

# The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook

Second Sunday of Easter– Divine Mercy Sunday

7 & 8 April 2018

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 117; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

<b>Sunday 8 of April</b>	<b>7.30am Mass</b>
<b>2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b> <b>11.00am Baptism</b>
<b>Monday 9 of April</b> <i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	<b>9.00am Mass</b> 10.30am Pastoral Care Meeting M/R 7.00pm ME Oriental Dance Group P/C
<b>Tuesday 10 of April</b>	<b>9.00am Mass</b> 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting
<b>Wednesday 11 of April</b> <i>St. Stanislaus</i>	<b>8.00am Mass followed by Rosary</b> 9.30am Playgroup 7.00pm Bridge P/C
<b>Thursday 12 of April</b>	<b>9.00am Mass.</b> 1.30pm Bridge. P/C 7.30pm Blue Labyrinth Dancers P/C
<b>Friday 13 of April</b>	<b>9.00am Mass + Benediction</b> 11.30 Cantabile Church 1.00pm Bowlers
<b>Saturday 14 of April</b>	<b>9.00am Mass</b> 11.30am Te Deum's Choir Practice 3.00pm Parents Prayer Group P/C <b>4.45pm Confessions</b> <b>5.30pm Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 15 of April</b> <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Year B</b>	<b>7.30am Mass</b> <b>9.30am Mass</b> <b>11.00am Baptism</b> 1.30pm Bridge <b>6.00pm Youth Mass</b> 7.00pm Senior Youth Group

## THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Today, in the final instalment of our series on the Divine Mercy, we look at the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

In another vision and on September 13, 1935, St Faustina writes:  
"I saw an Angel, the executor of God's wrath... about to strike the earth... I began to beg God earnestly for the world with words which I heard interiorly. As I prayed in this way, I saw the Angel's helplessness, and he could not carry out the just punishment...."

The following day an inner voice taught her to say this prayer on ordinary rosary beads:

"First say one 'Our Father', 'Hail Mary', and 'I believe'.

Then on the large beads say the following words:

'Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.' On the smaller beads you are to say the following words:

'For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.'

In conclusion you are to say these words three times:

'Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world'.

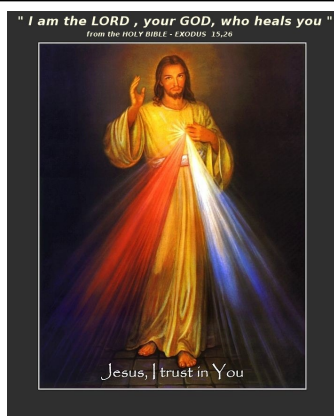
In subsequent revelations, the Lord made it clear that the Chaplet was not just for her, but for the whole world. He also attached extraordinary promises to its recitation.

*Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death (Diary 687). When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as the just Judge but as the Merciful Saviour (Diary 1541). Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this Chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy (Diary 687). I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy (Diary 687).*

Extracted from:

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

<http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/chaplethistory.php>



**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

*A Big Thank you for all who helped with Easter this year. A Special Thanks to the Choir and Musicians, Helen for the beautiful flower arrangements, to the Liturgy Committee, Peter McMahon, Jesse & Briony Mowbray, Senior and Junior Servers, wardens, readers, to the IT Developers and Operators and to everyone else who helped make Easter so special this year. May God bless you all and your families.*

*Father Jolly*

### **DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NEWS**

#### **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 13. All are welcome. BYO lunch. RSVPs to Maree 02 9890 4731

#### **Positions Vacant**

- Risk Officer - Chancery Office, Parramatta
- Interviewer - Tribunal Office, Parramatta

More details at: [www.parracatholic.org/employment](http://www.parracatholic.org/employment)

- Credo Youth Group Coordinator - St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta
- For further information, please visit [www.stpatscathedral.com.au](http://www.stpatscathedral.com.au)

#### **Discussion on Asylum Seekers and Refugees: 16 April**

The Social Justice Commission of Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair invites you to a Table Talk: WALKING WITH REFUGEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING PROTECTION. Monday 16 April from 7.30pm-9pm at Holy Spirit Church (5 Todd Row, St Clair). RSVP to Jacinta before Tuesday 10 April via [admin@holyspiritstclair.com.au](mailto:admin@holyspiritstclair.com.au) or ring 02 9670 8222.

**TIMEOUT TUESDAY:** 17th April. St Finbarr's Parish Centre 10am - 1pm.

"TAKE A LITTLE TIMEOUT, REFRESH - MAKING IS GOOD FOR YOU" So why not come and enjoy a great morning relaxing with wonderful company. For more information contact Kath 47392651 or [ktierney@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ktierney@bigpond.net.au)

*Dear Parishioners, Can you please email me your mobile phone numbers as I am trying to update the Parish Contact List. Thank you. Juliana Khnouf*

#### **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, 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 ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:**

Max Callaghan, Agnes Collins, John Gibson, James Sims, Wallace Whye, Margaret Noonan, John Downes, Mary McAtamney, Joan Barker, Kevin O'Duffy, Holly O'Toole, Jackie George Perkins and Laura Wilson.

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and then to  
part is the..."*



*...saddest  
journey of  
the human  
heart"*

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# ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

## *Reflection on the Gospel*

Because the focus of this week's gospel passage is usually placed on poor old doubting Thomas, we sometimes overlook the way the passage begins. The disciples are huddled in a room, 'for fear of the Jews'. Just a couple of weeks earlier they had been on top of the world. Jesus was enormously popular with the people, and the disciples, by association, were caught up in that affection. Their man, the one they had chosen to follow, was making waves and stirring the authorities – thumbing his nose at the rules. This, of course, made the disciples feel good to be around Jesus. However, in the space of just a few short days, their world had turned upside down. They'd gone from riding the crest of a wave to being utterly dumped! They were cowering in a closed up room, afraid for their lives in case those who handed Jesus over for death came for them as well. They'd already had an experience of the resurrected Jesus yet they were still hiding and afraid. Into this fear and uncertainty steps Jesus who says, 'Peace be with you'. It is a reminder of Jesus calming the storm out on the lake – in the midst of turmoil and anxiety he brings peace and calm.

Thomas has received a pretty bad rap for the last 2000 years, forever labelled as 'Doubting Thomas' because he wasn't prepared to take someone else's word for the fact that Jesus had risen. However, despite his demand for evidence, once Jesus is before him, he abandons all his thoughts about placing his fingers in the wounds and proclaims, 'My Lord and my God!' This is an absolutely extraordinary statement of faith. For the very first time, someone recognises Jesus, not as Messiah, prophet or Lord, but as God.

*Reflection by Greg Sunter*

**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](mailto:secretary@stfinbars.org.au). Thank you

**FUNDRAISING RAFFLE FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019.** Please note that starting next weekend there will be raffle tickets for sale to support our Parish Youth Candidates for World Youth Day Panama 2019. As now we have 3 Candidates will be representing the Parish. The tickets are \$2 each. The Prizes include a Mazda 2 Car, \$2000 Cosmos Gift Card and many more (for more details check the notice board in the Narthex). Thank you for your support.

### **THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 15 April 2018**

*Just a reminder, that all Journey Catholic Radio information is always a week in advance*

This week on the Journey Catholic Radio, our Gospel reflection is narrated by Fr Mike Delaney and reflects on the Gospel of Luke. Pete Gilmore asks us "How Do You Want To Start Tomorrow?" In his Living the Gospel God spot, and Marilyn Rodrigues, The peaceful Parent reminds us of the importance of "Having A Team Around You." Music is joy and it our music that helps us to create a show about faith, hope, love and life. Go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

### **MIDDLE EASTERN ORIENTAL DANCE GROUP**

This Monday (16.4.18) will be our last Oriental Middle Eastern dance class for this term. Come along at 7pm and check it out for next term and see what the ladies have learnt. Classes for Term 2 resume on Monday April 30 from 7-8pm \$10 per class. Mothers bring your daughters and grandmothers bring your daughters for loads of fun and fitness. If you have any queries call Amira on 0429304569.

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

**Office Hours:** 9.30am - 3.00pm

Monday to Friday

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**Parish School:** Principal Mrs Donna McFadzean

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## ROSTER FOR 14 & 15 APRIL 2018

Liturgical Ministries	5.30 pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Rodney Moffitt	Dawn Willis
Senior Server	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Carl Moll	Martin Rogers
Junior Server	Joshua Toutounji & Dominic Scanlan		Andy Rogers, Emily Dowling & Alex Walker
Warden	Lorraine Brown	Rodney Moffitt	Frank Fitzpatrick
Welcomer	Paul Etherington		Peter & Trish Hurley
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Ralph Maples	Maura Williams	Peter or Trish Hurley
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Gideon Goosen	Geraldine Lohan	Kylie Lane
Intercession	Volunteer Please	John De Mattia	Ruth Gott
IT Operator	Thais Turner	Ralph Maples	Amie Farrell
Music	Cantabile		Ruth's Group
Presentation of the Gifts	Margaret Moore & Jan de Bie	Rivas Family	Tom Torrance
Minister of Communion	Marie Hurley Pat Barrett Gwen Cullinan Bernie Fisher	Terry Keogh Helen Keogh Jemmy Brickwood Jean Di Nucci	Therese Luczak Annissa Nilsson Irene Aligno Carmel Higgins Volunteer Please Volunteer Please Volunteer Please
Children's Liturgy	School Holiday		
Cashier	Margaret Christensen & Ruth Gott		
Hospitality	Trish & Peter Hurley, Maggie Trevena, Irene & Bert Adamson		
Church Care	Kath & Jim Tierney, Eileen Jones & Gwen Cullinan		
Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass	Lee Jackson & Louise Heber		
Garden Club	Lucas Rajnoch, Andrew Howard, Stuart Sheary & Daniel Lynch		

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