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Mass Times

Tues 17: 5.30pm Mass Wed 18:: 8:40am Rosary 9am Mass

Thurs 19: 9am Mass Fri 20: 9am Stations of the Cross 9.15am Mass

5.30pm Adoration **Sat 21:** 9am Rosary

5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass Sun 22: 9am Mass

5pm Mass

Sacristans

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

ROSTERS 21/22 SEPT

Church Cleaning

M deSmet & J Maher (23-37) Welcomers 6pm K Conway

9am M Law 5pm M deSmet

Readers

6pm J Quigley, N Crewe 9am B & J Basevi 5pm J O'Sullivan,

K O'Sullivan Commentator

6pm P O'Kelly

9am A Jackson,

5pm C Nicoletti **Extraordinary Ministers**

6pm J Wain, M Bridges 9am N&L Page, M&Lowe,

5pm B McCormack. Volunteer **Computer Screen**

6pm D Coffey 9am M O'Neill

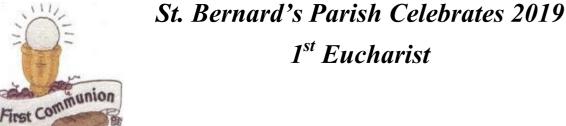
Children's Liturgy T Cashman

Morning Tea

O'Sullivan family

Hospital Visitation: Maureen Kinross 22 Sep

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Each school Year, three classes receives three different Sacraments which include: Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist. These celebrations bring together families, friends, members of the school and Parish community along with the wider community to support the recipients.

In Term I this year, the Boys and Girls in Yr. 2 received the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time in March this year. This comes after baptism to prepare them for the sacrament of the Eucharist the following school Year. In Term II, the Boys and Girls in Yr. 6 received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Having made the 1st Eucharist in Yr. 3, Confirmation now complete the sacraments of Initiation and they are now ready to witness to the faith as they anticipate High School. In term III, the Boys and Girls in yr. 3 who made the first reconciliation the previous year receives the Eucharist for the first time, the last sacrament to be administered in the parish during the year.

It may sound like the best is kept for the last. Every sacrament is unique and important. However, the sacrament of Holy Communion known as the Eucharist (eucharistia in Greek) is described by the Catechism of the Catholic Church to be "the source and the summit of our faith' (CCC no. 1324). The Eucharist is the summit of the ecclesia life, the center of our worship: everything begins from it and flows back to it; from mass to mission and from mission to mass. It is the sacrament of unity and thanksgiving.

This is what we celebrate this weekend: The Reception of the 1st Eucharist by 16 of the Boys and Girls in Year 3. We, therefore, welcome them to the Eucharistic table and congratulate them for this bold step in the faith journey. We equally acknowledge and welcome their families, friends, members of the School and Parish Communities, visitors and all who have been part of their life to the special celebration this weekend.

We would like to appreciate all who may have journeyed with them: parents, grandparents godparents, teachers especially Sharon Beashel, Anthony Ward and Kate Fetterplace, the CSYMA boys and girls in Carrol College who facilitated the retreat day together with the faith community, in particular those who collected the candidates' prayer cards during the commitment mass. Indeed, this weekend, we celebrate the fruit of your labor. May we continue to inspire these boys and girls beyond this day's celebration even as we hold them in prayers. We are hoping that the parents will continue to give the boys and girls the opportunity of receiving the Eucharist by offering bring them to mass more regularly.

Fr. Martins

Congratulations To the Sixteen New Communicants

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 Monthly Events

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: SEPTEMBER Sunday 15th 1st Eucharist Mass/Celebration Saturday 21st Men Breakfast 8 am meeting room Thursday 26th PPC Meeting 5 pm meeting room

PLEASE PRAY FOR RAIN AND HOPE FOR OUR DROUGHT EFFECTED REGIONS

Dear Lord, we are facing a sever drought and we plead with You to open the heavens and send rain on this dry and thirsty land. Lord we know that You are the one that sends the rain and You are the one that can withhold the rain, but we pray that You would look down in pity on our waterless land and send the rain to water the land, reviving the land and the people. Lord for Your Holy Names sake we ask that You would send the rains in this land soon, for we have no hope but You – for You have promised to give rain upon the earth and send water on the fields – You have promised that the seasons will not fail and that the harvest will continue to



provide their bounty – but without the life-giving water, we are going to have to face very severe consequences. In Your mercy send us rain in the dry and dusty land, we pray in Jesus name.

Then he prayed again for rain and the sky gave rain and the land produced its fruits. James 5:18

2020 PLENARY COUNCIL PHASE 11—Listening & Discerning Thank you for participating in Phase 1. In Phase 2 we move from *listening* and *dialogue* into *listening* and *discern*ment. This requires communal discernment. We invite all to read about each of the Themes for Discernment in the Church Foyer or online www.plenarycouncil.org.au Our Parish Discernment Sessions come up in November. Please, sign up for the Theme of your interest throughout September. You can sign up for more than one Theme – the sessions are of 2 hours of prayer, contemplation, sharing with each other and seeking God's direction. Thank you for your prayerful and active support of our Parish and the Plenary Council process.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS ARE REQUIRED FOR MISSIONS!! PLEASE DROP OFF AT THE OFFICE.

UPDATE ON REPLACEMENT OF CHURCH OVERHEAD PROJECTORS: Thank you to everyone who has generously given donations to replace the church overhead projectors. So far \$6530 has been promised/donated. Thank you!!. All contributions will be gratefully accepted. We look forward to modernizing the audio visual capabilities of the church.



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MENS BREAKFAST: The next Men's Breakfast is on Saturday September 21st at 8am in the church meeting room. After the wonderful celebration of Father's Day, the Men's Breakfast would like to show thanks to the women who are responsi-

ble for our fatherhood, the wives and mothers of our children and grandchildren. So ladies, this is an invitation to join your menfolk for breakfast!! Our guest speaker will be Ross Britt who was recruited by Fr Henry when the Church was being built, to photograph the progress of the construction. Ross has kindly agreed to regale us with the tales, dramas and joys he witnessed during the time of the church's building. We look forward to seeing you there!!

FUNDRAISER EVENING: To be held at Bay Theatre on Friday 22nd November at 7 pm. The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe will be performed to raise money for Bihn Mihn School for disabled children in Vietnam. Cost of the tickets is \$30 for adults and \$27 for children from Anne Schor on 0450

FIRST EUCHARIST: After the First Eucharist 9 am mass this coming Sunday, there will be a sausage sizzle and bacon and egg breakfast for all to enjoy. Please stay behind after mass and celebrate with the kids.

LADY'S MANTLE MUSICAL PERFORMANCE: Will be performed at the church on Sunday 6th October. The performance will be music from the medieval chants to settings from the great classical composers, accompanied by Pianist—Caroline Fox. It should be a wonderful afternoon. Entry is by donation. Posters have been placed in the foyer with more information.

WRAP WITH LOVE: Help is still needed to sew up squares placed on the shelf in the meeting room. Many thanks. Enquiries: Jenny 0414 664 077

MT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE: Retreats for September

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St Bernard's

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Freedom to Rejoice! - September 27-29th. Presented by Fr Gerard Moran, OCD. Cost is \$300 (concessions apply) Entangled in the web of desire, how can we escape to the joy of self-giving? Can John of the Cross help?

Write a Byzantine Icon—September 27-29th. Presented by Anna Prifti Cost is \$650 (concessions apply) Join us to paint an icon while listening to the birds at Mt Carmel. For all enquiries please phone 02 8795 3400 or retreats@carmelite.com



Prayer Intention September

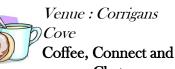
Pope Francis Monthly

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Parish Coffee Club All

are welcome to join the Parish Coffee Club on Thursday after the 9am mass.







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Catholic Schools' Community

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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 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 Bowsitch, Nick Shannon