



The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook

10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

9th & 10th June 2018

Gen 3:9-15; Ps 129; 2 Cor 4:13- 5:1; Mk 3:20-35

Sunday 10 of June 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptism	Reflection on the Gospel <p>Family members are often the last ones to allow us to change from who we have been to who we want to become. Unintentionally, family will sometimes continue to treat us as the child we were growing up in the family environment, despite our various accomplishments and changes in direction. Sometimes it's easier to continue to treat someone we love as we have always treated them, rather than learning to adjust and accommodate a new way of relating. When you're the one seeking to establish a new life or a new way of operating, family can appear to be 'keeping you in a box'.</p> <p>Today's gospel paints a picture of Jesus' family wanting him to play safe and remain the person they've known him to be, rather than growing into his ministry and preaching his challenging message. They can see that his actions are causing the authorities to pay attention and their reaction is to try to get Jesus to stay under the radar; to live small.</p> <p>In a style typical of the Gospel of Mark, the two incidents with Jesus' family 'sandwich' and focus attention on the interaction with the Scribes who accuse Jesus of being under the influence of Satan. Like the family of Jesus who don't want to see him for who he really is becoming, or has become, the Scribes misunderstand Jesus' fight against evil. Jesus dismisses their claims through his use of the image of binding the strong man before entering the strong man's house. Jesus has 'bound' Satan – the strong man – proving himself the stronger and has set about undoing the work of evil in the world.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reflection by Greg Sunter</i></p>
Monday 11 of June <i>St. Barnabas</i>	9.00am Mass	<div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time </div> <p>SUNDAY BAPTISMS: We joyfully announce the baptism of Jack Knowles this Sunday and warmly welcome him into our faith community.</p>
Tuesday 12 of June	9.00am Mass 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting	
Wednesday 13 of June <i>St. Anthony of Padua</i>	8.00am Mass followed by Rosary. 9.30am Playgroup P/C 7.00pm Bridge P/C 7.00pm Netball Meeting M/R	
Thursday 14 of June	9.00am Mass 1.30pm Bridge P/C 7.30pm Labyrinth Dancers P/C	
Friday 15 of June	9.00am Mass + Benediction 11.30am Cantabile Practice Church 1.00pm Bowlers P/C 7.30pm Catholic Faith Formation P/C	
Saturday 16 of June	9.00am Mass 11.30am Te Deum's Choir Practice 4.45pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass	<p>NEW ROSTERS AUGUST 2018 TO JANUARY 2019. Our current rosters for all liturgies finish on the 31st of July 2018. I will start processing the next roster in the next few weeks. If anyone would like to volunteer to join our many ministries, please contact me at the Parish Office 47398928 or email: secretary@stfinbars.org.au Also, if you wish to change your commitment in the current roster please contact me before the end of June. Thank you, Juliana Khnouf</p>
Sunday 17 of June 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 1.30pm Bridge 6.00pm Youth Mass 7.00pm Senior Youth Group	

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

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP/ DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA LITURGICAL FORMATION COURSES 2018

Father Jolly and the Liturgy Committee invite your participation in the Diocesan Liturgical Formation Courses during the second half of 2018. St Finbar's Parish needs more parishioners to be involved in these ministries. Your consideration, involvement and commitment are appreciated, as are the nine people who attended some or all of the courses during February – May 2018.

In the second half of the year these courses are being offered at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown, on Thursdays, between 16th August and 27th September at 7.00pm.

Compulsory Introductory Session

Thursday 16th August

Ministers of the Word (2 Sessions)

Thursday 23rd & 30th August

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (2 Sessions)

Thursday 13th & 20th September

Communion to the Sick and Dying (must attend above)

Thursday 27th September

If you would like to become an Acolyte, you must attend all of these sessions. The Office For Worship will contact you in 2019 to complete the Acolyte Training Sessions and formal Institution.

Enrolment Forms are available from the Warden's Table. Please complete and return to the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION:

Venue: Parish Hall

Dates : Fridays 15 & 22 June 2018

Time: 7.30pm

See the Catholic anew and enjoy camaraderie with other parishioners.

Atheism is on the rise. Sceptical thinkers like Richard Dawkins, Christopher Hitchens and Sam Harris vigorously attack belief in God as irrational or, even worse, dangerous. How should Christians respond? How can we turn the tide of secularism and draw people back to God?

You'll discover how with Bishop Robert Barron, using the insights of St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Pope Benedict XVI, you'll uncover a clear yet sophisticated understanding of what we mean by "God". Who is God? And why does God matter?

DVD with wine and cheese followed by discussion on four Fridays in June

RSVP: stfinbarsformation@gmail.com

INSIGHT INTO VOLUNTEERING OVERSEAS. Thinking to travel overseas in a meaningful way? Or wondering what it's like to enter into someone else's culture? We lived in East Timor for two years, volunteering at a grass roots Youth Disability Organisation. It was a profound experience for us individually and as a young Catholic married couple - to experience God's hands in it all. We invite you to join us as we share our experience - you will see breath-taking photos/videos, hear some touching stories and gain an insight into the hopes, joys and struggles of life in Timor. **When: Sunday 24th June – at 10:30am (after Mass) - Where: Parish Hall** Gold coin donation towards supporting youth in Timor (optional). Lukas & Kristina - St Finbar Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Dennis Barron, John Roebuck, Kathleen Moore (Carmen Sands Mother), Julia Gunning, Ena Baker and Val Bulluss (Margaret Richards' Aunt).

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Marlene Oldfield (Margaret Rivas friend), Reg Moore, Fr. Chris de Souza, Fr. Max Barrett CSSR, Pam Clyne, Mary & Robert Keith, Josephine Teece, Ken Moore, Mary Ann Manalili, Ellen Moffitt, Jane Bloor, Terry Stevens, Jeff Dean, Grant Madden, Jacqui Visser, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Carmel Quilty Malone, 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:

Father Maurice McNamara (Fr Mac), Jan Ciosmak, John O'Shea, Michael Glover, Valerie Ridings, Leonard Rivas, Bridget McLaren, Robert Jones, Frederick Critchley, Cecilia Egan, Lucy Dunne, Mary Druhan, Peter McKervey, Richard Whitmore, Mary O'Donnell, Angela Dempster and Gloria Saunders.

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END OF FINANCIAL YEAR

The end of the financial year is rapidly approaching. We ask all parishioners who might have fallen a little behind in their envelope or credit card donations to try to get up to date by the weekend of 23/24 June. New sets of envelopes will be available from that weekend. You may also put your name on a list (on the Wardens' table) to request a receipt for tax deductible donations for the 2017/2018 financial year.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NEWS

Relic of St Anthony of Padua

Parishioners and friends of St Anthony of Padua are invited to join the celebrations commencing with Mass and 9 days of Novena on St Anthony's Feast day, Wednesday 13 June 2018, culminating in the reception of the Holy Relic on Thursday 21 June and Masses and public veneration of the Relics on Friday 22 June. See St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie website www.stanthonyschurch.org.au or phone 02 9631 3316 for full details of the celebrations.

Positions Vacant

- Administrative Assistant - CatholicCare, Orchard Hills. More details at: www.ccss.org.au
- Financial Counsellor - Richmond & Blacktown offices. More details at: www.ccss.org.au
- Parish Bookkeeper - St John 23rd Parish, Stanhope Gardens. More details at: www.john23rd.com
- Head of Property Development Services – Diocese of Parramatta. More details at: www.parracatholic.org/employment.

TIMEOUT TUESDAY: A warm and comfortable atmosphere with those who like to chat over a cuppa. We also enjoy a morning of sewing, crochet, knitting and patchwork. 19th June. St Finbar's Parish Centre. 10am - 1pm. For more information contact Kath 47392651 or ktierney@bigpond.net.au

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS followed by prayer for healing & individual ministry, Celebrant Fr. Ken Barker MGL Sunday 17 June 2018, 2:00pm @ Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, Cnr. Mamre Rd & Swanston St, St Marys. All Welcome!

YOUTH GROUP NEWS: Last week at the Youth Group we focused on helping out families facing an unplanned pregnancy. At the next Youth Mass (17th June) we will be holding a baby shower fundraiser to help out these mothers through the organisation Diamond Women Support. Please assist the youth with this fundraiser by buying nappies and wipes and leaving them in the narthex.

THE CHURCH CARE MINISTRY. Is currently seeking volunteers from the school & community to help clean the church. Cleaning is done by groups every 7/8 weeks and takes approximately 1½ hours. Children are very welcome to accompany you. We understand that with family, work, sport and social commitments it is hard to fit in any volunteer work, however it is a small contribution in order to support the parish. Please Contact Heather Lee, 4739 4906 for further information. Thank you.

BLUE MOUNTAINS CATALYST REFLECTION—THE RADIANT TAPESTRY OF BEING.

You are invited to the next Blue Mountains Catalyst for Renewal Reflection event at Santa Maria Hall (next to Lawson Catholic Church), 9:30am, Saturday, June 16th. **Presenter:** Christian Brother, Kevin McDonnell.

PRAGUE TO DUBROVNIK PILGRIMAGE – SHRINES AND CATHEDRALS OF CENTRAL EUROPE.

22 Day Pilgrimage with Harvest Journeys. 27th September to the 18th October 2018. Delve behind the former 'Iron Curtain' to find a rich culture infused with religious devotion and some confronting reminders of WWII. Its epic history, picturesque natural landscapes and fascinating cultures witness to being home to some of the most remarkable destinations in the world. There are places available on this remarkable pilgrimage lead by Fr John McSweeney of Saint John XXIII Catholic Parish. If you would like more information, please contact either: Leesa Gillard at lgillard@parra.catholic.edu.au or Monica Mansour at monicam@harvestjourneys.com

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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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ROSTER FOR 16 & 17 JUNE 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, Ann & Alex Walker
Warden	Lorraine Brown	Rodney Moffitt	Frank Fitzpatrick
Welcomer	Paul Etherington		Volunteer Please
1 st Reading	Maire Griffin	Maura Williams	Volunteer Please
2 nd Reading	Eileen Jones	Geraldine Lohan	Kylie Lane
Intercession	Volunteer Please	John De Mattia	Patricia Munane
IT Operator	Henry Hanco	Ralph Maples	Amie Farrell
Music	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 Gwen Cullinan Bernie Fisher	Terry Keogh Helen Keogh Jemmy Brickwood Volunteer Please	Therese Luczak Anissa Nilsson Irene Aligno Carmel Higgins
Children's Liturgy	Elizabeth		
Cashier	Ann Keating, Pat Bell & Robyn Flynn		
Hospitality	Maggie Trevena, Irene and Bert Aligno		
Church Care	Catherine Marceau, Jane Lennon, Christyna Lloyd, Nicole Young & Beth Killeen		
Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass	Lee Jackson & Louise Heber		
Garden Club	Lucas Rajnoch, Andrew Howard, Stuart Sheary & Daniel Lynch		

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