

those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. 'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward. 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

Communion Antiphon

O Father, I pray for them,
that they may be one in us,
that the world may believe
that you have sent me, says the Lord.

Hope Campaign

St Martha's Parish Strathfield is asking for help promoting its Hope Campaign to encourage everyone to spread and carry Hope during these uncertain times. See: <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/even-in-lockdown-st-martha-keeps-busy/> Any assistance that you could provide to help us promote Hope would be greatly appreciated. Contact Nicolle Mazzaferro on 0421 959 636



A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church: 280 Homer St, Earlwood, NSW. 2206

St Bernadette's Church: Corner William St & Bexley Rd.

Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School: Ph: 9559 2556 Principal: Dermott O'Neill

Society of Our Lady of Lourdes: Ph: 9559 2171 (Mon & Fri 10am to 1pm)

Family Drug Support

This is a caring non-religious organization which provided non-judgmental, non-directive support and information to families and friends of drug users across Australia. Telephone Support Line 24hrs/7day a week: 1300 368 186. Please see brochures in the Church foyer.

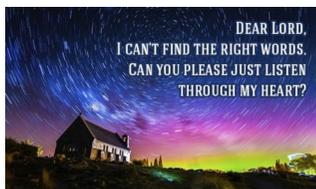


New Dates for Plenary Council

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic the National Plenary Council Assembly has been postponed to October 2021 (Adelaide) and April 2022 (Sydney). The discernment papers foundational to the development of the working paper and ultimately the agenda for the Assembly are available on the National Plenary Council webpage under the Discernment tab: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>

Words of Hope

'There is in the Church a Ministry of Healing. There is also in the Church a Ministry of Suffering, and of all the Ministries in the Church it is the most difficult and the most noble. Because in the ministry of suffering you share in the Passion of Christ'
Cardinal Basil Hume OSB



Next week 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings : 1st: [Zech 9:9-10, 14-16](#); **Psalm:** [144](#)

2nd: [Rom 8:9, 11-13](#); **Gospel:** [Mt 11:25-30](#)

LOURDES PARISH



EARLWOOD

Fr. Patrick Njenga Parish Administrator **Fr. Miguel Perez Campos** Assistant Priest
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WEEK 26 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 27/28 JUNE 2020

Entrance Antiphon

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

First Reading 2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **(R.)**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss. **(R.)**

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. **(R.)**

Second Reading Rom 6:3-4. 8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are a chosen race,
a royal priesthood, a holy people.
Praise God who called you out of darkness
and into his marvellous light.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. 'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and

Mass Weekends:

Saturday 5.00pm OLOL, 6.30pm Bernadette's
Sunday 8.00am Bernadette's, 9.30am OLOL
Children's Liturgy: during 9.30am Mass
10.45am (Italian). 6pm Maronite Mass in English.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4- 4.45pm OLOL

Mass Weekdays:

St. Bernadette Tue 6.30 pm, Fri 6.30am
OLOL: Wed 8.30am, Thurs 8.30am, Friday 9am
Baptisms: 12noon 2nd & 4th Sundays at OLOL
11am 3rd Sunday at St Bernadette's
Reconciliation: Saturday 6 - 6.20pm St. Bernadette's

Rosary Statue

Liliana & John Burland 97186161



Grotto Rosary

Rosary every Mon & Fri at Grotto at 10am.

Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Rosary

Please join us for **Holy Hour on Fridays 6:30-7:30pm at Our Lady's Church**. "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mt. 26:41)



Weekend Readers' Roster

The new weekend reader's roster for July to December 2020 is now available. Please collect your copy from the Sacristy.



Welcome Back

Many thanks to all parishioners who have been booking to come to Mass over the last few weeks, due to the limited numbers applying. As from NEXT weekend 4th/5th July it is no longer necessary to book but there will be a sign on sheet at the Church Door.

Restrictions Eased On Churches



Up to 50 people are now allowed to attend Mass or private prayer in a church with further restrictions eased from NEXT WED July 1 which will allow unlimited attendance providing there is a four square metre space around each person, with the exception of people from the same household. Up to 50 people can now also attend baptisms and 20 attend weddings with that number also increasing from July 1. Attendance at funerals is now unlimited, providing the four square metre rule is followed. In the interim, all parishes must ensure that their churches are not left unattended when their doors are open and they must keep written records with names and contact details of everyone who comes into the church at any time and these records must be kept for at least 4 weeks.



Project Compassion Update

Thank you to all those who have handed in their Project Compassion Boxes & Envelopes. Receipts are issued at the end of the financial year (100% Tax deductible). THANK YOU

Congratulations

Congratulations to Fr Patrick who celebrates his 25th Anniversary of Ordination on 1st July 2020. We thank him for his ministry to us all. A presentation will be made to Father on the weekend of 4th/5th July. We thank all parishioners for their generous response.



St Bernadette's Readers

Many thanks for those who have read during the last few weeks. The July roster is now available. Thank you for being available again. As usual if you know you will be away either swap with another reader, or let me know ahead of time. Thanks.
Zita King



Wrap with Love

At the end of July we will have another handover of rugs to Wrap with Love. So keep those fingers knitting. Thanks for recent donations of wool and money for this project.



End of Financial Year Thanks

We take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generosity over the closing financial year, even though it was difficult to contribute when churches were closed.



End of Financial Year

The packets of Parish envelopes for the new financial year are available NOW. If you are not already a subscriber to the Parish Envelopes, you may like to consider becoming one this year. If so, please complete a Parish Envelope Tax Deduction Form and you will be issued with Envelopes. Alternatively you can choose to contribute via Direct Debit or Credit Card Deductions. Thank you for your generosity.



End of Financial Year Receipts

End of year receipts for Parish envelopes, Charitable Works Fund and Project Compassion will be available SOON. Please collect your receipts even if you do not require them for Taxation purposes.



Parish Envelope Tax Deduction

Whether or not you wish to apply for Tax Deduction (30%), **ALL DONORS to the Parish**

Envelopes MUST complete the Form for Tax Deductibility for the new Financial Year 2020/2021 as your circumstances may have changed and you may need to update your information. This form will be given to you with your end of financial year receipts for Parish envelopes. Place completed forms in the Box at the Church Door or hand in at the Parish Office.

Fr Eric Corbin Ann 28th June

This year 28th June 2020 is the 15th Anniversary of the Death of Fr Eric Corbin, former Parish Priest of St Bernadette's Clemton Park for 30 years (1966 – 1996). So let us remember this occasion prayerfully. Father was a keen golfer, a champion tennis player, an unbeatable chess opponent and a self-taught classical guitarist. A man of many talents. He was also a great historian and very loyal shepherd to his flock at Clemton Park, who loved him dearly. May his reward be great in the Kingdom of Heaven.



Ordination of Tommy Sofatzis

From a small boy Tommy Sofatzis had been a parishioner of St Bernadette's Clemton Park. Tommy attended Mass & Sunday school every Sunday with his wonderful parents Gillian & Bill Sofatzis and his 6 brothers & sisters. Now many years later on Saturday 8th August 2020 at 10.30am he will be ordained a priest in St Mary's Cathedral by Bishop Richard Umbers DD. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend his ordination. Also Tommy will celebrate one of his first Masses in St Bernadette's Church on Wed 12th Aug at 10.00am followed by a light luncheon in the Church grounds. Because of limitation of numbers there will be a booking sheet for this Mass.



Appeal for Blankets

As winter is upon us, the Jesuit Refugee Service needs new blankets for their clients. If you are able to donate new blankets please contact Amelia Savage at Amelia.savage@jrs.org.au or on 9098 9336 and see the attached image for drop off points (drop off points as for food bank donations).



Please pray for the following:

Rec Deceased: Maria Apparepida Sanches, Veronica Hartwick, Angela Di Matteo, Franco Arcidiacono, Shirley Pearson, Pietro Ali, Phan Thi Le, Huy Huu Ha, Lovro Vidakovic, Vincenzo Alfonso
Anniversaries Vincenzo Puglia (1st, 4/7), Athol Cullen (29/6), Vincanzo Zaccardelli (4th, 29/6), Tony Henderson (3rd, 23/6) Giovanni Corrente (5th, 22/6), Maria Corrente (14/6, B'day), Francis Dalley (6/6), Federico Briones.
Also: William Fitz, Dorothea & Leslie Price, Enrico Angelosanto, Doreen Quinn, Joe Calaca, Annette Gatto, Derek Gilbert, Babs & Terry Rodrigues, Monica Brewer, Gillian Sofatzis, Pierino, Pasquale & Roberto Stanghieri, Vincenzo Zaccardelli, Mary & Karam Elkhouri, David Staunton, Regina & Katharina Lieb, Carmel Henwood, Sebastiano Salvato, Manuel De Nobrega, Carlo Favorito, Celie Channon, Dorothy Price, Joan Ashton, Giovanni & Maria Corrente, Giacomo Rosanella, Athol Cullen, Corrado Ardizzi, Antonio Camara, Sinacori & Salvato families, Spinola Family, Brian Davies, Michael & Flora Vartuli, Tony Miller & Maria Fung, Helen & Frederick Seeto, Joy Hockings, Anthony & Therese Bonnici, Joseph Sparrow, Lucy Elizabeth Sparrow, Christine Margaret Mary Sparrow, Edward Sparrow, John Sparrow, Pat & Lex Yule, Lillian Weaver, Ruth Yule, Frank & Kathleen O' Donoghue, James & Lesley Dalley, Nora & Joseph Collins, Andrea Canu, Domenico Antonio Mazzù, Sebastiana (Nella) & Francesco Di Stefano, Holy Souls. **May they rest in Peace.**
Special Intentions: Jose Gomes & family, Sister Elana, Sanjogta Sabharwal Blessings
Sick: Shirley Rait, Kristian Seric, Maria Camara, Maria Porcu, Maria Robson, Dick & Judy Poole, Kiani & Tasha, Berry D'Rosario, Ema Halangahu, Alfonso Costantini, Roz Ko, Krystal Boujoukas, Joyce Cutuli, Jeanette Lahoud, Emilio Canteli, Joseph, Mercedes & Teresa Artigas, Carlos Vivero, family & friends Artigas & Canteli Families, Fr Colin Mason, Jess Harrison, Lenny Parisi, Kiani & Malik Hage, Salvatore D'Amico, Baby Sarah Maria Robin, Baby Domenico Guarnieri, Giuseppe Ferlaino, Marina Beeby, Rosina Cimino, Melanie Reardon, John Kellert, John O'Neill, Joe Touma, Maria Amarin, Mark & Joe Borg, John Kellert, Maureen Nuttal, Johanna Banaghan, Trent, Rosa Maria Santos, Nicole Camara, Baby Ruby Whittemore, Elaine Rowda, Sr Catherine Carroll, Val Crawford, Ken Hogan, June Lynch, Ida Gilio, Patsy O'Connor, Gladys Richardson, Baby Sebastian Valens, Mary Carroll, Candida Rossetti, Steve Channon, Betty McGee.

