

# The Catholic Community of North Harbour



IN THE CARE OF THE AUGUSTINIANS



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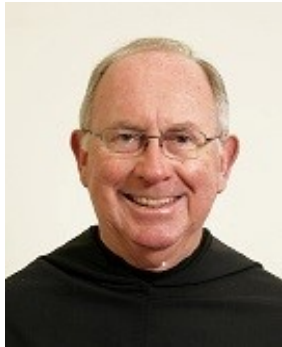
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19th Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Year C—7 August 2022

## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE – 'Models of Catholic Ministry!'



*Dear Friends,*

**National Vocations Awareness Week** is always held in early August and is an opportunity for each of us to reflect on his/her own life of Christian faith and commitment in terms of our growing relationship with Jesus and some of those who give outstanding witness in their lives. This week, I share with you reflections on **Gregor Mendel OSA** and Australia's first saint **Mary MacKillop** whose Feast falls on 8 August.

Over the centuries, many Augustinians have embraced lives of study and research in a variety of disciplines – commerce, economics, education, humanities, various branches of science, as well as philosophy, theology, spirituality and canon law. Perhaps the best known Augustinian in modern times is **Gregor Johann Mendel OSA**, abbot of St. Thomas' Abbey of Brunn (*Brno*), in today's Czech Republic. Born 200 years ago, Mendel was a biologist, meteorologist and mathematician who gained posthumous recognition as the founder of the modern science of genetics.



While farmers had known for millennia that crossbreeding of animals and plants could favor certain desirable traits, Mendel's pea plant experiments conducted between 1856 and 1863 established many of the rules of heredity, now referred to as the laws of Mendelian inheritance. Those of you who have studied biology will be familiar with his work.

The real significance of Mendel's work was not recognized until the early 20<sup>th</sup> century (more than three decades later) with the rediscovery of his laws. The verification of several of Mendel's experimental findings in 1900, ushered in the modern age of genetics, an incredibly important help to our understanding of the realities of human reproduction too. Science buildings at Augustinian universities and colleges across the world bear Mendel's name.

**Mary MacKillop** is a model of youthful idealism and faith in her efforts to set up a school in Penola to cater for all Catholic children, including the poor. The school eventually became a reality and Fr Julian Tenison Woods and Mary hoped to form a simple community. Mary began wearing a plain black dress and bonnet. When Bishop Lawrence Sheil OFM visited Penola, he addressed her as 'Sister Mary' and her great story continued from there.



Many of us, including myself, have benefitted from the teaching ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph founded by Mary. Her pioneering work included the establishment of Catholic schools in Penola SA, South Brisbane Qld, and in the Sydney area at St Marys and Penrith.

Every one of us is called *to be a bearer of God's grace to others*. This is what every parent does, what spouses do for each other, what family, friends and loyal companions do as well. Mary's spiritual wisdom can support us:

- ***Forgive from your heart everyone who has pained you.***
- ***Let not your crosses make you unhappy.***
- ***A certain sense of God's wonderful love strengthens me.***
- ***God's love is too deep for words to express.***
- ***Never see a need without trying to do something about it.***

*Fr Dave*

This weekend's Homily will be by Fr Jepsen and available to view via the following link  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCt8Dxm0ehFt-5r1ie9xOjLw>

Link on Parish Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthHarbourCatholic>

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 7-14 August**

This is a very special time of year when we pray for Vocations. The word "vocation" simply means "to be called".

Every member of the Church is called to holiness but responding to that call is unique and particular for each one of us.

It is not about becoming someone we are not. It is about living out our baptismal call to follow and imitate Jesus, and by doing so we are able to discover what this specific call is.

For some it may mean marriage, or for others a call to the priesthood or religious life or to live as a single person. For our young men or women who are discerning a religious life, pray for them to be generous, and courageous.



**PEW REPAIRS AT ST CECILIA'S**

In recent weeks, Fr Abel has been giving generously of his time to repair the upholstery on the kneelers at St Cecilia's. We thank him most sincerely for his careful work to maintain our worship space.



**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION – MONDAY 15 AUGUST**

You are reminded that the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady occurs on Monday 15 August, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times will be as follows:

**St Kieran's – 8.30am, 10.00am (Parish and School Mass) and 7.30pm**

**St Cecilia's – 9.15am (Parish and School Mass)**

Please note that the 6.00pm Mass on 14 August will be the Mass of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

**PARISH YOUTH MASS Sunday 14 August – 6.00pm**

Don't forget the *Parish Youth Mass* at St Kieran's on Sunday 14 August at 6pm. All parishioners are welcome, especially families and youth. This is an important opportunity for all young people and their families to deepen their spiritual connection and strengthen their relationship with God. This **Youth event** is held twice a term.



**CONFIRMATION CANDLES \$ 8.95 @ the Parish Piety Shop**

<p>Mary Mother of Jesus</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Monica</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Rose of Lima</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Elizabeth</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Mary MacKillop</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Bridget</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Mary MacKillop</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>	<p>St Catherine of Siena</p> <p>Blessings on your Confirmation August 13, 2022</p>
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**Readings for this week:** Wisdom 18:6-9 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Luke 12:32-48

**Response:** 'Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own'

**Readings for next week:** Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 Hebrews 12:1-4 Luke 12:49-53

**NEXT WEEK'S READERS (Roster week 2):**

**SK 5.30pm** Bob, John **7.30am** Judith, Jenny **9.30am** Terry, Brian G **6.00pm** Amelia, Catherine

**SC 9.00am** Isabella/Ana, Stephanie, Maria Res: Sam

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

### Confirmation Practice

The Confirmation Practice for all children in the program will be held (for approximately one hour) on **Tues 9 August at 4pm** in SK Church or **7pm in SC Church** or **Wed 10 August at 7pm** in SK Church. Families can attend whichever practice time that suits regardless of which Church the child will celebrate Confirmation.

The Practice time will be the last opportunity for parents to check that:

- **Confirmation name and Sponsor details are correct.**
- **The Session time is correct.**

**Confirmation cards** with the Saint's Name (which will be handed to the Bishop during the ceremony) will be printed Friday 12 August and if the Confirmation Name has not been received by **Thurs 11 August** parents will have to write out a card before the ceremony starts on **Sat 13 August**.



## THE FACES OF GOD IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

EACH **THURSDAY MORNING AT 9.30AM** with FR JOHN

STARTING FROM **11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

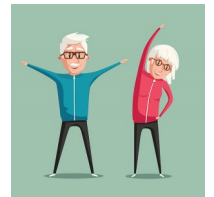
IN ST. KIERAN'S PARISH CENTRE

PLEASE BRING YOUR BIBLE IF YOU HAVE ONE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING EITHER OF THESE COURSES COULD YOU PLEASE INFORM THE PARISH SECRETARY SO WE CAN PREPARE SEATING AND ADEQUATE MATERIALS

## SENIORS EXERCISE CLASSES AT ST KIERAN'S PARISH CENTRE

- ◆ **TUESDAYS 9.30 AND 10.45AM** PLEASE BRING WATER AND A TOWEL,
- ◆ **FRIDAYS 9.30AM** COST \$12 PER SESSION—card or cash



## HOMELESSNESS WEEK August 1-7 CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL

Two out of every five people experiencing homelessness are under 25, and there has been an increase in people aged 55 and over who have no regular place to sleep. We might not see many people sleeping rough in our Diocese – only 7% sleep on the streets, but people are couch surfing, sleeping in shelters, or in cars, especially women and children. Housing is a basic and fundamental human need, the lack of which can have cascading social and health complications. And if the vulnerable and disadvantaged are doing it tough now, basic cost of living increases must be fueling their financial stress.

This week across Australia is Homelessness Week. In our Diocese, CatholicCare Broken Bay has launched a new annual initiative focusing on homelessness services. You will hear more about this initiative in your parishes and we encourage your support where possible.

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## COMBATING HOMELESSNESS TOGETHER

Please help us  
fundraise for  
CatholicCare's  
homelessness  
services across the  
Diocese

Donor envelopes available during Mass  
Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 August.  
Or visit [www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/homelessness](http://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/homelessness)



Rest in Peace

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Cathy Ewing	
<b>RECENTLY DECEASED</b>	
Eugenio Bosso	Natalie Rowan
Jim Rush	Michael Williamson
Anthony Molinia	Pat O'Halloran
Marjorie Kean	John Jones
Matthew Miller	Paul Duggan
Anne Gordon	Cecily Smellie

**For those with ILLNESS**

Ray Kirby	Michael Lennon	Daniella Takchi	Mark Moscrop
Yvonne Taylor	Moira Geraghty	Muireann Casey	Vince Jewell
Ed Burchard	Joan Killick	Simone Young	Bob McEwan
Christopher Newman	Maria Kogovsek	Yvonne Hickey	Jonathan Keil
Richard Paul Reynolds	Margaret Appleby	Joan Kelly	Peter Van de Velde
Chloe Zarb	Andrew Scotland	Bridie Lennon	Jan Van de Velde
Shirley Barker	Angie Olic	Zara Sapounas	Henryk Gawecki
Bill O'Sullivan			



**From St Augustine**

*Lord, heal and open my eyes that I may recognise Your will. Put to flight my foolishness that I may know You. Show me the road I must travel that I may see You. Thus aided, I hope to do all You have commanded me.* Soliloquies 1, 5

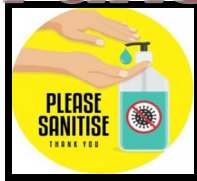


**SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS**

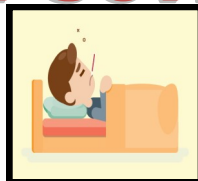
**IF YOU NEED A PRIEST URGENTLY, PLEASE CALL THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER:**

Business hours – Parish Office – 9949 4455 After hours (Evenings and weekends) – 0490 898 464

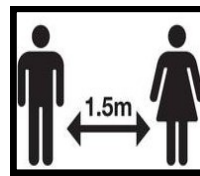
**Parish Covid-Safe Plan**



**Use hand sanitiser**



**Do not attend if unwell**



**Maintain social distancing**



**Catch up outside at a safe distance**



**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR**

**REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES**

**St Cecilia's, Balgowlah**

**SUNDAY 9.00AM**

**WEDNESDAY 9.00AM**

**St Kieran's, Manly Vale**

**SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30pm**

**SUNDAY 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm**

**Weekdays 8.30am except Wednesdays**

**St Augustine's Chapel, Brookvale**

**Wednesdays 8.10am during term time**

**RECONCILIATION**

**St Kieran 5 – 5.45pm Saturday or by appointment.**



**BAPTISMS**

**St Cecilia** 10.30am Sun. by appointment  
9.00am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month  
**St Kieran** 11.30am Sun. by appointment  
9.30am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month

Baptism preparation is required for 1st baptisms.  
Contact parish office 9949 4455

**MARRIAGES**

Require 6 months notice and include Pre-marriage

Fr David Austin OSA Parish Priest 0419 265 317  
Fr Paul Maloney OSA Assistant Priest and Prior 0439 595 723  
Fr John Sullivan OSA Assistant Priest and Prior 0423 634 029  
Fr Jepsen Bermudez Assistant Priest 0410 203 601  
Fr Senan Ward OSA Chaplain – St Augustine's College  
Fr Abel van der Veer OSA Retired 0409 368 449  
Fr Peter Jones OSA Provincial—In Residence

Jacky Worthington Parish Manager 9949 4455  
Marianne Deveza Music Co-ordinator 9949 4455  
Ursula Halloway Catechist Coordinator 9949 4455  
Janette Davidson Sacramental Coordinator 0408 866 521  
Anne Ross Parish Secretary 9949 4455  
Jane Filacuridi Parish Secretary 9949 4455

*We acknowledge the Gayamagal and Canagal people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging.*