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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

1st Wednesday 7pm
3rd Sunday 5 pm
2nd & 4th Thursday Rosary 6.30pm
St Aloysius', Yarra Glen
2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Wednesday 7.30pm
St Brigid's, Healesville
1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Thursday 9.15am
St Brigid's, Healesville
3rd Thursday 10.30am
Our Lady of the Snows,
Marysville

ROSTER 24TH FEB 2019

READER: BARRETT
COMMUNION: GENTLE FROMHOLTZ EDWARDS
CUPPA: VOLUNTEER
CLEANING: O'HALLORAN
COUNTERS: FRITSCHÉ



UPCOMING DATES

February
18th Dinner at Darron's cook
19th Dinner at Darron's
26th Youth Team Meeting,
1 pm
March
3rd Jnr school Family Mass
6th Ash Wednesday Masses
2 pm at the school and
7.00 pm at Yarra Glen
14th Blumes Fashion Show
28th Anointing Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Church: \$ 454
Presbytery: \$ 229



DEBBIE'S THOUGHTS

When I visit a local Aged Care facility to spend time in prayer with the residents, I need to choose a reading to share with them that will inspire memories and create interest, drawing on their lifetimes of experiences from all sorts of backgrounds. In discovering our Gospel stories through the eyes of children who have relatively few life experiences, and again through the eyes of older folk who often have many, many experiences that are often quite different to my own, I have had the opportunity to come to appreciate how universal and how amazingly clever Jesus' stories are. I marvel at how wonderfully wise Jesus was at finding ways to express God's love for individuals who are so different to each other, using parables and situations that may be foreign to us, living in Healesville in 2019, yet that are so completely understandable.

My experience of walking along beaches and piers whilst on holidays usually contain lengthy moments of watching fishermen sitting with lines in the water, until I get impatient of waiting for something to happen and move on. (Invariably, there are no signs of fish!) A couple of weeks ago we heard the Gospel about Jesus encouraging his apostles to trust him, even though they had caught nothing, netting a huge load of fish, enough to threaten to sink two boats. This story somehow connected with me, even though I have never been a commercial fisherman. The wider implications of Jesus inviting his friends to become fishermen for people (rather than for sea-life) told me exactly what Jesus wanted me to hear. I chose that Gospel reading for the elderly residents I visited recently, who also seemed to find the message Jesus implanted in that example.

Many of the cultural nuances of the life of Jesus may escape us today without assis-

tance from our talented Priests and Deacon, who help us to understand the background and fine details of the stories that we hear, and they always seem to find a fresh view for us to consider, no matter how many times we have heard the stories before. Jesus was amazingly clever at choosing simple situations that still relate to all of us as companions on a human journey, cutting across culture and time. The all-time favourite Gospel story for the under 12s seems to be about Zaccheus, who climbed a tree to see Jesus better because he was too short to see over the heads of the crowds who were waiting to greet him. My older friends simply loved it when I read them the story of the birth of Jesus in August, 2 Christmases in the same year! When we invest time and energy into thinking about the Gospels, we come to realise the vast richness that is open to us, and have the opportunity to listen for the wisdom of the Holy Spirit through the words of Jesus, the Son of the Father. How blessed are we?



PLENARY COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

The Plenary Council discussion centres around the question: "what do you think that God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

An initial workshop chaired by Elissa was held recently, concluding with Mass. It was a wonderful opportunity to pray together, and to consider what God is asking of us in St Brigid's Parish, and in Australia in the future. It is hoped that further get-

together will be held for individual groups in the parish in the weeks to come. This is a great opportunity for each of us to voice our opinions, no matter what they may be and the Bishops have promised that every comment submitted will be read. Everyone is encouraged to contribute and the process is very simple. For more information please contact Elissa elissaroper@hotmail.com See the official website : <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>



BLUMES LADIES FASHIONS

Blumes will be coming again to show and sell their Autumn/Winter Collection for 2019

The date is Thurs 14th March at 2pm in St Brigid's Hall

The entry fee is \$6.00 which includes Afternoon tea and a chance to win vouchers towards buying clothes on the day

For more info please ring Marie Snell on 5962 3794 or Irene 5962 4632

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Please note the times and locations for Masses in our parish on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019.

2 pm in the school gym and
7.00 pm at St Aloysius church in Yarra Glen

Should anyone need transport to attend Mass at Yarra Glen, please notify the office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Diosdidit Flores Armada, Jean Gotch, Eva Jones

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Ann Buissink, Blake Smith, Trish Leahy, John Snell, Abby Sharp, Peter Munro, Baby Emmett Hysted, Megan, Bernie Jansen, Andrew Sharp, John, Glenn, Lyn Francis, Dorothy Barber, Maureen Fogarty, Fiona, Annie Preuss, Michelle Ryan, Damian, John, Suzan Sosic, Robbie Ireland, Joyce Slattery, Alison, Heather, Julie Bates, Garry Dettman, Bradley Jordan, Jeanette Henkel, Richard Galbraith, Annette Fromholtz, Debbie Huby, Geoff Lucas, Sandra Donkin, Marg Pomeroy, Dorothy Fraser, Carmel O'Hely, Glen, Ernst Fries, Fred Bullas, Fred Coullas, Mitchell Wilson, Evie Gleeson, Indy Dawes, Rade Krstic, Megan Williams, Michael Christie, Joan Hollow, Michael Wood, Bill Howie, Jennie, Michael, Margo & Stephen Youngberry, John Mulholland, Rhiannon Days, Val Savitt, Ron Garland, Jaz Nueber, Patricia Beggs, James Cooney, Robert, Mary Bariola, Tilly Van der Zee, John Lauman, Albert Slawinsky and Lydia

ANNIVERSARIES IN JANUARY

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE IN FEB

Laurie Nairn (01.02.13), John Holland (08.02.11), Giobatta Mioni (09.02.49), John Doyle (09.02.17), Leonard Postlethwaite (10.02.09), George Shaddock (12.02.10), Zofia (Sonia) Howie (8.02.16), Dorothy Chan (13.02.07), Claire Keppel (16.02.94), Anton Wolke (20.02.07), Ian Read (22.02.08), Tubby Dennehy (23.02.03), Jan Rijs (23.02.08), Sr Joan McKenna (26.02.16), Patricia Chandler (28.02.92), Des Murphy (29.02.08), Roy Grieve (27.02.93), Anne Huggett, Fr Bernie Hammond

We pray especially for those whom no-one remembers.

PARISH GROUPS:

RCIC & RCIA Anybody wishing to find about what Catholics believe contact Debbie, our Pastoral worker.

RCIC - Baptism Is someone in your family interested in finding out about the Sacrament of Baptism? Contact Debbie 0448 664 731

CATECHIST PROGRAM For children who are wishing to participate in the Sacraments this year, please contact Debbie for more information.

MEDITATION GROUP Mondays 9.15am - 10.15am - Anna 5962 4308

CARE GROUP
1st Friday of mth 1.30-3.30pm

PLAYGROUP is not running at this time
Hall Bookings
Call Marie Snell 5962 3794

YOUTH-LED MASS
All secondary students who would like to join the team are encouraged to contact Paula on 0423 508 355 for more information

DINNER AT DARRON'S YOUTH TEAM
Secondary school students are invited to be involved in cooking and/or serving a 2-course dinner to those who are financially disadvantaged or socially isolated as part of the Dinner at Darron's Meal program
organised by HICCI. Andrea 0417 088 231

GOSPEL & LIFE

Gospel & Life
Tuesdays, 2-3 pm.
Looking forward to another great year!
Elissa (97302813).

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

FAMILY DRUG HELP 1st & 3rd Tues Lilydale
1300 660 068

"Vulnerable children of the World"
Mary 5962 3287

MEN'S BREAKFAST
1st Saturday of the month

PAMPHLETS & NEWSLETTERS:
If you would like to leave literature in the Church please check with the Parish Office beforehand.

LOOKOUT FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN:
LOOKOUT is a local community group concerned with keeping children safe from abuse and *being there* for adult victims.
Next Meeting Golden Wattle House, Joffre St on Monday 25 February

CHILD PROTECTION TEAM

Fr Arsenio Tuazon, Deacon Phil King,
Mrs Debbie Edwards, Mrs Paula Pearce,
Mrs Denise O'Dwyer, Ms Susan Sozic and
Mr John Barrett



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