

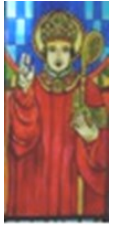


St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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First Sunday of Lent- Year A

26th February 2023

Parish Staff

Parish Priest: Fr Ian Ranson

Retired Priest : Fr Clemente Cafarella

Parish Secretary: Mrs Carmel Cristiano
(Tues & Thurs, 9.00 am—3.30pm)

St Vincent de Paul: 1800 305 330

School Principal: Mr Patrick Berlinger

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 9.30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments:
please call the office to organise.



Let us pray

Baptism:

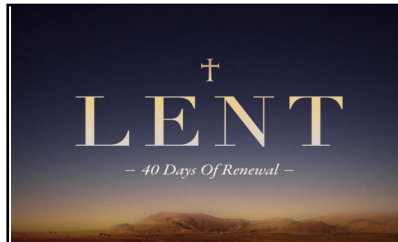
Thomas Brady
Billy Palmer
Remi Palmer

Sick:

John Bushell

Anniversary:

Lenore Tiernan
Mona Brasier
Bill Trehwella
Helen Fitzsimon
Frank Pierce



It is Written

Jesus was offered three shortcuts for his ministry. Firstly, exceptional powers to satisfy his own needs (bread out of stones).

Secondly, when he needed to take risks, angels to keep him safe. Thirdly, when he wanted to change the world, absolute political power.

These were the Temptations of Christ, but also for us. If you or I are tempted to sin, we will find the marks of this threefold pattern. We want the whole world to change to satisfy us, or we want to take stupid risks and come out unscathed, or we want to exercise total power over others.

How can we try to follow Jesus without the shortcuts of the fantasy world which the Devil may offer? Note that Jesus resisted each temptation with: 'It is written'. The forty days of Lent are a perfect opportunity to read what 'is written' in the Gospels about the episodes and pattern of the life of Jesus Christ.

We could pause for a moment to find what is written and to imitate what we find. That is how the Devil is defeated.

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HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Sin

The Greek word translated as 'sin' in the New Testament literally means 'miss the mark'. Its origin may lie in archery where the object was always to hit the mark; to miss the mark was to not achieve at one's best. Jesus set about trying to redefine the Jewish notion of sin from being a transgression against God that deserves punishment to the more compassionate idea that sin is a wandering off course that can be rectified - a missing of the mark. When he encountered someone who was missing the mark, Jesus called them back into right relationship.



FEBRUARY - Month of The Holy Family

26th St Nestor of Magydos

27th St Leander of Seville

28th Venerable Carlo Gnocchi

March

1st St Albinus of Vercelli

2nd St Quintus the Thaumaturge

3rd St Cunegund

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Lector	Paul Dungan	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	Carmel Cristiano	volunteer	Teresa Myer

FAITH COMES FROM LISTENING

COME AND LISTEN

These catechesis are for everyone, for those who left the Church and those who yearn to deepen and mature their faith.

When: **Tuesday & Thursday**

Where: St Finbar's Parish,
86 Centre Rd, Brighton East

Time: **7.30pm**

For enquiries or transport contact:
Lorenzo on 0401 678 022



Anointing Easter Mass

followed by lunch in the Marion room

Tuesday, 28th March, 11am

Please contact

Joan Hamilton: 9592 2498 or 0432 449 122

To assist with luncheon preparation.



FOR SALE

Anna conti Miele ovens (model no. H2850B) and gas cooktop (model no. KM 2354).

New, unboxed.

Please contact Anna for details.

Mobile: 0407 677 744

Lenten Discussion Groups

When: Thursdays, 7pm

Triumph Lenten Program 2023
(Catholic Diocese of Wollongong)

Come and join the discussion group.

Sign up on the form in the foyer if you are interested.

Cathy Marigliani 0412 526 546 - cathy.marigliani@hotmail.com

Mila Little 0413 808 195 - milalittle@ozemail.com.au

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.