

### Lakeside Bulletin



### The weekly Bulletin of the Catholic Parishes of Boolaroo, Warners Bay and Booragul

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We acknowledge the Awabakal people - the traditional custodians of this place

SUNDAY 14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter Year B

Dear Parish Family,

This week we were given our dates for Confirmation. For all parts of our community this will occur during September (Warners Bay 3<sup>rd</sup>, Toronto 13<sup>th</sup> and Morisset 20<sup>th</sup>). A good number of families have been registering throughout the last few months in anticipation of the programs beginning. A couple of days back when sent notices through the Catholic Schools' compass platform to those classes at the right age to remind the families of the need and time to sign up.

These processes leading to Confirmation are great ways to make some strong links to our families on a more personal and intimate level. Some parish Sacrament team members would be awesome right now. Each year I try and work out with the families and other stakeholders what is the best practice for our parish. Each year we have tried something new or something slightly different. Tailoring to the needs of each child is the aim but recognising that families, schools, and parishes are *increasingly* busy places.

We try to encourage participation through the process to the Sacraments without making the process a burden. It should be tough enough to be valued but not so tough as to be avoided.

We utilise a really good support program out of the Broken Bay Diocese that is really user friendly. We know we have some non-Catholic parents who are the ones responsible for supporting their kids through this time and this program also supports what they need to share. I love it.

The prime teachers in the ways of faith are always the parents, supported by Godparents. I forget sometimes just how important the Godparents are in this process. They were chosen right at the beginning to be a support and to model faith. Each child in our program should encourage their Godparents to attend the process and to be present at their Confirmations as sponsors.

The prime place for modelling faith is the parish. We are supposed to be the biggest part of the 'village' that helps and protects our young people as they journey to a deeper understanding of their own value as loved by God. They need us. It is one reason we try and find leaders from amongst the faith community.

The prime support for the process in knowledge is the school. The Catholic curriculum at all its levels teaches the young people the foundations of what they need to know to be in Communion but also right relationship with all creation. Stewards, healers, proclaimers, and guides for faith. Children coming to the process from the Catholic School are already knowledgeable and have a great understanding of the outward signs of faith.

They work hard to be kind, generous, and empathetic people. Our village has taught them that, their parents have taught them that, our parish has taught them that. We together are all role models for good, faith-based living.

Sign up to be a leader today!!

Best wishes,

*Greg* Parish Priest

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**Recently Deceased:** Patricia (Pat) Tobin, Ellen Normoyle, Robbie McMenamen & Patricia Nicholson

**Anniversaries:** Scott Fuller, Chelie Smith, and all the family members who have anniversaries at this time.

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time, may they know the healing presence of Christ: Toni Harkin, Jo Turner, Arian Hampton, Leila Grew, Nick Gibson, Barry Maggs, James Grew, Greg Adam, Allan Baxter, Bayly Turner, John Evans, Pam Mason, Winston Aslin, Maria Terwkar, Steve Barnett, Kristie Porters, Narelle Lackenby, Reuben Neilson, Kath Cromie, Helen Sligar, Terry Clancy, Veronica Clipsham, Leslie Henry, Craig Flanagan, Andrew Regan, Eileen Brooks, Janusz Prudzienica, Barbara Ryan, Vince Abdilla, Helen Ryan, Rianna MacKaway, Aileen McEwen, Pat Tobin, Paul Tobin, Patrick Perkins, Dallas Green, Alan Watson, Margaret Ryan, Alison Kris, Mark Saesar, Kris, Sylvester, Stuart Shepherd, Rod Milligan, John Kenny, Alice Vayne, Peter Reynolds, Barbara Ryan, Marie Jones and John Osborne.

Please ring the parish office if you wish to add your loved ones to the sick list and also to be taken off the list once they are well.

### Clergy (1st Collection):

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Dear Friends,

### **Adapt the Face of God**

Biblically speaking, we are all aware that we are created in the image and likeness of God. There is actually a rhythm to god's qualities or virtues in us, whom God wants us to follow or to live by. We should make plans for God to direct us; it also promises us to commit to the lord. Whatever we do and whatever we plan, should depend on God, that which will help us to reflect the face of God.

The secret to adapt the face of God is patience and kindness. Nothing is permanent, unless built on god's will and word. The strength of a person consists in finding out the way God is working in us. When we realize or recognize god's voice in the bottom of our heart, directing us in every walk of our life, then we will reflect and adapt the face of God in us. The primary thing is to adapt the face of God to obey His voice and obey his commandment.

In the bible the great people were faithful in small things, which helped them adapt the face of God in their life. Similarly, we too should be faithful to oneself and to God. When we know what God wants us to do, we have confidence that we are in the right position, and we are walking with God, and we will be sure that God is on our side. When we walk in the way of God let us not worry about our feet, rather, let us worry about our actions and words. Let us keep open our mind and heart going in the right direction of god's love to share with our fellow beings.

With love,

Naveen

Parish Deacon

### PARISH TIMETABLE

Weekday Mass Times
Tuesday: 9.00am
St Michael's the Archangel Church
Ranclaud Street, Booragul
Wednesday: 9.00am

Our Lady Help of Christians Church 82 Main Road, Boolaroo

Thursday: 9.30am St Mary's Church 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

Weekend Mass Times Saturday: 5.30pm Vigil Mass

Our Lady Help of Christian Church 82 Main Road, Boolaroo

Sunday: 9.00am & 6.00pm

St Mary's Church 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay



# Sat 5:30pm June Fava Pat Davey Elaine Rooney Sun 9:00am Sue Withers Eileen Brooks Ros Collins Sun 6:00pm Mary Sacco Lois Wilson

**Readers Roster** 



Melissa Wood

### First Reading

### (3:13-15. 17-19)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus vou handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

### **Responsorial Psalm**

### (Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7)

### (R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

- justice:
- from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
- 2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
- 3.' What can bring us happiness?' many say.
- Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
- 4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,

for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

### **Second Reading**

### (2:1-5)

A reading from the first letter of St John

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin,

we have our advocate with the Father.

Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole

world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his

commandments.

Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said. God's love comes to perfection in him.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

### (See Luke 24:32)

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

### **Gospel**

### (24:35-48)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are 1. When I call, answer me, O God of these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their

> Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

### **Universal Prayer** Third Sunday of Easter Year B Sunday 14 April 2024

**Presider:** Sisters and brothers, through Christ's word in the scriptures, we bring our prayers before God.

**Reader:** That those who feel the absence of God will be filled with the presence of the risen Christ. (pause) In your glory:

All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That governments will support aid agencies to provide justice and food for the poor. (pause) In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That those suffering serious injury may be granted healing and peace in the risen Lord.

*(pause)* In your glory: All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That our parish community may bear witness to the suffering and rising of Christ in all we do.

(pause) In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That the sick and housebound will be healed with peace, especially those in our parish bulletin.

(pause) In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** That those who have died will share in the true presence of God forever, especially Pat Tobin, Ellen Normoyle, Robbie McMenamen and Patricia Nicholson who passed away recently and for Scott Fuller and Chelie Smith whose anniversaries occur at this time.

(pause) In your glory:

### All:Lord, hear our prayer.

**Presider:** God our Father, your word in the scriptures burns in our hearts. Hear our prayers and help us to understand your word by opening our minds to Christ's suffering and salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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#### LATEST NEWS FROM OUR SAFEGUARDING PROMOTERS

### The **Promoters of Safeguarding**

continue to endorse a culture of safeguarding within the Parish.

This week our focus is on Coercive Control

Coercive control is the first step in being able to recognise when it is happening. It is important to understand that a victim may not recognise what is happening and that you should seek advice prior to taking any action. Telling a victim to leave is also not appropriate as leaving, if that is the victim's choice, needs to be planned carefully to protect everyone.

Coercive control is almost always an underpinning dynamic of family and domestic violence: Perpetrators exert power and dominance of victim-survivors using patterns of abusive behaviour over time that create fear and deny victim-survivors liberty and autonomy.

There is no single agreed definition of coercive control. However, research consistently identifies that the behaviours and tactics associated with coercive control can be subtle, difficult to identify and different in each relationship. Coercive control manifests and is experienced in various ways in different class and cultural contexts.

Common behaviours that may be used by perpetrators as part of coercive control include but are not limited to:

- emotional manipulation including humiliation and threats,
- \* surveillance and monitoring, often carried out online,
- \* isolation from friends and family,

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open Days

Have you heard of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd?

Operating out of the parish hall at Our Lady of Lourdes Beresfield in the Chisholm Parish region, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd offers a child-focused program that meets in the specially prepared environment called "The Atrium". Following the Montessori philosophy, The Atrium is currently open on Wednesdays during the school term, with sessions for 3–6-year-olds in the morning and 6–12-year-olds in the afternoon after school. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd are holding open days during Term 2. If you would like the opportunity to visit and learn more, please register at: https://forms.office.com/r/9KMf55C5nz

# JOKES OF THE DAY

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.

- \* rigid rules about where the person can eat, sleep or pray,
- \* placing limits on economic autonomy.

As coercive control depends on context, evidence or information about the context may assist the decision-maker to identify coercive control and help ensure the victim-survivor is not misidentified as a perpetrator.

In situations involving coercive control the abuser draws on their specific knowledge of the victim to entrap the victim, and the tactics used to assert control may change over time:

- \* The abuser may target the victim's children to extend their control over the victim, sometimes using children as a tool of surveillance or intimidation.
- \* The abuser's attack on the victim's autonomy can involve utilising systems, including the legal system (sometimes referred to as 'systems abuse').

https://dfvbenchbook.aija.org.au/terminology/coercive-control/

### Resources

1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732)

https://www.1800respect.org.au/violence-and-abuse/domestic-and-family-violence/support
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'Alpha is a friendly, informal environment for people with various beliefs to explore the meaning of life, faith and God. The program is simple: we start with dinner, watch a thought-provoking video exploring life from a Christian perspective, and then have time for sharing our perspectives in small groups. No cost, no pressure, no judgment.

Feel free to invite your friends and family. All are most welcome.

Event Start Date & Time: Thursday, May 2nd, 2024, 18:30 - 20:30

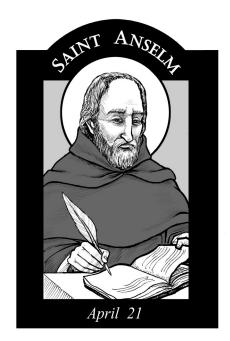
<u>Location: Mackillop Function Room - 7 Milson</u> St, Charlestown NSW 2290.

### RSVP: Please scan the QR code to register.

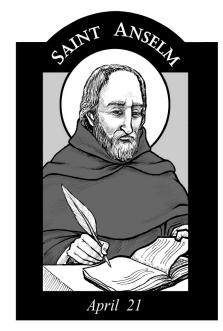
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There is something that Jesus asks us to do for him.
To find out what that is, colour all the shapes that
contain a dot • the same colour.
Colour the remaining shapes
using different colours.



### BAPTISMS

Celebrated most Sundays.
Contact the Parish Office

### **MARRIAGE**

Celebrated by arrangement with at least 3 months notice.

Contact the Parish Office

### SACRAMENTAL PROCESS

Contact the Parish Office

### CATHOLIC CARE

Phone: 02 4979 1120 for services provided in Newcastle



### **PARISH TEAM**

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### PARISH GROUPS

### Real Women

Sue Campbell 0417 091 255

### **Ladies Day**

June Fava 02 4946 8415 Gwen Tompsett 02 4956 9596

### Finance Committee

TBA.

Meeting Room, Warners Bay

### **Parish Council Meeting**

30 April 2024,

Meeting Room, Warners Bay

### Promotion of Safeguarding

Contact Joy, Peta or Nathan
Via the office

### Baptism Team

Meetings 1st Monday monthly, 7pm, Meeting Room, Warners Bay

### St Vincent de Paul Warners Bay

Meetings Wednesdays fortnightly, Meeting Room, Warners Bay **Membership enquiries to:** Peter Deed 0419 106 519

### St Vincent de Paul Booragul

Meetings 4th Thursday monthly, 1pm,Meeting Room, Booragul Hall All new members welcome Steve Barnett 0409 917 995



St Vincent de Paul Society

Don't miss out on anything in your Diocese! Go to mnnews.today to view the events calendar, see photos and read stories about what is happening locally.







### RECONCILIATION

5:00-5:15pm Saturday Our Lady Help of Christians Church

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

(RCIA) Parish Office 02 4947 3301



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

### St Mary's Primary School K-6

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Principal: Liz Starling

### St Paul's Catholic College 7-12

70 Primrose Street, Booragul

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Principal: Nick Wickham

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