



ST BERNARD'S PARISH

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THIS WEEK: 15 -20 May

- Tuesday 15:** 9am Mass in convent
- Wednesday 16:** 9am Mass
- Thursday 17:** 9am Mass
- Friday 18:** 9:15 Mass
- Saturday 19:** 6pm Vigil Mass
- Sunday 20:** 9am Mass

Reconciliation every Saturday 5pm
ROSTERS FOR
Church Cleaning: Margaret deSmet & Jenny Maher

Welcomers:
6pm: Letitia Baz
9am : Jean McClelland
Readers
6pm: Joe Quigley, Margaret Bridges, Phil Billington

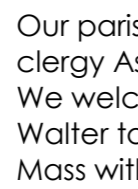
9am: Terry & Anne Jackson, Ray Bemelmen

Extraordinary Ministers
6pm: Joe O'Sullivan, Mick Lowe & Chris Lowe
Mary Haigh, Volunteer needed
9am: Liz Butt, Lorraine & Neil Page, Kathleen Corbin, Elizabeth White, Erica Drewsen

Computer screen
6pm: Daniel Coffey
9am: Tony Priest
Morning Tea: Nola Beatty
Childrens Liturgy: Tara Cashman



Fr Martins:



Fr Dom:

Our parish priests are away on clergy Assembly. We welcome Fr John Walter to celebrate Mass with us this week.



Please pray for the people who are sick in our Parish

especially Rae Fishlock, Mary Henderson, Michelle Blake, Yettie deGraaf, James Lee, Denis Johnson, Michael Garrety, Betty O'Neill, Dianne Hantas, Evelyn Freiburger. (New names for prayer may be added to the book in the sacristy)



REST IN PEACE

We pray for those who have departed this life Reg Clarke Ashley Kevin Cullen, Beverly Burnes, Ivan Hropic, Claire Wakeling, Sylvia Fedora (Fay) Van Beekhuizen & Anica Hrstic

Family Group BBQ Sun 27th May

Family Group BBQ at Botanical Garden

Time: 11am
B.Y.O Everything
Everyone Welcome

R.C.I.A

The R.C.I.A process is on going at the parish meeting room
7pm every Wednesday evening.
Call office for any enquiries.

During Easter more than at any other time, we are aware of the merciless passion that Jesus suffered. But have you meditated on the joy of his Ascension? After offering up his sacrificial life, could you imagine how joyful Jesus would have been as he ascended to the Father, knowing of the gift he was about to give at Pentecost? Jesus leaves the Apostles only to move closer to them, through their reception of the Holy Spirit.

This is what His whole mission has been leading to. His presence is no longer restricted to a particular place, nor to a particular time. Now it's open to all, everywhere, at every time! After His ascension it starts to be actively divine. Something we can share in when we pray, this is being with God, an expression of love, and source of great joy.

Fr Dominc

St Bernard's Parish Assembly: May 20 at 10am -12noon

The Parish Assembly is an opportunity to be involved in the development of our Parish and to consider the issues and challenges that confront us as Catholics. It enables everyone to contribute to the Pastoral Plan and most importantly to listen to where the Holy Spirit is calling us. It is leading into the Plenary Council for the Church in Australia which is being launched on May 20 Pentecost Sunday with the first phase of listening to the people. You will hear about the Church in Australia, our own Parish developments and everyone will have the opportunity to contribute ideas for our future together. The Assembly concludes with a barbecue lunch - your participation makes a difference!

A Mother Reflection.

I believe that being a mother is the greatest job in the world. My kids are young adults now and It has been an amazing journey of highs and lows watching them grow and handle the stages of their lives. My children enjoyed different interests, and what I learned is that they must follow their dreams. My role as a mother is to let them be themselves - I guide, I love, I show them by example, and I listen. Being a mother is an incredible blessing and I feel so lucky to have had this most wonderful experience.

Reflection of a Single Mum

Becoming a mum is a treasure beyond all measure – the gurgles and the smiles have kept the love flowing whilst not knowing the challenging path ahead. Through it all, love and belief in each other has kept us going along with loving support of family, friends & Parish. God has been my source of strength and belief in my son the prevailing source of love.

A Mother's Love - Poem by Helen Steiner Rice

*A Mother's love is something that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain.
It is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it or take that love away.
It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking.
It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns,*

Batemans bay employers of Christian education teachers—
BBECET meets to prayer for the young people of our town. Meeting 14th May 5-6pm *All Welcome*
Presbyterian church—13 Melaleuca cres. Batemans Bay

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