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Prayers & Mass Times of the Week		
Monday	No Service	Saint Bonaventure
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass; Rosary;
Friday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Saturday	6.30 PM	Mass;
Sunday	9.00 AM	Rosary;
	9.30 AM	Mass,
	5.30 PM	Mass;
Reconciliation:	30 minutes prior to all masses.	

Last Fortnight's Collection	
Thanks Giving Offering	\$1621.85
Presbytery Offering	\$ 804.15
Thank you for your commitment and support	

Next Week's Reading	
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B	
First Reading	Jeremiah 23: 1—6
Second Reading	Ephesians 2: 13— 18
Gospel	Mark 6: 30 – 34
Thank you for your commitment and support	

BAPTISMS <i>(Baptism requires a months' notice)</i>	
Upcoming baptism:	
Laundry in July	
Church Cleaning —	27 July—Matilde; 10 August—Rina & Clyde

Week's Roster				
	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	Commentator	Kate Robinson	Volunteer	Volunteer
	Reader	Sarah P	Greg Ferreira	Fiona Fernandez
	Eucharistic Minister	Kate Robinson	Veronica Pedrola	Volunteer
NEXT WEEK	Commentator	Chatarina Pereira	Joseph Bolano	Peter Leptai
	Reader	Volunteer	Joseph Nayna	Volunteer
	Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer	Yves D'Argent	Roman Siriwardene

Please pray for...

Those who are baptised:

Those who are sick: Jacques Re'my (in hospital), Pereira family members, Cecile Hien Pham, Kamari Family members, Frank Maning, Annita Diaz, Simeona Wilson, Jaime & Maria Cruz, Rafferti Florida, Vivian Martin, Sandra James.

Those who recently died: Peter D'Silva

Those whose memories are sacred to us, especially Conrado Espiritu Sabater; Petra Briones.



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B **14 JULY 2024**

First Reading Am 7:12-15
Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 84:9-14. R. v. 8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R.)**
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R.)**
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R.)**

Second Reading Eph 1: 3-14
Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his

grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

Gospel Acclamation Eph 1:17-18
Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 6: 7-13
He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to

them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

As St Paul would have put it in terms of modern science, before the cosmos was big-banged into existence, before human creatures evolved over the aeons, before you were loved into existence through your parents, God conceived of you, 'God chose you in Christ'.

The universe was erupted into existence by Divine Ecstasy so that creatures might be drawn to evolve into human beings so that you, personally, might enjoy a wonderful destiny.

That destiny is to be an ensouled body totally transfigured by Divine Light, made radiant by Divine Energy, living through love in God's presence.

That is the Big Picture, the 'Very Big Picture'. Grasp that, or rather be grasped by that, and it will enable you to do things you would otherwise not risk doing. One way could be that portrayed in today's Gospel. Jesus could say to his missionary followers: "take no purse, no haversack" because they had an interior freedom from anxiety about the future, a freedom generated from knowing that they had been divinely loved even before time began.

You might take a moment to pray for the courage to make a generous response to the truth spoken directly to you by St Paul. 'Before the world was made, He chose you, chose you in Christ.'

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GATHERING SONG SATURDAY 6.30 pm

- All the Earth No 184; Page 182

PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- Hosea No 30; Page 33

COMMUNION SONG

- You Are My Hiding Place Text attached

FINAL SONG

- Our God Reigns Text attached

YOU ARE MY HIDING PLACE

(By Michael Ledner)

1. You are my hiding place
You always fill my heart
With songs of deliverance
Whenever I am afraid
I will trust in You.

2. I will trust in You
Let the weak say I am strong
In the strength of the Lord.

(Repeat)

I will trust in You.

OUR GOD REIGNS!

Our God reigns!
Our God reigns!
Our God reigns!
Our God reigns!

How lovely on the
mount-ains are the
feet of Him
Who brings good
news, good news;
Announcing peace,
proclaiming news
of happiness
Our God reigns,
our God reigns!

HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am

- All that Is Hidden No 127; Page 126

PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- I Will Sing Forever Of Your Love No 161; Page 340

COMMUNION SONG

- Open The Heavens No 163; Page 342

COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet Music

FINAL SONG

- Bring Forth The Kingdom No 4; Page 206

GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 5.30 pm

- Companion On The Journey No 188;
Page 186

PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- Song Of The Body Of Christ No 27;
Page 30

COMMUNION SONG

- You Are Mine No 2;
Page 204

COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet Music

FINAL SONG

- Sing A New Song No 80;
Page 81

PIETY STALL



Anyone who would like to enrich
God's teaching
is welcome to do so by purchasing
the Holy Bible available in our stall

PILGRIMAGE – SAINTS OF ITALY, MARIJA BISTRICA & MEDJUGORJE

Tues, 1/10/2024 to Tues, 22/10/2024.

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR – FATHER GEORGE JAMES,
Sacred Heart Parish, Thornlie**

The first part of the pilgrimage will cover The Great Saints of Italy and will include Rome (Vatican, St. Peter's Basilica, St. Paul, St. John Lateran, St. Alphonso, etc), San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), Assisi (St. Francis of Assisi), Sienna (St. Catherine), Padua (St. Anthony), Venice (St. Mark), etc.

We will also visit Our Lady of Revelation, Manopello, Lanciano, Loreto and the Shrine of the Mystical Rose. The second part of the pilgrimage will see us drive through Slovenia to spend two nights in Marija Bistrica (Croatia) and then to Medjugorje (Hercegovina) for a week. If you wish to join us for the pilgrimage.

Please contact Pilgrimage Coordinators,

**EDMAN/RADHA ANTHONY at 0424 437 251 and/or
email edmanpilgrimage@gmail.com for more details.**

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Wednesday	11.30am - 3.30pm
Thursday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Friday	11.30am - 3.30pm

St. Elizabeth's Parish Donation QR Code

We're excited to introduce a new QR Code for donations towards the Presbytery, Thanksgiving, Special Collections.

Your generosity ensures the continued support and care for our parish community. Scan the QR Code to contribute securely and conveniently. For additional information check our Parish Notice Board in the church foyer. Thank you for your kindness and support.



CATHOLIC EARTHCARE SEASON OF CREATION CONVOCATION

Please join us as we spend time together learning and sharing about how we can all care for creation.

We will gather online during **Thursday 12 and Friday 13 September** to engage in keynote presentations, workshops, discussions and spiritual experiences. On Saturday 14 we encourage participants to attend one of 11 diocesan hubs to transform our learnings into action. If there is not a hub near you, we will continue online together.

Attend for 1, 2 or all 3 days! Group discounts available.

For more information and to register, visit:
www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation

(Registrations close Monday 12 August 2024)



SAINT BONAVENTURE



The Parayer of St. Bonaventura about the Selection of a New Pope

Francisco de Zurbaran

Saint Bonaventure played an important role in both the medieval Church and the history of the Franciscan Order. A senior faculty member at the University of Paris, Saint Bonaventure certainly captured the hearts of his students through his academic skills and insights. But more importantly, he captured their hearts through his Franciscan love for Jesus and the Church. Like his model, Saint Francis, Jesus was the center of everything—his teaching, his administration, his writing, and his life. So much so, that he was given the title “Seraphic Doctor.”

Born in Bagnoregio in 1221, Saint Bonaventure was baptized John, but received the name Bonaventure when he became a Franciscan at the age of 22. Little is known about his childhood, but we do know that his parents were Giovanni di Fidanza and Maria Ritell. It seems that his father was a physician and a man of means. While Saint Francis died about five years after the saint's birth, he is credited with healing Bonaventure as a boy of a serious illness.

Saint Bonaventure's teaching career came to a halt when the Friars elected him to serve as their General Minister. His 17 years of service were not easy as the Order was embroiled in conflicts over the interpretation of poverty. Some friars even ended up in heresy saying that Saint Francis and his community were inaugurating the era of the Holy Spirit which was to replace Jesus, the Church, and Scripture. But because he was a man of prayer and a good administrator, Saint Bonaventure managed to structure the Order through effective legislation. But more importantly, he offered the Friars an organized spirituality based on the vision and insights of Saint Francis. Always a Franciscan at heart and a mystical writer, Bonaventure managed to unite the pastoral, practical aspects of life with the doctrines of the Church. Thus, there is a noticeable warmth to his teachings and writings that make him very appealing.

Shortly before he ended his service as General Minister, Pope Gregory X created him a Cardinal and appointed him bishop of Albano. But a little over a year later, while participating in the Second Council of Lyon, Saint Bonaventure died suddenly on July 15, 1274.

Saint Bonaventure left behind a structured and renewed Franciscan Order and a body of work all of which glorifies his major love—Jesus.