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Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook
5th Sunday of Easter—Year C

18th & 19th May 2019

Acts 14:21-27; Ps 144; Apoc 21:1-5; Jn 13:31-35. Eucharistic Prayer II, Easter Preface V

Sunday 19th May <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 1.30pm Bridge 6.00pm Youth Mass 7.00pm Senior Youth Group P/C	Reflection on the Gospel	
Monday 20th May	9.00am Mass 9.00am Fun Singers	<p>The passage from the Gospel of John actually comes from the Last Supper account, as is indicated by the opening line: 'When Judas had gone'. However, the passage is being used during the post-resurrection Easter season. The passage about being glorified can be read in this context as referring to the crucifixion that was, rather than the crucifixion that is still to come in the original setting. The reference that Jesus will not be with the disciples much longer can also be read as an indicator towards the Ascension. It is a clever liturgical use of a gospel passage out of its intended context.</p> <p>The second half of the gospel passage is perhaps the more familiar section. It is a common text for marriage ceremonies. However, sometimes its selection is purely based on the use of the term 'love'. Earlier in his ministry, Jesus was asked which commandment was the most important. He replied that you must love the Lord your God with all your heart and that you must love your neighbour as yourself. (Mt 22) The 'new' commandment that he issues at the Last Supper is not so much a new commandment as a variation on a theme. The newness highlights the changes that are occurring in the small group of friends. His language conveys an imperative: you must love one another, 'just as I have loved you'. He tells the disciples – and us – that the way they behave towards one another must be with the same love that Jesus treated them. And the love that Jesus gave was the love of God for all the world. So the love that Jesus commands the disciples (us) to show one another is nothing less than the powerful love of God.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reflection by Greg Sunter</i></p> <p>Requiem Mass will be celebrated for Fr. Jolly's mother, on Thursday 23 May at 7.00 pm. A light supper will be served in the hall afterwards. The whole Parish Community is warmly invited to attend and share celebrate her life.</p> <p>A Funeral Mass will be held for Denis Smith on Friday the 24th of May at 11.00am. Please keep Lynn and the family in your prayers.</p> <p><i>Fun Singers are on this Monday the 20th of May 2019 at 9.00am</i></p>	
Tuesday 21st May	9.00am Mass 10.00am Timeout Tuesday 7.00pm Cantabile Choir Practice 7.30pm Netball meeting P/C		
Wednesday 22nd May	8.00am Mass followed by Rosary 9.30am Playgroup P/C 7.00pm Bridge P/C		
Thursday 23rd May	9.00am Mass 1.30pm Bridge P/C 7.00pm Requiem Mass for Father Jolly's Mother		
Friday 24th May Our Lady, Help of Christians	9.00am Mass followed by Benediction 11.00am Denis Smith Funeral Mass & Wake		
Saturday 25th May	9.00am Mass 11.30am Te Deum Choir practice 4.30pm Reconciliation Preparation Meeting P/C 4.45pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass	<p>A Funeral Mass will be held for Denis Smith on Friday the 24th of May at 11.00am. Please keep Lynn and the family in your prayers.</p> <p><i>Fun Singers are on this Monday the 20th of May 2019 at 9.00am</i></p>	
Sunday 26th May <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	7.30am Mass 9.00am Netball Meeting P/C 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptism		



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. Our Parish lies within the Traditional Country of the Darug people— The Aboriginal Custodians of our area .

ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

THE STRINGY BACH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Returns to St Finbar's on Sunday, June 2 @ 2pm. Great works from the Baroque era are presented, along with the first movement of Schubert's beautiful Rosamunde Quartet.

The second half brings the passion and energy of the modern tango of Astor Piazzolla, followed by Arvo Pärt's timeless, hauntingly beautiful Cantus in Memoriam to Benjamin Britten, which includes the historic St Finbar's organ. Gradually, the mood will be lifted with a finish that will leave a smile on everyone's face.

Tickets at the door: \$20 for family, \$10 for individual, \$5 pensioners

Chris Lockhart Smith

ST FINBAR'S NETBALL CLUB – 50TH ANNIVERSARY

SFNC are celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year.

We are looking for old photos for a slideshow and our Year Book. If you have any old photos could you please scan and email them to sfnc50th@gmail.com. *Janette Ankers, President, SFNC*

TIMEOUT TUESDAY: Has been a great success. Taking a TIMEOUT can be very beneficial for one's wellbeing. This is a morning of relaxing and enjoying wonderful company. 21st May. St Finbar's Parish Centre 10am - 1pm. For more information take flyers from the wardens table or contact Kath 47392651, Maire 47394094

***A thank you note:** For our St. Finbar's Easter ceremonies, especially for Briony and Jesse Mowbray and the Youth of the Parish for the Good Friday Stations of the Cross. Thanking you. Pat Barrett*

STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

Next gathering for Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group will be held on Tuesday 28th May.

Venue: 13 Buller St, North Parramatta. **Time:** 7pm – 9pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Call Rita Ph. 8843 2575 or email soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

Walking with Refugees and People Seeking Protection

PRESENT

A Pentecost retreat day. Rest and Inspiration for the journey.

Join Bishop Vincent as we reflect and share.

Saturday 8th June, 9:00am - 4:00pm

Mount Schoenstatt Fairlight Rd Mulgoa

Registration essential.

Call or email; 8838 3460, email lmckeogh@parracatholic.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Denis Smith, Anita Dyson, Michael Wilcox, Margaret Mead, Eli Chacko (Father Jolly's Mother), Paul Trevaskis, David Burke, Eva Lynch, Lucy Groves, Patricia Psaila.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Ryder Lopez, Maria Macri, Rev. Max Barrett (CSSR) (Jim Barrett's Brother), Chris Paine, Mark Bates, Lyn Downes, Reg Moore, Pam Clyne, Mary & Robert Keith, Josephine Teece, Ken Moore, Mary Ann Manalili, Ellen Moffitt, Terry Stevens, Jeff Dean, Grant Madden, Jacqui Visser, Elise Doyle, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Carmel Quilty Malone, Colleen Nolan, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Little Majella and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Grant Millicent, Moira Holmes, Michael Klein, Hilder Ahrenfeld, William Osborne, Irena Chambers, Vincent Noonan, Clare Konza, Betty McSweeney, Peter Stapleton, Winifred Shindorfer, Stanley Sharp, Michael Seymour and Derek Elliott.

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and then to
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*...saddest
journey of
the human
heart"*

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ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

FEAST OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA AND OF THE MILITARY ORDINARIATE

Almighty God, deepen in our hearts
our love of Mary Help of Christians.
Through her prayers and under her protection,
may the light of Christ shine over our land.
May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.
Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.
Bless especially the men and women
of the Australian Defence Force and their families.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.
Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

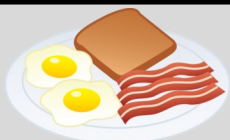


ST FINBARS MEN'S BREAKFAST

Date - Saturday 1st June 2019

Time - 7:30 am – 9:00

Venue - Parish hall



The parish is holding another Men's breakfast as an opportunity for parishioners to meet and get to know one another. This invitation is open to all male parishioners and any of their sons, grandsons, neighbours and friends. For catering purposes, we will need to confirm numbers by Sunday 26th May 2019.

Please add your name to the list on the warden's table.

Any questions please contact the organisers, Carl Moll 0417 471 137 or John De Mattia 4739 6775

Lina Wiecek from our Hospitality Team is looking for additional kitchen helpers to assist at the Men's Breakfast on Saturday 1st June, 2019. If you are able to assist from 7.30 to 9 am please contact Lina on **0414 323 265.**

Diocese of Parramatta Notices:

Exploring Laudato Si: 24 May

CCD invites all parishioners and friends to attend a presentation by Sr Valda Dickenson RSM that explores aspects of Pope Francis' Letter on Our Common Home – *Laudato Si*. Held on Friday 24 May at the IFM Blacktown from 10am to 2pm. Please register with Maree on 02 8838 3486 and BYO lunch.

CYP At The Well – An Evening with Young Women: 24 May

Catholic Youth Parramatta are excited to host another At The Well event, bringing young women together from across the Diocese for an evening of conversation on topics burning in the hearts of young women today. Friday June 24 from 7pm to 10pm. Event location TBA. Registration is free, but essential via <https://parracatholic.org/the-well/>

St Philomena Mass and Devotions: 25 May

Mass and Devotions for St Philomena will be held on Saturday 25 May at St John Vianney Parish, Doonside. Mass will be held at 12Midday. Please bring a snack to share. For further information, contact Libby Peoples – 0423 154 463 or epeoples9@gmail.com

SEMINAR - DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM. Each year Solo Parent Services offer a Seminar for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding of the Legal system, which can benefit those experiencing a marital breakdown. Topics addressed: How to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with lawyers to minimize your legal fees, how to protect your rights regarding family assets and Estates. **Date:** Tuesday 04th June. **Venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta. **Time:** 6.45pm for a 7pm Start to 9pm. **Cost:** \$10

Registration Essential via phone: Ph. 8843 2530 **or email:** soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

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ROSTER FOR 25TH & 26TH MAY 2019

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Volunteer Please	Stephen Brown
Senior Server	Ahyiesha D'Souza	Peter McMahon	Stephen Brown
Junior Server	Riley Farrell & Ethan Cameron		Volunteers Please
Warden	Huia Kingi	Volunteer please	Gary Clune
Welcomer	Nora Cordoba		Erika McNay
1 st Reading	Gerard Egan	Mary Creenaune	Avril Llewellyn
2 nd Reading	Maire Griffin	Andrew Teece	Michelle Wilson
Intercession	Katy Ferris	Elizabeth Konza	Yvonne Scanlan
I.T Operator	Robyn Flynn	Andrew Teece	Joseph Marceau
Musician	Te Deum		Holy Light
Presentation of the Gifts	Steve & Heather Lee	Rivas Family	Tom Torrance
Minister of Communion	Vince Dobson Noreen Taylor Lorraine Brown Allan Jones	Terry Madden Ann Keating Jean Di Nucci Volunteer Please	Mila Svehla Elizabeth Rowe Greg Rowe Todd Stanford
Children's Liturgy	Carolyn		
Cashier	Joe Grange & Lorraine Brown		
Hospitality	Tom Torrance, Marie Nassif, Kerry & Peter Herborn		
Church Care	Noreen Taylor, Erika McNay, Ian Dickson, Heather & Steve Lee		
Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass	Ann Marie King		
Garden Club	Lukas Rajnoch, Andrew Howard, Stuart Sheary & Daniel Lynch		

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