

## The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook 16 and 17 July 2016

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

Gen 18:1-10; Ps 14; Col 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

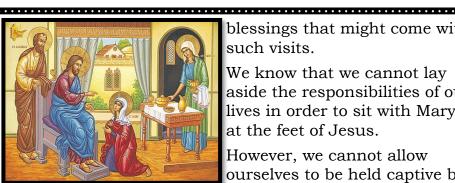
Today we see the people of God offering the hospitality rather than receiving it, first Abraham and then Martha. What lessons of discipleship can be learned from these readings?

First and foremost we see how important openness is, for in

each case those to whom the hospitality was offered were divine visitors in human form.

We can never be sure under what guise God will come to us. It could be the person on the street who asks for directions, or the one who comes to our place of work to engage the service that we provide.

It may be the friend who comes to dinner or the co-worker who acts in a way we did not expect. God comes into our lives in unexpected ways and we must have an open attitude of hospitality if we are to receive the



blessings that might come with such visits.

We know that we cannot lay aside the responsibilities of our lives in order to sit with Mary at the feet of Jesus.

However, we cannot allow ourselves to be held captive by these responsibilities,

regardless of how legitimate they may be.

And so we continue to struggle; to carry the burdens that are ours for the sake of the people that we serve; to serve the people in our care realising that we will probably not be able to accomplish all of our tasks or at least as well as we would like.

It is in this way that the reign of God struggles to be born.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

ROSTERS: our new rosters for the next 6 months are almost complete. We have several vacancies for Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion. The Vigil Mass requires new Ministers for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays and the 9.30am Mass on all Sundays of each month. Please contact the office or email your preferences.

Sunday 17 July 16th Sunday of Ord. Time, Year C	<ul> <li>7.30am and 9.30am Masses.</li> <li>1.30pm Bridge. P/C</li> <li>6.00pm Youth Mass.</li> <li>7.00pm Senior Youth Group. P/C</li> </ul>	Thursday 21 July	NO MASS. 1.30pm Bridge. P/C
Monday 18 July	9.00am Fun Singers.  10.30am Latin Mass. 5.00pm SVDP meeting.	<b>Friday 22 July</b> St Mary Magdalene	NO MASS. 1.00pm Bowlers P/C
Tuesday 19 July	NO MASS. 11.00am Cantabile Practice.	Saturday 23 July	NO MORNING MASS 4.45pm - 5.15pm Confessions. 5:30pm Vigil Mass.
Wednesday 20 July	NO MASS. 9.30am Playgroup. P/C 7.00pm Bridge. P/C	Sunday 24 July 17th Sunday o Ord. Time Year C	7.30am and 9.30am Masses. 11.00am Baptisms. 3.00pm Concert "The Peaceable Kingdom".

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.

#### St. Finbar's Parish News

We have noticed that there is some damage to our pews in the church. It looks like the damage is being caused by pencils being dug into the leather thus creating holes. Would all parents please be aware of your children and ask them to refrain from causing any more damage. Thank you!



OUR NEXT YOUTH MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY 17TH JULY AT 6.00PM. SEE YOU THERE!

THE LOUNGE WILL FOLLOW FROM 7:30-8:30PM.

SEE ALSO DETAILS OF A LOCAL WORLD YOUTH DAY EVENT TO COINCIDE WITH WHAT HAPPENS IN KRAKOW ON THE NOTICE BOARD. IT IS IMPORTANT TO RSVP FOR THIS EVENT.

#### Some exciting music events will be happening in St Finbar's Church in July.

"THE PEACEABLE KINGDOM", described as divine choral (Academy Singers) and organ music will be directed by distinguished musician Paul Terracini with guest soloist and accompanist Amy Johansen, one of Australia's finest concert organists. A real treat, not to be missed.

Tickets available at the door: \$25 Adults, \$20 Conc., \$5 children.

3pm Sunday 24th July.

On the following Saturday 30th July a Mid-Winter Carol Service

("Christmas in July") will be presented by the Royal School of Church Music with host presenter Leigh Hatcher from radio and TV.

This will be in the form of a workshop commencing at 1.15pm in the Church.

Cost: \$20 RSCM choristers or members, others \$25.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED**: Pining Brown, Hugh Keavy, John Joe Grieve, Joan Herbert, Mary Robb, Margaret Burley, Lucy Dunne, Stephen Skinner, Ray Smith and Margaret McCusker.

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

**THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:** Marjorie Howes, Kevin Bohan, Peter & Annie McConigley, Waclaw Zajicek, Thomas Binns, Kevin O' Donnell, Peter Nash, William Worthington, Thomas Brooks, Antonio Favaloro, Winnifred Jackson, Annie Gillian, Ivan Kucic and Mary Rivas.







#### St. Finbar's Parish News

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

New envelopes are always available for any parishioner who would like to start contributing to the parish via the envelope system.

Forms are also available for parishioners who would like to donate via direct debit or by a monthly credit card deduction.

Please contact the Wardens or Parish Office for further information







### Christmas in July, Bowlers Celebration lunch

WHILE FR. JOLLY IS AT WYD THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES.

Springwood Mass times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 9.30am.

Emu Plains Mass times: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday at 9.00am.

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**Penrith Mass times:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9.30am. Friday at

12.10pm and Saturday at 9.00am.

# THANK YOU!

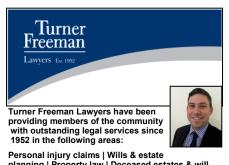
We appreciate your help and support for providing a beautiful Sunday Mass and morning tea with Bishop Vincent last Sunday. The Mass with the beautiful singing and the morning tea was truly a triumph.

#### **CARING FOR CARERS:**

Morning Tea with a touch of CRAFT. Come and enjoy a cuppa, chat and maybe, be Crafty. TUESDAY 19th
July. 10am - 12noon. St Finbar's Parish Centre.
Anyone who is interested is MOST WELCOME.
You may like to bring your own 'handy work'...
Kath 47392651

**CLAIM THE DATE.** Tuesday 2nd August at 10:30, in the parish meeting room. Information on the myagedcare website. Please bring your questions along for an interesting morning followed by delicious cakes and sandwiches. As always good company. This date has been confirmed by all the necessary folk.

See you there, Margaret Richards 47396470



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Confessions: Sat 4.45-5.15pm
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#### Next week's Roster at St Finbar's 23 and 24 July 2016

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Marie Hurley	Rodney Moffitt	Stephen Brown
Senior Server	Anaru Veitch	Carl Moll	Stephen Brown
Junior Server	Billy Instance Riley & Amie Farrell		Anna Santoro Mitchell Mathew
Warden	Reg Moore	Rodney Moffitt	Garry Clune
Welcomer	Nora Cordoba		Erika McNay
1st Reading	Brian Edwards	Maura Williams	Ruth Gott
2nd Reading	Eileen Jones	Geraldine Lohan	Martin Rogers
Intercession	Reg Moore	John De Mattia	Annissa Nilsson
Music	TBA		Claire and Children's Choir
I.T Operator	Robyn Flynn	Andrew Teece	Susan Dowling
Presentation of the Gifts	Chris & Sandra O'Meara	Rivas Family	Tom Torrance
Minister of Commun-	Vince Dobson	Terry Madden	Leesa Gillard
ion	Georgina Barisic	Doris Field	Mila Svehla
	Lorraine Brown	Rodney Moffitt	Elizabeth Rowe
	Allan Jones	Margaret Rivas	Greg Rowe
	Peter McMahon		Avril Llewellyn
	Volunteer please		Todd Stanford
	Volunteer please		Volunteer please
Children's Liturgy	Ruth		
Cashier	Peter McMahon & Ken Townsend		
Hospitality	Bev Palmer, Tom Torrance & Gwen Parker		
Church Care	Catherine Marceau, Jane Lennon, Sally Doyle, Christyna Lloyd, Nicole Young & Beth Killeen		





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