

LITURGY OF THE WORD
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
First Reading Am 6:1. 4-7
A reading from the prophet Amos
You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.
The Word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2
(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!
1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.
3. He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.
(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading 1 Tm 6:11-16
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy
Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.
As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness

for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.
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Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 8:9
Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 16:19-31
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.
Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." 'The rich man

replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.""

The Gospel of the Lord
R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ
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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate
Insects, Heaven and Hell
The rich man ('Dives') is so totally self-absorbed in the self-indulgence of his wealth that he does not even notice poor Lazarus at his gate. *He* created such a huge chasm between himself and the poor that not one crumb of food or companionship could cross over to Lazarus. This chasm, *created* by Dives, was fixed at the moment of his death so that not one part of the life of Paradise could cross over to him – not even a drop of water. Hell is not a punishment sent by God. It is simply the continuation of the Divide which some have chosen as that which defines who they are. Hell is of our own making. We could pause for a moment to check that we are making such choices that we become amongst those 'carried gently by the angels into Paradise'.
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Welcome
to Our Church
For the celebration
of the Word and the
Eucharist

Upcoming
Events
Choir Practice
Monday @ 1pm

Cenacle Prayer 9.30
am Fridays after
Mass, and 1st
Saturday of the
month @ 9.30am

Wrap With Love
Wednesday 28th
September @ 1pm
Meeting Room

Craft Group - 10am
Thursdays

"Enjoy the Good
News" Wednesday
after 9 am Mass

Adoration Tuesday @
4.30pm

COFFEE CLUB
Resumes After
school holidays
Venue: Corrigans
Cove
All Welcome
COFFEE N CHAT

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR C

MASSES THIS WEEK: Tuesday 27th September—Sunday 2nd October

Tuesday : Adoration 4.30 pm
Mass 5.30pm—St Vincent de Paul
Wednesday: Mass 9am
Thursday: Mass 9am—Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael
Friday: Mass 9am—St Jerome
Saturday : Reconciliation 9.30am
Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday: Mass 9 am



PLEASE NOTE: SATURDAY Vigil Mass will revert to 6pm starting on 22nd October, the week after our celebrations for the Sisters of St Joseph.

Celebration of Thanksgiving
for the
Sisters of St Joseph
St Bernard's Parish Batehaven
1937-2022
Friday 14 October
Lunch at school for Sisters
Assembly with parents and children in Hall
Tour of school by SRC
BBQ Dinner at the Convent
Saturday 15 October
Drop-in gathering to meet and greet Sisters
Mass
Dinner at Club Catalina
Sunday 16 October
Mass
Unveiling of plaque and presentation of History Book
Brunch After Mass of bacon and egg rolls

SAINTS OF THE WEEK
Monday 26th—Sts Cosmas and Damian
Tuesday 27th—St Vincent de Paul
Wednesday 28th—St Wenceslaus, St Lawrence Ruiz and companions
Thursday 29th—Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Friday 30th—St Jerome

ENJOY THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. SEE YOU NEXT TERM.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving for both the Priest and the Church, the details are as follows:

Acc. Name:

St Bernard's

Operating Account:

BSB: 062-786

Bank Acc:

000012939

Ref: Family Name

Pastoral Care Visitation and Communion to the Sick:

We are in need of more volunteers. Can you give an hour of your time once a month or fortnightly and be on a roster? Training on 1:1 and all resources provided.

DO WE CARE?

Call Marie Weatherall 0405 028 057

Cuppa with Mary MacKillop

will be at the home of Carolyn and Ken Evenden on Tuesday October 4th @ 10am-11am.



All are welcome.
Ph: 0400 021 119 for further information

THE BAY THEATRE PLAYERS invite you to attend The Calendar Girls

A play by Tim Firth

On Friday 28th October 7.30pm

Cost is \$32 with all proceeds to go to The Sisters of Our lady Queen of Peace School for disabled children in Vietnam.

Tickets Carol Schor 0400 616653
Anne Scicluna 0402 465 603

World Refugee and Migration Sunday.

Pope Francis on this special Sunday asks us to reflect on our 'ultimate journey – the kingdom of God inaugurated by Jesus Christ. **God's kingdom is in us...No one must be excluded.** God's plan is essentially inclusive and gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons and victims of trafficking. **The Kingdom of God is to be built with them, for without them it would not be the kingdom that God wants.'** [108 World Day of Migrants and Refugee address, May 2022]



Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions

OCTOBER

A Church Open To Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

USED STAMPS NEEDED



Used Stamps raise a lot of money for the Sisters of St Joseph and help fund their projects in Australia and overseas. Please place your stamps in the container near the kitchenette in the church.

Many thanks Desne Manns

Jamberoo Abbey Retreat

FINAL NOTICE FOR NUMBERS

Sacred Heart Parish, Moruya is organising a retreat to the Jamberoo Abbey in November 2022. We will be arriving after 2pm on Wednesday the 9th of November and vacating our rooms before 10am on the Friday 11th November.

The rooms available are:

- 6 x Self-contained hermitages with an ensuite bathroom, kitchenette and sitting area (**\$100 per night or \$150 for two people.**)
- 11 x Shared cottage rooms where each guest has their own lockable bedroom and shares the bathroom and kitchen. There are two bathrooms to be shared by six people in each cottage (**\$60 per night**) These rooms have access to shared cooking facilities.

The dining room is not open currently so we will be providing our own meals. The pantry is still available for basic supplies.

Please RSVP ASAP to Sue McCosker by **phone or text: 0426820860** as we must pay a 25% deposit by end of September

Remembering the Sick:

Peter O'Neill, Barry O'Neill Beverley Biglia, Fr John Walter, Mara Pranjic, Lola, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Antony and Andrew, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio, Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Allan Odum, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evenden, Judy Betts, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, those in hospital and nursing homes.

Death Anniversaries: are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names can be added to it if dates are provided.

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Queen Elizabeth II, Michael Dove, Wayne Sing, Linda Russell, Ruby Swinton, Anna Backo, Lois White, Vincent Corbin, Pero Simic, Michael McNamara,

ROSTERS

24/25 SEPTEMBER Church Cleaning

D & L May (26-30)

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer:

J. Anderson

Commentator

M Weatherall

Reader J Mackay

Eucharistic

Ministers

K Lovering,

M Devine

Computer Screen

J O'Sullivan

9.00AM MASS

Welcomer L Page

Commentator A

Skinner

Reader A Brown

Eucharistic

Minister

N Page, L Rodwell

Computer Screen

T Priest

MORNING TEA

J Barroman & T

van den Broek

1/2 OCTOBER

Church Cleaning

M de/J Maher (3-7)

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer:

D Robinson

Commentator

S Ebejer

Reader J Mackay

Eucharistic

Ministers

Y Oerder,

M Weatherall

Computer Screen

K Conway

9.00 AM MASS:

Welcomer

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Commentator

M Lowe

Reader: C Lowe

Eucharistic

Ministers

C Schor N Page

Computer Screen

D May

MORNING TEA:

L & N Page

The Readings and Gospel today [Luke 16: 19-3] encourages us to reflect on **the consequences of our life choices and the values we live by.** In our Gospel today there are 3 persons: the poor Lazarus- a name which means "God's Help", the rich man without a name and Father Abraham representing the thought of God. The rich man represents the dominating ideology of that time. **Lazarus represents the silent cry of the poor in the time of Jesus and in all times.** We note the two extremes in Society. On the one side aggressive richness, on the other, the poor man without resources, without anyone to champion his cause, to accept him, to receive him, except the dogs who come to lick his wounds. **It is a mirror of everything that is happening today in the world.**

The Resurrected Jesus comes to us in the person of the poor, those who have no rights, of those who have no land, of those who have no house, of those who have no health...are we listening and proactively responding to these challenging words today as did St Vincent de Paul and Blessed Fredric Ozanam [Founder of St Vincent de Paul] did in their day. **God presents Himself in the person of the poor, sitting at our door.**

Personal Reflection: Who do I consider are the poor? There are many kinds of poverty. Identifying these kinds of poverty should cause us to expand who we help, and where possible become personally involved. [Adapted from 'Carmelites 'Feb 2010]

Prayer for Refugees

Grant safe passage, Lord to those fleeing conflict, warfare and persecution. Bring peace, Lord, where there is conflict, sow love where there is hate, and begin within our hearts - that the love we display might make a difference in this increasingly fragile world. Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, we pray. **Amen.**

Marie Weatherall

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