

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

389 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah



Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass on Saturday night 4pm & 5.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am
(Reconciliation: Saturday - 10am-11am)
Adoration: Tuesday: 6pm-6.30pm, Wednesday: 8.45am-9.15am,
Friday: 8.45am-9.15am & Saturday: 9.45am-11am
Bookings are available too.

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Rev Fr Julian Belich
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EMBER DAYS (from the German Quatember, 'quarter day' or, as the Irish used to say, Quater Tense) mark the beginning of each of the four seasons. Kept in the Roman Church since the fifth century, the Australian Catholic Bishops conference has decided to observe the first Fridays of Autumn and Spring (March and September) as special days of prayer and penance.

On Rogation and ember days the Church is accustomed to entreat the Lord for the various needs of humanity, especially for the fruits of the earth and for human labour, and to give thanks to him publicly.

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	6.30pm
Wednesday	9.15am
Thursday	7am Collect of St Casimir (Optional)
Friday	9.15am AUTUMN EMBER DAY Special Day of Prayer and Penance 6.30pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday	9.15am

Divine Office: Psalter Week 2

Baptisms

We welcome into the Church family this weekend through the waters of Baptism:

Daniel Kevin Papas
Hallie Maree Grove

Please pray for them and their families

Baptisms can be booked online. Anyone interested to have a child Baptised, please go to the following website: www.olofcaringbah.org.au and fill-in the Registration Form. Parents must choose 3 dates: (a) Baptism Preparation with the Priest, (b) Naming Ceremony and (3) Baptism Ceremony. Dates are available until May 2021. For those who are unable to register online, please ring the Parish Office on 9524 7283.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (Year B)

27 - 28 February 2021

Entrance Antiphon cf. Psalm 26: 8-9

OF you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I aseek;
hide not your face from me.

First Reading Genesis 22: 8-1-2, 9-13, 15-18
The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 115: 10, 15-19 R. 114:910
I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Second Reading Romans 8: 31-34
God did not spare his own Son.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 17: 5
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Reading Mark 9: 2-10
This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.

Communion Antiphon Matthew 17: 5
This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

Come and join the Stations of the Cross
every Friday
for the whole month of March 2021
at 6.30pm (in the Church)

**Bible Study
with
Fr Julian Belich**



YOU ARE INVITED!

COME ALONG to the **Bible Study after the 6.30 pm Mass. Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.** In these eight videos, Edward Sri provides a captivating overview and explanation of the Gospel of John.

Topic for Tuesday, 2 March 2021: 4. "Believe in Me": Trust and Surrender (John 4:43-6:71)

Venue: Parish Meeting Room.

Catholic Weekly

10 copies of Catholic Weekly will be available at the usual place in the Church foyer very soon for \$2.

Family Mass: Focus on Praise

Every third weekend of the month, Saturday, 4pm Mass and Sunday 9.30am Mass you are invited to join the Family Mass. Young singers and musicians come along to showcase your talents! All welcome!

Next Family Mass will be on:

20 March 2021, Saturday at 4pm Mass

21 March 2021, Sunday at 9.30am Mass

Come and join the Parish Working Bee

When: 27 March 2021

Time: 11am to 1pm.

Lunch will be provided.

Working Bee will be every 4th Saturday of the month.

Catechists Needed

There are children in Public Schools who are waiting for someone to pass on the Good News! the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic Faith. If you can spare 1 hour a week please help. The schools are:

1. Caringbah Public School - Year 1 and Year 2 on Thursdays at 2pm - 2.35pm. **2 catechists needed.**
2. Laguna Street Public School - Year 5 on Wednesdays at 1.05pm - 1.35pm. **1 catechist needed.**
3. Lilli Pilli Public School - Year 4 on Thursday at 12.15pm - 12.50pm and Year 1 at 10.55am - 11.25am on Thursdays. **2 catechists needed.**

If you can help, please let Fr Moises know or ring the Parish Office on (02) 9524 7283.

Palm fronds needed for Palm Sunday 2021

The Parish need palm fronds to decorate the Church on Palm Sunday. Donation of palm fronds will be very much appreciated to be used on Saturday, 27 March. You can deliver the palm fronds to the Church on Friday, 26 March or before 11 am on 27 March. Please leave them in the Courtyard. Many thanks in advance for your help.

Scriptural Context - Not quite

Throughout the gospel of Mark, it is important to look at the stories that lie either side of important events to pick up the subtlety of the gospel writer's message. In this instance, the passage that immediately follows the Transfiguration is a story of the disciples trying unsuccessfully to heal a boy and Jesus having to intervene. It reinforces the message of the mountaintop in which the disciples still only partially understand Jesus' purpose and presence. They still haven't fully mastered who Jesus is and so they have not fully mastered the ability to heal.

Have you thought? – Mountaintop Moments

Throughout the Bible there are instances of important encounters with God on mountaintops. Even this week's first reading, the sacrifice of Isaac by Abraham, occurs on a mountaintop. It is not the potential sacrifice, but the new relationship between God and Abraham that is a mountaintop moment. In modern language, we often speak about 'peak experiences' – moments of exceptional clarity, intense emotion or extraordinary accomplishment. Sometimes, like Peter, we are tempted to try to remain 'in the moment' rather than using the peak experience as a motivator for when we go back down the mountain to our normal (if perhaps changed) existence.

Gospel Focus - Change of heart

Part of Peter's mistake is to see the appearance of Elijah and Moses as a confirmation that Jesus has come to continue the work of the great prophets of the past. Rather than placing Jesus in the old tradition of the prophets, the appearance of Elijah and Moses, together with the voice of God, is to endorse the new direction that Jesus' ministry is taking. Jesus' new vision for the world is informed by the relationships forged between God and the prophets of the past, but it is a vision of a completely different way of relating to God: a much more personal relationship that calls us to respond from the heart to those around us.

By: Greg Sunter

Pearl of Wisdom

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Deuteronomy 7: 9

MASS INTENTIONS

Please pray for the faithful departed

Recently DECEASED: Laurie Dearnley and Bill Dearnley, Andro Sluttko Kubluchar, Bosena Jelusic, Margaret Harvey, Neville Oake, Noel Roy Randle, John Edmund Stewart, Carlo Taliapietra, Joan Connell, Yvonne Elbert, Jane Wickam, Lorna Mildred Kane, Joan Hagley, David Ramsay Stephenson, Aldo De Martino.

Anniversaries of Death: Brian James Franklin, Ron Gilchrist, Phillip Searson, John Searson, Seamus McGreevy, Carmela Zappia, John Druon, Rita Agius.

ALSO: Ana Cimpfe, Lorna Kane, Albert Montgomery and all the Souls in Purgatory.

May they rest in peace.

Sick: Fr Leonardo, his family and parishioners, Fr Clarence Canafe, Jonah Carinan Geralin and those who are suffering in anyway.