

The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford

Diocese of Broken Bay

Our Lady Help of Christians' Church
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Welcome to our Parish of Epping and Carlingford consisting of our two worshipping communities of St Gerard Majella's Church at Carlingford and Our Lady Help of Christians' Church 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

YEAR A

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18-10-20

Isaiah 45:1.4-6

Thessalonians 1:1-5

Matthew 22:15-21

Dear sisters and brothers,

Last Wednesday **Aldrin Valdehueza**, who spent time at Epping and Carlingford on two separate occasions, was ordained as a 'transitory' deacon at Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood. It was a wonderful evening during which Aldrin made specific reference to his time here in our parish. The final diaconate ordination for our three seminarians who are currently preparing for priesthood for our diocese will occur on Thursday when **Sam French** will be ordained at St Agatha's church Pennant Hills. **Please note that due to Covid 19 restrictions this will be an invitation-only celebration.** We give thanks to God for these signs of grace and hope for our diocese and pray that their ministries of service will be fruitful for those they serve as well as providing an important period of preparation as they journey towards the Order of Presbyter (priesthood).

As mentioned last weekend, during the month of November, a number of our young families will have the opportunity to celebrate **First Holy Communion** with their children. Due to Covid restrictions, these celebrations were postponed in June and will now be spread over a number of weeks throughout November and early December during some of our parish Masses. On occasions, we may require all parishioners to register for certain Masses. Please keep an eye on the bulletin and a listening ear over coming weeks as to when registering may be required.

Also, **next Sunday at St Gerard's we will celebrate our annual State School Mass at 9.30am.** This year it will be greatly scaled-down in terms of numbers attending but it does offer us an opportunity as a parish family to pray for our students and their catechists in the important way they share the Good News of Jesus Christ in our state schools. **Also**, at all other Masses within the parish, we will have the annual **Propagation of the Faith appeal** which supports the works associated with sharing the Gospel in underprivileged parts of our world. Once again, I apologise for the many demands that are currently being made for your financial support. Unfortunately, due to Covid 19, many appeals which were scheduled for earlier this year had to be all moved to later in the year causing a succession of appeals. As always, my sincere thanks to you all for your generosity!

Finally, our new season of **"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible"** commenced last Tuesday evening with much interest from numerous parishioners such that it appears we are unable to take any more newcomers due to Covid number restrictions. **My apologies for anyone who has missed out however we will run the programme again next year.**

Fr Peter

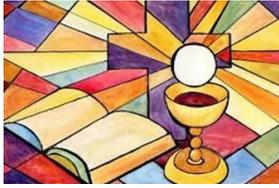


THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith Appeal is an international association cording assistance for Catholic missionary priests, brothers, and nuns in mission areas. It is the largest and oldest of the four Pontifical Mission Societies and was founded in 1822 by the Venerable Pauline Jaricot. Its purpose is to seek prayer and sacrifice for the world's missions.

The Propagation of the Faith Appeal will take place next weekend 24th/25th October in both churches.

Please give as generously as possible. The money from this appeal goes to the Catholic Mission – who looks after the Work of the Pontifical Mission Societies.



Children's Sacramental Journey - First Eucharist 2020

Preparation sessions for First Eucharist commenced this week. Candidates are required to attend a session once a week with their parent over 4 weeks for preparation of this sacrament. With physical gatherings still limited to 20 at this time due to COVID restrictions, we have modified the programme slightly in order that we may cover all the sessions adequately to prepare the children for their initiation into the Catholic Church. There will be three sessions conducted online plus one in-person for practice. These sessions are on:

1. Bread of Life
2. This is My Body
3. God's Word & The Eucharist – The Holy Mass
4. How to Receive Holy Communion

The first session, "Bread of Life", talks about the importance of mealtimes at home. This aims at helping children better understand the nourishment of love from meals with family is very much like the nourishment of love we receive from Jesus when we gather at Church each week. They also learn that mealtimes were important to Jesus; he shared it with all sorts of people and that fellowship begins with a simple meal.

We will listen to the story of Jesus feeding five thousand people and discuss what Jesus meant when he said, "I am the Bread of Life".

It has been a challenging few weeks for many families having just been informed some extracurricular activities can resume in Term 4. This has certainly been an interesting year, with juggling family life, work, school taking on a whole new level! We are doing our best to support the children and their families as we journey through this. Please keep us all in your prayers!

If you have any queries or would like more information regarding your child's sacramental journey within our parish, please send an email to me.

Children's Liturgy – Kidz Word

Kidz Word commences this week with the start of a new school term. The parent leaders are raring to go! Please encourage your children to join in. Kidz Word is held during the school term at the following Sunday Mass times:

9:30am Mass at St Gerard's Carlingford
10:15am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Epping

If you are unwell, please stay home and you are also able to join us online at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/255948268913440>

Lynn Siau
Sacramental Programmes & Children's Ministries
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Musicians and Singers Needed!

One of the essential elements of our Masses is the ministry of music. I am sure we all know how uplifting our Masses can be when this ministry is carried out well by talented and faith-filled parishioners lifting our minds and hearts to God.

Especially during this pandemic some of our regular participants in this ministry have been unavailable and many other generous members of this ministry have attempted to fill in where possible. I thank them sincerely for their generosity!

Regardless of the current situation, over the next twelve months, I want to have a particular focus on this essential aspect of our prayer together by asking **all** parishioners to consider whether they or people they know who are gifted either as singers or musicians could assist our parish in this most important ministry. Even if you are only able to fill in occasionally I would love to hear from you!

Please don't presume that "someone else will do it!"

Could anyone who can assist please contact me directly by email at peter@eppcarl.org.au or by phone via the parish office on 9876 2853.

Fr Peter



PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	18/10/20	7:45am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		8:30am	Mass at OLHC Church
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		10:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		6:00pm	Mass at OLHC Church
		6:00pm	PMR Carlingford Antioch Meeting
Mon.	19/10/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Tue.	20/10/20	12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
		7:15pm	PMR Epping—Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible
Wed.	21/10/20	9:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		7:30pm	PMR Carlingford—Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Thur.	22/10/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
		8:00pm	PMR Carlingford Men of St Joseph
Fri.	23/10/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
Sat.	24/10/20	9:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		9:45am	Exposition and Reconciliation
		10:20am	Benediction
		5:00pm	Reconciliation at St Gerard's
		5:00pm	Vigil Mass at OLHC Church
		6:00pm	Vigil Mass at St Gerard's Church

PH—Parish Hall, CH—Church, PMR— Parish Meeting Room

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Parish Pastoral Council

If you have any questions, comments or feedback for the Parish Pastoral Council then please send an email to ppsecretary@eppcarl.org.au



The Charitable Works Fund

The first CWF Appeal for this Financial Year is currently being held in both our churches.

Envelopes are available at the bulletin boxes. Our parish quota for the Appeal is \$19,258. Please give generously, as any shortfall needs to be made up from parish funds.

SHORTFALL AFTER 7 WEEKS
\$9,286

Beware of Spam!

Recently a spam email has circulated purporting to be from Fr Peter Dowd with the address pastor10636@gmail.com

Under no circumstances open or reply to this email. Any correspondence from Fr Peter will come from peter@eppcarl.org.org.au only!

Once again can I reassure you the parish has the most up to date virus protection and firewalls on all parish computers.



<https://anchor.fm/grace2020>

Antioch Community, Cana Youth, Emmaus Young Adults Youth Group & Bible Reading



OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY
Meeting this Sunday
18th October



Why not come along to the Antioch meeting to hear a great talk, join in discussion time get into some awesome music, take time out for **prayer** and **meet** people.

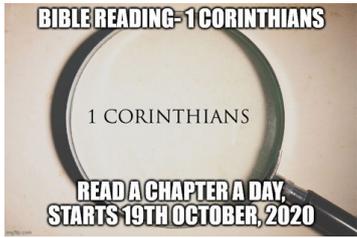
The meeting starts at **6pm** in the **parish meeting room** at **Carlingford**.
 So head on down and bring a friend.

For more information call
Joanne 0416 030 927, Karen (parent support) 0421 506 577

"It was at Antioch the believers were first called Christians"

Bible Reading

We will be starting to read 1 Corinthians on the 19th October! Invite your friends and family as we continue to read the New Testament. Join via our Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1148887152176778/> or join our WhatsApp group by texting 1Corinthians16 to Joanna on 0404 710 588.



CANA: OUR 7-9 yrs. YOUTH GROUP

Cana is on zoom! Join Cana on Fridays 7:30-9pm, via this link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85887586994?pwd=WmtHeGV2Q3RzZDVtSDRuNnhpVGo2Zz09>

Please contact Joanna (phone: 0404 710 588 or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au) for the zoom password to join.



COVID-19 Safety Plan

WE HAVE A COVID SAFETY PLAN

- We adhere to maximum number of person permitted in the church based on the four square metre rule (80 people at Epping and 100 at Carlingford).
- Coloured cards on the seats indicating seating positions ensure maximum separation.
- All are asked to sanitise their hands on entering & leaving and sign in the book.
- We ask the parishioners to sanitise the pew where were sitting after every Mass
- There is no physical exchange of the sign of peace.
- All are asked to maintain 2 metre spacing when coming forward for Holy Communion (which is given on the

All Souls Day Masses

All Souls Day falls on Monday 2nd November.
 During Mass the Book of Remembrance, containing the names of those who for whom we pray in November, will be put in its place of honour in each of our churches.
 Mass times:

Carlingford 9:30am

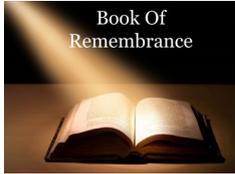
Epping 12:15pm
 (Please note additional Mass)



Book of Remembrance

Once again this year, we will have our "Book of Remembrance" in each church—displayed in its place of honour on the sanctuary throughout the month of November, to remember our past family and friends, and it will be placed in position during the first week of November.

Should you have a new name you wish to add please email parish@eppcarl.org.au with the name or visit the parish office.



FACE MASKS THANK YOU !



Thank you to all those that have been wearing masks to mass.

If you have forgotten your mask there is a supply available. Check with the Greeter or with the Sacristan in the Sacristy.

We strongly encourage our parishioners to continue to care for each other and wear a face mask when attending Mass.



Christmas Carols



Come and Celebrate!

Saturday, 26th December 2020
at St Gerard's Majella at 7:00 pm

Families and Friends to celebrate Jesus' birthday with songs and music.

Let us sing to the New Born King in many different languages.

Prepare with your family and friends and share with us the beauty of your native **Christmas songs**.

Please note that COVID-19 restrictions will apply.
More information to come.

Reflection on Sunday's Gospel—Listen ~ We can hear God speaking to us

In the words we hear in the reading, we pray to recognise the **Word of God** speaking to us. The second reading is from Paul's first letter to the church in *Thess-a-lon-ik-a*. They are **in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ**. Paul wishes them **grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ**.
We ~ Paul, Silvanus and Timothy ~ always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father,

- ◇ how you have **shown your faith in action**,
- ◇ how you have **worked for love** and
- ◇ how you have **persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ**.

*We know God loves you. You have been chosen. How? ~ because the Good News to you came to you as **words**, as **power**, as the **Holy Spirit** and as **utter conviction**.* 1 Thes 1:1-5 (How is this true for you?)

In the Gospel event, *the Pharisees work out how to trap Jesus in what he said. Tell us. **Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?*** But Jesus aware of their malice replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, **give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.**' Matthew 22:15-21 (How is this true for you?)

In the first reading, God speaks through the prophet Isaiah to Cyrus, the leader of the Persians ~ **I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me.** *Though you do not know me, I am you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, **apart from me, all is nothing.*** Isa 45:1,4-6

We respond in praise of our God in the words of the Psalm.

Give the Lord glory and honour. *Tell among the nations his glory. The Lord is great and worthy of praise. **Give the Lord glory and power.** Worship the Lord. **Proclaim to the nations: God is King. He will judge the peoples in fairness.*** Ps 95(96):1,3-5,7-10

In the Gospel Acclamation, Paul encourages us to ~ **Shine on the world like bright stars. You are offering it the word of life.** Phil 2:15-16

Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel...Which Side Are You On?

In these final weeks of the Church's year, our readings from Matthew's gospel point towards what lies ahead. Today's gospel and that of next Sunday tell of the growing confrontation with the nation's leaders that will lead to Jesus' death. And in our last three readings from Matthew's gospel Jesus warns his hearers that the end is approaching.

The exchange recorded in today's gospel is well known. Matthew's brief account tells us a great deal about the situation that was developing in the last days of Jesus life. The Jewish people bitterly resented the Roman occupation of their country; now, those who have turned against Jesus exploit this explosive situation to discredit him. The dilemma that Jesus is placed in by the question put to him about the paying of the Roman tax is brought out in Matthew's account by the composition of the group putting the question – Pharisees and Herodians. The Pharisees represent Jews who have a real problem of conscience paying the tax. Strict Pharisees would have considered the inscription on the denarius handed to Jesus – which almost certainly read, 'Tiberius Caesar, son of the divine Augustus, great high priest' – to be blasphemous. This influential group, dedicated to upholding the traditions of God's people, would have asked themselves whether they were compromising their principles by paying their tax with this coin. If Jesus encouraged the paying of the tax, he would not only offend the Pharisees, but also antagonise the common people who so resented the Roman rule. The Herodians, followers of Herod - the puppet ruler in league with the Romans - had no scruples concerning the tax. If Jesus condemned the paying of the tax, he could be denounced for subversion.

The famous reply of Jesus, 'To Caesar what belongs to Caesar; and to God what belongs to God' is not a clever evasion, as we may be led to think. With this reply, he turns the question back on his interrogators - taking the discussion beyond the level of the partisanship they are trying to exploit, he tells them that they are faced by a decision of conscience. As is so often the case – think of our own times – involvement in the political life of the nation is not a straightforward matter. The Romans had originally occupied Palestine at the invitation of Jewish leaders, bringing a relative stability, that replaced a situation of continuing anarchy. The contemporaries of Jesus must ask themselves whether the presence the Romans was the lesser of two evils. Today's first reading from the later Isaian writings is well chosen. Cyrus – who 'does not know' the God of Israel – is called by the prophet, God's 'anointed', as he fulfills God's designs, sending the Jewish exiles back from captivity after his defeat of the Babylonians. God is Lord of all, certainly, Jesus is telling his listeners; but Jewish conscience must judge whether the Roman presence is providential, preventing a worse situation. We should note that Jesus invites the people to make their own judgment of conscience; he does not make it for them. We would misunderstand the reply of Jesus if we thought it was meant to instruct us about the relationship that should exist between Church and State. His reply concerns, not the order of politics, but the order of moral responsibility - the individual's duty to participate in the life of the nation in a way that best promotes the common good of justice and peace. At a later date, when the Roman state became a demonic force intent on destroying the Church, defiance of the authorities was called for, and produced the martyrs who were the glory of the early Church.

John Thornhill sm

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Reflection on next Sunday's Scriptures

A reminder that our weekly time of reflection on the coming Sunday's Scriptures will take place this coming Friday 23rd October via Zoom.

For further information please contact Marie Black on 9869 7076.



Marriage Enrichment Weekend

We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love!

Come and join us on November 20 - 22, 2020 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW – a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney.

Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact **Christine & Terry Mahony** on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au

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.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS Our parish is strongly committed to ecumenism and a formal Covenant has been signed with the Anglican Parish of Epping, Epping Uniting Church, West, Epping Uniting Church and Epping Baptist

After Hours Sick Calls— 9876 2853

Outside office hours our office phones divert to Fr Peter and Fr Bogdan at home. In the event that they are unavailable, their answering machines will record your message or ring the number given in the message. However, if possible please restrict routine enquiries to office hours.

Admitted to Hospital A reminder that if you are admitted to hospital, please try to ensure that you write down your religion as Catholic on the admission form, so that you can receive Catholic services during your stay.

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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, (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.

Have You Told Us?
If you have recently changed your address, phone number or email. For parishioners who give by credit card, does your credit card expire in the near future? Please give the parish office a call on 9876 2853 if you have received a new credit card and/or a new expiry date.



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Responsorial Psalm Response
Ps 95:1.3-5.7-10 R. v. 7

Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel Acclamation!

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

WEEKEND MASSES

Please note, we must adhere to social distancing within the churches.

EPPING:

5:00 pm Vigil Mas
8:30 am Mass
10:15 am Mass
6:00 pm Mass

CARLINGFORD:

6:00 pm Vigil Mass
7:45 am Mass
9:30 am Mass

Healing Masses

No Healing Masses at the moment.

Exposition of the Eucharist
Epping

Sat. 9:45am-10:15am

Carlingford

4th Thursday of the month

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please note, we must adhere to social distancing within the churches.

EPPING:

Monday—No Mass
Tuesday—12:15 pm
Wednesday—9:15 am
Thursday—12:15 pm
Friday—12:15 pm
Saturday—9:15 am

CARLINGFORD:

Monday—9:30 am
Tuesday—No Mass
Wednesday—9:30 am
Thursday—9:30 am
Friday—9:30 am
Saturday—9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Epping

Sat. 9:45am—10:15am

Carlingford

Sat. 5:00pm—5:30pm

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

Recently deceased: Alfred (Alf) Sharpe, Michael White, Jean from Rayward Nursing Home, Rocco Mesiti, Stephen Chan, Eric Pedemont, Amarech Zewldde, Eddy Allen, Greg Watts, Fr Slawomir Kaczmarek.

Anniversaries: Jesus Felipe Soria Jnr,

Also for:

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, Mark Di Palma, Anthony Conlon, Andrew Hannam, The Craig Family, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard Stieger, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Brian Walsh, Patricia O'Connor, Kathy Noonan, Alice Eng, Peck Quah, Dorothy Bonaccorso, Margaret Floyd, Barbara Madafiglio, John Lyons, Bev Gibbeson, Alison Deane, Radhi Riley, Patrick Thornton, Jan Doherty, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Stella Nathan, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Elaine Hunt, Arnold Day, Maureen Carlon, Fr Adrian Borst, Augustine Hong, Luba Charlton, George Khouri, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Patricia Muschalik, Delma Soria, Sr Abanasia Lee, Maria Belisario, Stella Edwards, Fara Vargas, Theo Stevens, Monica Weeden, Thomas Woodward, Wai Chun Wong, Heather Stoodley, Agnes Wong, Irene De Nadi, Fidela Frez, Alex Benjamin Zaragoza, Amarech Zewolde,

Due to privacy laws, names of the sick and deceased can only be put in the bulletin with the permission of the family.

Supporting our Parish Financially

A number of people have enquired as to how they can continue their financial support for the parish during this difficult time. We realise that this may not be possible in the light of growing unemployment and reductions in superannuation returns at the moment and **there is absolutely no pressure on anyone to contribute!**

The First Collection Supports the needs of the priests of the parish, the retired priests of the diocese and the Bishop.

The Second Collection Money from the Second Collection supports the running costs of the parish including the payment of staff. If you are able to contribute, the Church account details are shown below:

Epping and Carlingford Parish Accounts for Internet Banking with the Commonwealth Bank

First Collection BSB 062 784 A/C No 858 8002

Second Collection BSB 062 784 A/C No 858 8001

In order to record planned giving in the parish office, we would suggest the reference be planned giving number where applicable and surname.

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
24/10/20	5:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd	6:00pm	Fr Bogdan Skupien
25/10/20	8:30am	Fr Peter Dowd	7:45am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
25/10/20	10:15am	Fr Peter Dowd	9:30am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
25/10/20	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd		