

The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook
28 and 29 May 2016

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year C

Genesis 14:18-20; Ps 109; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology (matters relating to death and judgement), for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present.

The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment.

Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet.

Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a

celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present. *Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS*

DIOCESAN WORKS FUND (DWF): Thank you to all those parishioners who gave generously to this appeal last weekend. There are still some DWF envelopes on the seats for those who were laway last weekend or were otherwise unable to make a donation. Please put your completed envelope on either collection this weekend.

Sunday 29 May	7.30am and 9.30am Masses. 10.45am Session 2 Sacrament of Reconciliation. P/C 3.00pm Afternoon Tea with Blaxland Board of Trustees.	Thursday 2 June	9.00am Mass 9.30am Bridge Beginners. 1.30pm Bridge. P/C 3.30pm Children's Choir. 7.30pm Blue Labyrinth Dancers. P/C
Monday 30 May	10.30am Latin Mass. 6.30pm Bridge Event. P/C	Friday 3 June The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	9.00am Mass followed by Adoration and Benediction 10.30am First Friday visits. 1.00pm Bowlers P/C
Tuesday 31 May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.00am Mass with Year 2. 11:30am Cantabile Practice	Heart of the	9.00am Mass. 4.30pm Session 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation. P/C 4.45pm - 5.15pm Confessions. 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Wednesday 1 June St Justin	9.15am Mass with School. 11.00am Funeral Mass for Stephen Skinner. 2.00pm Aged Care Session. P/C 9.30am Playgroup. P/C 7.00pm Bridge. P/C		7.30am and 9.30am Masses. 10.45am Session 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation. P/C 6.00pm Youth Mass. 7.00pm The Lounge. P/C

WELCOME to all visitors to our church today. We extend 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 and Information pack.

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THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION will be held on the weekend of the 18th and 19th June 2016. Our second preparation session commences **this Saturday 28th May and Sunday 29th May.** Session times are 4.30pm on Saturday or 10.45am on Sunday. The sessions continue every weekend until the final session on Sunday 12th June. Please note, attendance of your child and one or both parents is required at each session, as is your attendance at Mass.

THE CHURCH CARE MINISTRY is appealing for much needed help from the younger parish community. Most of our groups consist of older members and we are in dire need of new younger people. Each group is rostered a turn, approximately once every nine weeks and if all members are present then the duration of the cleaning session is only about 1 to 1.5 hours. This voluntary role consists of a number of practical duties. Younger children are very welcome to come along with a parent. If you are new to the Parish and would like to get to know other parishioners then this is a great way to become involved.

Please contact Heather Lee on 4739 4906 leesi@tpg.com.au for further information.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS: Low gluten hosts are always available to those receiving Holy Communion. On Sundays and major feast days, the celebrant will always have low gluten hosts—just receive Holy Communion from him and ask for a low gluten host. On other days, please notify the Sacristan before Mass starts so that the celebrant can have a low gluten host ready for you.

FROM CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MASS OF INSTALLATION OF BISHOP VINCENT LONG: 16 JUNE

The Liturgical Reception and Solemn Mass of Installation of Most Rev Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD as the fourth Bishop of Parramatta will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 16 June in St Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta. Please keep Bishop Vincent and his future ministry among us in your prayers.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED: Ray Smith, Margaret McCusker, Anastasia Hudson (Mick Rivas's cousin), Nora Stapleton, Deborah Saporito, Constance Watson (Noreen Taylor's cousin) and Moira Thomson (Eileen Jones's aunt).

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Carmel Quilty Malone, Pam Clyne, Emma Gleeson, Gloria Conliffe, Joanne Macrae, John Roebuck, Peng Lee, Fr Mac, Joan Lohrey, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Roslyn Agar, Colleen Nolan, John Camilleri, Margaret Burley, Jan Smith, Steven McCormack, Maddison Farrugia, Ken & Shirley Glover, Cliff McHardy, Ben Gibson and Ben McMahon.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Patrick Madden, Annie Breakspear, Michael Flynn, Stephen Grundschoettel, Matthew Fisher, Charles Martin, Florence McSorley, James Tighe, Norma Bennett, James Schultz, Rosemary McCaffery, Rose Torrance and Maria Dinale.







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A NEW CHOIR HAS BEEN FORMED!

Te Deum will be singing at the Vigil Mass for every fourth Sunday of the month.

50TH ANNIVERSARY PHOTO REPRINTS are now available for those who placed orders. They are on a table near the Wardens' desk.

CAN YOU HELP? We are in **urgent need** of people to join our cashiers team. You will be rostered once each four weeks at 9.00am on a Wednesday morning. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr. Jolly.

INFORMATION AFTERNOON

myagedcare.gov.au

Not one of us is getting any younger. What are the services available to help in our daily lives? How are they arranged and what costs are involved? Following the visit from Catholic Care Services and the questions that were asked we have arranged for a visit from myagedcare.gov.au. on Wednesday 1st June at 2:pm. Please come with your questions about aged care. A delicious afternoon tea will be provided, and the company is very friendly. Please come. Margaret Richards 47396470

TO FR JOLLY AND ALL THE ST FINBAR'S COMMUNITY:

I would like to thank you all very much for all the prayers and support you have given to Ray and myself over the last three and a half years during Ray's illness.

I would ask you all if you would please keep me in your prayers at this very difficult time. Jan Smith.

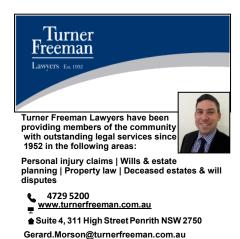
SEMINAR - DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM

Each year CCSS Solo Parent Services offers an Information night for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding on how to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with Lawyers so as to minimize your legal fees and how to protect your rights regarding family assets. This night is being held on Tuesday 7th June from 7.30pm - 9.30pm at CCSS, 38 Prince St, Blacktown. Guest Speaker: Mr Richard Brading, (Solicitor at Wesley Legal Service) Cost: \$7. Registration Essential: Rita Ph. 8822 2222 soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

CCSS Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group, is held on the last Tuesday of each month for those struggling through a separation or divorce.

Next Gathering: 31st May Venue: CCSS Centre, 38 Prince St, Blacktown. Time: 7.30 – 9.30. Cost: \$5.00. Registration: Rita Ph. 8822 2222 or email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au







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Baptisms: By Appointment
Weddings: By Appointment

Office Hours: 8.30am - 4.00pm Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Office Phone: (02) 4739 8928 Office Fax: (02) 4739 8929

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Next week's Roster at St Finbar's 4 & 5 June 2016

Liturgical Ministries	5.30 pm	7.30 am	9.30 am	
Sacristan	Peter McMahon	Rodney Moffitt	Paulina Grodzicki	
Senior Server	Victoria De Mattia	Carl Moll	Garry Pursehouse	
Junior Server	Patrick, Alex & Johnny		Hannah Stanford	
	McLoughlin		Brendan Khnouf	
Warden	Vince Dobson	Rodney Moffitt	George Grodzicki	
	Allan Jones			
Welcomer	Carmel Dobson		Lukas & Kristina Rajnoch	
1 st Reading	Maire Griffin	Mary Creenaune	Jesse Mowbray	
2 nd Reading	Gideon Goosen	Andrew Teece	Lukas Rajnoch	
Intercession	Margaret Moore	Annie Teece	Kristina Rajnoch	
I.T Operator	Thais Turner	Margot Power	Sean Farrell	
Musician	No Hymns		Jenny's Group	
Presentation of the Gifts	Ryan & Ahyiesha	Maria Heinzl	Kathleen Schneiders &	
	D'Souza	Stanis Drobiszewski	family	
Minister of	Beth Gibbeson	Margaret Dickson	Stephen Brown	
Communion	John Verhoeven	Ian Dickson	Wendy Brown	
	Noreen Taylor	Colleen Fuller	Sue McGrath	
	Sandra O'Meara	Volunteer please	Bernie Fisher	
	Chris O'Meara		Volunteer please	
	Reg Moore		Volunteer please	
	Volunteer please		Volunteer please	
Children's Liturgy	Danielle			
Cashier	Geoff Shalala and Erika McNay			
Hospitality	Lina Wiecek, Tom Torrance & Vicky Ang			
Church Care	Jeannine Ashbee, Deb Youngman, Leesa & Wayne Gillard			





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