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Mass Times

Tues 2: 5.30pm Mass

Wed 3: 8:40am Rosary
9am Mass

Thurs 4: 9.15am Mass

Fri 5: 9am Stations of the Cross
9.15am Mass
5.30pm Adoration

Sat 6: 9am Mass/Rosary
5pm Reconciliation
6pm Vigil Mass

Sund 7: 9am Mass
5pm Mass

Sacristans

6pm: T. Craddy &

B. Carmody

9am: A. Scicluna &

R. Bemelman

5pm: D. & B. McCormack

ROSTERS 6/7 JULY

Church Cleaning:

R Talbot, L Butt(8-13)

Welcomers

6pm L Baz

9am J McClelland

5pm M deSmet

Readers

6pm P Billington, P O'Kelly

9am A Brown, A Horsfall

5pm K O'Sullivan, S Ebejer

Commentator

6pm J Quigley

9am R Bemelman

5pm J O'Sullivan

Extraordinary Ministers

6pm C Brownlie, C Burrows, J

Wain, A Rogers

9am K Corbin, L & N Page, C

Connell, C Schor

5pm B McCormack, D Gorzalka

Computer Screen

6pm K Conway

9am T Jackson

Children's Liturgy

Holidays

Morning Tea:

O'Sullivan Family

COMMITMENT, THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

This weekend, St. Luke introduces some potential disciples who offer a variety of reasons as to why Jesus' call to ministry is "impossible" for them to accept. The response of Jesus to the trio, exemplifies the wholehearted constancy, commitment and sacrificial ministry that the Christian mission requires.

The first man willingly offered to follow Jesus. Surprisingly, Jesus raised objection to the willing disciple. Undoubtedly, Jesus saw more deeply into the man's heart than anyone else. Jesus is simply honest about the demands and the cost of a commitment one might make too lightly, and a journey undertaken without due consideration. Next, Jesus invited another, who made an excuse regarding his father's funeral. At this Jesus remarked, "Let the dead bury their dead": This response may sound too harsh. But this man's father was not dead or sick. He simply wished to stay with his father until his death. Jesus knew that later he would find another reason to delay the call. The third fellow who accepted to follow Jesus wanted a chance to bid his family farewell. Jesus rebuked him saying, that the plowman must look ahead rather than back. Looking back while plowing causes crooked lines in the field. The responses of the three would-be-followers of Jesus, offer a reminder of the classical cases of initial reluctance and lame excuses in accepting God's call from Moses (Exodus 3: 1, 4: 10), Gideon (Judges 6: 15), Jeremiah (Jeremiah 1:6), Isaiah (Isaiah 6: 5) and Jonah to mention but a few, because of the cost involved.

No wonder, the tremendous shortage of priests and religious men and women, because people are unwilling to make commitments to God because of the cost. The argument, "I don't want to make that commitment because I don't want to give everything away," shows an incorrect notion of Christian freedom. We begin to be free only when we start the process called commitment, and our freedom is realised only when we give ourselves away in love. Instead of living a life of self-indulgence, one who follows Jesus accepts a ministry of service that is rooted in loving one's neighbor as oneself. Unfortunately, like those three would-be followers, many are still confused and unprepared for any kind of commitment and as a result, they become adept at evading Christ's call to discipleship.

Similarly, modern people find many excuses for delaying marriages: using the following or similar excuses; "Well, let's get good jobs and financial security first" or "I want to be free to come and go as I please!" and "how about living together first, perhaps we'll see if we're compatible!" But the fact is that the longer the unmarried live together, the more they will experience their incompatibility!

Every vocation demands a commitment. In this generation, more than ever, people make commitments with ease and break them. We, therefore, pray for the strength to make and to honor all our commitments.

Fr Martins

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO EDEN: Walking in the footsteps of Mary Mackillop

The annual pilgrimage in honour of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop is on again. It will be held on Saturday, 10th August. Please join me on this pilgrimage. I'm very keen to develop a great love for Mary MacKillop as she so loved Eden. It was the place of great devotion to Mary due to her mother's death in the ocean nearby. The parishioners were most hospitable to her mother. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop never forgot their generosity and hospitality of her mother's body at the time of her death. The Josephite Sisters have been there ever since. Please join me for this new and wonderful pilgrimage.

Yours sincerely in Christ, Archbishop Christopher Prowse

ST JOSEPH'S HOUSE, BATEHAVEN: 2019 Retreats

Retreat in Daily Life: 21 July-11 August Retreat in Daily Life. The invitation of Jesus to his disciples and to us is: 'Come and see! This retreat offers the opportunity to spend time with Jesus and to deepen our relationship with God and will be facilitated by Sr. Carmel Drew. Please contact Sr Carmel on 0409 813 533
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Weekly Events:

Singalong: Every Monday at 1pm in the Church.

RCIA Process/Faith Formation: Every Wed 7pm,

Rosary: Every Wednesday at 8:40am, Church

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday at 9am in the

Adoration/Vespers: Every Friday at 5:30pm

Craft: Every Thursday 10 –12pm Meeting Room

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

Monthly Events

First Saturday: 9am 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: JULY

Thursday 4th MiniVinnies Winter Appeal at 9am Mass

Saturday 20th Mens Breakfast 8am Parish Meeting Room

Thursday 25th Parish PPC—Parish Meeting Room

ST BERNARD'S PARISH BATEMANS BAY FINANCIAL REPOST 31/12/2018

INCOME	2018	BUDGET 2018
Direct Giving	\$88,221	\$84,000
Donations/Bequests	1,972	5,000
Functions/Ceremonies	5,818	5,000
Sundry Income	6,788	4,000
Diocesan/Quotas Collections	N/A	N/A
Income Total	\$102,799	\$98,000
EXPENSES		
Administration Costs	\$24,735	\$25,000
Motor Vehicle Expenses	9,775	9,700
Religious & Education Resources	1,921	2,000
Salaries & Wages	33,614	31,225
Insurances	17,167	17,000
Quotas	4,070	4,070
Capital Expenses	463	1,000
Property & General Charges	12,804	10,000
Expenses Total	\$104,549	\$99,995
Surplus/Deficit	(\$1,750)	(\$1,995)

AN OPEN LETTER OF APPRECIATION OF YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Dear Parishioners

I wish to use the occasion of the Renewal of Planned Giving Weekend this year, to acknowledge your financial contributions to our Parish since the start of the last financial year and beyond. Your generosity has been of immense help in enabling provision for our parish.

The administrative costs, together with the ongoing maintenance of our church depends on your support. Thank you so much for committing your resources to this worthy cause. We pray that God will grant you His special blessing for your acts of kindness, now and in the future.

May the grace and peace of our Lord be with you.

Yours Sincerely in Christ, Fr Martins Aloga

COMBINED CHURCH SERVICE: There will be a combined churches service held this Sunday 30th June at 6 pm. The service will be held at the Salvation Army, Old Princes Highway, Batemans Bay. Everyone is welcome to attend and join with our brothers and sisters in worship and praise. A bar -be-que will be held before the service, beginning at 5.30 pm for anyone wishing to have a hot meal.

ALL ARE WELCOME : To hear Senator Amanda Stoker, Liberal Senator for Queensland speak on current pro-life issues, particularly the push for Euthanasia. The talk will be held at the Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Strangways Street, Curtin on Sunday 30th June at 2pm. Refreshments will be provided. For further information please phone 62 8123 65.

BBECET: A prayer meeting for BBECET will be held on Monday 8th July at the Presbyterian Church, 13 Melaleuca Crescent in Catalina between 5—6pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and pray for our young people.

WEEKLY BULLETIN: If anyone would like to receive the bulletin by email could you kindly give the office your email address and it will be added to the list. Hard copies will still be available in the church foyer if that is your preference.

WRAP WITH LOVE: The Wrap with Love Annual Knit-in will be held at the Batemans Bay Library on Tuesday 13th August. Help is still needed to sew up wraps in time for the event. Bags of knitted squares and instructions are on the shelf in the meeting room for anyone interested. For enquiries phone Jenny on 0414 664 077.

CROATIAN MASS: Will be celebrated on Saturday 6th July at 11am. All are welcome to attend.

SACRISTANS would appreciate return of any Parish pyxs which are no longer needed thanks.

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1st Collection

Acc. Name:

Central

Presbytery Fund

Bank Acc: 29248

BSB: 062-786 Ref:

SUBURB/TOWN

& SURNAME.

Eg: Batebay jones

Banking details 2nd

Collection

Acc. Name:

St Bernard's

Operating

Account

Bank Acc:0012939

BSB: 062-786

Ref: FAMILY

NAME. Eg: Jones

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 Cooney, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, and Ronan Bremner and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

Rest In Peace: Bella Duggan, Coby Blyes, Robyn Albert, Gregory Parsons, Mila Bandur, Maria Golak, Dawn Rash, Rowland Heycox, Maria Syne, Ivan Pintar, Kelvin Fleming and Sr Anne Derwin

Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intention

JULY

The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

Parish Coffee Club

All are welcome to join the

Parish Coffee Club on

Thursday after the 9am mass.

Venue:

Blank Canvas—on the water



Coffee, Connect and Chat

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