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NORTH HARBOUR

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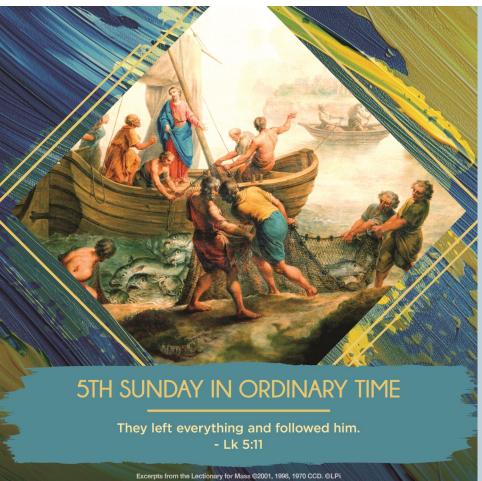
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Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay



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1st Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8
Isaiah volunteers to speak for the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 137:1-5. 7-8. R. v.1 In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

2ND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Paul recounts the chronology of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:19
Alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 5:1-11
An abundance of fish are caught by Simon.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms. Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and include Pre-Marriage Course as part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday, 8.30am

Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

* Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Fridays.

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am

1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms. Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.

We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present

and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? **Catholic Life Explained**

Would optional celibacy help the priest shortage?

Answer:

This is a hotly debated topic. There are good arguments on both sides, and there is no clear answer that emerges. However, the shortage of clergy in denominations that do allow marriage would seem to indicate that optional celibacy is not the quick answer that some might think. No one solution is perfect. Each one has its flaws and problems that are not easily solved. While optional celibacy would open ordination to some great men who are married, it also brings the problems of family, financial support, marital problems, and issues—good and bad—of childrearing. So it would not seem that optional celibacy is a realistic solution to the shortage of clergy.

With all of the varied challenges and problems facing the Church, it is easy to forget that the Holy leads us. Openness, Spirit dialogue, and education are second to our prayers and petitions to the Holy Spirit to make clear the path the Church should follow. A response that is rooted in a culture of political correctness is almost certainly doomed; a response that is rooted in prayer and in God cannot fail. **©LPi**



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- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Imagine leaving everything behind to follow what you know is the right path. Jesus' apostles each made a commitment to be with him. Jesus became their number-one priority. The apostles all shared the same commitment and eventually formed a small community. It was a community strong enough to stay together, faithful to Jesus' message even after he died. Commitment makes a community strong. It does the same for a family.

Jesus was with his disciples almost daily for three years. They ate together, prayed together, worked together and, I'm sure, they had fun together. The more time they spent together, the closer they bonded.

Commitment to family involves the same activities. It takes eating, praying, playing and working with each other on a regular basis to build strong relationships. We have to earn a living and clean the house. We may have to take care of an aging parent. But if our family is a priority, we will find the time to be together.

Sometimes that means sitting down each week and pulling out your appointment book or phone. If necessary, suspend your child's bedtime by a halfhour. Give up sleeping in on a Saturday morning or take the kids out of school for lunch if that's the only time you can find, but plan time each week to be together. It's that important!

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Sit down together and set a date for the whole family to spend two hours together. Decide what you want to do, and commit to it.

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Do you find yourself choosing other commitments over your family? If so, how can you change this situation? Is it possible to commit some time each day to your relationship with God? Even five minutes in the morning. or before you fall asleep, would be great.



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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

This Sunday's Gospel has Jesus inviting Peter, James, and John to become fishers of people. God's Word tells us that they left everything to follow Jesus. Your challenge this week is to reflect on something which you haven't been able to leave, something which might stand between you

and Jesus. It might be a possession; it might be an activity that consumers a lot of your time. Give it up and replace it with giving time or money to a cause which fights injustice and helps those in need. Have a conversation with Jesus about why and how you want to be closer to him. And listen for his response.

CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

"Jesus said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.'" —Luke 5:4

Fish and marine life represent the main protein source for over one billion human beings. However, modern-day fishing techniques are qualified as "over-fishing" which takes a toll on many species, some of which have become endangered. If you have plentiful sources of other protein, consider reducing your consumption of fish and seafood so that those who must rely on it can. When you do purchase fish or

seafood, look for the blue MSC certification label (Marine Stewardship Council) or check their website www.msc.org/en-au.

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Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the Eucharist, sacraments of reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to the arrange receiving sacraments, contact Parish Office.

SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

BUSINESS HOURS: PARISH OFFICE—9949 4455

AFTER HOURS: (Evenings & Weekends) 0490 898 464



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Conan McNamara
Son of Gerard & Sarah
Jacob Gelonesi
Son of Christopher & Rosana
Ava Kafes
Daughter of Jonathan & Deana

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Mark Hansen, Joyce Arnold, Cecilia Yeung, Geoff Richardson, Yvonne Taylor, Erroll Abbott, Greg Hyde

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Malcolm Corbett, Patricia Despas, Shirley Leaver, Judith Purcell Monique Cornell,

ANNIVERSARIES:

Boulos George Himo, Margaret Treston, Maureen Wilson, William Jewell, Angelina Taranto

Our community would love to pray for you. If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail office@nhcatholic.org.au

PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES



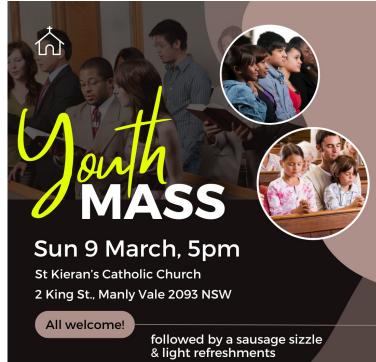
GAZA CRISIS APPEAL

A ceasefire means more aid can assist people affected in Gaza. Your support is urgently needed.



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AUGUSTINIAN FORMATION ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At this meeting, all AFA positions will be declared vacant and a new Committee will be appointed.

If you would like to become a member of AFA or want more information, please come along.

Join us for some wine, cheese and nibbles as we talk about our ideas to help fundraise for and support our Augustinian seminarians.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 7PM

Parish Centre, 2 King Street, Manly Vale

Listen to your heart Be part of our Augustinian story If you want to know more about the Augustinian way of life contact us and join our The Augustinian Vocation Office 🕀 www.osa.org.au f augustinianvocation.australasia 🕻 040768606

CAN YOU HELP?

We're looking for parishioners to join a roster and assist with setup, serving, and cleaning up at our suppers after our Youth and Family Masses. If you can help, please contact Ursula. Thank you!



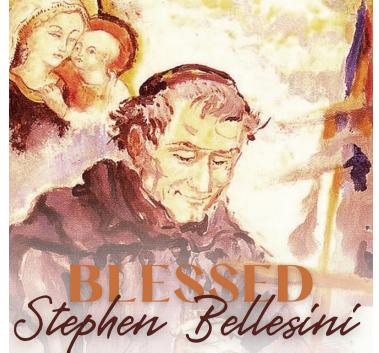


PARISH & DIOCESAN NEWS AND NOTICES



SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2:30PM IN THE PARISH CENTRE
ALL WELCOME

Join us for light refreshments in the Parish
Centre and the opportunity to discover, perhaps
for the first time, the relevance St. Augustine
brings to the living out of our individual
journeys through life. Come and enjoy the
company of other kindred spirits who have
found Augustine to be their mentor and friend.



Blessed Stephen Bellesini was an Augustinian priest known for his love of the poor.

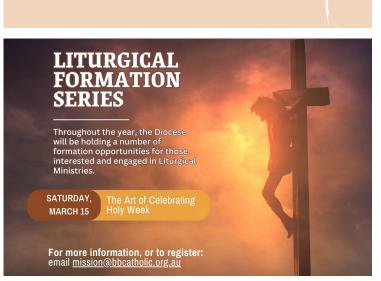
This year marks 250 years since his birth. You are encouraged to learn about his life and seek his prayers. Flyers are available in the church foyers.

HAPPENING NEXT WEEKEND

St Kieran's School Mass

Sunday, 16 February 5:00PM, St Kieran's Church

Join Year 2 students from St Kieran's Primary School as they lead us through our Sunday worship.





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WORD SEARCH

Follow Jesus and be not afraid.

TRY TO FIND THESE WORDS

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Zebedee

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Sharing the Gospel

You and your friends fished all night long without any luck at all. Then Jesus comes along. He says, "Throw your nets in the deepest water." You say, "We've been fishing out there all night. We haven't caught a single fish. However, I'll do as you say." Then you catch so many fish, the nets begin to rip apart. Jesus told Simon Peter, "Don't be afraid! Now you will bring in people, instead of fish."

Prayer

Lord, help me bring others closer to you.

Mission

I will remind my family to ask God for answers to their problems.

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Lord, You are with us. You deliver us from our wretched errors, establish us on Your path, and encourage us.

Confessions 6, 16 - St. Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (16 FEBRUARY 2025): 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

1st Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8 Blessed are they who trust in the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5 Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

2ND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 Christ is raised, the first fruits.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 6:23 Alleluia. alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17. 20-26 The beginning of the Sermon on the Plain (Mount).

15 FEB, 5.30PM ST KIERAN'S	16 FEB, 7.30AM ST KIERAN'S	16 FEB, 9AM ST CECILIA'S	16 FEB, 9.30AM ST KIERAN'S	16 FEB, 5PM ST KIERAN'S
Senior Server	Senior Server	Senior Server	Senior Server	Senior Server
Louise	Michael	Louise	Adrian	Edelvine
Readers	Readers	Readers	Readers	Readers
Val	Andrew	Kerry	Cathie	School
John	Elsie	Sandra	Dale	Readers
Phillip				
Music	Music	Music	Music	Music
Filipino Choir	None	The Conmen	Caroline	Samanatha
Communion Min	Communion Min	Communion Min	Communion Min	Communion Min
Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 9 FEBRUARY

Volunteers needed

Mon 10 Feb: St Scholastica, virgin

Tue 11 Feb: Tuesday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1 **Wed 12 Feb:** Wednesday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1 **Thu 13 Feb:** Thursday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

Fri 14 Feb: Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop

Volunteers needed

Sat 15 Feb: Saturday of the 5th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1

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Office Hours 9.00am to 4pm (Tuesday to Friday)

Church of St Cecilia Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093 NSW **Churches**

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Church of St Kieran 2 King St, Manly Vale 2093 NSW

Parish Staff

Asst Priest: Fr John Zhang E jzhang@nhcatholic.org.au

Parish Manager: Jacky Worthington E manager@nhcatholic.org.au (Mon, Wed, Thu)

Parish Secretary: Anne Ross E office@nhcatholic.org.au (Thu, Fri)

Catechists, Family & Sacramental Ministries: Ursula Halloway M 0450 101 767 E families@nhcatholic.org.au

Music Ministry: Marianne Kaw-Deveza E music@nhcatholic.org.au

Resident Priests Fr Minh-Tan Hoang, OSA **E** minhtanhoang@yahoo.com.au

> Fr Peter Jones, OSA **E** peter.jones@osa.org.au (Prior Provincial) Fr Paul Maloney, OSA **E** paulmal@bigpond.com (Retired)

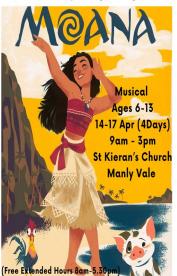


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