

ST BERNARD'S PARISH

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Mass Times

Tues 19: 5.30pm Mass Wed 20: 8:40am Rosary 9am Mass

Thurs 21: 9am Mass Fri 22: 9am Stations of the Cross 9.15am Mass

5.30pm Adoration Sat 23: 9am Rosary 5pm Reconciliation

6pm Vigil Mass Sun 24: 9am Mass

> 5pm Mass **Sacristans**

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

ROSTERS 23/24 November

Church Cleaning R & K Ison (25-29) Welcomers 6pm K Conway

9am M Kinross 5pm D Ebejer

Readers

6pm H Blake, J Mackay 9am N Beatty, A Fowler

5pm C Nicoletti, Volunteer Commentator

6pm N Crewe

9am B Basevi

5pm S Ebejer **Extraordinary Ministers**

6pm C Burrows, M Weatherall, A Rogers, A Skinner

9am C Connell, T Cashman, K Corbin, S Beashel

5pm B McCormack, D Gorzal-

Computer Screen 6pm D Coffee

9am T Priest

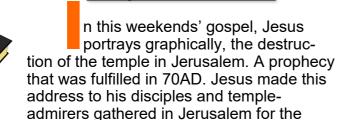
Children's Liturgy

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Gospel Reflection



Passover feast. Perhaps, Jesus wanted to elicit faith and hope in God, from his followers; and wander from the temple admirers and to remind all about the temporal nature of man-made wealth. This is from Luke's version of what is frequently called 'the apocalyptic discourse'.

Meanwhile, early Christian apocalyptic writings were symbolic in nature, giving more an interpretation of future events than an actual prediction. This is firstly, to encourage dispirited people by proclaiming God's power and providence. Secondly, to encourage those who believe to remain faithful through current and pending ordeals. Thirdly, to motivate believers to accept inevitable suffering as a necessary cross that comes before the crown. The faithful were reassured that if they remained steadfast, they could welcome the end of all things and the beginning of eternity, with confidence and joy, rather than with fear and

Contextually, Luke's account of Jesus' end time predictions and apocalyptic narratives fits into the end of the Church's liturgical calendar. At the end of each liturgical year, using relevant imagery, the scripture invites us to pause and reflect, to stop and take stock with the aim of preparing to begin again. To enable a deep reflection. Luke presents us with the image of destruction. the destruction of the Temple.

For the Jews, the destruction of the Temple was equivalent to the end of the world. Just as the experience of drought and fire disasters meant the end of the world for the farmers and victims of the inferno. We daily experience damage and destructionnatural and human, including the loss of loved ones and treasured relationships, jobs, homes and wealth that meant the world to us. In all these experiences Jesus invites us to be resilient with the spirit of endurance.

Fr. Martins

The Bushfires: For residents in Queensland and northern New South Wales, bushfire season has started early with more than 68 homes and outbuildings destroyed or damaged by fires over the last few weeks. Throughout the two states, the destruction is widespread and severe.

Many people are struggling with despair as their homes and property now smoulder in the aftermath. Will you pray for the victims and for the first responders who are putting their lives on the line? Ask the Lord to comfort them so that the "peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard [their] hearts and [their] minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7, ESV)

Weekly Events:

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

Men Alive: Every 1st & 3rd Wed in Church Reconciliation: Saturday at 5pm in Church Cenacle Prayer: Tues at 4.45pm in Church Monthly Events

First Saturday: 9 am Mass—All Souls

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:** November

1st All Saint's Day Mass 9.15am 2nd All Souls 9 am mass—All are welcome to join 11th Remembrance Day Service 11 am

16th Men's Breakfast 8 am meeting room 25th PFC Meeting 5 pm 28th PPC Meeting 5 pm meeting room 30 Nov—1st Dec SVDS Christmas Appeal

NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN

For the gift of rain, for people affected by drought, for support services.



Eternal God. In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought: be with those who support them. In your loving providence, send abundant rain and

restore our parched earth. Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through

power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life: Renew your faithful people: Renew the face of the earth.

Our lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians Pray for us St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

CLERGY ANNUAL RETREAT

Monday 18th—Friday 22nd November, all priests in the Archdiocese will be attending the Annual Retreat for a time of prayer, reflection, renewal and recharging. Fr Martins will be on retreat at this time and not available. Meanwhile Fr John Walter will be available for all pastoral needs. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any pastoral concerns.

We wish all our priests a fruitful retreat

SAVE THE DATE: A child safe-

guard training session for parish mem-

bers and all volunteers in the Parish, will

be held on Friday 6th December at 1 pm

in the Parish Meeting Room. The focus

will be on safe practices, safe people and

safe places. The training is interactive

and allows for discussion with a hand-

book provided. Everyone is encouraged

to attend. Please let the office know if

you are attending.

Combined Churches Christmas Carols @ Mackay Park

Sunday 15th December 2019 5pm till 9.45pm. Volunteers are urgently needed, if you think you might be able to help at the Carols, please fill in the Volunteers list in the fover of the Church, leaving your address and phone number. Each volunteer will be contacted by the Co-Ordinator Fiona Coffey. If you have any que-

ries regarding volunteering at the Carols please contact Liz Basevi 0400351225.

PHASE 11 OF PLENARY COUNCIL

The discernment meetings for the six themes nominated will be held throughout November with the outcome for input to the plenary council being 150 words as agreed to by the group. Meeting s will be a maximum of two hours which includes prayer and discernment.

WHERE? Parish Meeting Room at the Church

Monday 18th 3.15pm—Humble Healing & Merciful (Parish Office) Monday 18th 7 pm—Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal Wednesday 20th at 7 pm—Prayerful & Eucharistic Monday 25th at 7 pm—Open to Conversion, Renewal & Reform Tuesday 26th at 3 pm—Joyful, Hope-filled & Servant Community



5 PM SUNDAY MASS ON 17th NOVEMBER WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE CONVENT. ALL ARE WELCOME

MONTH OF NOVEMBER: REMEMBERING & PRAYING

November is the month during which we especially remember those who have died. During this month we continue to pray for those who have gone before us in faith, that they may be embraced by God. We invite you to remember your loved ones and all the Holy Souls by:

- Writing the name of your loved ones with dates of birth and death on the Special Cards prepared with the school and placing them in the basket near the Memorial Booklet Shrine. The candles will be lit at every Mass & Devotion during November. New names will be added to the Memorial Book at the end of November
- Completing a Mass Intention Envelope and placing in the basket. Father will offer masses throughout November with these Holy Souls at the heart of our Eucharistic community.
- Joining the Sunday Rosary at 12 noon at the cemeteries listed below

17/11 BROULEE MEMORIAL GARDENS

24/11 OLD CATHOLIC CHURCH CEMETERY (BENT ST, BATEMANS BAY) 30/11 NELLIGEN CEMETERY (SATURDAY)

All are welcome to join in praying for our departed family members, friends and parishioners

ST. CECILIA 2019 ANNUAL AWARDS CONCERT will be held at the church on Sunday 24th November at 3.30 pm. Tickets available at the door. Cost is \$10 for adults and children are free.

CONCERNED CATHOLICS OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN will hold a public forum on Thursday 28th November at 7.30pm at the Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Kings Avenue, Barton ACT. Inquiries phone Kevin Vassarotti on 0406 376 616

LOLLAPALOOZA will be held at Carroll College on Friday 22nd November. Rides, market stalls and displays. The fun kicks off at 4pm. ALL WELCOME.

ESPANA EI VITO THE SPIRIT OF SPAIN & TANGO CONCERT: will be held at the church on Sunday November 17th at 3pm. Tickets from South Coast Musical Society.

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intention

November

Universal— Communication and Reconciliation

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter and reconciliation emerges in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together





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PARISH COFFEE CLUB

All are welcome to join the coffee Club on Thursdays after the 9am mass.

VENUE: JJ's @ The Marina



COFFEE, CONNECT **L CHAT**



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

Rest In Peace: 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, Joe Borg, Katima Skuzma, Desmond Lyons, Val Back, Norma Phillips, Ted Gillis, Vincenzo Biondo, Brian Jose, Edith Bruce John Hav. Donald Walker

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