### The Catholic Community of North Harbour

IN THE CARE OF THE AUGUSTINIANS



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2 King Street

3rd Sunday of LENT Yr A 12 March 2023





CONGRATULATIONS
FR SENAN ON YOUR
GOLDEN JUBILEE
OF ORDINATION
TO THE PRIESTHOOD



Crumbs from the Table of the Word: to sustain us for the week to come.



The image that runs through all of the Readings today is 'water'. Abraham is told to "Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." St. Paul speaks of God's love being poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. And Jesus promises the Samaritan woman "the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside you, welling up to eternal life".

The woman went off and gathered all her neighbours and townspeople to tell them about this man who knows "all I have ever done". They were curious and eager to meet this 'fortune teller'. But when they had a chance to listen to him for themselves over the following two days, they said to her something very significant: "Now we no longer believe because of what you told us, we have heard him for ourselves and we KNOW he is really the saviour".

We are being asked today to let the hard rock of our hearts be struck by God's WORD so that understanding dawns and we know for ourselves how the Love of God has been poured into our hearts (like water) by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. That is the opportunity being given to us during Lent, not just to hear about Jesus, but to let the water that he offers become a spring of faith and love and grace inside each one of us, welling up to eternal life.







This Sunday

Followed by

BBQ and

refreshments

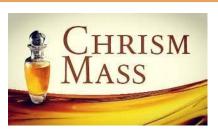


#### FROM ST AUGUSTINE

Lord, command and requisition whatever You wish. Bur heal and open my ears so that I may hear Your voice. Heal and open my eyes so that I may see You commanding. Drive the madness out of me so that I may recognise You.

Soliloquies 1, 5

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm on **Tuesday, 4 April** at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration



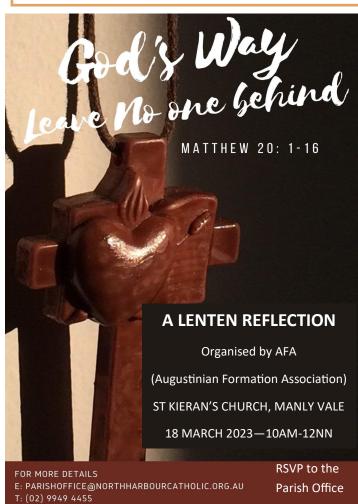
with Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo to renew their priestly commitment. During Mass, the oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the Chrism is consecrated and then taken back to each parish for use in various Sacramental liturgies throughout the year.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.





**FRIDAY 24TH MARCH** 

FROM 9.15—10.15AM

Readings for this week: Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-16, 19-26, 39-429

Response: If today your hear his voice, harden not your hearts

Readings for next week: Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1. 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Readers rostered for next week 3rd Sunday

SK 5.30pm Rick, Elizabeth-Anne 7.30am Andrew, Judith/Jenny 9.30am Cathie, Dale

**6.00pm** Jo, Rodney, Res: Christine Catherine **SC 9.00am** Stephen, Clare, Hilde, Res: Kerry

SC 9.00am Maria, Francesca, Sarah & Ben, Res: Sam





\$2.00 IN THE CHURCH FOYER

#### FROM THE OFFICE OF BISHOP ANTHONY:

As we approach the third week of Lent many people are asking each other – "How is it going for you? Coping without your coffee/chocolate/wine/social media/fast-food?"

The approaching week is probably a good time to re-boot our Lenten challenges remembering Lent is more than just "giving something up" and fasting from meat on Fridays. Pope Francis challenges us to think about fasting as something more powerful than we normally consider it, describing it as "learning to change our attitude towards others and all

normally consider it, describing it as "learning to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to 'devour' everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to

suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts."

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It involves not only what we're willing to give up, but what we're willing to take on.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** 

Lent is not merely a season, but a journey, an encounter, and a time of purification during which God provides sustenance. He is often referred to as the Rock from which issues the gift of living water – and that's what we hear about this Sunday in John's Gospel in the longest one-on-one conversation between Jesus and another person in any of the gospels.

It is the story of the Samaritan woman who encounters a mysterious Jewish man at Jacob's well and is

transformed.

Inspiring hearts and minds to know Christ, to love learning, to use their talents to be the very best they can be.



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St 's Cecilia's Catholic

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#### **Rest in Peace**

ANNIVERSARIES				
Paul Laurendet	Peter Coates			
Patricia Jewell	William Jewell			
RECENTLY DECEASED				
Anne Woodbury	Gloria Omodei			
Paul Himo	Cliff Joseph Dudgeon			
Vivienne Kissane	John Kalsino			

For those with ILLNESS			
Zara Sapounas	Michael Lennon	Daniella Takchi	Mark Moscrop
Yvonne Taylor	Jenny B	Muireann Casey	Bridie Lennon
Ed Burchard	Joan Killick	Mary Hulme	Shirley Barker
Christopher Newman	Maria Kogovsek	Yvonne Hickey	Henryk Gawecki
Richard Paul Reynolds	Margaret Appleby	Angie Olic	Peter Van de Velde
Chloe Zarb	Andrew Scotland	Jan Van de Velde	Trevor Austin

#### **UPCOMING FUNERALS**

#### St Kieran's

- Thurs 16/3 10.00am Anne Woodbury
- Friday 17/3 10.30am Gloria Omedei



#### PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre is getting a much needed freshen up and painting will begin in March and continue into April. The Parish office will remain open however there will be limited access to the Centre.

## PROJECT COMPASSI



**DONATION BOXES ARE AVAILABLE** IN THE CHURCH FOYERS. Please return the boxes by Easter, and thank you for your generosity.



STATIONS of the CROSS

**EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT** ST KIERAN'S CHURCH 7.30PM or online resource from DBB:

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ evangelisation/stations-of-thecross

#### 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

#### 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.



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 Course as part of the preparation

#### **NORTH HARBOUR PARISH TEAM**

Fr Michael Belonio OSA—Parish Priest (on sabbatical) Fr Paul Maloney OSA—Administrator & Prior 0439 595 723 Fr Jumbim Torres OSA—Assistant Priest 0450 109 880 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

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