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 16th January 2022

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR C

Dear Parish Family,

I have always enjoyed a segment on Sunrise called 'Feel Good Friday'. In part I suspect as it counters in some small way the doom and gloom of world news and politics. I know we can get caught up in thinking that everything is black. The 'Feel Good Friday' section focus on either people stories of hope and help, or as it seemed today (14 January) animal antics. There was the story of the husky who lay on his injured master all night to stop him freezing to death. The man had a skiing accident and the husky kept him alive till they could be rescued. The little mini dachshund puppy trying to pick the smaller step to climb made me smile a lot and almost want one as a pet, almost!

It would be a mistake to think that there are only bad things happening in the world. Whilst COVID does overlay every conversation it seems; it is not the only thing in our world right now. Much of those happenings are good and healthy. The mini dachshund aside I love seeing and hearing stories of people reaching out, supporting each other, engaging in conversation and life, sharing moments that lift up, rather than pull down, that give hope even when that seems impossible.

I wonder what our parish 'Feel Good Friday' stories and anecdotes are? This week in talking to my sister I discovered my oldest niece is learning to drive! 16 years old! When did that happen? Kellie was talking to me as Catherine was driving them away for a couple of days R&R before school and year 11 begins. She will be a much better driver than her older brother. My sister is amazing: not one hint of panic as she gave directions, including brake now! What would you list as your most recent 'Feel Good Friday' story? I would really love a section in our bulletin with the stories and happenings, anecdotes and funny moments of our journey together.

You know I love dad jokes. They are my kind of humour. I like them more and more as I grow older. Is that a sign of something? They make me smile. And they are so corny in every way possible. 'The adjective for metal is metallic, but not so for iron Which is ironic'. 'What starts with a W and ends with a T. It really does, I swear.' 'What is the opposite of a croissant? A happy uncle!' My favourite is 'two men walked into a bar, and the third one ducked!' They make me smile and I feel *good*.

We read in Ecclesiastes chapter 3 amidst all the 'there is a season for everything' that what God really wants is for 'people (us) to be a happy and to do good while they live.' What is pivotal I suspect is that what makes us happy is that we do good. And that is the gift from God. Our toil need's purpose and meaning. God gives us that purpose and meaning and the way to do good 'while we live.' The heart of that purpose is how we leave people around us feeling when we leave them. Have we made their lives better for our presence?

Whilst I love 'Feel Good Friday' we should be striving for a 'Feel Good Everyday' as that really is what is going to make us happy, doing good every day!

In Christ,

Greg

Parish Priest



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Recently Deceased: Connie Hannan and Gloria Fisher **Anniversaries:** Barbara Greener 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, Sue Withers, Joe Panek, Jo Turner, Karen Roberts, Arian Hampton, Leila Grew, Nick Gibson, Barry Maggs, James Grew, Greg Adam, Allan Baxter, Bayly Turner, Anne Keating, Veronica Hipwell, John Evans, Pam Mason, Winston Aslin, Maria Terwkar, Kristie Porters, Narelle Lackenby, Reuben Neilson, David Owens, Laurence Marshall, Fr Petar Mak ofm, Kath Cromie, Carol Robinson, Barry Sligar, Mary Maher, Terry Clancy, Veronica Clipsham, Betty McVean. Leslie Henry

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.

Readers Roster 22-23 January 2022	
Sat 5:30pm	Marie Osborne Joan Wilson Jenny Harrison
Sun 9am	Ken Cromie Eileen Brooks Ros Collins
Sun 6pm	Viv Evans Melisssa Wood Helen Beath

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Parish Timetable

WEEKDAY MASS

17 Jan-21 Jan

TUE: 8:00am Booragul Mass WED: 8:00am Boolaroo Mass THU: 8.00am Warners Bay Mass

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Sat 5.30pm Our Lady Help of Christians Church 82 Main Road, Boolaroo

Sun 9.00am and 6:00pm St Mary's Church 2 Bayview Street, Warners Bay

RIP Connie Hanna

"It is with sadness that we announce that on Monday the 10th January Connie Hannan, faithful servant of the Lord, was received into the loving embrace of her God. Connie was a well-loved member of St Michael Booragul, where she held many roles, including the volunteer role of Parish secretary. She served on Parish, Regional and Diocesan Councils, was a Principal of St Kevins Cardiff and teacher across many of our Catholic schools, including St Joseph's Kilaben Bay. She managed Sacramental Programs, supported the publication of "Mike's Mouth," was an active member of the social committee, wrote and produced pantomime to build community and raise much needed funds to support the mission and outreach of the parish. She was also a minister of the Word. Connie was farewelled by her family on Thursday the 13th January in a private ceremony. Her family gave significant recognition to her faith and have asked that a memorial mass be held for her soul. This mass will be held at 8am on Tuesday the 18th January. All are welcome to attend and give thanks for her life, may she rest in peace."

BAPTISMS

This weekend we witness the baptism of

Van Michael Larry McBride

May the gift of baptism they receive strengthen them for there journey of life and faith they will share with us.

Please remember the McBride family in your prayers.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

(62:1-5)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch.

The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding.

Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

(Ps 95:1-3. 7-10. R. v.3)

(R.) Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

- 1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
- 2. Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
- 3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. (R.)
- 4. Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

(12:4-11)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them.

All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation

(See 2 Thes 2:14)

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Gospel

(2:1-11)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews; each could hold twenty or thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink, but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 16th January 2022

Fr Greg: Dear friends, let us bring our intentions before the Lord, who we trust in love.

Reader: That as the true bride of Christ, the Holy Church will work in loving service of the Gospel.

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

Reader: That all married people will remain in love and faithfulness to each other

(pause) In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That local organisations who work with the disadvantaged will serve with a spirit of hospitality and charity.

(pause) In your goodness:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That like the wedding couple at Cana, those preparing for marriage will be granted the blessing of Jesus Christ.

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

Reader: That the sick and housebound will be blessed and find comfort and healing through Christ.

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

Reader: That all who have died will be called to the feast of Christ's everlasting kingdom, especially Connie Hannan and Gloria Fisher.

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

Fr Greg: Loving Father, you turn the water into our new wine of eternal joy. Hear our prayers and help us to trust in your word as we live your Gospel. 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. To this end, your attention is drawn to **high levels of Covid-19 Omicron variant transmission** within our community and **other health issues associated with aging**. To enhance your health prospects:

• Our Parish Priests, Fr Greg & Fr James, continues to offer a zoom broadcast of the Sunday 9am Mass. Particularly if you have compromised health at the moment, or need to isolate due to close Covid contact, you can be added to the zoom list to receive a link to join this Mass celebration. Contact Parish Secretary, Maryanne, by phone 02 4947 3301 or email

parish.boolaroo@mn.catholic.org.au.

- If you are self-isolating or your mobility is restricted you can shop online, obtain groceries through supermarket 'click & collect' so your order will be brought to you in the carpark, have pharmacies home deliver medical needs, shop early to avoid crowds, contact local restaurants for home deliveries.
- Take care of your health needs stay up-to-date with medical and dental appointments.
- Update your 5 most important vaccinations –
 more about this next week:
- 1. Flu (Influenza) all ages ESPECIALLY over 65 years
- 2. Pneumococcal disease 70+ years of age
- 3. Shingles (Herpes zoster) 65+ years of age
- 4. Whooping cough (Pertussis) 65+ years of age
- 5. Covid-19 5 + years of age
- Be mindful of your diet: avoid processed food with added sugars; fill up on veggies, fruits, nuts, seafood, whole grain and seeds; eat low fat dairy products; drink plenty of water.
- Exercise as often as you can try to take a regular walk around the block or along the beach. Whether through being 'careful' or if in 'iso'(and if not suffering Covid symptoms) reduce long periods of time spent sitting, whether for work, studying, watching TV, reading, or using social media or playing games using screens take 3-5 minute breaks every 20-30 minutes. If available, use a 'fitbit' or similar device to log the steps you take. Don't stop doing things you love keep gardening, reading, maintaining contact with family and friends.

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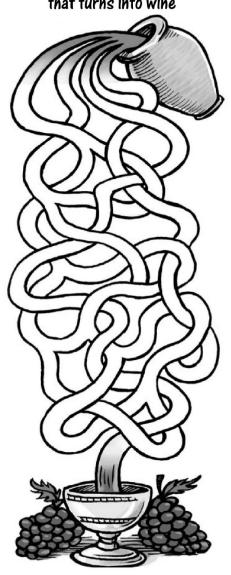
A couple of links for your enjoyment. Both are by Bishop Barron and they are informative and interesting. One is on Baptism and the other on being 'born again'. They are shortish.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1jUQd4UH1Zs https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZ1pLyLdnhM



t Sebastian was a Roman martyr from the late third century. He was a vicitm of the Christian persecution by Emperor Diocletian and there is little factual information about his life other than this. According to legends, Sebastian was a soldier who was made a captain of the pretorian guard by Diocletian, who did not know he was a Christian. He ministered to Christian prisoners, but was eventually found out by the Emperor, who then ordered him to be shot to death with arrows. Sebastian recovered from his wounds and confronted Diocletan, but was set upon and bludgeoned to death with clubs. This tale of Sebastian's life gave rise to him being, amongst others things, the patron of archers and arrowsmiths.

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Promotion of Safeguarding

Contact Joy, Kath or Peta Via the office

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RECONCILIATION

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

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