



ST BERNARD'S PARISH

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MASS FOR 10 PEOPLE

Sat 23 May:

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 24:

9am Mass
5pm Mass

Tues 26:

5.30 Mass

Wed 27:

9.00am
Mass

Thurs 28:

9am Mass

Fri 29:

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 5:30
pm

Reconciliation: 5 pm
Saturday

E-activity

Singalong: Mon 1 pm



Our readings this weekend give us the assurance that God is with us always. During this time of partially opening up our places for more personal interactions we can be sure that our God has been and is with us as we venture out to be God's presence in our world.

The First Reading and the Gospel prepare us for the coming of the Holy Spirit and the Second Reading reminds us of the glorious **hope** we have in Christ. 'May God enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what **hope** this call holds for you.'

Our **Christian hope** is helped by the Spirit as it looks beyond the present moment and is not limited by the present. Hopelessness sees no future.

During the full 40 Days of Easter and Covid 19 we have travelled with Jesus and the Apostles. We need to reflect: In what ways have I felt Jesus' presence during this time? Do I believe His words of authority or am I still doubting and anxious? Can I rejoice in the words - 'I am with you always.' So let us pray asking the Lord to strengthen our faith and trust in Him and pray especially for those who are still struggling and suffering for so many reasons.

'The Ascension is not simply something that happened to Jesus - his departure, physically, from this world. It is the feast that celebrates the **hope** that evil and all that makes for dehumanisation and death in our world will not have the last word.' B.Byrne sj.
God bless.

Sr Marie

Parish Coffee Club Resumes

The Parish Coffee Club resumes. You are invited to have coffee and chat this Thursday after the Mass at the Convent from 9.30 am till 11 am. This is just to begin our slow return to our usual gatherings.

Covid 19 regulations will apply.

For information please call
Sr Marie on 0429 383 333



OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

THIS IS YOUR MOTHER

Under the title of Help of Christians, Mary was chosen as Patroness of Australasia by the First provincial Synod, convened by Archbishop Polding in Sydney in 1844.

This weekend the Australian Bishops call on Mary Help of Christians as they entrust the care of the nation from COVID-19. The Prayer of Entrustment included in the Bulletin is inclusive of everyone.

The Gospel of John for this Feast reveals the dying wish of Jesus that Mary is the mother of us all through that initial relationship with 'the disciple' representing us all.

'Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother And his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas and Mary of Magdala. Seeing his Mother and the disciple he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother 'Woman, this is your son'. Then to the disciple he said 'This is your mother'. And from that moment the disciple Made a place for her in his home'. (Jn 19:25-27)

Let us pray the Prayer of Entrustment to Mary Help of Christians this week as we begin to slowly emerge from these times, especially holding the vulnerable in our hearts.

Blessings for the week ahead
Phil B

Click the Link Below

Mary Did You Know—Clay Aitken

<https://youtu.be/JPsgIhlYQmM>



O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of heaven and earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country.

We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from the unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly.

We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious.

We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time.

We implore your intercession especially for the protection of doctors and nurses and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis.

Reign over us, Mother of God, and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

24/25 May 2020

BUSHFIRE SUPPORT COUNSELLING

CatholicCare is offering a free counselling service to support all those impacted by bushfires. The service will offer strategies on moving forward after the trauma of the disaster. Sessions are available via telehealth services. Please call 1800 068 698 to make an appointment or to find out more information.

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</p> <p>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>ESTPOS 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>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, Eli Chatfield, Leonard O'Hara, Mary Carter, Joe Johnson, Angela Mahon, Tony Donohoe, Bob Lane

Anniversaries: Robert Pacion, Mila Bandur, Rowland Heycox