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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year (C)

20th June, 2010



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In Our Prayers

We pray for the wellbeing of all our Parishioners who are currently in ill health. We pray for the recently deceased & also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Bernie Gardiner . May they rest in peace.



We pray for the children of the Parish who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this week.

We also thank Bishop Tim Costelloe for presiding at the three services.

Holy Cross School Principal Appointment

The Archbishop has ratified the appointment of Mrs. Sandra Ritchie as principal of Holy Cross School—New Gisborne.

Sandra will commence her appointment at the beginning of the school year in 2011.

The Parish community welcomes her and wishes her every success for the future.

Note from the Parish Secretary

The new sets of Thanksgiving envelopes are available at the rear of the church. Please collect yours as you leave.

As a result of an amalgamation of envelopes , some parishioners have been allocated new envelope numbers. People are **still** using old envelopes — some even from 2008! Please ensure that going forward, you **use the new envelopes**, as not doing so will result in your contribution not being accurately recorded in the Parish database.

In anticipation of queries regarding discrepancies with Thanksgiving contributions (as many of these queries are due to a misunderstanding of what constitutes a Thanksgiving pledge), please note the following.

It would seem that some people have been placing money in both (red & green) sides of the envelopes, with the idea that both amounts would be acknowledged in the parish records. Please note that it has been the practice for many years (and continues to be so), to acknowledge & keep records of **only** the (red) Thanksgiving offering side, but **not** the (green) Presbytery offering side. If as a result of this information you wish to amend your pledge, please contact the Parish Office via email.

Thank you.

The Gospel: Luke 9:18-24

It is quite a jump from last week's Gospel to this week's - we lose chapter 8 and the early part of chapter 9 - which you might choose to read for yourself if you have time.

Today's Gospel marks a turning-point in Peter's life - a moment where he began to see Jesus for who he was - even if he did not fully understand what that was going to mean.

Luke often describes these pivotal moments as coming at times when Jesus is praying with His disciples - and this is no different.

Perhaps Jesus was aware of the gaze of His disciples as He prayed - perhaps He sensed their curiosity and awe as they saw the closeness of His relationship with the Father. We cannot know what provoked the question but it might well have been a way of moving the disciples along in their faith.

Jesus asks who everyone else says He is - and then asks the disciples who *they* say He is. Do they see Him as the crowds do - or is their vision any clearer.? Peter declares that Jesus is the Christ of God - the Anointed One.

Jesus must have been heartened to hear the declaration - but immediately leads the disciples to see that the path He is to follow is not the one they might expect for the Christ. His path will not lead to recognition and status - the elders and those in authority will reject Him and His message. Not only will He be rejected but He will suffer grievously - be put to death - but then, ultimately triumph by being raised from the dead.

His words to the disciples then - and to us now - are clear and uncompromising - His way will be our way. If we follow Him, we too will have crosses to bear - suffering will not pass us by any more than it passed Him by. It will seem that we are losing our lives as we try to model them on His - we may not die for Him but there are many ways of laying down one's life for the One we love.

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Plant potting day for St Brigid's School fete

to be held on Wednesday 23rd June at the home of Jane Ponton, at 17 Kumbari Court, New Gisborne. Any parishioners or members of our school families are welcome & they can come any time between 9.30am - 3pm for as long as they are able to help. Pots and potting mix is provided. Dress warmly as we will be in the shed.

Also, if anyone has plants that can be divided, that look good and don't need too much water. If we could have our donations before the 23rd June so we can pot them up that would be fantastic.



Departing Parishioners - We'll miss you.
Please notify the presbytery.



New Parishioners - Welcome to St Brigid's Parish.
Please register at the Parish Office.





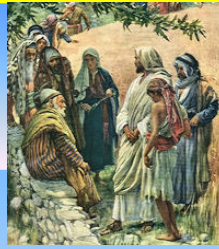
Rosters and Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses:

6.00pm Mass: St Brigid's

Readers: Janice Schumack
Offertory: Cox family
Eucharist: Sue McConville



8.00am mass: St Ambrose's

Welcomer: Max McMahon
Readers: Stephanie Goodchild
Eucharist: Lola Rowe



9.30am Mass: St Patrick's

Readers: Michael Byrne
Offertory: Chosen on the day
Eucharist: R Fisher, D Port, B Stanchinotti
Children's Liturgy: School Holidays. No Liturgy.

11.00am Mass: St Brigid's

Readers: Joanne Holmes, Craig Holmes
Offertory: Joanne & Craig Holmes
Eucharist: P King, Kathy Pierce
Children's Liturgy: School Holidays. No Liturgy.
Flowers: Mary Haire, Annette Morton



Counters: Frank Ferguson, Br Jack, L & G Piacentini
Please keep both sides of envelopes together.



Please note that next Sunday, June 27th there will be the annual leaving collection for the Holy Father.

Please come prepared. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

PARISH/COLUMBAN PROJECT

Last September, Sr Claire Griffin spoke at all Masses inviting our parish to be in partnership with the Columban Order supporting those in poverty in the Philippines. Since then a group of about 14 parishioners has met regularly with Fr Gerry and developed a focus for our activities.

We will financially support the Grameen Bank, which gives low interest loans to women in poverty, to develop opportunities that will enable them to be financially self-sufficient. It is hoped some members will visit communities in the Philippines next year, to establish ongoing personal relationships.

We are in the very early days of this project, but we have high hopes that through our parish and parish schools we can make a difference in the lives of many disadvantaged families. If you have any interest, or wish to financially support, or join our group, email philliz@bigpond.com for more information, or ring Liz O'Donnell on 9744 3710.

JOURNEY TO LOURDES: Pilgrimage from 1st to 18th September. Hosted by Geraldine Dillon in Paris (3 nights), Lourdes (7 nights), Avignon, Lyon, Nevers, Lisieux (1 night each) . Stopover Singapore (1 night). Escorted from Australia to France by John Smyth of Belmore Travel. Cost: \$6,990 per person, twin share. Includes airfares, transfers, accommodation, breakfasts, some lunches and dinners. Enquiries to John Smyth 9857 4555 or e-mail john@belmoretravel.com.au

Weekday Masses: Tue 22 June - Fri 25 June 2010

Tues: 5.00pm
Wed: 9.15am
Thur: 8.00am
Fri: 9.15am



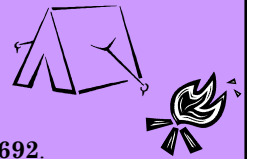
Reconciliation & Spiritual Direction: Saturday 9.00-10.00am

Don Bosco Winter Camps 2010

Spaces are filling quickly for the ever popular upcoming Winter Camps in Safety Beach. If you are 9-15 years of age and looking for something fun and different to do in your winter holidays, while eating good food and making new friends then Don Bosco Camp is the place for you. The camps are run by a team of young, enthusiastic leaders whose primary role is to ensure that each camper has the time of their life.

There are two camps to choose from:
Senior Camp (ages 13-15): June 28-July 1
Junior Camp (ages 9-13): July 5-July 8

For more information visit www.donboscocamp.org or ring 5987 2692.



Open House Meeting at The Vines at 10.30am on the last Friday of each month.
All Welcome.
Call Doris on 54288240 for further information.



GISBORNE UNITING CHURCH

presents

THE VICTORIAN WELSH CHOIR COR BACH

(featuring popular tunes, Broadway melodies, operatic arias, Afro-American spirituals, Welsh hymns & folk songs)

Where: Gisborne Uniting Church, 23 Brantome St, Gisborne

When: Sunday 20th June, 2010 at 2.30pm.

Tickets: \$20 (enquiries Maree: 5428 3852 or Winsome: 5428 3899)

Afternoon tea will follow the concert.

Proceeds go to the Gisborne Secondary College Chaplaincy fund.

Postman: 'Is this letter for you? The name is smudged.'

Man: 'No, it can't be for me, my name is Smith.'



St Brigid's Parish Weekly Thanksgiving

Total Amount Received \$ 912.50
Total Amount Pledged \$ 2,083.00
Presbytery Collection \$ 619.75



Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

May the Lord bless you all.