

The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford Diocese of Broken Bay

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Welcome to our Parish of Epping and Carlingford consisting of our two worshipping communities of St Gerard Majella's at Carlingford and Our Lady Help of Christians at Epping. If you are new to the area or visiting today we are glad that you are with us, and we hope that our celebration of the Eucharist together will provide both nourishment and challenge on your Christian journey.

YEAR C

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

13-01-19

Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11

Titus 2:11-14.3:4-7

Luke 3:15-16.21-22

Our Parish Antioch Community

**ANTIOCH WEEKEND -
8th-10th February 2019**

Antioch is once again calling on you generous parishioners from Epping and Carlingford to offer your homes for sleep groups for our upcoming weekend. On the nights of Friday 8th and Saturday 9th, we would only require you to provide transport to pick us up from the Carlingford meeting room, a space on your floor for us to sleep, and a return trip to the school the next morning.

We are also asking for donations of food items to help feed us over the weekend. If you can spare an hour or so, we would also appreciate your help in the kitchen. There are sheets at the back of each church for you to fill in for sleep groups, food donations, and kitchen helpers.

As always, we need your help to make our weekend a success.

Joanne 0416 030 927

Children's Liturgy of the Word 2019 Helpers needed!

We are looking for more parents, students, and grand-parents to help with Children's Liturgy sessions at the Sunday 9:30am Mass at Carlingford and the 10:15am Mass at Epping.

The roster is established for the year so that you only need to help once a term. What do you need to do? An experienced leader conducts a 10-minute liturgy with one or two helpers who assist in minding the children.

The liturgies are held in the Parish Meeting Room behind the church at Carlingford or the Parish Meeting Room under the Church at Epping, and part of the role of the helper is to assist in the safe movement of the children to and from the church. The objective is to provide an opportunity for children to listen to a simplified version of the Gospel and have an age appropriate reflection and prayer.

Is there any training? Yes, all lesson plans are provided with instructions to follow and a training session will also be offered. How do you get started? Simply, let the Parish Office know you are interested.

Please note a Working with Children Check will be required. For more information, please contact the Parish Office, on 9876 2853. We would love to see some new faces!!

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (Candlemas) : SATURDAY 2nd FEBRUARY:



we invite everyone to bring along a candle to be blessed (please note that no candles will be provided – please bring along your own candle to be part of your home prayer space).

Candlemas, coming 40 days after Christmas,

celebrates the child Jesus being presented in the Temple and being recognised by Simeon as 'the light of all peoples'.

The blessing of candles before Mass begins and the procession into the church has been part of this feast since medieval times.

Mass (and the blessing of candles) will be celebrated at Epping at the 9:15am Mass

Please note that Fr Joey will be on Annual Leave

until Monday 28th January.

During that period there will supply priests assisting at the weekends Masses, and some Communion Services during the week.

*Annual
leave*

AUSTRALIA DAY

**falls on Saturday 26th January.
Mass will be at 9:15am
at Our Lady Help of
Christians Church, Epping**



Please come along and celebrate our national day with the Eucharist, praying that we may grow as a nation of peace and justice.

Caná Communities

On the weekend of 26/27th January, Caná Communities will hold its annual appeal by seeking our help. Caná Communities provides family type support for people from the streets and is one of the largest providers of crisis beds in the inner city. Caná does not receive government funding, instead relies on donations from individuals and groups who support and believe in Caná's work. Caná needs your help to ensure the work can continue. All donations over \$2.- are tax deductible.

Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Recently deceased: Robert Tan, Eddie Tam., Michael Appadurai, Emmanuel (Toto) Fernando, George Guanzon, Tony Moses, Rob Neil, William Atkinson.

*Please pray for **Stephen Tamone** who died last week.*

The Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday 15 January at St Gerard's at 10:30am

*Please pray for **Francesco (Frank) Nicita** who died last week.*

The Funeral Mass will be held at Epping on Tuesday 15 January at OLHC Epping. at 10:30am

*Please pray for **Joan Byrnes** who died last week.*

The Funeral Mass will be held at St Gerard's on Wednesday 16 January at 10:30am.

Anniversaries: Roger & Jean-Claude Nina , Eden Sarelius, Judy Wright.

Also for: Dorothea Seraldo,

Please pray for those who are sick: Sean Huhse, Joel Steinberg, Patricia Rumble, Dean Pan, John Davies, Nicole Greenfield, Michael Furlong, Saulius Dovydas Balsya, Residents of Wesley Rayward Nursing Home, Rose Prior, Mark Di Palma, Anthony Conlon, Andrew Hannam, The Craig Family, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Cooper Rundell, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard Stieger, Fred Saad, Ron Jenkins, Mike Van Werdt, Tammy Birch, Dorothea Ellis, Veronica Hartwich, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Jan Doherty, Brian Walsh, Patricia O'Connor, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Stella Nathan, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Pam Taig, Elaine Hunt, Arnold Day, Maureen Carlon, Fr Adrian Borst, Ausustine Hong, Luba Charlton, George Khouri, Martin Sill, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Kath McCarthy, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Joyce Fewtrell, Patricia Muschalik, Ernest Lau, Sr. Pauline Wicks rsj, Delma Soria, Sn Atanasia Lee, Maria Llave, Maria Belisario, Fe Llave, Stella Edwards, Boyet Llave, Fara Vargas, Kathy Walsh, Theo Stevens.

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm

Response:
Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

A Plenary Council Christmas opportunity!

What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

If you would like to contribute or ask questions you too can place your response in one of the boxes or near the entrances to the church.

Lynne Slocombe 0407138992 or Email lynne.slocombe@gmail.com

Carole Wilson 9869 1036 or Email carole.wilson@optusnet.com.au or look at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
John said; He who is to come is mightier than I;
he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.
Alleluia!

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
19/01/19	5:00pm	Fr James Duck	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd
20/01/19	8:30am	Fr J Frauenfelder	7:45am	Fr Peter Dowd
20/01/19	10:15am	Fr J Frauenfelder	9:30am	Fr Peter Dowd
20/01/19	6:00pm	Fr Kerry Bayada		

BAPTISM IN THE PARISH THIS SUNDAY

Welcome to: Isabelle Yan Yin Wong.
Please hold this child and her family
in your prayers.

