

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 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 celebrations of the Eucharist together will provide both nourishment and challenge on your Christian journey.

YEAR A

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23-08-20

Isaiah 22:19-23

Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20



We welcome Bishop Anthony!

This will be the Bishop's first opportunity to visit the parish and it is meant to be an informal meet and greet similar to his previous visits to other parishes in the Diocese.

The Bishop will preside at the 9:30am Mass at St Gerard's and time permitting may be available to greet the people at the conclusion of the 10:15 am Mass at Epping. Please call 9876 2853 to register if coming to the 9:30 am Mass. I am sure you will make him welcome!

Fr Peter

Dear parishioners, parents and friends,

Greetings!

I hope you are all keeping well and maintaining a sense of 'balance' during these extraordinary times.

I have wanted to provide an update on the progress of our parish development project at OLHC Epping for some time and am now pleased to be able to share with you the detail in respect to these matters. My apologies that this has taken longer than expected however rest assured that significant work and planning has continued in partnership with our developer Stockland. Due to the COVID situation, the logistical planning of the project has been hampered (in addition to the lengthy DA approval delay) requiring us to reconsider the timing of the project.

As many of you would be aware, the Development Application was only finally determined by the State Planning Panel on 11th May this year. I would like to once again pay tribute to ALL those involved in enabling us to reach such a positive outcome!

In light of the uncertainty created by the COVID-19 pandemic, Stockland and the parish have reached an agreement to push back the commencement of construction until early 2022. Given all that is happening, we feel this is the better way to proceed especially when it comes to the impact being felt by families in our schools.

This decision means OLHC primary school at Epping will remain on-site at our current location for all of 2021, rather than transition to St Agatha's at the end of this year or at the end of term 1 2021.

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The Parish Website address is: www.bbcatholic.org.au/eppingcarlingford

CATHOLIC PARISH OF EPPING AND CARLINGFORD

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CHILDREN THROUGH READING REFLECTION &
PRAYERS



CHILDREN'S LITURGY – KIDZ WORD

DURING SCHOOL TERM AT:
9:30AM MASS CARLINGFORD
10:15AM MASS EPPING

Adult volunteers are needed to lead and to assist with the supervision of children. This is also a great opportunity for middle/high schoolers and youth to help the young ones celebrate God's Word.

A working with Children's Check is required which we can assist you with to apply at RMS online.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
EMAIL: LYNN@EPPCARL.ORG.AU
OR CALL: 0407 255 593

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As a result of this change, the new Parish Hall, underground carparking, parish offices as well as the new school building will also now be completed at the same time – so less disruption all round.

In partnership with Stockland and our architects, we will continue to work together in coming months through the next steps of the development process including refining the detailed design and operational requirements of all parties. As the opportunity arises, we will seek to share in more detail the designs of what is being proposed and welcome any feedback you may wish to offer. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we are unable to provide information by gathering everyone physically for another parish and community consultation however other options may be possible and we will inform you once they become available. In lieu of being able to meet physically, we will also ensure regular updates are provided through our dedicated website.

Should you have any questions or comments please feel free to direct them to myself or our school principal Dominique O'Sullivan

May God continue to bless this opportunity to continue to equip the mission of the Gospel in this part of God's vineyard!

Fr Peter
Parish Priest

We need your thoughts and ideas. Please participate in the Parish Survey!

The main role of the Parish Pastoral Council is to develop a Pastoral Plan for the parish. Our current plan, which was first developed in 2017, included the development of missionary discipleship within the parish, and initiatives such as Alpha. The plan expires at the end of this year and the Council would really like your input into the development of a new plan. A short, anonymous online survey email will be sent to parishioners on our email list in the next few days. If you normally receive emails from the parish and don't see one, please check your junk mail.

You can also use this QR code. Just open the camera on your phone and focus on the code. It will give you a link to the short online survey.



If you are not electronically minded, paper surveys are available in the churches and can be returned to the boxes in the churches.

Fr Peter, Joan Sally, Parish Pastoral Council Chair.

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event
Sun.	23/08/20	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
		7:00pm	PMR Epping Antioch Meeting
Mon.	24/08/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Tue.	25/08/20	12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
Wed.	26/08/20	9:15am	Mass at OLHC Church
		9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
Thur.	27/08/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
		7:30pm	PMR Carlingford PFC Meeting
		8:00pm	PMR Epping Men of St Joseph
Fri.	28/08/20	9:30am	Mass at St Gerard's Church
		12:15pm	Mass at OLHC Church
Sat.	29/08/20	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

MARY MACKILLOP - an iBOOK

My book, *God Will take Care of Us All: A Spirituality of Mary MacKillop*, has now been published as an iBook. It was specially aimed at being published to coincide with the feast of Mary MacKillop by St Pauls Publications. It is available on both Amazon kindle and apple iBooks and the retail price is AUD \$9.95.

Pauline Wicks rsj

Blessing of Crosses and Crucifixes . . .



As you know we try to tap into our Church's tradition of punctuating the rhythm of the year with feasts and festivals by observing some of those feasts in a special way so that they might help to relate our faith to the living of our lives.

One of those feast days will soon be upon us. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Monday 14th September, celebrates the victory over sin and death that comes through the Cross of Jesus. It is an especially appropriate day each year to bless the cross or crucifix in our sacred space at home. Please bring along your cross or crucifix from your sacred space at home – these will be blessed at the:

Mon. 14/9 9:30am Mass at St Gerard's.

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CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

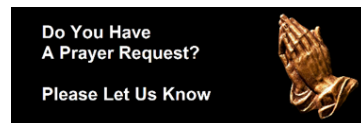
The second CWF Appeal for this Financial Year will commence the weekend of the 5/6 September in both our churches.

Donations can be made online at www.givenow.com.au/cwf and will support our Parish quota.

Envelopes can be obtained from the Parish Office, or at the back of each church.

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

Send your request to:

Bogdan.Skupien@bbcatholic.org.au
or Facebook link:
<https://form.jotform.com/201323501410837>

We are more than happy to pray for you!

Fr Peter and Fr Bogdan

Celebrations this Week Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time

- 24/8 Monday:** Feast, St Bartholomew, apostle
27/8 Thursday: Memorial St Monica
28/8 Thursday: Memorial, St Augustine, bishop,
29/8 Saturday: Memorial, The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr

CANA: OUR Yr. 7-9 YOUTH GROUP

Our Cana (year 7-9) youth group meetings is currently postponed.

If you want to stay in touch, please email or message Joanna (email: joanna@eppcarl.org.au or mobile: 0404 710 588) to receive weekly Cana newsletters and updates.

Young Adults Group

Our young adults group will be meeting this Tuesday, the 25th August 7-8:30pm at St Gerard's Meeting room. Come along if you are between 23-30years old and want to have some fun! Please contact Joanna Mak on 0404 710 588 or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au if you have any questions!

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES AND RECEIPTS FOR FY 2019/2020

Just a reminder that your new Planned Giving Envelopes for 2020/2021 are available for collection from the back of the Churches.

Receipts for those parishioners with planned giving envelopes or those who have made contributions to CWF and Project Compassion may be picked up at the parish office between 9:00am—4:00pm or can be emailed to you.

If you don't have envelopes and would like a pack, or if you would like to contribute by credit card or direct debit please contact Dennis Porteous in the Parish Office.



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

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Will meet **this Thursday, 27th August**, in the parish meeting room at Carlingford commencing at 7:30pm.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

The first CWF Appeal for this Financial Year will be held on the weekend of the 5/6th September in both our Churches.

Your generous donation will support the five Catholic agencies and ministries helping families and neighbours in our Broken Bay Diocese. The Charitable Works Fund Appeal is 100% tax deductible. How to give: Support by making an Online donation www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund or by completing a CWF envelope available at the back of both churches or from the parish office.

OUR PARISH ANTIOCH COMMUNITY

Meeting this Sunday 23 August

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 7pm in the parish meeting room at Epping.

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."

Parish Bible Reading Group

Hi everyone, our Bible reading group will be reading Acts from the 24th August! 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 Acts28 to Joanna on 0404 710 588.

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Points for Your Information

COVID-19 A reminder that both the government and Diocese are strongly recommending the use of masks by those gathering in our churches.

As from last weekend, all those distributing Holy Communion will wear masks as a way of supporting the health of our people.

Finally a reminder also, that we are to approach Holy Communion in **a single file while maintaining the 1.5 metre distance between one another.** This is particularly important at Epping where we approach the altar via the centre aisle only.

Safeguarding Month

This is the fifth year that the Diocese of Broken Bay will highlight Safeguarding in the month of September. The theme for this year's Safeguarding Month is "Promoting the Rights of the Child".

The month will begin with the annual Liturgy of Lament to acknowledge and pray for those who have suffered harm by the Catholic Church. The theme for this year's liturgy is "Listening to the past; caring for the future." The Liturgy will be held on Tuesday 1 September at 7.00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. With restrictions still in place, a limited number of people will be present at the Liturgy, and for the first time it will be live streamed for people to view at home. You can view by clicking on the link provided on the Diocesan webpage.

Position Vacant – Catechist Coordinator, Lower North Shore Parish Casual Role: 4 - 10 hours per week

For a position description or more information, please email recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au or call Jackie Hanson (Chancery HR) on 8379 1667.

View the full advertisement on the Diocesan website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>
Applications close: **Monday, 31 August 2020.**

The successful applicant must be eligible to work in Australia; hold a current unrestricted driver's licence; and will be required to undertake a pre-employment National Police History Check and WWCC.

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**

A Reflection on this Sunday's Gospel

A happy person knows who Jesus is

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus asks his disciples. **Who do people say Jesus is?** The disciples told him.

But you, **who do you say I am?** Peter spoke up. **You are the Christ.** The one promised and the one sent. **You are the Son of the living God.**

Simon Peter recognised who Jesus really was. He realised the living God was present in his life. Then Jesus replied. **Simon, you are a happy man! It was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you. It was My Father in Heaven!**

We could tell Jesus what other people say about Jesus, but Jesus wants to hear your answer ~ **"Who do you say I am?"** It is your time and your turn, so speak up. In your words ~

"Jesus you are . . ." **Jesus, this is my relationship with you. . .** Jesus gives us this insight. **My Father in Heaven revealed this to you.** To know Jesus is a gift, to know Jesus really is ~ the *Son of the living God* ~ is a grace from God!

When we have this gift of faith, we are grateful. Grace encourages us to grow in our faith. If we are not sure about Jesus, or we do not know who Jesus is, we can ask.

Father in Heaven, reveal Jesus to us.

If you want to believe, pray this prayer: *Heavenly Father, if you are real, reveal to me who Jesus really is. If you are the living God, reveal Jesus your Son to me. I want to believe.*

If you want others to receive this gift of faith, pray for them *Heavenly Father reveal Jesus to those I love, to my family, to my friends, my neighbours and to those who do not know you. May they recognise Jesus as the one sent from God. May they find joy and happiness in knowing Jesus is your Son, the Son of the Living God.*

If you want to grow in your faith, pray like this: *Heavenly Father reveal your Son with a fresh outpouring of your Holy Spirit. Give me the grace to grow in my faith and come to know who Jesus is at this time in my life.*

Three things I pray ~ to see thee more clearly, to love thee more dearly and to follow thee more nearly.

With the people of faith in our parish, we pray. *Heavenly Father, we thank you for this gift of faith. You have revealed Jesus to us. Give us your grace to grow in our faith. Heavenly Father you are so gracious in your generosity. May our lives be filled with gratitude. We thank you for we know who we are. We know our lives are about bringing your Heavenly Kingdom to earth.*

We are amazed and can only honour and praise Our God today with St Paul.

How rich are the depths of God! How deep is your wisdom and knowledge. All that exists come from God; all is by God and for God.

To God be glory for ever! Amen (Rm 11:33-36)

Denis McNamara

Supporting Disciples to become Missionary Disciples

Reflection on the Sunday's Gospel...The Width of Our Ecclesial Embrace

And so I say to you, you are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld
shall not prevail against it (Mt 16:18)

Nikos Kazantsakis once said "the bosom of God is not a ghetto, but our hearts often are." So too, sadly, are our ecclesiologies.

In church circles today, both liberal and conservative, our ecclesiologies are often anything but inclusive and catholic ("catholic" meaning wide and universal). We are pretty selective as to whom we consent to worship with and to whom we will accord the grace and wisdom of God. We tend to pick our fellow-worshippers along ideological lines rather than along the lines that Jesus suggests and we are getting ever more fastidious. More and more within our churches sincere are divided from sincere and the old tensions that used to exist between denominations now also exist within each denomination.

Can we hold
the differences
among our-
selves in pa-
tience, charity,
and respect?

Given all of this, it can be helpful to reground ourselves in a critical truth that Jesus revealed.

One of his most stunning revelations is that God does not discriminate: "God lets his sun shine on the good as well as the bad." God, like the sun, shines on every kind of soil equally, fertile and barren alike. And if God showers love equally on the good and bad, then surely God showers love equally on liberals and conservatives, on the rigid and the fanciful, on those who are joyous and those who are bitter, on the politically-correct and on those less inclined to that kind of sensitivity, and on those who belong to our ecclesial set and on those who would prefer us dead. That's a disconcerting thought, but such, it would seem, is the scope of God's embrace.

Jesus says as much: "In my father's house there are many rooms." This is a statement about the width of God's embrace, not about the architecture of a heavenly mansion. God's heart, as revealed by Jesus, is a wide one, capable of embracing immense differences and carrying unbearable tensions.

That, I submit, is one of the major challenges to our churches today, to stretch our hearts, our theologies, our ecclesiologies, and our pastoral practices so as to be more in tune with the great truth of our founder's revelation that in God's house there are many rooms. Can we hold the differences among ourselves in patience, charity, and respect? Can we hold and carry more tension rather than always looking for resolutions that result in some being included and others excluded?

Raymond Brown, in his wonderful book on *The Community of the Beloved Disciple*, traces out how the early church, immediately after Jesus' departure, already struggled with many of the tensions we have today. The communities of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and Paul emphasized very different things than did the communities that followed John.

However, in the end, the church chose to canonize both of them, chose to accept different Christologies and different Ecclesiologies, and to carry the tension and truth of both. It chose to put these differences into paradox rather than opposition.

Brown's words at the end of this fine book are ones that we, within every denomination and within every ideology within a denomination, might well take to heart:

He tells us the church's decision to place the Gospel of John in the same canon as the writings of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and Paul was a decision to live with tension, to imitate God's wide embrace.

As Brown puts it, by choosing to keep both, the church

has not chosen a Jesus who is either God or man but both; has chosen not a Jesus who is either virginally conceived as God's son or pre-existent as God's son but both; not either a Spirit who is given to an authoritative teaching magisterium or the Paraclete-teacher who is given to each Christian but both; not a Peter or a Beloved Disciple but both. ...

This means that a church such as my own, the Roman Catholic, with its stress on authority and structure, has in the Johannine writings an in-built conscience against the abuses of authoritarianism. So also the "free" churches have in the Pastorals an in-built warning against abuses of the Spirit and in 1 John a warning against the divisions to which a lack of structured authority leads.

Like one branch of the Johannine community, we Roman Catholics have to come to appreciate that Peter's pastoral role is truly intended by the risen Lord, but the presence in our Scriptures of a disciple whom Jesus loved more than he loved Peter is an eloquent commentary on the relative value of the church's office. The authoritative office is necessary because a task is to be done and unity is to be preserved, but the scale of power in various offices is not necessarily the scale of Jesus' esteem and love. (Brown, p. 163)

In a time of much ecclesial quarrelling, especially over authority, Raymond Brown reminds us that "the greatest dignity to be striven for is neither papal, episcopal, nor priestly; the greatest dignity is that of belonging to the community of the beloved disciples of Jesus Christ."

Our ecclesiologies should echo that.

Ron Rolheiser

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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.

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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.

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.

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 137: 1-3.6.8. R. v. 8

Lord, your love is external;
do not forsake the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold our against it.

Alleluia!

WEEKEND MASSES	Please note, we must adhere to social distancing within the churches.						
EPPING	5:00PM VIGIL, 8:30AM, 10:15AM, 6:00PM						
CARLINGFORD	6:00PM VIGIL, 7:45AM, 9:30AM						
WEEKDAY MASSES	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	
EPPING	No Mass	12:15pm	9:15am	12:15pm	12:15pm	9:15am	
CARLINGFORD	9:30am	No Mass	9:30am	9:30am	9:30am	No Mass	
HEALING MASSES	TBA						
EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST: Epping Saturday 12:30pm -1:00pm, Carlingford , 4th Thursday 10:00am							
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Epping Saturday 9:45—10:15am Carlingford Saturday 5:00pm—5:30pm OR BY APPOINTMENT							
BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: BY APPOINTMENT							
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Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Recently deceased: Sean Hardiman., Kathy Busuttii (ex teacher from St Gerard's), Howard Carey, Carol Walker, Maree Dore, Bill Saul, Alex D'Costa,

Anniversaries: Bill Kilby, Edith & Ivan Almeida,

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, Carole Wilson, 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.

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

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

Thank you to all those who have made financial contributions. Your support is very much appreciated.

Date	Mass	Epping	Mass	Carlingford
29/08/20	5:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd	6:00pm	Fr Bogdan Skupien
30/08/20	8:30am	Fr Peter Dowd	7:45am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
30/08/20	10:15am	Fr Peter Dowd	9:30am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
30/08/20	6:00pm	Fr Peter Dowd		