

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 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 nourishment and challenge on your Christian journey.

YEAR A

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20-09-20

Isaiah 55:6-9

Philippians 1:20-24.27

Matthew 20:1-16

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last Wednesday, the 16th of September, Papua New Guinea celebrated its 45th Independence Day. On that day I thought of and prayed for my friends and I offered Mass for people of PNG.

Let me share with you, in short, my story of living and working in that beautiful and colourful country.

I went to PNG at the beginning of 2006 and I lived there for twelve years; seven years in Southern Highland Province (Diocese of Mendi) and five years in the Province and Archdiocese of Madang.

After a short course in the local language Tok Pisin, I was appointed parish priest of three parishes with forty-seven churches.

Like many missionaries, before me, I was amazed by the beauty of the nature and the kindness of people. Almost everywhere I could see many different kinds of flowers, plants, and trees; I observed birds of paradise, parrots and other species I'd never seen in Europe.

The nature of PNG was lovely, however, there were people who made me feel great in that country; people who shared with me their food accepted me as a member of their own family and helped me whenever I needed it.

My work in Papua New Guinea was similar to the work of other missionaries and had at least a few aspects. My main job was a pastoral service to parishioners; celebrating Mass, hearing confession, preparing people for sacraments. All priests around the world do the same; the only difference was that I had to walk a few hours to visit villages.

The second important part of mission work is to reduce illiteracy and improve education. Wherever the Catholic Church goes they have always built schools.

In my first parish, we started two primary schools. Thanks to donations from different countries we were able to build a few classrooms. Many children, especially the youngest had the opportunity to start their education.

Another aspect of mission work was to supply healthcare. Cooperating with the Diocesan Health Office we built two aid-posts, with one nurse in each. The nurse's work was to visit villages in the bush and provide basic medicine.

Building schools and aid-posts not only improved the standard of life for the people but integrated and united local people. People from different tribes and denominations built the classrooms and aid-posts, and their children attended school together.

Twelve years in PNG it was a blessed time for me. I have learned a lot; starting simple everyday needs and finishing on the important ones. From the beginning, I had to learn to cook. And I believe I'm not a bad cook now. Very quickly I had to learn all the parts of the Toyota Land Cruiser, and how to fix a generator if you want to have some light in the evening.

After all, I learned a lot from people. Going to the mission I wanted to teach and convert people but after a while, I found out that I was taught by them and I was the person who had to be converted.

I had to learn patience (very difficult school), patience toward people, and to myself. People taught me how to enjoy life even though you have nothing, that is really important in our lives, how to trust God even though you can't change anything, and that you can go

to church even if you don't have shoes.

They taught me that it is not important what you wear, what kind of position you have. They reminded me that dress does not make the man.

I thank God for that time in Papua New Guinea, for the new friends and all experiences and adventures. That time with my parishioners have made me a different person (I hope a better one) and changed my view of the world. These people are always in my heart; they are forever my brothers and sisters.

Fr Bogdan



Children's Sacramental Journey—First Eucharist 2020

Enrolment for First Eucharist closed last Sunday 13th September. In our Diocese of Broken Bay, children who have celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, undergone preparation for Reconciliation and who are currently in Year 3 or above are invited to enrol.

Parents can pick up their child's preparation pack from the parish office at appointed times so they have all the resources ready to attend an online Parent Information Session before Term 3 finishes.

There will be two preparation **Parent Information Session** held on **Zoom**,

at **7:30 pm** on the **23 & 24 September**. Parents need only attend one session.

We always like to hear from you and look forward to building a fruitful relationship. If you have any queries or would like more information regarding your child's sacramental journey within our parish, please get in touch!

Lynn Siau
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The Charitable Works Fund

The first CWF Appeal for this Financial Year commenced last weekend in both our Churches.

The Charitable Works Fund is working every day to support faith-based services for the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay. Supporting the CWF puts your gift to work in our local faith community.

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible.

Catholic Care Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Pro-

gramme—where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospitals staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine—creating and updating teaching materials and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.

St Lucy's School—for primary school students with disabilities.

St Edmund's College—for secondary school students with disabilities.

Ephpheta Centre—serving the Catholic deaf community.

Thank you for your kindness, your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

Envelopes are available at the back of both churches or make a donation online to:

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund>

Please give generously as any shortfall from this appeal will have to be made up from normal parish funds.

**SHORTFALL AFTER 2 WEEKS
\$16,383**

Holy Land Collection

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land normally **takes place on Good Friday**.

This year, due to the closure of churches around the world during Holy Week because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Pope Francis moved the date for this collection to **Sunday 13 September** to coincide with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross last Monday, 14 September.

We will continue the Holy Land Collec-

tion this weekend in both Churches. If you are able to contribute to this collection, we thank you for your generosity. Collection boxes are at the back of both churches.



PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	20/09/20	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.	21/09/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Tue.	22/09/20	12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
Wed.	23/09/20	9:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Thur.	24/09/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
		8:00pm	PMR Epping Men of St Joseph
Fri.	25/09/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
Sat.	26/09/20	9:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		9:45am	Exposition and Reconciliation
		10:20am	Benediction
		5:00pm	Reconciliation at St Gerard's
		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**

Prayer Requests

Do you have a prayer request - especially during the difficult times each of us is facing.



If you would like to pray for any special Intention please forward your request to: To Fr Bogdan at the following Email address:

Bogdan.Skupien@bbcatholic.org.au

or Facebook link:

<https://form.jotform.com/201323501410837>

We are more than happy to pray for you!

Keep in Touch (KIT)

Keep informed, keep exploring, keep on thinking about the things that matter the most and move us. If you would like to receive Keep in Touch please forward your email address to the parish office, contact number: 9876 2853 email: maree@eppcarl.org.au



Keep In Touch

Men of St. Joseph

Men of St Joseph is a group of Catholic men who want to pray together, grow spiritually, share their experiences and support one another. The group discusses our spiritual and daily issues and helps us to be the better people, members of the Church and of our families.



Meeting every Thursday at 8pm in the PMR at Epping.

Enquiries to Fr Bogdan by emailing: Bogdan.Skupien@bbcatholic.org.au

Fr Bogdan

Struggling with Infertility?

PMS, irregular cycles, frequent miscarriages or other reproductive issues? Did you know we have Catholic GP's trained in NaPro Technology who can help correct your cycles, and optimise both male and female fertility? In treating the cause of your symptoms our doctors aim to restore a couple's fertile health, empowering them towards better health or to conceive children within the context of their own marriage with up to 80% success.

To find out more go to: www.fertilitycare.com.au or Katie.fullilove@dbb.org.au 9847 0486

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

OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY

**Meeting this Sunday
13th September**

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



Emmaus Young Adults Youth Group

Will be meeting in the parish meeting room at Carlingford on Tuesday 22 September at 7:00pm.

The topic is "Is it Biblical to meditate?"

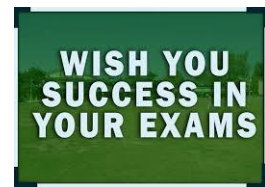
BLESSING OF HSC STUDENTS

We invite all our HSC students from both communities in the parish to:

6pm Vigil Mass at St Gerard's
Saturday 4th October

6pm Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians
October 4th October

There will be a blessing for all students within the Mass.



Cana is going on zoom!

We have a meeting this Friday 7:30-9pm, via this link

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88684811582?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88684811582?pwd=Nkk4U3A2OGRHR3NwRnhkVmFqWDhLUT09)

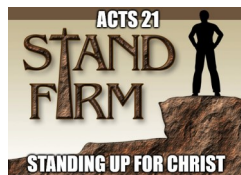
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Please contact Joanna (phone: 0404 710 588 or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au) for the zoom password to join.

Bible Reading

Our Parish Bible reading group are almost finished Acts. We will start reading Romans from the 28th September.

Join us via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114887152176778/> or via WhatsApp by texting Roma ns16 to Joanna on 0404 710 588.



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 (60 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 congregational singing and 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 hand first and those receiving on the tongue are asked to come up last).

**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.

Rights of the Child

Rights of the Child (including both Human and Spiritual Rights)

Bishop Anthony Randazzo has today launched the Rights of the Child Framework developed by the Dioceses of Broken Bay. The Framework addresses both the human and spiritual rights of the child and how they might be upheld and supported throughout our Diocese. The purpose of the Framework is to cement our commitment to engage with children and safeguard the rights of children and build a safe and healthy culture across all our ministries. The Framework encourages members of congregations, schools and services, as well as families in understanding the minimum standards for the treatment of children and how child rights can make a difference to the life of a child.

If you would like to learn more about the Framework please do not hesitate to contact the Office for Safeguarding at safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au. There is more information on the Diocesan website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/safeguarding.rights-of-the-child>.

In the Kingdom of Heaven ~ Who do you think Could be LAST? SHOULD be FIRST?

The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner ~ The parable of the workers in the vineyard Mt 20:1-16 ~ He hired workers for his vineyard.

At daybreak ~ *The agreement was one denarius a day. About the third hour (9 am) He hired more. The agreement – a fair wage.*

About the sixth, (midday) ninth (3 pm) and eleventh hour (5 pm) he hired others standing idle in the market place.

He said to his bailiff, *Pay the workers their wages. Start with the last.*

The eleventh hour group ~ each received one denarius.

The daybreak group expected to get more ~ each received one denarius.

They grumbled at the landowner. *"The men who came last have done only one hour. You have treated them the same as us. We have done a heavy day's work in all the heat."*

He answered one who grumbled, *My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius?*

I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own?

Why be envious because I am generous?

The Kingdom of Heaven is all about who God is.

Through the prophet Isaiah 55:9 ~ *The Lord speaks ~ Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.* Jesus said, *The last will be first, and the first, last.* Mt 20:16 We don't know who could or should be first or last. We focus on who God is who speaks to us.

Our focus is on the Alleluia before the Gospel ~ **Open our hearts O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.** Acts 16:14 Isaiah 55:6 encourages us. **Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.**

Our response is to praise our God who is **generous and loving** beyond our comprehension ~ *You, Lord, are kind, full of compassion and abounding in love. You, Lord, are just in all your ways and loving in all your deeds. You are close to all who call on You from their hearts.* Psalm 144:8-9

Our commitment is to live as St Paul advises us. **Avoid anything, everyday, that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.** Phil 1:27

Our prayer ~ *Lord Jesus, you brought the Kingdom of Heaven to Earth.*

Guide us to know your generosity and to be grateful and not jealous. Give us your Holy Spirit to live our lives in ways that bring your Kingdom of Heaven to people in our lives and to people in this time.

Denis McNamara
Supporting Disciples to become Missionary

Social Justice Webinar

World Day of Migrant & Refugees, 27 September 2020

Drawing inspiration from Pope Francis' theme for this year's Migrant and Refugee Sunday, Social Justice Around the Bay and Jesuit Refugee Service Australia invite you to this upcoming webinar. We will explore what it looks like in Australia today to support those who have been forced like Jesus to flee. Speakers: Nishadh Rego, Zaki Haidari, Phil Jones.

Sunday 27th September, 2:30-3:00pm.

Register: <https://bit.ly/3mr6uYn>

Happy Birthday—Gordon Floyd



Dear Gordon,

May the light of the Lord shine upon you and grant you happiness on this your birthday.

From
The Parish Family.



Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel....Embittered Moralizing

What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? (Mt 20:14b-16a)

In a masterful book on grace, Piet Fransen suggests that we can test how well we understand grace by gauging our reaction to this story:

Imagine a man who during his whole life is entirely careless about God and morality. He's selfish, ignores the commandments, ignores all things religious, and is basically consumed with pursuing his own pleasure—wine, sex, and song. Then, just hours before his death, he repents of his irresponsibility, makes a sincere confession, receives the sacraments of the church, and dies inside that conversion.

Simply put, we will be rewarded with heaven and it will be wonderful.

What's our spontaneous reaction to that story? Isn't it wonderful that he received the grace of conversion before he died? Or, more

likely: the lucky beggar! He got away with it! He got to have all that pleasure and still gets to go to heaven!

If we felt the latter emotion, even for a moment, we have never deeply understood the concept of grace. Rather, like the older brother of the prodigal son, we are still seeing life away from God's house as fuller than life inside God's house, are still doing the right things mostly out of bitter duty, and are secretly envying the amoral. But, if this is true, we must be gentle with ourselves. This is an occupational hazard for good, faithful persons.

Jesus, himself, expresses this in the parable of the vineyard workers. This parable was addressed to Peter in answer to a question. Peter, on behalf of the other disciples, had just asked Jesus what reward they were going to receive for their fidelity to him.

Jesus answers by telling him the story of very rich and generous landowner who goes out one morning and hires workers to work in his vineyard. He hires some early in the morning,

promises them a good wage, keeps hiring others as the day progresses, each new group having to work fewer hours than the group before them, and ends the day by hiring a group of workers just one hour before work is to end.

Then he tells his foreman to pay everyone a full day's wage. But this leaves the workers who toiled the whole day somewhat bitter. "This isn't fair!" they protest. "We worked the whole day and bore the heat of the sun and this last group worked just one hour. It's unfair that we all receive the same wage!" The generous landowner, obviously representing God, is gentle in his response: "Friend, didn't you agree to this wage? And isn't a good wage? Are you envious and angry because I'm generous?"

Remember to whom those words are being addressed: Jesus is addressing Peter ... and, in effect, through this parable, is addressing all good people who are morally and religiously bearing the heat of the day. And Jesus is assuring us that we will be rewarded richly for doing this. But, as the parable makes clear, there's a catch: simply put, we will be rewarded with heaven and it will be wonderful; but, and this is the catch, we can have everything and enjoy nothing because we are watching what everyone else is getting!

I sometimes try to highlight this point rather graphically when I give retreats to priests and religious. I have them consider this scenario: imagine you live out your life in fidelity to your vow of celibacy, metaphorically, and otherwise bearing the heat of the day and, when you get to heaven, the first person you meet there is Hugh Hefner, the founder of Playboy. In shock you protest to God: "How did he get in here? It's not fair, given the life he lived and the life that I was asked to live!" And God, the over-generous

landowner, gently replies: "Friend, didn't you agree to a life of celibacy, and isn't heaven a wonderful place? Are you envious and angry because I'm generous?" And, how different this reaction is to that of a true saint who, upon meeting someone like this in heaven, would, like the father of the prodigal son, rush over in joy, embrace the person, and say: "I'm overwhelmed with joy that you made it!"

Thomas Halik, a Czech writer, suggests that one of the reasons why so many people in the world reject the churches is that they see us as "embittered moralizers," older brothers of the prodigal son, doing our religious and moral duties, but bitterly, and criticizing those who don't live like us out of hidden envy. Nietzsche made a similar accusation more than a hundred years ago.

Sadly, there's more than a little truth in that accusation. Too often, we are embittered moralizers, secretly envying the amoral and criticizing our world out of bitterness. But that's an occupational hazard for the good and the faithful. Peter and first apostles struggled with it. Why should we be immune?

We needn't be immune, but we do need to be honest in admitting that, despite our real goodness and fidelity, this indicates that we are still far from being full saints.

Ron Rolheiser

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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.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

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 Church.

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.

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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Ps 144:2-3.8-9.17-18 R. v. 18

The Lord is near to all who call him.

Gospel Acclamation!

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
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: Bill Saul, Alex D'Costa, Catherine Lee, Helen Lee, Paul Wilkinson, Ken Harman (father of Jeanette Brady),

Please pray for Alfred (Alf) Sharpe who died last Saturday week.
The funeral was held at Macquarie Park Crematorium. Magnolia Chapel last Friday.

Anniversaries: Terry Hoolahan,

Please pray for those who are sick: Sean Huhse, Joel Steinberg, Patricia Rumble, Dean Pan, John Davies, Nicole Greenfield, Michael Furlong, Saulius Dovydas Balsys, 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, 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, Alf Sharpe, Fidela Frez, Alex Benjamin Zaragoza.

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
26/09/20	5:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd	6:00pm	Fr Bogdan Skupien
27/09/20	8:30am	Fr Peter Dowd	7:45am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
27/09/20	10:15am	Fr Peter Dowd	9:30am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
27/09/20	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd		

