



The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A
12th & 13th September 2020

Sirach 27:30-28:7; Ps 102; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35; Eucharist Prayer 2.

<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><p>A distinctive feature of the teachings of Jesus is his exhortation to forgive. Very explicit about this, Jesus left us his own example by forgiving his executioners while he hung dying on the cross. Until recently we thought that forgiveness begins with the offender repenting of the offence and then asking for pardon. Today many maintain that reconciliation must begin with the one offended offering forgiveness. This willingness to forgive transforms a victim into a survivor. Such magnanimity might then touch the heart of the offender, who may thus be transformed from being an offender to becoming a friend.</p><p>If God has been so generous in forgiving us, surely we should be generous in forgiving others. The process of becoming a forgiving person takes time. For some, it may take a lifetime. Only little by little are our pettiness and indignation reduced and our desire to strike back diminished. Still, as disciples, we are expected to give the forgiveness that we have been given.</p><p>Such forgiveness does not provide an easy way out for offenders, for ultimately justice will prevail. If we remain untransformed by God’s forgiveness of us, we will be liable to judgment. Our unwillingness to forgive can eat away at us, and we can carry hurts from childhood far into adult years. Forgiving others, as difficult as that may be, is in the long run much easier than bearing the weight of resentment, vindictiveness and unresolved frustration. When we forgive we truly begin to be healed.</p><p><i>Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA</i></p><p>Congratulations to all the children who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday. May the Holy Spirit guide them and Help them to grow in His love.</p></div>	<div>And Be Kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving each other, just as GOD also in Christ forgave you EPHESIANS 4:32</div>
<div>Monday 14th September <i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i></div>	<div>9.00am Mass</div>		
<div>Tuesday 15th September <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i></div>	<div>9.00am Mass</div>		
<div>Wednesday 16th September <i>Sts Cornelius & Cyprian</i></div>	<div>No Morning Mass</div>		
<div>Thursday 17th September</div>	<div>No Morning Mass 7.30pm Blue Mountains Folk Dance P/C</div>		
<div>Friday 18th September</div>	<div>No Morning Mass 1.00pm Bowlers</div>		
<div>Saturday 19th September</div>	<div>No Morning Mass 11.30am Te Deum Choir Practice 4.45pm Confession 5.30pm Vigil Mass</div>		
<div>Sunday 20th September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></div>	<div>7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Confirmation & Youth Mass 7.00pm “The Lounge” Senior Youth Group</div>	<div><p><i>This Sunday St. Finbar’s Parish Community bids farewell to Father Jolly Chacko and wishes him luck in his new Parish, thanking him so much for all his services, friendship and for all he has done for St. Finbar’s church during his stay. We will keep him in our prayers and thoughts.</i></p></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

Please note that until further notice, there won't be any morning weekday Masses from this Wednesday the 16th of September 2020. Sorry for the inconvenience.

If you like to attend Mass at Our Lady of the Way Emu Plains weekday Masses are at 9am everyday except Tuesday.

If you like to attend Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Springwood, their weekday Masses are at 9.30am except Thursday and Saturday. Thank you and hopefully we will get a new priest soon.

SUNDAY BAPTISMS:

The Parish joyfully announces the Baptism of Eva Octavia Inzitari who is going to be Baptised this Sunday and warmly welcomes her into our Faith Community.



Latest Update

Representatives from the Pastoral Council and Finance Committee were invited to meet with Bishop Vincent and Vicar General, Fr Chris De Souza to discuss the hopes and needs of our parish as the Diocese seeks to appoint our new Parish Priest. It was a fruitful and encouraging opportunity to dialogue with the leadership of our local Church as we prepare for this next stage of our journey together as a community. We pray for the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit at this significant time.

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY.

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. The Church takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk.

Find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday and www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding

TIMEOUT TUESDAY 15th September 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

Michael Taylor, Noreen's son passed away on Tuesday morning. Please keep Noreen and the family in your prayers and thoughts. May he rest in peace.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Michael Taylor, 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:

Beryl Callaghan, Margaret Christensen, Andrew Bookallil (Margaret Rivas son), 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:

Stephanie Webber, Edward Parslow, John Gillian, Margaret O'Hare, Paul Moore, Margaret Hunt, Marie Lutton, Patricia Flynn, Fred Clinton, William Waters, Thomas Charles, Baby Amber Jenkins and Pamela Cotte.

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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.

ST. FINBAR'S YOUTH GROUP

Would like to express their love and thankfulness for Father Jolly for his service in the past 5 years. His ministry was full of blessings, love, life and happiness. St. Finbar's Youth are eternally grateful for his time, as their Shepherd. They promise to always remember him and to keep him in their prayers as they ask him to keep them in his prayers.



DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Positions Vacant:

Sacramental Coordinator – Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes –

Applications close Wednesday 16 September. More details at: 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

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

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 by 25 September. Details can be found at <https://www.parracatholic.org/socialjustice/>

Catholic Youth Parramatta engaging young people in new ways

Catholic Youth Parramatta has established a dynamic schedule of networking opportunities, formation and resources to support ministry and engagement with young people of the Diocese in new ways. From inspiring quotes and scripture references on Mondays, to faith-filled live performances on Wednesday to launching new home-grown resources on Friday. Check out CYP's Facebook and Instagram pages and <https://www.parracatholic.org/cyp/> to download and share the resources.

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ROSTER FOR 19TH & 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Vince Dobson	Peter McMahon	Stuart Sheary
Senior Server	Vince Dobson	Peter McMahon	Joseph Sukkar
Junior Server	Joshua Toutounji & Dominic Scanlan		Andy Rogers
Warden	Lorraine Brown	Volunteer Please	Frank Fitzpatrick
1 st Reading	Maire Griffin	Volunteer Please	Peter or Trish Hurley
2 nd Reading	Gideon Goosen	Elizabeth Konza	Annis Nilsson
Intercession	Margaret Moore	John Isaksen	Frank Fitzpatrick
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Cashiers	Bernadette Shalala & Erika McNay		
Church Care	Jeannine Ashbee, Deb Youngman, Leesa & Wayne Gillard		

Let us celebrate with joy the birth of our Virgin Mary, of whom was born our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Her birth constitutes the hope and the light of salvation for the world and her very image is the spiritual Mother of all Christians.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Most lovable Mother Mary,

our Father in Heaven created you with deep affection and made you worthy to become the holy Mother of His Son.

You were born into a family of Saints.

Pray for us today, that our joy in you and your Son, will deepen our hope, love and faith in God.

As you travel on your journey of faith, may the Blessed Virgin Mary be an inspirational guide for hope and devotion, leading you ever closer to God.

May you feel the warmth and light of God's unconditional love burning brightly in your soul, just as you have given warmth and light to our brothers and sisters in need through your kind-hearted spirit.

God bless you always

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta

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