 9.30am Masses.	Thursday 5 April	9.00am Mass 1.30pm Bridge. P/C 7.30pm Blue Labyrinth Dancers P/C
Monday 2nd April	9.00am Mass	Friday 6 April	9.00am Mass & Benediction 10.00am First Friday Visits 11.30am Cantabile Church 1.00pm Bowlers. P/C 4.00pm School Disco P/C
Tuesday 3rd April	9.00am Mass. 8.00am School Easter Liturgy P/C 7.00pm St. Finbar's Netball Club P/C 7.30pm Baptism Prep. Meeting M/R	Saturday 7 April	9.00am Mass. Te Deum's Choir Practice 4.45pm– 5.15pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass
Wednesday 4th April	8:00am Mass followed by Rosary. 9.30am Playgroup P/C 7.00pm Bridge P/C	Sunday 8 April Divine Mercy Sunday	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptism

***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.*

ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NEWS

Happy Easter from Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and the Diocese of Parramatta.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Lecture Series

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) has engaged Dr Laurie Woods to present on the Gospel of Mark. Venue: IFM, Marion St, Blacktown. Time: 10 am - 2pm. Dates: Friday April 6, Friday April 13. All are welcome. BYO lunch. RSVPs to Maree 02 9890 4731

URGENT REQUEST: *We need a Warden for the 4th Saturday of the month 5.30pm Vigil Mass and 2nd Sunday of the month 9.30am Mass. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office on 47398928 or email secretary@stfinbars.org.au. Thank you*

SVDP CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2017

We would like to acknowledge the generous donations and support from parishioners and the parents, teachers and students of St Finbar's School. Coles Supermarket at Winmalee also donated 50 green bags to assist with the distribution of the hampers. We thank them for their support.

If you provided items for the hampers or toys for the gift tree, bought a calendar, contributed to the leaving collection or assisted the conference members deliver the hampers and toys then you made a very valuable contribution to the success of the Christmas Appeal. Well done and thank you.

Your financial support included \$1,492 from the leaving collection, \$244 profit from the sale of calendars, 22 hampers at a nominal value of \$1,420 and donated toys at a nominal value of \$500.

A TOTAL OF \$3,656 WOW! THANK YOU ST FINBAR'S PARISH COMMUNITY.

Excess Hampers and toys were transported to St Vincent de Paul Society at Forbes by conference members as an outreach to country conferences with greater needs and less resources.

Thank you and may God bless you all.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – 8TH APRIL, AT LEURA CATHOLIC CHURCH, RAILWAY PDE.

LEURA. Please come and help us celebrate. Jesus said “*The souls that will go to confession and Holy Communion on this day will obtain complete remission of all sin and punishment*”. A priest will be in attendance to hear confession. Celebrations – prayer, singing, etc commence at 3pm Benediction will be at 4.20pm and Mass at 5pm. Enquiries to be directed to: Katoomba Parish Office – 4782 2804

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Julia Gunning, Ena Baker, Fr Peter McGrath, Grace Buckley, Fr George O'Mara, Robert Sisson, Olive O'Neil (Cath Newton's mum), Robyn Kopp and Geoff Shalala.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Elise Redymane, Fr. Chris de Souza, Pam Clyne, Mary & Robert Keith, Josephine Teece, Ken & Kathleen Moore, Mary Ann Manalili, Ellen Moffitt, Jane Bloor, Ena Baker, Terry Stevens, Jeff Dean, Grant Madden, Jacqui Visser, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Carmel Quilty Malone, John Roebuck, Colleen Nolan, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Shirley Glover, Little Majella and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Harold Gapps, Monica Barron, Mary Dutfield, Marjory Plevy, John Burrowes, Imre Varga, Mary Kiel, Agnes Collins, John Gibson, James Sims, Wallace Whye, Margaret Noonan and John Downes.

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**LEURA MEMORIAL
GARDENS FUNERALS**

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DIVINE MERCY

Next Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter, is Divine Mercy Sunday. This week we look at the origins of the Divine Mercy Image and the upcoming feast day.

THE DIVINE MERCY IMAGE

The earliest element of the Devotion to the Divine Mercy revealed to St Faustina was the Image. On February 22nd, 1931 our Lord appeared to St Faustina in a vision. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the Heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. Jesus said to her:

Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and [then] throughout the world (Diary 47).

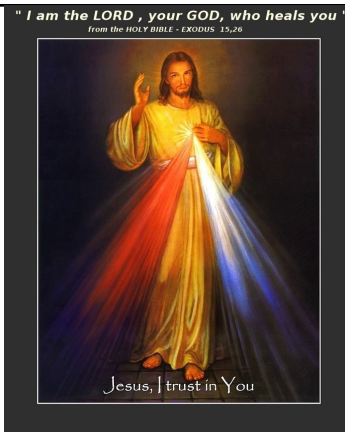
The two rays denote Blood and Water. the pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who dwells in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him (Diary 299).

Divine Mercy Sunday - the Feast of Mercy

During the course of Jesus' revelations to St Faustina He asked on numerous occasions that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy and that this feast be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. This Feast was granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of St Faustina on 30 April 2000.

Extracted from: <http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/mercy/>

You are invited to join in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy after each of the Masses next weekend. This will only take about 15 minutes and is prayed using rosary beads.



THE ART OF MARRIAGE SEMINAR: ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE.

Date: Saturday the 5th of May & Saturday the 19th of May, 2018

Time: 9.30am to 4.00pm Cost: \$70 per couple

Location: Don Bosco Centre, 10 Mamre Rd, St. Mary's.

For Registration text Cos 0410475723 or Kim 0406127194.

See fliers on Warden's table for more details.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION, SUNDAY 8 APRIL. ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH, SPRINGWOOD.

Celebrant: Fr. Isuru Weliwatte MGL, Speaker: Costandi Bastoli.

1.30pm Blessing of Divine Mercy Image. Reconciliation, Praise, Reflection, Divine Mercy Chaplet.

2.30pm Holy Mass, Veneration of the Mercy Image and Personal Prayer Ministry.

See fliers on Warden's table for more details. All Welcome.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR: In response to Pope Francis' appeal we invite you to an Introduction Night to the Life in the Spirit. Those who participate in the Life in the Spirit seminars testify to experiencing love, peace, joy, and their personal Pentecost. They discover and empower their spiritual gifts. 7:30pm Tuesday 3rd April Don Bosco Centre, 10-12 Mamre Rd St Marys. To register text us on 0410 475 723 - Cost Free

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Weddings: By Appointment

Office Hours: 9.30am - 3.00pm

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ROSTER FOR 7 & 8 APRIL 2018

Liturgical Ministries	5.30 pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	John Verhoeven	Rodney Moffitt	Deb Lawrence
Senior Server	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Carl Moll	Andrew Duval
Junior Server	Lara Selby		Volunteers Please
Warden	Ken Schneiders & Chris O'Meara	Rodney Moffitt	Volunteer Please
Welcomer	Margaret Moore		Tom Torrance
1 st Reading	Allan Jones	Ann Keating	Carmel Higgins
2 nd Reading	Dawn Wills	Elizabeth Konza	Martin Rogers
Intercession	Ken Schneiders	John Isaksen	Irene Aligno
IT Operator	Patrick Watson	Ellen Teece	Jim McLoughlin
Music	M. Phillips & M. Taylor		Naomi's Group
Presentation of the Gifts	Noreen Taylor & Janice Smith	Kay Whitty	Kathleen Schneiders & Family
Minister of Communion	Sybil Mason Thea Robertson Brian Robertson Margaret Richards	Kath Tierney Jim Tierney Gwen Cullinan Ann Keating	John Mullane Juliana Khnouf Mari McDonald Gerard Egan Garry Purchasehouse Annissa Nilsson Volunteer Please
Children's Liturgy	Michelle		
Cashier	Bernadette Shalala & Erika McNay		
Hospitality	Anne King, Daren & Liz Dukes		
Church Care	Veronica Clune, Fran Isaksen, Lynne Atkinson & St. Finbar's playgroup		
Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass	Beth Culliver		

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