

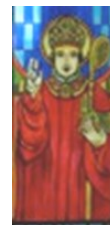


St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Sunday - Year A 11th June 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.



The Maternal Jesus

I once saw a young mother discreetly breastfeeding her baby during Mass, and thought ... 'What a wonderful thing!' There could not be a better illustration, a better acting out of what Jesus says in today's Gospel: 'The one who eats me will live.'

Of course, even mothers who find they cannot breastfeed offer the same gift for nine months as the baby draws its life from the mother's body in the womb.

This is a good analogy for what Our Lord was teaching in today's Gospel.

'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them.' Notice the very maternal language. The risen Lord truly abides in us, we truly abide in the risen Lord. This is as intimate as the baby dwelling in the womb of its mother.

Moreover, it is a Holy communion which is both a present reality and a foretaste and promise about our place in God's future: 'The one who eats this bread will live forever.'

We could pause for a moment to pray with St Thomas Aquinas: 'Oh Sacred Banquet in which Christ is received and a pledge of future glory is given to us.'

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Let us pray

Sick

Bruno Crivelli



Anniversary:

Cameron Torcasio

Nellia Corva

Paddy Burke

Bernard Larkin

Lois White

Living the Gospel

Meals are very important events. Not only do we physically need food and drink to keep ourselves alive, but we use meals to mark occasions and celebrate events: birthdays; weddings; dates; achievements; disappointments; reunions. There is a sacredness about gathering with friends and family and sharing a meal together. Stories are told; memories shared; the food is appreciated and more often than not there's a drink to accompany the meal. Treating such occasions with gratitude – as blessed moments of grace – is living out the Eucharistic reality of welcoming Jesus into our lives and seeking to be more like him.



JUNE—Month of the Sacred Heart

11th St Barnabas

12th St Onuphrius

13th St Anthony of Padua

14th St Elisha

15th St Vitus

16th St Cyricus & St Julitta

17th St Adulf



Seniors Luncheon

Tuesday, 13th June, 12pm


Hotel Newbay—329 New St, Brighton

RSVP

Joan Hamilton 9592 2498, 0432 449 122

Mary Holmes 0419 592 045

11 th Sunday in Ord Time- Year A 18.6.23	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
Lector	Benjamin	John Little	Helen Evans
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	John Sabatino	volunteer	Teresa Myer/Benjamin (tbc)

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THE HOLY LAND ISRAEL, JORDAN & EGYPT

TOUR DEPARTS MELBOURNE
04 SEPTEMBER 2023

TOUR INCLUDES
Breakfast, Lunches & Dinners | Guide
Entrance Fees & Portage | WFP | Ministry of
Tourism Certificates | Maps | Hats | 2 Bottles
of Water per day | Israel Departure Tax |
Jordan Visa | Egypt Visa | Economy Return Air
and Taxes on Qatar Airlines

PLACES VISITED
Amman | Nazareth | Cana | Bethlehem | Jericho
| Mount of Olives | Jerusalem | Bethany |
Masada | Dead Sea | Golgotha, Petra |
Pyramids | Sphinx...And More

FOUR & FIVE STAR HOTELS
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POSTED OR EMAILED ON
REQUEST

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St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal.

Our annual Winter Appeal for this year will be taken up as a third collection after communion at the end of today's Mass. There are Appeal envelopes on the seats. If you prefer, you can take those home, and either post, or put it in next weeks' collection. Also, donating online is easily done. You can donate directly to our Brighton East Conference at this web address ...

<https://my.fundraiseforvinniesvic.org.au/vinnies-winter-appeal-2023/brighton-east-conferenceyou> want a receipt. Donating here means your donation will assist people in need in our local area. (Donations over \$2 are tax deductible). If you want a receipt today – give your donation to the Members in the foyer after Mass.

The Society's theme for this year's appeal is **'Make it Stop'**, focusing on the importance of **providing safety to families and individuals fleeing domestic violence**. With your support the St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria will continue to respond to women and children who find themselves at risk of homelessness or trapped in poverty.

Also ... we will continue to accept any donations of **blankets, doonas, sleeping bags, etc.** ... and **non-perishable foods** over the next few weeks; donations can be placed in the box in the foyer.

We are each gifted in a unique and important way. It is our privilege and our adventure to discover our own special light.

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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.