



ST BERNARD'S PARISH

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**MASS FOR
10 PEOPLE**

Sat 16 May:

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 17: 9am Mass

5pm Mass

Tues 19: 5.30 Mass

Wed 20: 9.00am

Mass

Thurs 19: 9am Mass

Fri 20: 9.00am

Mass

**PLEASE RING TO
REGISTER**

Phone-4472 4153 or

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Upcoming Events

Bible Study/Faith

Formation - Wed

9.30am

Adoration: Friday 5 pm

Reconciliation: 5 pm

Saturday



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

As we journey through the Easter Season and draw nearer to the Feast of Pentecost, the readings at Mass point us to the promise of the great Gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus will send to His followers after he returns to the Father.

We know that the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Blessed Trinity, equal to the Father and the Son and is truly God. However, perhaps the Holy Spirit does not always have a predominant place in our spiritual lives, perhaps we find it more difficult to pray to the Holy Spirit as we do Jesus and the Father. As we journey towards the feast of Pentecost, it is a great opportunity for us to reawaken and/or deepen our love and devotion towards the Holy Spirit, who permeates our lives and is constantly at work in us.

A great prayer that I have always found very helpful is one from Cardinal Joseph Mercier (1851-1926). He writes:

"I am going to reveal to you the secret of sanctity and happiness. Every day for five minutes control your imagination and close your eyes to the things of sense and your ears to all the noises of the world in order to enter into yourself. Then, in the sanctity of your baptised soul (which is the temple of the Holy Spirit) speak to that Divine Spirit, saying to Him:

Oh, Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I should do; give me your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that you desire of me and to accept all that you permit to happen to me. Let me only know your will.

If you do this, your life will flow along happily, serenely, and full of consolation, even in the midst of trials...this submission to the Holy Spirit is the secret of sanctity."

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles this Sunday bears witness to two very important and closely connected sacraments; Baptism and Confirmation. Peter and John are sent to the baptised Christians in Samaria to lay hands on them for them to receive the Holy Spirit. We too have received this same Holy Spirit at our Baptism which was strengthened at our Confirmation. Knowing that each of us have a vital role to play and that our lives have a purpose and meaning, let us call upon the Holy Spirit in these times of solitude, asking for an increase in the Gifts of the Spirit and in turn attentively listen to the Spirit's promptings deep in our hearts with great trust and openness.

Eden Langlands



Proclaiming the Good News!

The Readings this weekend remind us that our faith is not a private faith but to be lived in community—to be witnesses.

This message is very relevant for us all as we begin the slow emergence from isolation and begin to reclaim our broader relationships and community life. It is especially true as we slowly but surely will be able to gather as a community of faith to celebrate Eucharist in our Church.

What has this time of forced isolation meant?

What has it meant for our society?

What has it meant for our world?

How will we emerge as a human family?

What will our priorities be?

The response is very personal for each of us.

However, we are People of Hope and Jesus

has reassured us in this weekend's Gospel

'I will ask the Father, and he will give you

another Advocate to be with you for ever,

that Spirit of truth whom the world can never

receive since it neither sees nor knows the

Spirit, but you know the Spirit because the

Spirit is with you and is in you' (Jn 14:15-17)

So let us emerge from our extended time of

reflection and solitude with a heart renewed

and strengthened by the Holy Spirit and

enfolded in the love of Mary

whom we especially honour

as Mother and Witness during May

Blessings Phil B

Click the Link Below

*Ave Maria—Schubert sung by Barbra
Streisand*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UwfZEIHUAFc>

**HAVE YOU PRAYED YOUR ROSARY
TODAY?**

IT IS MAY DEVOTION

A prayer to Our Lady in troubled times

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our hour of need, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin Mary.

Amen



Church Re-opening & Parish Mass

The church will be open for private prayers from Friday 15th May 2020 all day, every day. You are invited to visit the church and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. The limit to public gatherings is ten at a time.

Please note: We are resuming the celebration of communal masses in the Parish on Saturday 16 May 2020 with the vigil mass. Attendance is by registration. To give all parishioners equal opportunity to attend at least one Mass in the coming days and weeks, we are calling for bookings to fill the 10 spots for each Mass. Please, contact the parish office to book a place at a Mass by:

Phone-4472 4153 or Email: batemansbay@cg.org.au

e-WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITY

◆ **Parish Connect – Sunday 4pm**

◆ **Singalong—Monday 1pm**

You are welcome to join.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Thank you for your generous giving by direct debit and cash contributions through the Parish office. This is helping to sustain the Parish. If you would like to join the e-platform, the bank details are as follows:

1st Collection Acc. Name: Central
Presbytery Fund Bank Acc: 000029248 BSB: 062-786
Ref: TOWN & SURNAME. Eg: Batebay Jones

2nd Collection Supports the running costs of the Parish
Acc. Name: St Bernard's Operating Account BSB: 062-786
Bank Acc:000012939 Ref: Family Name

Please note: For banking at any bank but not the Commonwealth Bank

You may also contribute using this link.

<https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/CATHOLICDEVELOPMENTFUNDARCHDIOCESEOFCANBERRA>.

Remembering the Sick: Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, James Lee, George Fitzgerald, 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, Robert Craddy, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, Mary Carter. Maureen Kinross and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

**Pope Francis' Monthly
Prayer Intention
MAY**

FOR DEACONS
We pray that Deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church

<p>Batemans Bay, Moruya & Narooma</p> <p>District Funerals</p> <p>Mark Hewson JP Funeral Director Phone 02 4472 8886</p> <p>Moruya 02 4474 3555 Narooma 02 4476 3888</p>	<p>INDUSTRIAL REPLACEMENTS</p> <p>1 Sharon Road, Batemans Bay</p> <p>Buy fuel any time</p> <p>EFTPOS VISA AMEX MASTERCARD</p>
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<p>OCEAN BREEZE TAKEAWAY</p> <p>Fish & Chips, Burgers, Sandwiches & Coffee</p> <p>100% BEEF BURGER</p> <p>248 Beach Road Batehaven NSW 2536</p> <p>0478 146 837 02 4472 1802</p>	<p>ST BERNARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL</p> <p>ENROLLING NOW</p> <p>Ph 4472 4446</p> <p>Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community</p>
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<p>CARROLL COLLEGE</p> <p>ENROLLING NOW</p> <p>Ph 4471 5600</p> <p>Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community</p>	<p>excell Ideaspeople PRINTING GROUP —with a passion for print</p> <p>P 4472 1599 E batemansbay@excellprint.com.au www.excellprint.com.au</p> <p>Shop 1/25, Old Princes Hwy Batemans Bay NSW 2536</p>
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<p>Ray and Anne Brown</p> <p>COASTAL CONCRETE & QUARRY</p> <p>02 4474 0320</p>	<p>Kate & Tara your vets at Surf Beach</p> <p>EUROCOAST Veterinary Centre</p> <p>4471 3400</p>
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We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community:
Des Jeffs, Louise Keeley, Peter Burum, Collette Winter, Elii Chatfield, Leonard O'Hara, Mary Carter, Joe Johnson
Anniversaries: Robert Pacion, Mila Bander, Rowland Heycox