

The Catholic Parish of Epping, Epping North

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Sunday, 19 August 2018



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Parish Priest: Fr Anh Nguyen
Assistant Priest: Fr Joel Peart

Weekend Masses:

St Peter's
Saturday 6.30pm,
Sunday 9am & 10.30am
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
Saturday 5.00pm

Weekday Masses:

St Peter's
9.15am Tuesday - Friday
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
12 noon on Friday's during the school term

Reconciliation:

Saturday 10.30 am – 11 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word every week:

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 5.00pm
St Peter's 10.30am

Northern Hospital - Catholic Chaplain:

Rosemary Bolzan 9401 6300
Fr Fayez Assaf

Administration

[Mon-Tue 9-3pm, Wed & Fri 9-1pm]
- Michelle Hood

Business Manager/Accountant
[Tues, Wed, Thurs 9-4pm] - Gil Bell

Baptisms: Every second and fourth Sunday
of the month at 12noon. Parents are required
to prepare for their child's baptism by
attending a Baptism Preparation evening.
Contact: Christine Hall 9401 6311

Sacramental Preparation 9401 6300

Marriages by appointment and three month
notice required.
Please contact the parish office.

Schools

St Peter's, Epping Ph: 9401 1157
St Mary of the Cross Ph: 8432 4500
Glowrey Parish Primary Ph: 8432 4500
St Monica's Epping Ph: 9409 8800
St Vincent de Paul 1800 305 330



FIRST READING-*Prv 9:1-6*

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Wisdom has built herself a house,
she has erected her seven pillars,
she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her
wine,
she has laid her table.

She has despatched her maidservants
and proclaimed from the city's heights:
'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.'

To the fool she says,
'Come and eat my bread,
drink the wine I have prepared!
Leave your folly and you will live,
walk in the ways of perception.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM-*Ps 33:2-3. 10-15. R. v.9*

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
2. Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry but
those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. (R.)
3. Come children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life and many days, to
enjoy his prosperity? (R.)

4. Then keep your tongue from evil and your
lips from speaking deceit. Turn aside from evil
and do good; seek and strive after peace. (R.)

R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING-*Eph 5:15-20*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Ephesians

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead,
like intelligent and not like senseless people.
This may be a wicked age, but your lives should
redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but
recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not
drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissi-
pation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words
and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you
are together, and go on singing and chanting to
the Lord in your hearts, so that always and
everywhere you are giving thanks to God who
is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION-*Jn 6:56*

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognize Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary Mackillop, pray for us.

Let us pray for the sick: Justin Borden, Maggie Sagaria, Mazened Francis, Grace LeTin, Jo Bonicci, Rebecca Englezakis, Jason Azzilla, Nicholas Ludersamy, Palmera Tanse, Cheryl D'sa, Mark Paul Flavier, Rita Carusi, Dominic Prattico, Janey Hoorigan, Jay Larkas, Jennifer Harbour, Shanon Farrugia, Patricia DeSilva, Sabrina Jansz, Carmel McKenzie, Faten Elmenawi, Michael & Roni Donovan, Carmen Caruana, Rosa Maria Santos, Mario Paola, Laura Patullo, Patsy Heffernan, Dean Scerri, James Sheppard, Madison Parker, Barbara L'Oiseau, Mary Attard, Danny Callaghan and Luisa Ferro.

Recent Death:

Anniversary: Yolaine Bignoux, Benjamin Tranquille,
Frank and Nazarena Seychell, Nitin Fernando,

Welcome to our Parish through Baptism

Shaniah Darios
Elliott Knight

The Call-What is a Vocation?

A brief outline of the four specific vocation

We live out the invitation 'to be holy' differently depending on which vocation we have chosen. The four specific vocations are: single life, married life, consecrated life or the ordained ministry. Each vocation is a call to follow Christ closely.

For someone who has chosen a single life, even though they have not formally taken the three vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, yet they make a personal commitment to put their freedom at the service of others in their work and prayer. And in doing so, they strive to follow Christ in their daily lives.

For a married Christian couple, they follow Christ by giving themselves to each other completely and without any reservation, promising to love each other faithfully for the rest of their lives, sharing their joys and sufferings in whatever circumstances life brings them. They express their love through their sexual union, which brings them together in the closest intimacy and opens them to the gift of new life.

For someone who has chosen the consecrated life, their path of following Christ is through their vows of chastity, poverty and obedience. They are called to live as Christ lived; to model their lives on the life of Jesus- chaste, poor and obedient - making their hearts more free for prayer and service.

For those who have chosen the ordained ministry, through sacramental ordination, they share in the priesthood of Christ in a special way. Their very beings are transfigured so that they can represent Christ the Good Shepherd for God's people and Christ as the Head of the Church. They not only offer their own lives to the Father, as all Christians do, but they also stand before the Church and minister to the faithful as Christ 'in person.' Thus, when they teach with the authority of the Church then Christ teaches; when they absolve sins in the sacrament of Penance then Christ forgives; when they offer the Sacrifice of the Mass then Christ offers that Sacrifice; when they love, support and care for God's people then Christ is present with his people. To be continued...

COMMUNITY NEWS!!!

Ministry Roster-The New Ministry Roster commences this weekend. Copies are in the Foyer and Sacristy. Please contact Michelle in the Parish office if you have not received a copy via email or post.

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Glowrey Parish Primary school Wollert is now taking enrolments for 2019. Please call 8432 4500 for all enquiries

St Peter's Parish Primary School- Enrolments now open for 2019.

Please contact the office on 9401 1157 to book a school tour.

<http://www.stprepp.catholic.edu.au/>

2019 Columban Art Calendar

I will be placing an order in the next couple of weeks for the 2019 Columban Art Calendar. Please call the Parish office if you would like a copy reserved for you. Calendars are \$9.00 each

Thanks Michelle

2018 PARISH CONTRIBUTION OF \$400

A note to all School families that Statements with your Parish Contribution received will be sent through the schools this week. If you have not commenced contributing please contact the Parish Office ASAP. It is a vital part to contribute when being part of this Parish Community.



SMCM Community Fair -

Sunday 18th November 2018 10am -3pm

If you are interested in setting up a stall at this fair register your interest at: smcm.epping.fair@gmail.com by Friday 2nd November. Further details are on the noticeboard in the church foyer.

Father Anh will be on Sabbatical from September through to November- Please pray for him.

Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Friday St Peter's 7.30pm.

All Welcome

Church cleaning Saturday 25 August -Volunteer



Reach out. Give life.

Thank You! Your support of this year's Appeal for the Propagation of the Faith enables Church workers in 1047 mission dioceses to offer Good News to their local communities.

Thank you for contributing to the amount of

\$811.85 which was raised by **St Peter's** community for Catholic Mission. Our partnership with local churches in over 160 countries is dependent upon the prayerful and financial support of many. Through your contribution, people living in conflict areas of Myanmar look forward with hope as new educational opportunities open up for their young. **THANK YOU.**

On **Saturday 25 August** there will be a forum for parishes **Helping our Refugee Families and Friends** at Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne, from 9.30am-12.45pm. The forum will review practical ways in which parishes can help asylum seekers in our midst. Phil Glendenning AM, Director Edmund Rice Centre will discuss current national priorities and pre-conditions for a humane refugee policy. There is still a great need for support for asylum seekers and refugees, with the Federal Government intending to withdraw financial support from thousands of vulnerable people. Cost: \$20, includes lunch.

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/WBHM>

Thank you from CatholiCare Sunday Appeal 2018

CatholicCare is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's CatholicCare appeal. Because of our parish's donations, and donations from the Catholic Church community, they can continue to support vulnerable and disadvantaged families through a range of social services. Thank you.



Fundraising Dance

Please join us in fundraising for the kids with AIDS

Date: 15th September 2018 Serbian Orthodox Church of St Sava 212 Diamond Creek Rd Greensborough- See flyer in Church Foyer

If you would like an item/anniversary included in the weekly Newsheet it is important that you have it to the Parish Office by Wednesday morning
Contact 9401 6300 or email epping@cam.org.au