



# The Barra

**Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook**  
**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A**  
**5th & 6th September 2020**

**Ezekiel 33:7-9, Ps 94; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20; Eucharist Prayer 2.**

<div>Sunday 6th September <i>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></div>	<div>7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Youth Mass 7.00pm "The Lounge" Senior Youth Group P/C</div>	<div><div><div>GOSPEL REFLECTION</div><div>This week's gospel provides us with a lesson that could be well heeded in our contemporary world. Matthew relates a discourse on dealing with a grievance or sin between two 'brothers' – community members; fellow disciples. Matthew advises his audience that the first step is to try to resolve the matter privately between the offender and the one offended. This is a practice that seems to have almost disappeared today. When one person feels offended or hurt by another, it seems the last thing they do is to go and speak to the person, confront them with the hurt and try to resolve it. Soap operas and TV sitcoms promote avoidance of issues. The sub-text of so many TV shows is about lying to cover up a mistake; seeking revenge for some perceived (usually incorrect) insult; or working through others to try to deal with some hurt. If characters on these TV shows were to confront one another with a perceived hurt and seek to resolve the difference between them, then there would be no 'drama' to play out in the show. Admittedly, it doesn't make for great television, but it does make for much better relationships!</div></div><div>Matthew advises his community that only after a failed attempt to address an issue face to face should other members of the community become involved to further confront the offender through witnessing to their fault. The third step is to bring the person before the church community to be confronted with their actions and only after these three attempts to challenge the person fail should they be shunned. There is a very strong message of reconciliation that comes through this process. The person is given every chance to face their error and to seek amends with the one they have hurt. The whole process works towards bringing the community back together in harmony, not to seek revenge and punishment.</div><div>Reflection by Greg Sunter</div><div>St. Finbar's Parish would like to wish all Dads, Grandads, Great Grandads and Step Dads a very Happy Father's Day this Sunday and ask God's blessing on them all and their families. Just a reminder that next weekend will be Father Jolly's last weekend with us as a Parish Priest. Please remember to sign his farewell card (Folder) in the Narthex. Thank you</div></div>
<div>Monday 7th September</div>	<div>9.00am Mass</div>	
<div>Tuesday 8th September <i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></div>	<div>9.00am Mass</div>	
<div>Wednesday 9th September</div>	<div>9.00am Mass 9.00am Pastoral Care Meeting M/R</div>	
<div>Thursday 10th September</div>	<div>9.00am Mass 7.30pm Blue Mountains Folk Dance P/C</div>	
<div>Friday 11th September</div>	<div>9.00 Mass 1.00pm Bowlers</div>	
<div>Saturday 12th September <i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i></div>	<div>9.00am Mass 11.30am Te Deum Choir Practice 3.00pm Confirmation Rehearsal 4.45pm Confession 5.30pm Vigil Mass</div>	
<div>Sunday 13th September <i>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></div>	<div>7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 11.00am Baptisms 6.00pm Confirmation Mass</div>	
<div>SATURDAY BAPTISMS: The Parish joyfully announces the Baptism of Lachlan James &amp; Madeleine Lilla Roach who are going to be Baptised this Saturday and warmly welcomes them into our Faith Community.</div>		

***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

## What Will Be Your Legacy of Faith, Hope and Charity?

As God's stewards, we're entrusted to use the gifts we are given wisely for the greater good of our family, our faith community and God's kingdom. A gift in your Will is an enduring way to give thanks to God and share your blessings beyond your lifetime. During Include A Charity Week, we invite you - after providing for your loved ones - to consider a gift in your Will to our Parish, Parramatta Catholic Foundation or a Catholic ministry. Even the most modest gift will significantly advance our Church's works of faith, hope and charity for future generations.

For information on remembering the Church in your Will: [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/giftsinwills)



## CATHOLIC WEEKLY

### PULPIT POINTS 6 SEPTEMBER 2020

- Our new ambassador: Chiara Porro
- Youth no barrier: Australia's youngest Chancellor
- ACT law banishes parents' rights
- The new Camino De Sydney
- Movie review: *Boys State*
- Why I became Catholic?



**TIMEOUT TUESDAY** 15th October 2020 at 10am. It is time to rekindle our companionship with each other. Look forward to seeing you all. Kathleen Tierney 0424925269; Maire Griffin 47394094

*A special thanks to Kieren and Tricia Murnane for all their help with clearing and fixing the garden around the Presbytery and the church. May God bless them both for their hard work.*  
*Father Jolly Chacko MS*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Dunata Ryan, Rita Cloran, Maureen Hobbs, Douglas Nelson (son of Ron dec and Mary Nelson), Frances Glen, Adrian Willigers (Yvonne Etherington's Brother), Anne Smith, Greg Quilty and John Jennings.

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

Margaret Christensen, Andrew Bookallil (Margaret Rivas son), Michael Taylor, Angela Dengate (Jim Pope's daughter), Adam Carlyon (Theresa Luczak's Son in Law), 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:

Charlotte Mansour, Harold Brown, Dorothy Parslow, Arthur Auckett, Hugh Smith, George Frampton, Norah Trathen, Dorothy Luland, Bendina Van de Weyer, Bernadette Greig, Barbara Fisher, Raymond McSweeney, Barbara Short, Alexandra Jankowski and Cecilia Mitchell.

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More details at: [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

### Diocese of Parramatta COVID-19 update

Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have COVID-Safety plans in place requiring social distancing, maximum attendance figures and other safety measures. We also highly recommend wearing masks to Mass and other services. You are encouraged to check with your parish on what measures they have in place before attending. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website [www.parracatholic.org/covid19](http://www.parracatholic.org/covid19)

### Catholic Outlook Magazine September Edition

Look out for copies of the next edition of the Catholic Outlook Magazine in your local Catholic Church, Catholic school or Catholic office from early September. Catholic Outlook is an A4 magazine published quarterly with a focus on Catholic faith formation, spirituality and a look at what is happening across the agencies and ministries of the Diocese of Parramatta.

### Welcome to The Well

The Diocese of Parramatta proudly announces its latest initiative – *The Well*. In what can be described as ‘Netflix for Catholics’, *The Well* is a new online platform that provides free, ‘on-demand’ inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Check it out at [www.thewell.org.au](http://www.thewell.org.au)

### Diocese of Parramatta celebrates the Season of Creation

The Diocese of Parramatta is celebrating the Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October) by creating a video to be released on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. We invite all parishioners to be involved. Send your photograph, video, art or poetry of your favourite nature spot in the Diocese to [comms@parracatholic.org](mailto:comms@parracatholic.org) by 25 September. Details can be found at <https://www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice/>

### CEDP Safeguarding eSafety Commissioner Webinar: 7 September

Catholic Education and the Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards are partnering with the eSafety Commissioner for a series of free webinars for parents and carers. The second session, ‘Tech, teens and time online’ (for secondary students) will be held on Monday 7 September from 7pm to 8pm. To register, please visit [bit.ly/39EtexJ](http://bit.ly/39EtexJ). For more information, please contact [safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au) or visit <https://safeguarding.org.au/prevention-education-and-training/>

### Pastoral Planning Celebrating and Sharing Our Gifts: 9 – 23 September

The Pastoral Planning Office are offering an opportunity for prayerful discernment about the spiritual gifts God has given us to bring to life God’s mission. Join us for 3 Wednesday evenings of prayer, input and discussions beginning on 9 September from 7.30pm to 9pm. You can register these for evenings at [www.tinyurl.com/celebrate-and-discern](http://www.tinyurl.com/celebrate-and-discern).

### Office For Worship RCIA Workshops: 14 September – 19 October

The Office For Worship will be running RCIA workshops for RCIA coordinators & teams and anyone who might be interested in understanding the RCIA process. The workshops will run with limited numbers due to social distancing measures on four Monday evenings between 14 September and 19 October at the Institute For Mission, Blacktown. To RSVP by 7 September, or if you would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 02 8838 3456 or [anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org](mailto:anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org)

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## ROSTER FOR 12TH & 13TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Anaru Veitch	Carl Moll	Deb Lawrence
Senior Server	Anaru Veitch	Carl Moll	Garry Pursehouse
Junior Server	Alex & Johnny McLoughlin	Joshua & Lucy Toutounji	Emily Dowling & Sophie McDonald
Warden	Ken Schneiders	Volunteer Please	Tricia Murnane
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Allan Jones	John Isaksen	Richard Cutler
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Dawn Willis	Andrew Teece	Carmel Higgins
Intercession	Ken Schneiders	Annie Teece	Joanne Stubbs
IT Operators	Eleanor Thompson	Ellen Teece	Joseph Marceau
Cashiers	Joe Grange		
Church Care	Catherine Marceau, Jane Lennon, Christyna Lloyd, Nicole Young & Beth Killeen		
Garden Club	Tony Doyle, Neil Evans & Helen Keogh		

### LITURGY FORMATION WORKSHOPS:

The Office for Worship will be conducting 2 workshops on Liturgical Ministry in October at St Finbar's, Glenbrook. This will include Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Communion to the Sick & Dying. This is for those interested in serving in these ministries, whether new or to refresh and update. Registration forms will be available soon.



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