



ST BERNARD'S PARISH

Telephone: 4472 4153

P.O. Box 3220, Batehaven, 2536.

Email: Batemansbay@cg.org.au

Website: www.cg.org.au/batemansbay

Office Hours: 9am to 2pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Parish Priest: Fr. Martins Aloga

Assistant Priest : Fr. Dominic Byrne.

St Bernards Primary School: 'That All May Be One'. Principal: Jacqueline Heffernan.

Carroll College: 'Learning For Life'. Principal: Acting: Nathan Mansfield

THIS WEEK: 18-13 Dec

Tuesday 18:	9am Mass
Wednesday 19	8:40 am Rosary 9am Mass
Thursday 20	9am Mass
Friday 21	9am Stations of the cross 9:15 am Mass
Saturday 22:	9am Rosary 5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 23:	9am Mass

Adoration is on First Friday of the Month at 5:30pm. Mass is also celebrated every first Saturday of the Month at 9am.

ROSTERS	(22/23 December)
Church Cleaning	R & K Ison (24-28)
Welcomers	6pm D. Ebejer 9am M. Law
Readers	6pm S. Ebejer; J.Mackay 9am R.Bemelman, A Horsfall
Commentator	6pm M. Weatherall 9am B. Basevi
Extraordinary Ministers	6pm M. Bridges, C Burrows H. Blake, A. Rogers
	9am N.Beatty, T. Cashman, A. Scicluna, C. Schor, C.Connell
Computer Screen	6pm K Conway 9am T. Priest
Morning Tea	O'Sullivan family
Children's Liturgy	Holidays

Please pray for the people in our parish who are sick

Rae Fishlock, Mary Henderson, James Lee, Dianne Hantas, Judy Sykes, Geoff Philpot, Fr Warwick Tonkin, John Dillon, Vince Burns, George Fitzgerald, Levi Wheeler & Declan Holmes and those in our local nursing homes



REST IN PEACE: we pray for those who have departed this life Jack Bradley, Ann Smith, Helen Price, George Uniitt, James McArdle, David Patrick Connell, Rodrigo Alivio, Gerald Suarez, Angelita Alivio and Monica Watts



Fr Martins: Tues, Thurs,
Sat, Sun Moruya
Wed, Fri Batemans Bay

Fr Dom: Tues, Thurs, Sat, Sun
Batemans Bay
Wed, Fri Moruya



Up Coming Events

December

19 Second Rite of Reconciliation 6-7pm
23 Working Bee at Church 8-10am

Weekly events

RCIA Process is ongoing every
Wednesday 7pm in meeting room

Rosary Every Wednesday at 8:40am
in the church.

Singalong every Monday at 1pm
In the church.

Stations of the cross every Friday
at 9am in the church.

Craft is held every Thursday
10 –12pm in the church meeting
room.

Wrap with Love 2nd Tuesday&
last Wednesday of the month

Men Alive—meet every 1st & 3rd
Wednesday of the month at 8am

Monthly Masses

Opal 1st Wednesday of month
10:30am

Glen 3rd Thursday of month
10:30am

Maranatha 4th Wed of month 2pm

Gaudete Sunday

This weekend marks the end of the first part of the advent season, counting from the first Sunday of advent to 16th December, ushering us into the second part with the celebration of Gaudete Sunday (Rejoice Sunday). During the mass, we light the rose-coloured candle to lighten the mood as we cross the mid-point between the start of the season and the joy that comes with the anticipation of the celebration of Christmas.

Advent is season with rhythm. This can be seen in the organisation of the liturgy and the symbolic rituals of the season. Central to this rhythm is the Word.

In our first weekend, St. Luke in the text of the Gospel presented the image of the destruction of the earth, the coming of the Son of Man and judgement. This fire-alarm approach is meant to create spiritual anxiety. To calm the anxiety, the second weekend offered a voice; a voice crying in the wilderness: *prepare the way of the Lord...* In this third weekend, the voice of John is giving precise direction to his audience who came asking: *what should we do?* As we go through this week, we pray for the grace to respond as appropriate to the demands of John's voice.

Fr. Martins

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve:

6pm & 9pm.

Christmas Day: 9am

Croatian Mass: 11am. Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS CHOIR PRACTICE

You are invited to join the Choir for Christmas Eve Mass at 6pm. Practice with the children is on **Friday December 21 at 10am** in the Church. We look forward to seeing you. Please join us. For any queries please ring Phil 0428593191.



PARISH WORKING BEE at the Church Saturday 22nd December
8.00am-10am Clean Up before Christmas —all welcome

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Parish Celebration last weekend to Farewell Fr Dominic, Jacqui Heffernan and Julie Valentini. Particular thanks to the Filipino community who provided us with a hearty feast for the occasion.

Singalong this week is at Maranatha on Monday at 1.00pm singing Christmas Carols. Singalong will take a break and resume in February

Banking details

If you are a parishioner who gives directly from your bank account to the offertory please note details for banking.
Acc. Name: Central Presbytery Fund
Bank Acc: 29248
B.S.B: 062.786
Ref: PARISH SUBURB/TOWN & SUR-NAME. Eg: Batemansbayjones



You are all Invited
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
ADVENT 2018: WEDNESDAY
19 DECEMBER AT 6PM

It is while waiting for the coming of the reign of God, Advent after Advent, that we come to realize that its coming depends on us. What we do will either hasten or slow, sharpen or dim our own commitment to do our part to bring about God's love in the world.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation invites us to embrace the strength of God's love and mercy, whilst admitting our weaknesses and the presence of sin in our lives – the Sacrament of Reconciliation strengthens us to commit to God's love during Advent and throughout the year.

Batemans Bay, Moruya & Narooma
District Funerals

Mark Hewson JP
Funeral Director
Phone 02 4472 8886

Moruya 02 4474 3555
Narooma 02 4476 3888

INDUSTRIAL REPLACEMENTS
1 Sharon Road, Batemans Bay
Buy fuel any time



OCEAN BREEZE TAKEAWAY
Fish & Chips, Burgers,
Sandwiches & Coffee
100% BEEF BURGER
248 Beach Road
Batehaven NSW 2536
02 4472 1802

ST BERNARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL
ENROLLING NOW
Ph 4472 4446
Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community

CARROLL COLLEGE
ENROLLING NOW

Ph 4471 5600
Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community



excell *ideaspeople*
PRINTING GROUP
P 4472 1599
E batemansbay@excellprint.com.au
www.excellprint.com.au
Shop 1/25, Old Princes Hwy
Batemans Bay NSW 2536

Ray and Anne Brown

COASTAL
CONCRETE & QUARRY

02 4474 0320

THIS ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE
CONTACT PARISH OFFICE
44724153

Electrician & Handyman
Can do anything
Call David May
0408 627 854

Kate & Tara your vets
at Surf Beach
EUROCOAST
Veterinary Centre
4471 3400