

ST BERNARD'S PARISH

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Mass Times

Tues: 15 5.30pm Mass **Wed 16**: 8:40am Rosary 9am Mass

Thurs 17: 9am Mass Fri 18 9am Stations of the Cross 9.15am Mass

5.30pm Adoration Sat 19 9am Rosary 5pm Reconciliation

6pm Vigil Mass Sun 20: 9am Mass

> 5pm Mass **Sacristans**

6pm: Craddy & Carmody 9am: Scicluna & Bemelman 5pm: D. & B. McCormack

ROSTERS 19/20 Oct

Church Cleaning B Favetta, J O'Neill (21-25) Welcomers 6pm L Baz

9am M Kinross 5pm Volunteer

Readers

6pm N Crewe, M Weatherall 9am B Basevi, J Basevi 5pm C Nicoletti, Volunteer

Commentator

6pm P Kelly 9am N Beatty

5pm Volunteer **Extraordinary Ministers**

6pm L Favetta, A Rogers, C

Burrows, Volunteer 9am V & C Burns, L Stevens, A

5pm B McCormack, Volunteer

Computer Screen

6pm K Conway 9am T Jackson

Skinner

Children's Liturgy

TBA **Morning Tea**

Page Family

Hospital Visitation: Vince & Carolyn Burns—Oct 20th

The Attitude of Gratitude

Naaman, the Syrian Military General in the first reading this weekend, was an outcast not only because of his illness; he was also a non-Israelite. But he returned to thank the Prophet Elisha for the cure of his leprosy, and as a sign of his gratitude, transferred his allegiance to the God of Israel. In the Responsorial Psalm, (Ps 98), the Psalmist urges us, to "Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you land; Break into song; sing praise!" in thanksgiving to God who has "done wondrous deeds," for all of us. St. Paul, in the second reading, advises Timothy to be grateful to God even in his physical sufferings and amid the dangers associated with spreading the Word of God, because God will always be faithful to His people.

This weekend's Gospel tells us of a single non-Jewish leper (a "Samaritan"). who returned to thank Jesus for healing him, while the nine Jewish lepers went their way, perhaps under the false impression that healing was their right as God's Chosen People. They did not seem to feel indebted to Jesus or to God for the singular favour they had received. Instead, they hurried off to obtain a health certificate from the priests. "Where are the other nine?" Jesus asked the Samaritan leper and the crowd. "Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

The readings also remind us that Faith and healing go hand in hand, as do Faith and reconciliation. It was Faith that prompted Naaman to plunge himself into the waters of the Jordan River, and it was Faith in Jesus which prompted the lepers to present themselves first to Jesus and then to the priests. Finally, the readings demonstrate God's love for all peoples, including the Samaritans (whom the Israelites hated), and the pagans, Israel's enemies whom Naaman represented.

Perhaps, let us conclude with the story titled: "Then where's his hat?" A story was told of a little boy who fell off a pier into a deep ocean water. An older sailor, heedless of the great danger to himself, jumped into the stormy water, struggled with the boy, and finally, exhausted, brought him to safety. Two days later the boy's mother came with him to the same pier, seeking the sailor who rescued her son. Finding him, she asked, "You jumped into the ocean to bring my boy out?" "I did." he replied. The mother angrily demanded, "Then where's his hat?"

An attitude of gratitude would have made all the difference.

Fr Martins

New Bishop for Broken Bay

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Anthony Randazzo the fourth Bishop of Broken Bay, a diocese that covers much of Sydney's North Shore and the New South Wales Central Coast.

Bishop Randazzo said during his ministry, and especially his ministry in neighbouring Sydney Archdiocese, he has observed the Diocese of Broken Bay to be

"a vibrant, animated, and Spirit-filled Church". "I have a great sense of hopeful

expectation as I anticipate how we will live the life of faith and discipleship together and how we will give witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ in our world," Bishop Randazzo said.

We join in congratulating the new Bishop of Broken Bay Diocese.

2019 WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: 20th October Theme—Fear Not For I Am With You. The Holy Father is calling on all Catholics and the Church to revive missionary awareness and commitment . "Some people give to mission by going, others go to mission by giving." Please give generously in support of the Church's mission. Appeal Envelopes will be available on the pews and in the church foyer.

2020 PLENARY COUNCIL PHASE 11—Listening & Discerning

Thank you to those who have already signed up and we encourage others to consider signing up for the Theme of your interest, as we look forward to the parish listening & discerning sessions in November. You can sign up for more than one Theme.

CHURCH OVERHEAD PROJECTORS UPDATE: We have now raised \$8230 for our church overhead screens. Thank you all so much for your generosity.

The aim is to upgrade the current technology more in line with the modern style of our church with the project estimated to cost around \$8000.

> OZROSARY OCTOBER 2019 - This Sunday at Casevs Beach 12 noon. All are welcome. To be followed by coffee.

MARANATHA LODGE is looking for a qualified hairdresser, preferably two days a week. Days are negotiable. For enquiries please phone Wendy McLochlan, Residential Manager on 44728608.

CANBERRA SINGING GROUP "Lady's Mantle" enchanted the audience at St Bernard's church last Sunday. The group of nine professional singers presented music from medieval chants to settings from the great classical composers, all in praise and honour of Mary, mother of Jesus. The singing was richly harmonic. The group took full advantage of the church's resonant acoustic by shifting soloists and small groups around the church, for example, to the side chapels, under the apex of the roof, around the church perimeter. The performance brought out the individual voices and parts, while also blending the sounds together smoothly. We welcome a return performance.

Upcoming Events PARISH GAMES/QUIZ NIGHT: To be held on Friday 25th October 6.30 for 7.00pm start in the Parish

Meeting Room. Cost is \$2 per person. Teams of 4, or come and join a team. Everyone is wel-

EVERYONE IS INVITED: To the book launch of 'From Ganmain to Rome & Back' - reflections on the life and priestly ministry of Archbishop Francis Carroll. Wednesday 6th November at the Ganmain Sports Club at 11.30am. Please RSVP by Wednesday 30th October to philomenabillington@gmail.com or 0428 593 191.

SOUTHCOAST MINI VINNIES SOCIAL JUSTICE DAY: Will be held at St. Bernard's Primary School on Monday 21st October from 9.30am—2.30pm. The day will provide the Society with an opportunity to share their good works with the Catholic Primary School communities and create stronger relationships moving forward.

UNDERSTANDING BEREAVEMENT: There will be a Bereavement Formation morning for the newly formed Parish Bereavement Team on October 19th beginning with registration and a cuppa at 9 am in the Parish Office. Sessions start at 9.30am—12.45pm in the Church Meeting Room. All parishioners are welcome to join. Cost is Free. Please RSVP by Tuesday October 15th to the Parish Office.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF PRAYER AND MUSIC: Will begin at St Edmunds's Catholic Church at 3 pm and finish at the All Saint's Anglican Church at Bodalla on Sunday October 13th. The celebration marks the occasion of John Henry Newman who is to be canonized at the Vatican by Pope Francis. Afternoon tea will be provided.

BBECET 'NEW BEGINNINGS' BUFFET LUNCHEON: Will be held on Saturday October 19th at 11.30 at the Anglican Church. Tickets AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE FOR \$25 pp.

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intention

October

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church. That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church

PARISH COFFEE CLUB

All are welcome to join the Parish Coffee Club on Thursdays after the 9 am mass. VENUE: JJ's @ The Marina 27 Beach Road

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Singalong: Every Monday at 1pm in the Church. Bible Study/Faith Community Every Wednesday 9.30am Rosary: Every Wednesday at 8:40am, Church Stations of the Cross: Every Friday at 9am in church Adoration/Vespers: Every Friday at 5:30pm Craft: Every Thursday 10 –12pm Meeting Room Wrap With Love: 2nd Tue & last Wed of month in church Men Alive: Every 1st & 3rd Wed in Church

Reconciliation: Every Saturday at 5pm in Church

Cenacle Prayer: Every Tues at 4.45pm in Church

grimage at Galong

First Saturday: 9 am Mass Opal Mass: Every 1st Wed at 10:30am Glen Mass: Every 3rd Thurs at 10:30am Maranatha Mass: Every 4th Wed at 2pm **Baptism Preparation:** Last Wed at 6.30pm Mass of the Sick: Every 1st Tue at 5.30pm Weddings and Funerals by arrangement **Upcoming Events:** October Thursday 24th PPC Meeting 5 pm meeting room

Sunday 27th Archdiocesan Marian Procession/Youth Pil

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We Remember the Sick: Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, James Lee, John Dillon, George Fitzgerald, Declan Holmes, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Margaret Harris, Timothy Gerrard, Patricia McLennan, Bill Giust, Allan Odlum, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Ken Evendon, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Glenda Gallagher, Joan and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

Rest In Peace: Terry O'Neill, Sr Marie Miller, Paul Ryan, Ray Duke, Gloria Harrison, Des Beckhaus, Bea Field, Jim Daley, Merle Hague, Guiseppe Ferrante, Anthony Clift, Marie Stewart, Vivien Doyle, Frances Doyle, Colin Doyle, June Bowditch, Nick Shannon, Peter McKeon, Melinda Coates, Joe Borg, Katima Skuzma, Desmond Lyons, Val Back