



## TO ALL MUSICIANS YOUNG AND OLD!

Hi, my name is Karin Guest. I have had the pleasure of being an organist at St Bernard's for 20 years. Due to my changing circumstances I will not be able to continue playing at St Bernard's. We are looking for more musicians to join the music team. Knowing how busy people are today, the commitment to play organ, keyboard or other instrument need only be once a month. The more musicians we have will lessen the load.



If you know of anyone who plays a musical instrument, no matter what type, see if they would like to volunteer. I got involved years ago when there was a need for music and a fellow parishioner suggested that maybe I would like to become involved, as St Bernard's was looking for musicians. I didn't know a thing about where hymns fitted into the liturgy - the only experience I had had playing in front of an audience was when I was 15 years old and I sang and performed 'Tammy' in front of a television camera on Channel 9's Desmond Tester's 'Opportunity Knocks' and also later, after I was married and played in a concert for the Cub scouts which my son was involved with at the time. But I thought to myself 'why not give it a go?' as I attended Mass each Sunday and do like being involved. My above concerns and shyness were soon a thing of the past.

So please consider being involved too. Network with each other. If you do decide to have a go - you will receive plenty of support. Being a musician at St Bernard's has been an incredible journey—playing spiritual music has deepened my faith - it has been a wonderful privilege being able to share the talent I discovered and I want to be able to pass that knowledge on to others. Please contact me (9456 5069) or phone one of our music co-ordinators, Peter Brooks, on 9456 2402 or 0404 092 402 if you would like to volunteer or enquire more about the Music Ministry.

Musicians and singers are always sought after at St Patrick's Church too, so if you would like to join our Music Ministry at the southern end of the Parish please contact music co-ordinator Patricia Smith on 9482 7935.

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR



The Parish Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass at St Patrick's every 2nd and 4th Sunday during school terms, and practises every Friday, from 4pm to 5pm, in the church. Today we are supporting children from Year Four from the Parish school, who are celebrating their class Mass. Next weekend, on 6th May, the Choir has received an invitation to sing at Corpus Christi Cathedral, at their 10am Mass. We're very excited to be singing "away", meeting new people, sharing our gifts and enjoying morning tea with the Parish afterwards. Any young person from Year 3 and upwards, who loves to sing and enjoys new challenges, is welcome to join the Choir at any time. Enquiries: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

## MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

**Tuesday 1 May**

Liturgy Committee Meeting  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
St Vincent de Paul

7pm  
8pm  
7.30pm

St Bernard's  
St Bernard's  
St Patrick's



## The Catechist's Corner

Welcome to Term 2. We hope a nice break was had by all. We are pleased to welcome Diana Dalley & Linda Kugel - thank you for your generosity and for your time.

There is still a great need for catechists in our schools. The class numbers are growing and our band of dedicated men and women would be very grateful to share the load with more teachers or class helpers. Please pray for the continued growth of our ministry so we can touch the lives of the children and their families.

Coral Thaddeus 9940 3837 Rosetta Stipo 9476 1234

REMINDER: The next meeting for the KCCP Catechists will be on Friday 25th May, 10 -12pm at the home of Rosetta Stipo. Bring along dates for Father's visits to the children. Please RSVP to Rosetta or Coral.



## THE CHRISTIANS BROTHERS FOUNDER'S MASS—5th MAY

The Christian Brothers wish to invite clergy and other friends to the annual Sydney metropolitan celebration of their Founder, Blessed Edmund Rice.  
Venue: St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney  
Date: Saturday 5 May 2007  
Time: 6pm Mass—followed by refreshments in the Cathedral College Hall.



## FROM OUR SCHOOLS

### ST PATRICK'S

Our long standing Senior Administration Assistant, Mrs Mary McAleer, will be retiring very soon. We will be having a special whole school Liturgy on Wednesday, 2 May at 1.45pm to celebrate the gifts Mary has brought over many years to St Patrick's. Please mark this special date in your diary and invite those you know who have already left St Patrick's for this special occasion.

**Enrolment:** If you are considering, or know of any family who is considering sending their children to St Patrick's in 2008, please contact the office on 9477-3800 to arrange a personal interview. May is our official enrolment month and the decision as to when and where families should enrol is a vital one. The Principal, Mr Robert Peers, is more than happy to have a coffee and chat to any prospective families at any stage of the process during May.

Enrolment Packages for Kindergarten 2008 are now available for collection from the School Office. If you are considering enrolling an older child in Years 1-6 at St Patrick's for 2008 please also collect an enrolment package. It would be appreciated if all applications could be completed and returned to the School Office by 31 May 2007.



The last two SJ meetings have seen "new" faces; we hope Greg and Sophia found the evenings interesting and continue to be part of our group.

**"... and Who Are Our Neighbours?"** Fr Claude Mostowik, SM will answer this question for us when he comes to St Patrick's to talk to us on West Papua on Wednesday, 6 June. More details closer to the date, but keep the evening free.

As East Timor continues to struggle for true independence, please keep the people in your prayers.

**Two Non-Violent Actions resisting the militarisation of Australia. Convergence for Peace** and the **Trial of the Pine Gap 4** bring to the light of day what's involved in the war industry. Details on [www.peaceconvergence.com](http://www.peaceconvergence.com) and [www.groups.yahoo.com/group/pinegap4supporters](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/pinegap4supporters)



**VOCATIONS:** Today is the 44th World Day of Prayer for Vocations which has as its theme this year: "The vocation to the service of the Church as communion." The message of Benedict XVI for

this day began "The first Christian community was built, in its original core, when some fishermen of Galilee, having met Jesus, ... accepted His pressing invitation: 'Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men!'

"In fact, God has always chosen some individuals to work with Him in a more direct way, in order to accomplish His plan of salvation. In the Old Testament, in the beginning, He called Abraham to form a 'great nation;' afterwards, He called Moses to free Israel from the slavery of Egypt. ... In the New Testament, Jesus, the promised Messiah, invited each of the Apostles to be with Him and to share His mission. ... The mission of the Church, therefore, is founded on an intimate and faithful communion with God....

"This intense communion favors the growth of generous vocations at the service of the Church: the heart of the believer, filled with divine love, is moved to dedicate itself wholly to the cause of the Kingdom. In order to foster vocations, therefore, it is important that pastoral activity be attentive to the mystery of the Church as communion; because whoever lives in an ecclesial community that is harmonious, co-responsible and conscientious, certainly learns more easily to discern the call of the Lord.... The Good Shepherd, therefore, invites us to pray to the heavenly Father, to pray unitedly and insistently, that He may send vocations for the service of the Church as communion."....

"Dear brothers and sisters whom the Lord calls to particular vocations in the Church: I would like to entrust you in a special way to Mary, so that she, who more than anyone else understood the meaning of the words of Jesus: 'My mother and my brethren are those who hear the word of God and do it.' ... May she help you to say with your lives: 'Lo, I have come to do thy will, O God!'"



You are all invited to participate in a floral offering to Mary, traditionally known in the Philippines as Flores de Mayo or **May Flower Festival**. May is Mary's month and to show our devotion to the Mother of God, we pray the rosary, offer flowers and songs. Everyone, children and adults, are invited to offer flowers. Please bring your floral

offering & candles for the procession.

**When:** 5th May 2007 First Saturday of May

**Time:** 10 am Assembly for 10:30 am start of Procession

**Where:** Our Lady of the Rosary Church,  
23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara

**Attire:** come as you are

**Activities:** Procession/rosary/singing of Marian hymns during procession; Floral offering at Mother Mary's Statue inside the church; Mass after the floral offering; Fellowship, Refreshments, Entertainment, Games at OLOR School Hall. Do you need more information? Please contact us.

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### SEASONS FOR GROWTH - ADULTS

Change, loss and grief affect everyone. They can give us a feeling of being weighed down, stop us from moving forward and drain our life. We can do something to deal with our grief.

The **Seasons for Growth Adult Program** will take place on Thursday mornings 9.30-11.30am, May 24, 31 June 7, 14 **OR** Wednesday evenings 7.30pm - 9.30pm, May 23, 30, June 6 & 13 at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, 23 Yardley Ave, Waitara.

Registration is essential by May 16th. To register your interest or to receive more information contact:

Linda Power on 9483 2308 or email [linda.power@dbb.org.au](mailto:linda.power@dbb.org.au)

### 250 CLUB - WEEK 7

Drawn Monday 23 April

Ticket Number 629

**Mrs M Bourke**


Stephen Street Hornsby



**Congratulations!** Your cheque is in the mail.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ROSTERS: If anyone has been missed or would like to go on to the rosters please contact Philippa Ryan on 9456 3503 or [phiryan@iprimus.com.au](mailto:phiryan@iprimus.com.au)**

## ROSTERS FOR 5/6 MAY

Ministry	St Bernard's Church		St Patrick's Church			
	5.30pm	9am	6.30pm	8.00 am	10.00 am	6.00 pm
Acolytes/Snr Servers	Michael O'Neill	Chris de Graaf	Mani Subramany	Trevor McAdam	May Gomez	Matthew Cross
Servers	Daniel O'Neill Monica Chinchilla Georgia Chinchilla	Callum Birrell Daniel Trott Joel de Graaf				
Lectors	John Ryan Marie Haag	Julia Healey AnneMaree Hutchins	Pat Longworth Jerome Gomez	Marcel Reemst John Creenaune	MaggieSoares Jo Quinlan	Don Low Ethleen Low
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Brian Tutill Cecilia Waite Philippa Ryan	Joan Tunny Judy Huntley Rose Formby Georgina Hughes				
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Children's Liturgy of the Word	Next One: 14 May @ 8.50am St Bernard's Hall		Today: 6 May @ 9.50am St Patrick's Hall			
Altar Society	Sacristy: Joan Tunny Ted Cook, John Mak, Anne Lewis, Diane Andrew		Group 5 (Friday) Helen Chui, Jess Formby (F) Sophie Kwo (F), Mary McGlynn, Meralyn Tarte			
Maintenance	Next one: 19 May - Team A Phil Yates, Paul Maher, Dave Gallagher, Greg Seaegg, Wayne Tucker, Tony Walsh, Mark Birrell, Tim Watts		May: Hedy Stahel, Steve McGrath			
Morning Tea	Next one: 6 May - School		Next one: 13 May Class Mass Parents			
Counters	Peter Brogan, Joanne Cruden, Pat Connor, Lyn Beacom		Margaret Acret, Chris Newnham, Jan Bennett, Emelda Sefton, Henry Sylvester			
Rosary	 <p><b>Monday 30 April</b> Eunice Allison 6 Arcadia Crescent Berowra <b>Monday 7 May</b> Pat &amp; Bill McDonagh 4 Kimbara Close, Berowra <i>Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Bill McDonagh on 9456 3883</i></p>		<p><b>Tuesday 1 May</b> Group 1 Maureen Coves 12 Telopia Street, Mt Colah Group 2 Judith &amp; Jim Kennelly 207 Galston Road, Hornsby Heights Group 3 Crescy &amp; Allan De Souza 10 Bass Place, Mount Colah  <i>Anyone wanting to be on the Roster, phone co-ordinator Cheri Mangrai on 9476- 3610</i></p>			



**St Patrick's: If you can't make your duty and have not been able to find a replacement please call St Patrick's Church Sacristy on 9476-6904**