



The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook

The Most Holy Trinity, Year A 10 and 11 June 2017

Ex 34:4-6,8-9; Dan 3:52-56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

Reflection on the Gospel

The readings for this feast do not directly explain the doctrine of the Trinity as we have come to know it.

Rather, they offer us glimpses into the nature of our Triune God. The psalm response suggests that our primary response to God should be one of praise for the love that God has for us.

The God who is beyond our comprehension is also the God who has saved us. We see this theme in both the first reading and the gospel. The covenant language in the reading from Exodus underscores God's unfathomable goodness. God's graciousness and mercy are not rewards for our fidelity. They are extended to us in our sinfulness. It is God's saving grace that transforms us, not any merit on our part.



In the gospel we are assured that Jesus was sent into the world to save it, not to condemn it.

The Trinitarian phrase found in the letter to the Corinthians is so expressive of the love that God has for us that it has been incorporated regularly into the liturgy. It declares that through his death and resurrection, Jesus has opened for us the treasury of divine grace. It also proclaims that the love of God has forged the bonds of community that unite us. Created in the image and after the likeness of this God, we are called to unity among ourselves. As incomprehensible as it may seem, it is primarily through the unity that we share that we will manifest the unity that exists in God.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS



Please pray for the soul of **FATHER MAURICE MCNAMARA**, who died last Tuesday. Fr Mac retired here to Glenbrook in April 2008. He will be greatly missed by all at the many churches where he was Parish Priest. Most of all we will miss his humour, pastoral care and his humility.

May God bless you Mac.

Father Mac's Funeral Mass will be held at **Bede Polding College, Rifle Range Rd, Bligh Park** next Wednesday 14th June at 11.00am. All welcome.

Sunday 11 June The Most Holy Trinity	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass. 11:00am Baptisms.	Thursday 15 June	10.00am Healing Mass followed by morning tea. 1.30pm Bridge. P/C 7:30pm Blue Labyrinth Dancers P/C
Monday 12 June	9.00am Mass.	Friday 16 June	9.00am Mass & Benediction. 1.00pm Bowlers. P/C 6.30pm Prayers and adoration for Vocations. Supper will be held in the Parish Centre.
Tuesday 13 June St Anthony of Padua	9.00am Mass.	Saturday 17 June	9.00am Mass. 4.45pm- 5.15pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass
Wednesday 14 June	8.00am Mass followed by Rosary. 9.00am Pastoral Care Meeting 9.30am Playgroup. P/C 11.30am Cantabile. Church. 7.00pm Bridge. P/C 7.00 pm Woman's Evening M/R	Sunday 18 June	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Youth Mass 7.00pm Senior Youth Group. P/C

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

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR: The end of the financial year is fast approaching. We ask all parishioners who might have fallen a little behind in their envelope or credit card donations to try and get up to date before the end of this month. New envelopes will be available on the weekend of 24th/25th June. A form to request a receipt for tax deductible donations will also be on the Wardens' table on that weekend. Remember that a receipt can only be issued in the name of one person.



LOST AND FOUND This weekend all the lost property in the church will be on display. Please take anything that belongs to your family. Anything left after this weekend will be disposed of.

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June 23 – 25 . Cost: \$230 (concessions apply to pensioners/students and unemployed)

Presenter: Fr. Paul Chandler, Can I practice "mindfulness" in a Christian way?

WOMEN'S EVENING WITH DR SAMANTHA DAY WEDNESDAY 14TH JUNE.

Join us for an evening of good company and interesting discussion on "Fertility Awareness".

Refreshments provided Time 7:15pm -8:30pm in St Finbar's Parish meeting room opposite the church.

Please RSVP to Gabrielle Lynch 0481150022

Tony and Jacqui Visser wish to thank Fr Jolly and the Parish Community for the prayers and condolences for their recently deceased brother, Robert.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED: Father Maurice McNamara, Peter O'Keefe, Robert Toirkens (Jacqui and Elise's brother), Esme Baxter, Allison Boath, Rhonda Smith, Sophie Taylor, Madge Boylan, Patricia Young, Geoffrey McNay, Joseph Ryan, Monica Barron and Ben Gibson.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Ken Moore, (Beth Gibbeson's brother), Mary Ann Manalili, Lyn Downes, Ellen Moffitt, Pat Barrett, Jane Bloor, Ena Baker, Terry Stevens, Jeff Dean, Grant Madden, Stan Currey, Pam Clyne, Emma Gleeson, Tony & Jacqui Visser, Jan Smith, John Camilleri, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Carmel Quilty Malone, John Roebuck, Colleen Nolan, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Shirley Glover and Cliff McHardy.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Len Rivas, Berice Ferrier, Frederick Moffitt, Bridget McLaren, Robert Jones, Frederick Critchley, Cecilia Egan, Lucy Dunne, Mary Druhan, Peter McKerverey, Richard Whitmore, Mary O'Donnell, Angela Dempster and Gloria Saunders.

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PARISH INFORMATION

Sacraments

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

Office Hours: 8.30am - 4.00pm

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ROSTER FOR 17 AND 18 JUNE 2017 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Liturgical Ministries	5.30 pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Rodney Moffitt	Dawn Willis
Senior Server	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Andrew Teece	Martin Rogers
Junior Server	Joshua Toutounji Dominic Scanlan		Andy Rogers Alex Walker
Warden	Volunteer Please	Rodney Moffitt	Frank Fitzpatrick
Welcomer	Paul Etherington		Peter & Trish Hurley
1 st Reading	Marie Griffin	Maura Williams	Peter or Trish Hurley
2 nd Reading	Eileen Jones	Geraldine Lohan	Kylie Lane
Intercession	Reg Moore	John De Mattia	Patricia Munane
I.T Operator	Yvonne Etherington	Ralph Maples	Jim McLoughlin
Musician	Cantabile		Ruth's Group
Presentation of the Gifts	Margaret Moore Jan de Bie	Rivas Family	Kathleen Schneiders & Family
Minister of Communion	Marie Hurley Pat Barrett John Killeen Jacqui Visser Gwen Cullinan Bernie Fisher Volunteer Please	Terry Keogh Helen Keogh Jemmy Brickwood Volunteer Please	Therese Luczak Jean Di Nucci Annisia Nilsson Irene Aligno Carmel Higgins Volunteer Please Volunteer Please
Cashier	Geoff Shalala & Erika McNay		
Children's Liturgy	Pia		
Hospitality	Trish & Peter Hurley, Maggie Trevena, Irene Adamson & Bert		
Church Care	Kathy King, Kath & Jim Tierney, Eileen Jones, Gwen Cullinan		



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