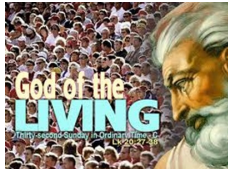



The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

9th & 10th November 2019

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 16; 2 Thess 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38. Eucharistic Prayer 2

Sunday 10th November <i>32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</i>	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptism	Reflection on the Gospel	
Monday 11th November <i>St Martin of Tours</i>	9.00am Mass 10.30am Pastoral Care Meeting M/R 10.30 School Remembrance Day Liturgy P/C 5.00pm SVDP Meeting M/R	<p>Life after death, in one form or another, is a common belief of most of the major faiths of the world. It is certainly a basic tenet of Christian faith. Because the gospels record Jesus as speaking about an afterlife, we tend to assume that this was a common belief of his time. However, within the different groups of Judaism, there was significant diversity of belief about this point. While the Pharisees believed in resurrection, the Sadducees did not. The Sadducees, whose name means 'righteous ones' were an elite group within the Jewish faith. They were purists in their adherence to the Torah and their rejection of any later teachings or writings – this actually put them in conflict with the Pharisees, although the two groups are often portrayed in the gospels as being united against Jesus. Today's gospel passage depicts an attempt by the Sadducees to ridicule belief in an afterlife by questioning Jesus about an extremely exaggerated scenario. The reply Jesus gives largely ignores the farcical nature of the question. Rather, Jesus makes clear that the resurrected life is not merely an extension of the earthly life. The things that are of concern in this world are not an issue in the next. Through death and resurrection, life is changed; not ended. This idea can be challenging at a time when we are mourning the loss of a loved one, yet we are called to respond to that challenge with a genuine hope and trust in the life that goes on in a different way. Jesus, in fact, dismisses the whole idea of death as an ending by saying that to God all people are alive, whether on earth or in the resurrection.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Reflection by Greg Sunter</i></p>	
Tuesday 12th November <i>St. Josaphat</i>	9.00am Mass 7.00pm Cantabile Choir Practice 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting M/R		
Wednesday 13th November	8.00am Mass followed by Rosary 9.30am Playgroup P/C 7.00pm Bridge P/C	TIMEOUT TUESDAY. 19th November, St Finbars Parish Centre. 10am – 1pm our last gathering for the year. Come and enjoy	
Thursday 14th November	9.00am Mass 1.30pm Bridge P/C 7.30pm International Dance Group P/C	<p>NOVEMBER is the month we especially remember our departed brothers and sisters, parents and family members. Please pray for them and remember them in the Masses. Special Mass Envelopes are available on the Wardens' table.</p>	
Friday 15th November	9.00am Mass + Benediction 1.00pm Bowlers P/C	<p>SUNDAY BAPTISMS: The Parish joyfully announces the Baptism of Charlotte Louise Micallef and Charles Grzegorz Czachorowski Wiley this Sunday, and warmly welcomes them into our Faith Community.</p>	
Saturday 16th November	7.30am Men's Breakfast P/C 9.00am Mass 10.30am Te Deum Choir practice 4.45pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass		
Sunday 17th November <i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</i>	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptisms 1.30pm Bridge Club P/C 3.00pm First Holy Communion Rehearsal 6.00pm Youth Mass 7.00pm "The Lounge" 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.

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

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ST FINBARS MEN'S BREAKFAST

With guest speaker

Date - Saturday 16th November 2019

Time - 7:30 am – 9:00 am

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 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

A musicians' meeting will be held in the Parish Meeting Room on 17th November after the 9:30 am Mass. We will be discussing music for Advent and Christmas. Anyone interested in singing/playing for any of the Christmas Masses is welcome to come to the meeting. For further enquiries, please contact Matthew Phillips on 0481 841 704 or at mhy.phillips@gmail.com.

Introducing our St Finbars Parish Working Group

Many thanks to all of those parishioners who took part in our Parish-based Listening and Dialogue process. We now move into the next phase of our journey together which involves distilling the input that has been collected into themes and practical actions relevant to these themes. This will help us to identify those areas where the Spirit might be prompting us to focus our energy as community to help us grow in our love and service of Christ. Many thanks to the following members of our parish who have accepted the nominations of those in their Listening and Dialogue groups to form the Parish Working Group who will be responsible for distilling this input:

Martin Rogers (Facilitator)

Vince Dobson

Elizabeth Rowe

Melissa McDonald

Joanne Stubbs

Irene Aligno

Debbie Low

Luke Doughty

Annabelle McLaughlin

Please keep this group in your prayers as they work together on the next phase in our process.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE. The Book of Remembrance is on permanent display in the Sanctuary during the month of November. Parishioners can add the names of any family members or loved ones who have passed to eternal life. Please do not enter any names that are already in the book.

PIETY STALL. Come and check the Piety Stall for great First Holy Communion and Christmas gifts. New Christmas Cards Packs of 8 for \$4 each.

NEW CHURCH CARE CLEANING ROSTERS HAVE NOW BEEN EMAILED OR POSTED.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Joyce Slyney, Richard Formosa, Liam O'Sullivan (Son of Mary & Mick), 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, Ernie Cafe, Michelle Anthony and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Betty Chapman, Kevin O'Neill, Gregory Kelly, Therese Voorn, Patrick Broughan, Lorraine Tolhurst, Patrick Field, Alma Melville, Kenneth Hepburn, Ludgardia Way, Renee Belton-Webber, Eileen O'Keefe, Amy Mood, Brenda Amaral and John Howling.

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FAKE FR JOLLY EMAIL:

There is a fake email being sent to people in Fr Jolly's name, asking for assistance. Please delete the email immediately – do not open it as it may put a virus on your computer.

FUNERAL MASS FOR FATHER PAUL SLYNEY'S MOTHER –MRS. JOYCE SLYNEY.

Will be held on Wednesday the 13th of November at 11am at All Hallows Catholic Church Five Dock.

OFFICE OF WORSHIP– LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2020.

There are some Formation Courses starting beginning of February: Ministers of the Word, Safe Ministry Training, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion of the Sick & dying and Ministers of the Altar. If you are interested in joining any of these courses. Please complete the Registration Form available on the Warden's table.

CONCERT FOR CAMBODIA

Thank you to all parishioners who attended or otherwise supported our concert on 26th October. The night was very successful thanks to our fine musicians and hardworking committee, with \$5000 raised towards the Bush School budget for next year. Again, thanks to all involved. Doug Frewer.

Diocese of Parramatta Notices

The Epiphany Pilgrimage

The Epiphany Pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains is a not-for-profit event of the Diocese of Parramatta and outreach of the Blue Mountains Deanery. Beginning at Emu Plains on 2 January and finishing 7 days later at Bell, pilgrims walk 110km through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland, celebrating the Christmas season with each parish along the way. Registration and details at epiphanypilgrimage.org and facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage

Plenary Council 2020 Diocesan Session 5: 14 November

You are invited to the fifth of the six sessions in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather and discern the Plenary Council 2020 National Themes for Discernment. This session on 'Joy, Hope-filled and Servant Community' will be held on 14 November from 6.30pm to 9pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. To RSVP, please contact tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441.

Reflection Day for Women: 23 November

Preparing our hearts for Advent – Reflection Day for Women. Saturday 23 November 9.30am – 3.00 pm. Mt Schoenstatt, Fairlight Rd Mulgoa. Facilitator: Sr Mary Louise. Cost \$25 BYO own lunch. Tea & coffee provided. Take some time out for prayer and reflection!

To register or for more information info@schoenstatt.org.au or phone: (02) 4773 8338.

ACBC National Prayer Campaign for Drought

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national.

Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought

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ROSTER FOR 16TH & 17TH NOVEMBER 2019

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Vince Dobson	Carl Moll	Stuart Sheary
Senior Server	Vince Dobson	Carl Moll	Martin Rogers
Junior Server	Joshua Toutounji & Dominic Scanlan		Andy Rogers Ann & Alex Walker
Warden	Lorraine Brown	Volunteer Please	Frank Fitzpatrick
Welcomer	Paul Etherington		Peter & Trish Hurley
1 st Reading	Maire Griffin	Ann Keating	Peter or Trish Hurley
2 nd Reading	Gideon Goosen	Elizabeth Konza	Annis Nilsson
Intercession	Margaret Moore	John Isaksen	Frank Fitzpatrick
I.T Operator	Robyn Flynn	Ellen Teece	Patrick Watson
Musician	Cantabile		
Presentation of the Gifts	Chris & Sandra O'Meara	Kay Whitty	Kathleen Schneiders & Family
Minister of Communion	Marie Hurley Pat Barrett Gwen Cullinan Bernie Fisher	Terry Keogh Helen Keogh Jean Di Nucci Jessica Tiller	Therese Luczak Annis Nilsson Irene Aligno Carmel Higgins
Children's Liturgy	Pia		
Cashier	Bernadette Shalala & Erika McNay		
Hospitality	Trish & Peter Hurley, Maggie Trevena, Irene and Bert Aligno		
Church Care	Noreen Taylor, Erika McNay, Ian Dickson, Heather & Steve Lee		
Piety Stall at 9.30am Mass	Lee Jackson & Louise Heber		

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