



ST BERNADETTE'S PARISH BULLETIN

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From the Padre:



We seem to be living in times unprecedented. I was very sad when I heard that New Zealand welcomed euthanasia. As the faith dies so does the concept of the day of judgment. Many may not believe that they are going to be judged, but as it is Divine Revelation, we know with certainty that they will along with everyone. Never have so many people demanded freedom to be immoral and murderous. Countries across the world demanding abortion and euthanasia yet so terrified of death that they lock down the whole country in fear of “the virus”. How is it that they are happy for babies, the elderly, the sick and the handicapped to die (for these are who abortion and euthanasia mostly affect) and yet are prepared to destroy economies and societies and more, for fear of Covid? God does punish in this life and the next. But He loves the repentant. *“There will be more joy in heaven over one repentant sinner...”* Luke 15:7.



READINGS FOR MASS:

Entrance Procession

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. R.

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. R.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me.

NOTICES:

- * There are no more 11.00 am Mass as we are now allowed 300 people in the Church.
- * **Parishioners are reminded to sanitise and to keep a safe distance of 1.5m.**
- * **Volunteers needed to assist in arranging flowers in the Church.** The Roster will be once a month on a Saturday. If you can assist please call the Parish Office on 9871 4414.
- * **Catholic Mission** this year are partnering with the Arrupe Centre in north-western Cambodia. The Centre supports young residents with disabilities due to landmine incidents or other illnesses. Offering children, the potential to live a full life by providing education, healthcare and opportunities for many. If you are able to and wish to donate, please take an envelope from one of the foyers or visit catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia.
- * **Aid to the Church in Need** is encouraging the faithful to arrange Masses in November on behalf of loved ones & for the souls that have nobody to pray for them. Find out more: www.aidtochurch.org/november
- * **November Masses for the Holy Souls:** If you would like Masses offered up for your deceased loved ones through the Parish, please write their names on the November Mass envelopes located in the Foyers and place them in the collections or hand them to one of the Friars. ***Due to the high number of Mass intentions offered in November, the names of the deceased will be published on a list that will be placed in the Front Foyer of the Church.***
- * **The weekly Parish Bulletin** is published each week on our web page: www.friarsofstfrancis.org
- * **The Friar's Daily Mass can be accessed via their webpage:** 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. 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."

YOUTH NOTICE:

- * **Friday 20th November, 6pm - Social Night Outing:** The Youth Group will be going bowling at Auburn Tenpin Bowling for a 6:30pm session. Those youth who are physically well & are looking for a carpool will meet at St Bernadette's carpark for a 6pm departure. More details to follow. Please RSVP to megan.stoneham@hotmail.com or 9871 4414.
- * **November Youth Choir Practice** – will take place on the 21st November at 3.00pm
- * **Youth Mass** – Sunday 29th November at 9.30am
- * **Catholic Central:** Please go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/3195895270470713/> for further information and to RSVP.



"Wouldn't it be easier to just SMS God, rather than pray?"

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ROSTER FOR MINISTRIES: 14-15 Nov 2020


	Sat Vigil 6pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am
Readers:	G McAdam	D Tudehope	E Nott
Altar Servers:	Emily Billingsley Fernandes Family Reshan Weerakkody William Firkin Jack Firkin	Rick Atie Nicholas Chehade Samuel Flitcroft Sofia Skocic	Raish Family Olivia Elias Rafael Baricevic Joshua Locke Liam Maze
Acolytes:	Bernard Hanson	John Paul Abi-Khattar	Franklin Orji
Flower donor:	Mr Stephen Rossi Elisa Morabito & Family		
Altar Gowns:	Jenni Egan		
Floral Arrangers:	Nisha/Val/Anse/Marketa		
Altar Society:	G 3: Thurs 12/11/2020 @ 9.30am: Irene Barry, Rosemary Parsons, Geraldine O'Connor, Val Goodwin		
Cleaners:	G 2: Saturday 14/11/2020 @ 8.00am: Alyson Hanson, Bernard Chuah, Peter & Nisha Thomas, Ces Reyes, Ysabelle Tanggaraju, Brendan & Julieanne Chuah		

Let us pray for all our sick relatives, friends and parishioners, especially:
 Ellie Eagan; Stephanie Rachel van der Kolff; John Touma; Noelene Davis; Emily Carter; and all of our sick parishioners and loved ones.

Let us pray for our deceased loved ones, especially:
 Frieda Piesch; Marian & Austin Campbell; Zofia Machino; Anzelm & Janina Maciejczyk; Rickey Chan; Anita Wing; Audrey Hatcher; Luigi Panetta; 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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