



# The Barbra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

26th & 27th October 2019

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19; Ps 32; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14. Eucharistic Prayer 2

		Reflection on the Gospel
<b>Sunday</b> <b>27th October</b> <i>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</i>	<b>7.30am Mass</b> <b>9.30am SRE Recruitment Mass</b> <b>10.45am Parish Plenary Feedback Gathering P/C</b> <b>3.00pm "A Taste of Italy" Concert</b>	<p>This week's gospel passage flows on directly from last week's gospel and continues the teaching of Jesus about prayer. Whereas the preceding passage emphasised the need for persistence in prayer, this passage is about the way in which we come before God in prayer. It is the tax collector, whose simple prayer is 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner,' who goes home at rights with God. In this simple prayer, the tax collector recognises that he is not in right relationship with God and asks for God's mercy. This is a hallmark of the lowly and outcast in the gospel of Luke: they recognise their need and seek God's forgiveness and mercy. The model of faith that is depicted over and over again in this gospel is the one who recognises their need for God's loving mercy and asks for it. We are repeatedly reminded that God's mercy, forgiveness and abundant love are constantly out-flowing towards us and all we have to do is humbly desire and welcome them.</p> <p>Humility is at the heart of this parable. The Pharisee is representative of those who are assured of their own rightness but who rely on comparison with others to make themselves feel righteous and justified. The actions of this man were not limited to Pharisees alone, nor are they limited to a particular time and place. This man's attitude of asserting his own faithfulness and religious observance by comparison with others can be easily seen in the world today. All faiths seem to be afflicted with these characters who assure themselves of their own 'goodness' by railing against those who are different. But, as the parable assures us, it is the humble who are exalted by God.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reflection by Greg Sunter</i></p>
	<b>Monday</b> <b>28th October</b> <i>Sts Simon and Jude</i>	
	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>29th October</b>	
	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>30th October</b>	
	<b>Thursday</b> <b>31st October</b>	
<b>Friday</b> <b>1st November</b> <i>All Saints</i>	<b>9.15am All Saints School Mass</b> <b>10.30am First Friday Visits</b> <b>1.00pm Bowlers P/C</b> <b>7.30pm All Souls Mass</b>	<p><b><u>Parish Gathering: What is the Spirit saying to us?</u></b>  All parishioners are invited to come together to hear how the Holy Spirit has been speaking in and through the voices of those involved in our parish Listening and Dialogue process. Each small group will present some of the themes that emerged during their time together. We are gathering <b>this Sunday, 27 October from 10.45 – 12.30pm</b> to share and celebrate this Spirit-led journey. All are welcome!</p>
	<b>Saturday</b> <b>2nd November</b> <i>All Soul's Day</i>	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>3rd November</b> <i>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</i>	<b>7.30am Mass</b> <b>9.30am Mass</b> <b>6.00pm Youth Mass</b> <b>7.00pm "The Lounge" Senior Youth Group</b>	<p><b><u>PIETY STALL.</u></b>  Please check the Piety Stall for the best gifts for First Holy Communion</p>



*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



## A Taste of Italy

An afternoon of Music and Song with

**Michael Gioiello – Tenor and Michael Taylor – Organ**

Italian Arias interleaved with organ solo items

**St. Finbar's Catholic Church, 52 Levy Street, Glenbrook Sunday October 27, 2019 at 3pm**

*Suggested donation \$15 and \$10 concession*



## ST FINBARS MEN'S BREAKFAST

With guest speaker

**Date - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Time - 7:30 am – 9:00 am**

**Venue - Parish hall**

The parish is holding another Mens 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 10th November 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

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**2020 Religious calendars are now available at the wardens' table. \$6 Franciscan and \$9 Columban.**

## TO KEEP OUR CELEBRATIONS JOYFUL– MUSICIANS NEEDED.

Many hands make light work, so to ease the pressure on those who are currently helping out, we would like to add your name to our rosters of music for our Eucharistic Celebration. If you are able to play any musical instrument or lead a choir once a month. Please contact the Parish Office on 47398928. Thanks. **Father Jolly**

## ADVENT STUDY GROUP

Dear Parishioners, if you would like to join a prayer/study group for the season of Advent please add your name and contact details to the sign on sheet at the back of the church. We will be using the Diocese of Wollongong Advent study booklets which are a beautiful and well prepared resource. They will need to be ordered for all those wishing to take part by Wednesday 30 October. The cost of the booklet is approximately \$5.00 per copy.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Wendie Emmett, Liam O'Sullivan (Son of Mary & Mick), Joan Bezanson (Colleen McHardy's sister), Gillian Roche (relative of Brian and Thea), George Frampton, John Parker (husband of Gwen), Tony Hickey, Brian Martland, Kathleen O'Connor, Victor Baker, Rita O'Malley, Stanley Harris and Ian McNay.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Robert Carey (Ann Keating's brother), Ken Moore, Margaret Christensen, Ryder Lopez, Rev. Max Barrett (CSSR) (Jim Barrett's Brother), Sandra & Chris Paine, Mark Bates, Lyn Downes, Reg Moore, Pam Clyne, Mary & Robert Keith, Ellen Moffitt, Terry Stevens, Jacqui Visser, Elise & Hilary Doyle, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Sophie Hollies, Colleen Nolan, Michelle Anthony, Ernie Cafe and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Ottalia Gyucha, John Guinney, Ann Walker, Rocco Galderisi, Archibald Johnson, Charles Breese, Allan McMillan, Irene Baker, David Hancock, Amanda Oxford, Edward De Mattia, Anna Vella, Virginia Criswick, Charlie Psaila, Alice Cleary, Julie Young, Scott Blondahl, Kathleen Grange, Marjorie Gormly, Monica Moffitt and Ian Robinson.

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# ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS

## ALL SAINTS KIDS' HEROES PARTY - Thursday, 31st Oct 2019

Come and join us to celebrate the life of our Saints and heroes who have passed on but still inspire us today! There will be fun activities, games, treats and time to meet other families. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm. Yes, this will be a little different to a traditional Halloween event. Instead of scary spooky costumes we'll be celebrating something a whole lot more positive, fun and meaningful.

**When: Thursday, 31st October**

**Time: 5:15PM – 7:15PM**

**Where: Parish Hall .**

There is no cost! We only ask that you RSVP by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. Please text Kristina on 0456 449 285 to confirm numbers of children and adults. **Your RSVP will help us to cater appropriately and prepare activities for the kids.** We look forward to seeing you for this celebration that is one for the whole family!

## **SHARE THE FAITH!**

We are a joyful team of Scripture Teachers who provide 30-40 minute lessons, once a week, for the children in local primary schools. It is a most rewarding ministry. So, if you have some time to spare and would like to know more about us, please call Beth on 4739.8577.

## ST FINBAR'S BUSH DANCE . FRIDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019

TO THE FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE ST FINBAR'S COMMUNITY

ALL AGES - ALL WELCOME

**LIVE BAND AND DANCE CALLER**

**THE SPEEWAH BAND**

Free Sausage Sizzle from 5:00 to 6:00, Dancing from 6:00 till 8:30

Location: St Finbar's Lower Playground

**FREE FUN NIGHT OUT**

**Please RSVP to the Parish Office on 47398928.**

**CARERS WEEK EVENT.** Fifty Four attended an entertaining morning, Tuesday 15th October, of Singing by the SILVER FOX QUARTET along with Storytelling and Poetry. Another great highlight was the HIGH TEA - tables beautifully set with China Cups and Saucers, flowers, giving a fantastic atmosphere to the day. The catering was marvellous, so many choices and all delicious. The array of exhibits, lovingly made by the TIMEOUT TUESDAY group, were displayed around the hall. A special day, out reaching and enriching CARERS and the wider community.

**MCCARTHY CATHOLIC COLLEGE.** From 2020, McCarthy Catholic College will be known as Penola Catholic College Emu Plains. As you may know, McCarthy Catholic Trade Training Centre will become the McCarthy campus of CathWest Innovation College from 2020. Penola Catholic College will continue to serve students from Year 7 to Year 12 in the Penrith and Lower Mountains areas. Further information about enrolments can be made through the College on (02) 4728 8100.

## IMMACULATA MISSION SCHOOL 2020.

**What is it:** A ten-day live-in formation school for young people, with talks on the faith from awesome speakers, daily Mass & prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship, fun & fellowship & lots more! **When:** 1-10 January, 2020.

**Where:** The Glennie School, Toowoomba QLD. **Who:** 15-35 year old. **Special guest speaker:** Dr Ralph Martin (USA), Professor of Sacred Theology, international speaker on evangelisation and the spiritual life. Dr Martin is a consultant to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation.

**Other guest speakers:** Archbishop Julian Porteous, Vince Fitzwilliams, James Parker, Jess Leach, Paul Elarde, Sisters of the Immaculata & more. **Cost:** \$390 (cost includes all accommodation, food, speakers and activities) before 18 Nov, \$450 after 18 Nov. **For more info or to register:** [www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims](http://www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims) or 0406 372 608

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# PARISH INFORMATION

## Sacraments

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

**Office Hours:** 9.30am - 3.00pm

Monday to Friday

Office Phone: (02) 4739 8928

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## Parish School:

Principal Mrs Robyn Clarke

Phone: 4724 3600

## ROSTER FOR 2ND & 3RD NOVEMBER 2019

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Marie Hurley	Carl Moll	Gerard Egan
Senior Server	Patrick McLoughlin	Carl Moll	Volunteer Please
Junior Server	Alex & Johnny McLoughlin		Grace Incorvil & Abigail Stanford
Warden	Vince Dobson & Allan Jones	Volunteer Please	Steve Newton
Welcomer	Carmel Dobson		Tom Torrance
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Beth Culliver	John De Mattia	Pearse Cremin
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Eileen Jones	Mary Creenaune	Amanda Moore
Intercession	Maureen Tulk	Margaret Dickson	Steve Newton
I.T Operator	Yvonne Etherington	Elizabeth Konza	Pat Watson
Musician			J. Long & A. Hobbs
Presentation of the Gifts	Noreen Taylor & Janice Smith	Maria Heinzl Stanis Drobiszewski	Michelle & Joseph Wilson
Minister of Communion	John Verhoeven Sandra O'Meara Chris O'Meara Beth Culliver	Margaret Dickson Ian Dickson Colleen Fuller John Killeen	Garry Pursehouse Wendy Brown Sue McGrath Bernie Fisher
Children's Liturgy	Christyna		
Cashier	Robyn Flynn, Ann & Ray Keating		
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