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Principal, Carroll College

Mass Times
Tues 11 5.30 Mass
Wed 12: 8.40 Rosary
9am Mass

Thurs 13: 9am Mass
Fri 14 9am Stations of the
Cross 9.15am Mass
5.30pm Adoration

Sat 15 9am Rosary
5pm Reconciliation
6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 16: 9am Mass
5pm Mass

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

ROSTERS (15-16 Feb)
Church Cleaning
B Favetta, J O'Neill (10-14 Feb)
Welcomers
6pm L Baz
9am M Naughton
5pm M de Smet

Readers
6pm J Mackay, J Quigley
9am B Basevi, A Horsfall
5pm K O'Sullivan, Volunteer

Commentator
6pm M Bridges
9am L Page
5pm C Nicoletti

Extraordinary Ministers
6pm H Blake, M & C Lowe, A Rogers
9am N Page, T Cashman, A Skinner, L Stevens
5pm B McCormack, D Gorzalka

Computer
6pm K Conway
9am M O'Neill

Children's Liturgy
Michelle
Morning Tea
O'Sullivan family

Hospital Visits (Feb 16th)
Mary O'Neill

Monthly Events
First Saturday: 9 am Mass



Inaugurating the 2020 School Year

This weekend, our Parish family celebrates and inaugurates the 2020 School Year. This annual event brings together the staff of St. Bernard's Primary School, Parents and Children and the faith community in order to commit the new school year to God in praise and prayers.

Every school year is different. And this is noticeable in very simple ways. The children find themselves in different classes and the teachers have new pupils. However, 2020 is a year with a huge difference. It all started on the note of the bushfires, with multiple evacuations, exposing the children to trauma, distressing the parents, with the staff returning to school without a restful holiday. Indeed, a summer holiday turned fire holiday! Miraculously, amid this mess a strong community spirit is born. Sustaining the bond is critical for the good of all, knowing that together we can.

Together, we can collaborate and become co-responsible in providing the needed education and ensuring the pastoral care of the school children this school year, responding to their individual needs in a safe and re-assuring space; in the spirit of the Gospel that invites us to be the *salt* and *light* for them in the context of the home, classroom and church environments.

Significantly, while, we aim at the wholistic education and development of the children, during this school year only one of the three sacraments will be celebrated. The Sacrament of Confirmation. This will be received by the girls and boys in year six in order to equip them for witness as they look forward to Grade Seven next year. The sacrament of reconciliation initially administered in year two will now be administered in year three, with the sacrament of the Eucharist administered in year four instead of year three. This will allow for more maturity on the part of the children and a time of formation for parents, the first educators of their children (*Compendium no 460*). Our hope is to re-develop and enrich the sacramental program that is parish based, family focused, and school supported.

We, therefore, thank and welcome parents, teachers and the school children to the 2020 school year with the inauguration this weekend during the 6 pm Mass this Saturday. Special welcome to the new families joining us this year.

As we inaugurate the 2020 School Year, we ask God:

*To bless the parents, for bringing their children to St. Bernard's.
To bless our school children, for being the most important part of our community.*

*To bless our dear teachers, for accepting the most important job.
To bless all parishioners, for being a major part of the journey.
To bless the 2020 school year, as we work together, "that all may be One."*

Wishing our school community a fruitful 2020 school year.

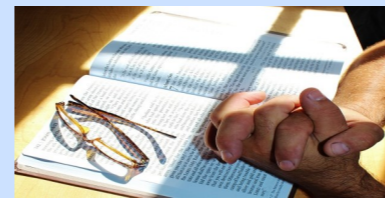
Fr Martins

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,
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

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: February
21st Combined Mass 10 am Church
24th PFC 5 pm Church Office
26th Ash Wednesday Masses 9am & 5.30pm Church



ETERNAL GOD

**In Wisdom and Love
You created our Earth
To sustain us and give us
life.**

**We turn to you now in these
troubled times as we cope
with the tragedies of the
fires
across our country.
In faith, hope and love,
We commend to you those
who have died.**

**We ask you to bring comfort
and hope
to those who are suffering
the loss of loved ones,
their homes and liveli-
hoods.**

**Loving God look with favour
on our burnt and drought-
stricken land,
on our starving animals, on
our failing crops.**

**Strengthen, sustain and give
new
heart to all of us and to all
giving support.**

**In your loving providence,
send
abundant rain and restore
our earth.**

**God of compassion, hear
our prayer
Through Jesus Christ your
Son,**

**And the power of the Holy
Spirit:
Renew us, 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 -
Pray for us.**



Bushfire Support

We continue to pray for all who have been impacted by the fires in our community.

For people needing assistance, no appointment is needed to attend the Recovery Centre at the Soldiers Club. It is open 9-5 week days and 10-4 weekends. Transport can be arranged by calling 1800 018 444. Service NSW Bushfire Customer Care Centre is now providing support and assistance for individuals and businesses, including assistance with property clean-up. Their number is 13 77 88 or you can go to www.service.nsw.gov.au.

Bushfire Leaving Collections Report

Includes Parish Collection—\$4348.85
TOTAL RAISED \$26,041.40

Overhead Screens Project Report

\$8330.00 -Raised through the Parish
\$2000.00 - Donated by Batemans Bay Funerals
\$10330.00 TOTAL RAISED

EXPENDITURE: \$7708.46

\$2621.54 BALANCE

The balance of monies will be used for ongoing maintenance.

Thankyou all for your generosity and support.

YOU ARE ALL INVITED to attend an informal Loss, Grief and Bereavement Support Group Gathering on Wednesday, February 12th at 10 am in the Church Meeting room. Morning tea will be provided and all are welcome to come along and join with us.

WRAP WITH LOVE first meeting for this year will be held on Tuesday 11th, 10am-12noon at the Batemans Bay Community Centre, Museum Place. Room Three. For enquiries please phone Jenny on 0414 664 077. If anyone knows of a person who could benefit from a snuggly wrap, please let Jenny or the office know.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: More helpers are needed for Kids Liturgy even if just once per term. If you can read or retell a story, play a game or do craft then they are qualified. All ages and abilities welcome – just need a WWCC to be current and supplied. Can be a helper till then under supervision. Thank you. Send a message to the Parish Office either by email or phone.

HOUSE OF SPIRITUALITY, BATEHAVEN—Retreats March 2020

6-8 March—Would you like to experience some time in/with "The Shack?" Viewed with an open mind and heart, this movie can challenge us to recognise where God is active in our lives. Cost \$300.

23-27 March—The Hearts Memory: Gratefulness

During this mini guided retreat, we will have the opportunity to reflect on the memories of our heart and how they can lead us to a sense of being grateful. Cost: \$400. Contact Sister Marie for more information.

THE FIRST 2020 MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday February 22nd with Anthony Fowler as Guest Speaker. Venue is the Parish Meeting Room, 7:45am for 8:00am start. Cost is \$5.00. Bring a friend. All welcome.

Banking details

1st Collection
Acc. Name:
**Central
Presbytery Fund
Bank Acc: 29248
BSB: 062-786**
Ref: SUBURB/
TOWN &
SURNAME.
Eg: Batebay jones

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2nd Collection
During January there will be a Tap & Go machine set at \$5 donation in the foyer at Masses for those wishing to contribute to the upkeep of the Parish

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, Bill Giust, Allan Odium, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Ken Evendon, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Glenda Gallagher, Joan, Evelyn Freiburger, Robert Craddy and those in our local Nursing Homes

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community:

Sean Griffin, Betty O'Neill, Patricia McLennan, Maureen Noyeaux, Tom Nagle, Breda O'Kelly, Lyn Attenburry, Faye Therese Uren
Anniversaries:
Irene Post, Sylvia Penberthy, Nan O'Hara, Brian O'Grady

Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention

February
Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

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OCEAN BREEZE TAKEAWAY Fish & Chips, Burgers, Sandwiches & Coffee 100% BEEF BURGER 74R Beach Road 0478 146 837 02 4472 1802	ST BERNARD'S PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLLING NOW Ph 4472 4446 Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community
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Ray and Anne Brown COASTAL CONCRETE & QUARRY 02 4474 0320	Kate & Tara your vets at Surf Beach EUROCOAST Veterinary Centre 4471 3400
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PARISH COFFEE CLUB
All are welcome to join us after the mass on **Thursdays.**
VENUE: The Glen Residential Facility, 16 Correa Pl, Catalina