



The Barra

Weekly Newsletter of St. Finbar's Catholic Parish, Glenbrook
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B
23rd & 24th October 2021

Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

FR JOE'S MUSINGS

CHURCH RE-OPENING – SOME CHANGES

It is great news that we have now been allowed to re-open our church to everyone, as long as we abide by certain restrictions. These restrictions include the maintaining of one person per four square metres, meaning our church can only accommodate 85 people inside the church building. There will be some chairs available for outside seating for those who wish to avail themselves of it and for any overflow (in excess of the 85 permitted inside). Communion will be brought to those outside.

Additional restrictions mean you must sign in (either by QR code or filling in the sheet at the Wardens' table), you must wear a mask, and you are asked to abide by the social distancing rules. A seating diagram will be displayed in the narthex, asking older parishioners to sit in the centre section of the church, families to sit on the left side and younger members to sit on the right side.

To ensure safety for everyone we are also asking you to sanitise your hands before receiving Holy Communion by using one of the sanitisers placed in each aisle, and the collection plates will be placed at the rear of the church for you to use, either as you enter or before you leave. The Tap'n'Go terminals are operational, one being now set at \$10 while the other remains at \$5. Please get back into the habit of contributing to each collection each weekend as the parish still needs your financial support to meet its commitments.

We will be installing plastic screens in front of the Wardens' Table in the Narthex, and around the Secretary's desk in the office, to help protect people from possible cross-infection.

MASS AND SACRAMENTS

There are a couple of changes to Mass times. Weekday morning Masses will now be at 9:15am each day Tuesday to Friday. There will be no morning Mass on either Monday or Saturday.

The rosary will follow the 9:15am Mass on Wednesdays and the Anointing Mass will still be held on the third Thursday of each month, and it will be at 10:00am (not at 9:15).

Reconciliation will now be available every Saturday afternoon between 4:30pm and 5:15pm.

Weekend Mass times will remain unchanged, namely Vigil Mass at 5:30pm Saturday (this Mass will continue to be live-streamed until further notice), Masses at 7:30am and 9:30am on Sunday mornings and the youth Mass at 6:00pm on the first and third Sundays of each month. Pre-booked Baptisms will take place at 10:45am on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Weddings can take place but need to be pre-booked.

The rosters are now operational again. As per Diocesan directive, all choir members, as well as all minsters assisting at Mass, must be double vaccinated. If you will not be resuming your place on the rosters, please let the parish office know.

Parish groups can now resume their activities provided they can abide by all the above-mentioned restrictions.

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Sacraments

Confessions: By Appointment

Baptisms: By Appointment

Weddings: By Appointment

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SUNDAY

BAPTISMS:

The Parish joyfully announces the Baptisms of James Peter Tinsley & Grace Rose Tinsley who are going to be Baptised after Mass this Sunday, and warmly welcomes them into our Faith Community.



5.30PM VIGIL MASS LIVE STREAMING LINK

<https://youtu.be/T42y5UHSunc>

Hosts are no longer available to take home.

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.

PARISH CALENDAR		ST. FINBAR'S PARISH NEWS
Sunday 24th October <i>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B</i>	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 10.45am Baptisms	<u>Fr Joe's Musings-continue from page 1</u> COMING DATES Finally, we would like to remind you of the coming dates of interest including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday November 1st: All saints Day. Special Mass at 7pm Tuesday November 2nd: All Souls Day. Mass at 9:15am as well as a special Mass at 7pm Sat 4th December: Parish Retreat Day 10am – 4pm Sat 4th and Sun 5th December: Parish Plenary Session for selection of activities to develop Saturday 11th December 7pm: Volunteers Christmas party Saturday 25th December: Christmas Day. Sunday 6th February: Parish General Meeting. We look forward to seeing you all again now that our church has re-opened. <i>Fr Joe, Juliana and Peter</i>
Monday 25th October	No Mass. Office is closed 5.00pm SVDP Meeting M/R	
Tuesday 26th October	9.15am Mass 10.00am Timeout Tuesday P/C 7.30pm November Baptism Preparation Meeting M/R	
Wednesday 27th October	9.15am Mass followed by Rosary 9.30am Playgroup 5.30pm Confirmation 1st Session 7.30pm Rosary Via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/97589753258?pwd=amRZMi9jWW5iVmVVFjQKZFtcm82dz09 Meeting ID: 975 8975 3258 Passcode: 001266	
Thursday 28 October <i>Sts Simon & Jude</i>	9.15am Mass 7.00pm Introduction to Theology https://zoom.us/j/91854370682?pwd=bkljMUg3UjJpRH85aktZaXqvOEh6Q0T09 Meeting ID: 918 5437 0682 Passcode: 713522 7.30pm Blue Mountains Folk Dance P/C	
Friday 29th October	9.15am Mass 1.00pm Bowlers 5.30pm Confirmation 2nd Session	<u>SAVE THE DATE .</u> AFTER 4 MONTHS THE ST FINBARS MEN'S BREAKFAST RETURNS. THE DATE SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER FROM 7.30 TO 9.00AM. (COVID REGULATIONS PERMITTING) MORE DETAILS SOON.
Saturday 30th October	No Morning Mass 11.30 Te Deum's Choir Practice 3.45pm Communion Preparation Sessions via Zoom 4.30pm Confessions 5.30pm Vigil Mass Live Streaming Mass Link https://youtu.be/HHvGhQfB_5o	
Sunday 31st October <i>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B</i>	7.30am Mass 9.30am Mass 10.45am Baptisms	

ALL SOULS MASS:

Mass this year will be celebrated on **Tuesday the 2nd of November, 2021 at 7pm.**

The celebration of the Eucharist will be offered for all the faithful departed with special remembrance of those whose funeral took place at St. Finbar's during the past year.

Also invited to participate in the liturgy are parishioners who have lost a close relative during the past year and whose funeral was conducted outside the Parish. A candle ceremony will be part of the celebration so if you would like your loved one remembered by lighting a candle (which your family member will place on the sanctuary during the Mass), please contact the Parish Office on 47426958 before the 27th of October. A small framed photo of your loved one could also be placed on the sanctuary before the commencement of Mass.



BEING IN TOUCH WITH GOD THROUGH CREATION



OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH

This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Churai*, who having experienced much heartbreak in childhood, turned to the Mother and Babies Home run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok when her partner cast her experienced rejection as an adult, abandoned by her partner and pregnant.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers like Churai will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by going online at catholicmission.org.au/thailand or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436.

Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

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Positions Vacant:

Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Diocese of Parramatta COVID-19 update

As NSW reaches its 80% double dose vaccination target, 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 Mass and liturgy times and the COVID-Safe arrangements in place.

Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online>. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19

Diocese of Parramatta launches Plenary Council resource website

A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. Beyond the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more as we move into a time of prayer, reflection, maturation and development.

Office for Safeguarding offering online training to keep our parishes safe

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team is currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout September and October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office on safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Roger Hunt (Julie-Ann McLoughlin's Father), Dirkje Vleeskens, Valarie Goodridge (Jim Tierney's sister), Rev. Max Barrett (CSSR) (Jim Barrett's Brother), Marian Dickinson, Anton Goosen (Gideon's brother) and Roberto Di Nucci.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES & FRIENDS:

Sybil Mason, Chris Paine, Colleen McHardy, Margaret Stevens, Lyn Beltran, Christine McGillion, Ryder Lopez, Margaret Christensen, Joan Paine, Mark Bates, Lyn Downes, Reg Moore, Ellen Moffitt, Terry Stevens, Jacqui Visser, Joanne Macrae, Sophie Hollies, Catherine Kirk (Cameron), Maddison Farrugia, Colleen Nolan, Pam Clyne, Michael McMahon (Peter's brother) and Harrison Aggar (Margaret & Ian Dickson's Grandson).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

William Brownlow, May Graham, Carlyle Murray, Baby Peter Shatford, Lorna O'Neill, Edna Helm, Alice McGregor, Rubena Appleton, Michael Drinkwater, Anne Bell, Otilia Gyucha, John Guinney, Ann Walker, Rocco Galderisi, Archibald Johnson, Charles Breese, Allan McMillan, Irene Baker, David Hancock and Amanda Oxford.

LITURGICAL ROSTER FOR 30TH & 31ST OCTOBER

Liturgical Ministries	5.30pm	7.30 am	9.30 am
Sacristan	Anaru Veitch	Carl Moll	Lukas Rajnoch
Senior Server	Anaru Veitch	Carl Moll	Lukas Rajnoch
Junior Server	Volunteers please		Volunteers please
Warden	Vince Dobson & Allan Jones	Volunteer Please	Steve Newton
1 st Reading	Eileen Jones	Margaret Dickson	Avril Llewellyn
2 nd Reading	Philomena Watkins	John De Mattia	Cecilia Zammit
Intercession	Katy Ferris	Elizabeth Konza	Justin Dowling
IT Operators	Eleanor Thompson	Robyn Flynn	Pat Watson
Gifts	Parishioners are invited to	Offer to bring	Up the gifts
Communion	Mary O'Sullivan	Margaret Dickson	Annis Nilsson
Cashiers	Robyn Flynn, Ann and Ray Keating		
Children's Liturgy	Christyna		
Piety Stall	Noreen Taylor		
Church Care	Jeannine Ashbee, Deb Youngman, Leesa & Wayne Gillard		
Hospitality	Julie Fehon, Anne Hobbs, Martin & Lyndal Rogers		



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