

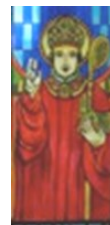


St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

16th July 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

Sick:

Amanda Tan

Gina Indovino



Anniversary:

John Samaranayake

John Martin

Justin Halpin

Immacolata Capodanno

Ron Venturin

Renata Venturin

Lena & Milford Lee

Margaret Lee

Gerald Andree

Sebastian and Rosaria Catalfamo

Creation Set Free

Here is Jesus telling another story about nature, in this case about soil good enough to bear a crop. Is he just a keen observer of the farmers of his time? No.

Throughout the Gospels there is a harmony between Jesus and the natural creation of a profound kind.

But St Paul intuited that link at a profound level in the case of the Risen Lord. This led him to make the most amazing claim that:

'The creation itself would be set free from its slavery to decay in order to share the freedom associated with the glory of the children of God.'

We, and the whole cosmos, share the legacy of a common destiny brought about by the powerful victory of Christ over the final instance of decay, destruction and every type of death.

We could pause a moment to pray with the angels as we do at every Mass:

'Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.'

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LIVING THE GOSPEL

Scatter that seed!

The teaching of the parable of the sower is as true for us today as it was in its original context. The word of the kingdom continues to fall on people who are at various stages of readiness to receive it. What Jesus suggests to his disciples – and to us – is that the 'good soil' can't always be predicted. Jesus doesn't tell his disciples to only sow the word in people who are receptive. Rather, he wants them – and us – to scatter the word everywhere and to rejoice when it does find good soil and yields a rich harvest.





WELCOME YEAR 4 STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES TO OUR SATURDAY NIGHT VIGIL MASS



JULY—Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus

16th Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel

17th St Alexis

18th Maternus of Milan

19th Blessed Pietro Cresci of Foligno

20th St Apollinaris

21st St Daniel

22nd St Mary Magdalen



CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST JAMES

The Parishioners of St James are invited to join in celebrating the Feast of St James at the 11.00am Mass on Sunday 23rd July at St Joan of Arc Church. There will be tea, coffee drinks & cake afterwards.

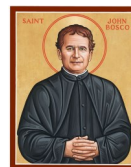


16 th Sun in Ord Year A 23.7.23	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
Lector	Julie McInerney	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Volunteer/Robert Torcasio	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	Carmel Cristiano	volunteer	Veronique

Fr Shane Reade SDB would like to warmly invite all parishioners to spend some time in personal prayer and a celebration of the Eucharist in honor of **St John Bosco's relics** being at the Don Bosco Retreat Centre on Tuesday 18th July 2023. (465 Lysterfield Rd, Lysterfield).

Personal prayer is welcome from 6pm and mass will be celebrated at 7pm.

God Bless Fr Reade



Please pick up your **Thanksgiving envelopes** from the table inside the front foyer of the Church. Should you wish to **transition to direct debit or credit card payments**, please contact the office to organise.

Alternatively, online deposits can be made directly into the Church or Presbytery account however you must email Carmel at the office with the details as we now have a new CRM program at the Archdiocese of Melbourne and financial reporting needs to be kept updated for auditing and accounting purposes. We appreciate your cooperation.

Account Name: **St Finbar's Church No 2**
Church Account: **BSB: 083 347 Acct no. 67433 4517**
Account Name: **St Finbar's Presbytery**
Presbytery: **BSB: 083 347 Acct no. 67395 5581**

GRANDPARENTS

"If you are lucky enough to still have grandparents, visit them, cherish them and celebrate them while you can."

"Dear God, bless our cherished grandparents with love, health and happiness. Thank you for the wisdom, care and unconditional love they bring into our lives. May our time together be filled with joy and precious memories. Amen."

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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.