

Mha Bairira

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - Year A

6th & 7th June 2020

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; Ps Dan 3; 2 Cor 13:11-13; John 3:16-18; Eucharist Prayer 2.

| Sunday 7th June <i>The Mast Haly</i> <i>Trinity</i> | 7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass | FATHER JOLLY'S WEEKLY REFLECTION The God we believe in is a community of three persons, The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit. And the indivisible oneness of the three Divine Persons stems from the eternal process |
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| Monday 8th June | 9.00am Mass | of self-gifting to each other. A community becomes possible only through the process of a self-gift. The very process of self-gifting is nothing else but |
| Tuesday 9th June | 9.00am Mass 7.00pm Parish Council Meeting M/R | self-giving and communication. The better, the self-giving and sharing, the more personal and more intimate it is, the deeper and more intimate becomes the communion of the community. Today we celebrate the Trinity Sunday. It is |
| Wednesday 10th June | 9.00am Mass 9.30am Playgroup | natural for us to ask the question what earthly use has the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity for today's men and women? We believe Trinity is still a mystery. Christianity proclaims |
| Thursday 11th June <i>St. Barnabas</i> | 9.00am Mass | primacy of the persons and presents the Blessed Trinity – three persons in a perfect love relationship. It is in this context Trinity becomes the model of personal relationships. The three persons of the Trinity know and love themselves perfectly and relate perfectly to the others. It is mutual |
| Friday 12th June | 9.00am Mass 1.00pm Bowlers | knowing, loving, sharing and giving based on knowledge, love and self-donation. This is the basis of the Trinitarian Community - Unity in love. |
| Saturday 13th June <i>St. Anthony of</i> <i>Padua</i> | 9.00am Mass 5.30pm Vigil Mass | Each one of us are called to imitate the example of the Holy Trinity. Healthy, harmonious relationships are hard to come by. A host of personal, interpersonal and social problems heavily militate against healthy relationships. We fail to |
| Sunday 14th June The Mast Haly Bady & Bload of Christ | 7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass | elate to others on a person to person basis. Our relationships are more functional than personal, parents vs children, eachers vs students, employers vs employees, superiors vs subjects. How seldom do we succeed in breaking the hard shell of the 'role-play' to encounter the person behind and to establish meaningful relationships? |
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REMINDER.

Please remember to ring or email Parish Office on 47398928 or

secretary@stfinbars.org.au to book your spot for next weekend Masses before Thursday.

SATURDAY BAPTISM:

The Parish joyfully announces the Baptism of Zali Rose Skinner this Saturday, and warmly welcomes her into our Faith Community.

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.

By the nature of our being we are Trinitarian. Every human being is created in the image and likeness of the Holy Trinity. Thus we are called to form Trinitarian Communities. Each of us has a threefold love: Love of God, Love of Others and Love of Self. These are the first and second commandments: to love God above all and to love others as oneself. And this love has to be totally personal.

George A Maloney describes this Trinitarian love the following way. "The true test of how ultimately you are living in the presence of the indwelling Trinity is how intensely you strive to live intimately with each person who comes into your life. Hence, to change your loverelationships with other human beings, you are called to live in deeper focus upon the indwelling presence of God at the core of your being.

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FATHER JOLLY'S WEEKLY REFLECTION

As you touch God and receive His infinite, perfect love for you, you are transformed into a loving gift to others".

When we offer this loving self-gift to others, in this self-gift, we open ourselves to the healing trust of others. This way of self-gift keeps us in an unbroken growth-process of love. Our faith in The Holy Trinity tells us that we are gifts of God who is love.

As we celebrate the Trinity Sunday we pray: "Dear God of perfect love and our model of love, mould us to be a real gift of love to one another. Amen.

Please be seated according to the numbers marked in the church making sure to leave room for Parishioners from the same family to sit together. Also, there will be Entry and Exit marked please follow them strictly. Remember to sanitize before your enter the church. Please understand the difficulties we are all facing with Covid-19. Thank you for your cooperation and love for one another. Father Jolly.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS.

As part of the Parish procedures to keep good hygiene in the church, collection trays will not be passed around during Mass. If you can please place your weekly offering in the two containers located in the back of the church. Please be generous as the parish relies on your financial support to survive and to help those in need. Thank you all for all your support and help. May God bless you and keep you safe.

SANITIZING STATION. Can you please help sanitize the Church pews back and seats as well as door handles? I will have the disinfectant and cloths set at the back of the church to make it easier. Please don't spray the leather directly as it will leave marks, spray the cloth itself and wipe. Thank you all for your help and support, greatly appreciated. Juliana Khnouf

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

This is the last call for the next lot of plaques to be created for installation on the parish Memorial Wall, part of our Prayer Walk. If you would like to commemorate the passing of your loved family member, please contact the parish office to complete the necessary paperwork. It is planned to send the next batch of plaques to the engraver on 10th June, so please make sure you complete all the details before this date.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Jennings, Judy Lee (Robyn Clarke's Mother), Yvonne Holt (Judy Burrett's Sister), Betty Burge-Lopez (Julie-Ann McLoughlin's Grandmother), Elise Doyle (Jacqui Visser's Sister), Patrick Hanson, Patricia De Mattia, Ken Moore, Maureen Purcell and Merle Catlin (Margaret Richard's Mother).

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Angela Dengate (Jim Pope's daughter), Adam Carlyon (Theresa Luczak's Son in Law), Maria Macri, Eugene Daley (Margaret Rivas' Friend), Ryder Lopez, Rev. Max Barrett (CSSR) (Jim Barrett's Brother), Joan Paine, Mark Bates, Lyn Downes, Reg Moore, Pam Clyne, Ellen Moffitt, Terry Stevens, Jacqui Visser, Joan Lohrey, Joanne Macrae, Maddison Farrugia, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Sophie Hollies, Colleen Nolan, Michelle Anthony and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Gregory Macquarie, Ellen Durham, Sarah Kleinmeulman, Monica Palmer, Charles Mooney, Philomena Owens, William Robb, Keith Tydeman, Daphne Dowding, John Shanahan, Laila Spedding, Jan Ciosmak, John O'Shea, Michael Glover, Valerie Ridings, Father Maurice (Mac) McNamara, Leonard Rivas, Bridget McLaren, Robert Jones, Frederick Critchley, Cecilia Egan and Lucy Dunne



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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 CSA

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Reopening of church buildings

Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are opening their doors for private prayer, Reconciliation and for the celebration of Mass and sacraments such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. Please contact your local parish to check the arrangements put in place. Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online.

CatholicCare is still open and operational

CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains services remain open and operational during the current COVID-19 outbreak. Individual offices have been closed to clients, but the service continues to operate with care and support offered via phone, video conferencing/telehealth and online. Some programs are continuing to run groups via video conference. To make a referral, call (02) 8843 2500 (Mon-Thu 8.30am-8pm, Fri 8.30am-5pm, Sat 9am-1pm), email – enquiries@ccss.org.au or visit ccss.org.au.

Life, Marriage and Family Office Pre-Marriage Weekends

The Life, Marriage and Family Office will recommence their pre-marriage education courses from the weekend of 24th and 26th July 2020. Social distancing and hygiene measures will be in place, with other arrangements to be made if government requirements change. To view course dates for the remainder of 2020 and to book and pay for your preferred pre-marriage course, visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.

Natural Fertility Services is still open

The Life, Marriage and Family Office is still open! Natural Fertility Services helps couples achieve and space pregnancy naturally! If you would like to learn Natural Family Planning, please contact Catherine to book your remote instruction via email catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or call 0400 427 605.

Office For Worship Resources available

The Office For Worship has a range of resources available for purchase for individuals and parishes. Resources such as parent material for a child's baptism and a collation of prayers can be purchased from the Office For Worship by contacting (02) 8838 3457.

Alpha Online Prayer Ministry

Be part of prayer ministry for the team and participants of Alpha Online beginning 1 June. Alpha invites participants to explore the Christian faith in a friendly and comfortable environment. Alpha Prayer Ministers are invited to pray daily individually or as part of a weekly online prayer group. Visit https://www.parracatholic.org/alphaonline/ or call Lisa on 0448 652 720 to register or find out more.



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: (C (02) 4739 8928 Office Fax: (02) 4739 8929

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| Liturgical Ministries | 5.30pm | 7.30 am | 9.30 am |
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| Sacristan | John Verhoeven | Peter McMahon | Deb Lawrence |
| Senior Server | Anaru Veitch | Peter McMahon | Garry Pursehouse |
| Junior Server | Katia Apps | Joshua & Lucy Toutounji | Emily Dowling & Sophie McDonald |
| Warden | Ken Schneiders | Volunteer Please | Patricia Murnane |
| IT Operators | Eleanor Thompson | Ellen Teece | Joanne Stubbs |
| 1st Reading | Allan Jones | Ann Keating | Irene Aligno |
| 2 nd Reading | Joe Grange | Elizabeth Konza | Kristina Rajnoch |
| Intercession | Dawn Willis | John Isaksen | Yvonne Scanlan |



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REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL TO ACCESS LINKS

GROW & SHARE FAITH.

Please join with others as we create community online to share and grow faith, every Saturday from 11am - 12pm.

Listen to the pre-recorded presentation about a topic of faith before Saturday 11am and then join an online group discussion via Zoom between 11am - 12pm.

Register in advance for this meeting to receive the links for the presentation and meeting:

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing links to the presentation and conversation.

https://dioceseofparramatta.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcsfuvrD0tGtP8J6ctFdekMd kbYEoNHkg







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