



# ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH BULLETIN

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## The Most Holy Trinity: 6-7 June 2020

### From the Padre:



How important is your faith to you? It is a vital question that I believe each Catholic needs to ask themselves these days. We have experienced something that I don't think any of us would have imagined – that our Churches would be closed both by government and bishops – because of a virus. Was it the right thing to close our churches? Will this event make it easier for governments to close churches again? As small numbers of fifty are allowed to attend Masses again in New South Wales, it feels like the dawn of a new day and that the sun is slowly rising. There are some who want to darken that sun, who despise the Catholic Church and who rejoice at their closure. We ought not be naïve. Catholics have never been loved in Australia. Do not forget the persecutions our “fathers in faith” endured in early Australia. For some years the Catholic Mass was not allowed to be celebrated and Catholics were forced to attend Anglican services. In 1817, Fr O'Flynn was secretly celebrating Masses in Australia, mostly in peoples homes. There is a stained-glass window in St Mary's Cathedral depicting this – he is dressed in “curtain vestments”. In early 1818, he was arrested and deported. He left behind a consecrated host, which was treasured by the faithful until a priest was allowed back in the colony, almost two years later. The host never decayed or deteriorated in any way. St Patrick's, Church Hill was built on the home where this happened. Treasure your faith, as it is the door to eternal life.



## READINGS FOR MASS:

### **Entrance Procession**

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

### **First Reading:** Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

*The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.*

A reading from the book of Exodus

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

The Word of the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm: Daniel 3:52-56**

*You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

*Blest your glorious holy name.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

*You are blest in the temple of your glory.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

*You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

*You are blest who gaze into the depths.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

*You are blest in the firmament of the heaven.*

R. Glory and praise for ever!

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with you all.

The Word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation: cf Apoc 1:8**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel: John 3:16-18**

*God sent his Son to save the world through him.*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus,

'God loved the world so much  
that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost  
but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world  
not to condemn the world,

but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned;  
but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already,  
because he has refused to believe  
in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## **Communion Antiphon**

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

## NOTICES:

- \* **Extra Mass:** Whilst the restrictions are still in place, we have temporarily added an 11.30am Sunday Mass to our schedule. Please continue to contact the Parish office on 9871 4414 or email [neversdv@bigpond.com](mailto:neversdv@bigpond.com) to register.
- \* **All Night Adoration** begins this Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June from 8.30pm to Saturday 7am, followed by Benediction and Mass.
- \* **Sacramental programme** – details of the commencement of all upcoming programmes will be released soon.
- \* **Youth Notice:** Friday June 19 @ 6.30pm – St Bernadette’s Youth Group will be starting up again in Creative Arts Room. We will be having a relaxed formation night for our faith with catch ups over dinner. Parents: please be assured that we will be observing careful hygiene practises during our gatherings.
- \* **The weekly Parish Bulletin** is published each week on our web page: [www.friarsofstfrancis.org](http://www.friarsofstfrancis.org)
- \* **The Friar’s Daily Mass can be accessed via their webpage:** [www.friarsofstfrancis.org](http://www.friarsofstfrancis.org) Click on St Bernadette’s Parish and then you will have the options to click on our Facebook page or YouTube, which will take you to our Masses and “From the Padre.” During Holy Communion time, we ask you to make a spiritual communion. An example is as follows:

***“My Jesus I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this time receive you sacramentally, I pray that you come into my heart spiritually. I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. never permit me to be separated from you Amen.”***

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**ROSTER FOR MINISTRIES: 13-14 June 2020**

	<b>Sat Vigil 6pm</b>	<b>Sun 8am</b>	<b>Sun 9.30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	B Heath	B Chigwidden	R Cabela
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	S Skocic N Chehade	C Dellas L Maze	Miezanowski family
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Bernie	John Paul	Franklin
<b>Altar Society:</b>	<b>G 1: Thursday 11/6/20</b> J Nipperess, V Standfort, N Thomas		
<b>Cleaners:</b>	<b>G 5: Saturday 13/6/20 @ 8am</b> I Cummerford, R Evans, L Cakmakci, C Aquilizan, T Fernandes, J Whelan		

**Let us pray for all our sick relatives, friends and parishioners, especially:**

Ivan Stasnowski; Rima Sammar; Oriol Ross; Christine Duggan; Michael Joyce; Stephanie Rachel van der Kolff; Jonathon Joseph Najem; Lawrence Hatcher; Andreja Sesthnal; and all of our sick parishioners;

**Let us pray for our deceased loved ones, especially:**

Frieda Piesch; Judith Chidwigen; The Holy Souls in Purgatory; ***May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.***

*Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in the battle; be our protection against the malice and snares of the Devil. May God restrain him, we humbly  
pray, and You, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the divine power cast into Hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who roam  
through the world seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.*

*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: have mercy on us. (3 times)  
Immaculate Heart of Mary: pray for us*

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