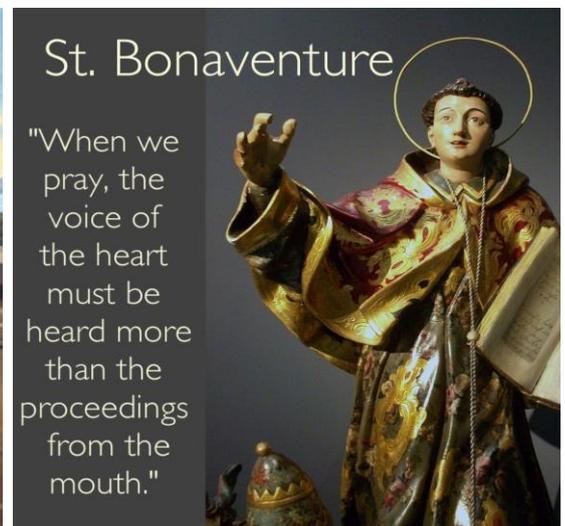




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Sunday, 10th JULY 2022 **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Monday, 11th JULY 2022 **St Benedict, abbot**
Friday, 15th JULY 2022 **St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor**



St. Bonaventure

"When we pray, the voice of the heart must be heard more than the proceedings from the mouth."

SUNDAY MASSES:	Vigil Saturday	5:00 pm
	Sunday	8:00am, 10am
WEEKDAY MASSES:	Tuesday to Saturday	9.15am
ROSARY:	Tuesday to Saturday	8.30am
RECONCILIATION:	After daily mass and by appointment	
BAPTISMS:	By appointment, Sundays after 10am mass	
WEDDINGS:	By appointment (minimum of six months' notice required)	
ANOINTING MASS:	2 nd Saturday of the month March, June and September	
PARISH SECRETARY:	Tuesday & Friday	9am to 3pm
	(Mass Intentions & news items for the bulletin must be left at Presbytery by 12pm Wednesday)	

This Church is equipped with an induction loop for the hearing impaired

REMEMBERING OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Recently Deceased: Vivian Zerafa, Carol Childs, Enrique Julien Diez, Scott Hession, Brian Sherd, John Evans, Geneive El-Zeinaty

Anniversaries: Vilma, Rebecca Manaid, Romeo Tiambeng, Lina Di Quattro, Vicenzo Martino, Lorenza Bernardo, Domingo Bernardo, Isagani Bernardo

We remember the faithful departed Dominic Wang, Maria Huang, Maria Xue, John Sun, Maria Zhen, Elsa De Souza.

“May their souls through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

Prayers for: Sun’s family Jan Chen, Honfan Chen, Qin Sun, Joe Wang, John Wang

“Mother of God, Health of the sick, Refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted. Pray for them”

ROSTER: 3rd Week

Time	Readers	Acolyte	Altar Servers
Saturday 5pm	Judy Simon Sue Allan	Tony Allan	
Sunday 8am	Barbara Perry Rhos Shi – Wang	Ruben Baluyot	
Sunday 10am	Leo Vakauta Christina Kazzi	Cheston La’Porte Radley La’Porte	Chuma brothers

Humanae Vitae Month Marriage, Relationships and the Catholic Church; Unpacking Church teaching on marriage and contraception. A four part-series starting on **Friday, 15th July** at **St Joachim’s Lidcombe**. RSVP by Monday, 11 July for first event. More events, info and registration online at www.trybooking.com/CAGZH

Ignite Conference 2022 Thursday 29 September- Sunday 2 October Freeman College Bonnyrigg. This popular conference was postponed in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-lockdowns, but is back this year, featuring the Holy Sacraments of Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration, inspiring speakers, workshops and dynamic music. The event is aimed at all ages with a program of interest to primary and high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from across the country. Speakers will include Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, Fr Rob Galea and Therese Mills MGL. \$100 Discount available for the first 50 young adults who register or volunteer from the Archdiocese of Sydney.

EMAIL: John.nguyen@sydneycatholic.org for the Discount Code.

Read more about the conference online: <https://igniteconference.com.au/>

Foster carers urgently needed

Right now, there are children and young people without a safe place to call home. We urgently need people who can provide immediate care.

We need all types of carers - emergency, respite, short-term and long-term.

To find out how you can help contact our team on 13 18 19.

Family Spirit

FamilySpirit.org

✉ admin@familyspirit.org

🕒 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday

Planned Giving Request 2022 St John of God Auburn Parish

Your Name:.....

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm 68(69):14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37

R: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live

Second Reading Colossians 1:15-20 All things were created through Him and for Him

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:63, 68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 10:25-37 Who is my neighbour? The Parable of the Good Samaritan

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of our Lord's best-known short stories. When a lawyer approaches Jesus inquiring as to who his neighbour is, Jesus directs his attention to what being a good neighbour entails. He paints a portrait of a man who was robbed on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and beaten within an ace of his life. The Priest and the Levite passed by on the other side of the road, because to touch the dead body would have meant their exclusion from religious service in the Temple. Their brand of worship was not inspired by the love of neighbour but by religious duty. The unlikely hero of the story turns out to be a Samaritan who acting out of sheer love and generosity instead of a sense of duty, opened his heart and recognised a neighbour even in a despised Jew.

Neighbourliness is not a general attitude of helping those who are good to us, but a matter of being ready to come to the assistance of those in need, even the perfect stranger. There is to be no picking and choosing or limit to the scope of our giving. Nobody is excluded from a claim on our help because we are all God's children. The story is easily understood and painfully true but difficult to put into practice. It forces us to think about ourselves and to reflect on the quality and quantity of our acts of charity – to ask the question: 'Are we doing what Jesus would want us to do in his name?' When it is a matter of putting ourselves out for people, we can all find suitable excuses to avoid unpleasant duties and let the opportunity to do good pass by. Our spark of compassion is easily snuffed out as we look the other way. The road from Jericho to Jerusalem runs through our neighbourhood and is strewn with wounded people. There is a world crying out for mercy. If we are alert and sensitive we can come in contact with people who are lonely, hungry for love and attention, crushed by disappointment and failure, guilt-ridden and wounded by sin.

The Good Samaritan represents Jesus Christ who, reaching out in love, came to the rescue of the human race in its pitiful condition and healed our wounds by dying on the cross of Calvary. That act of love cost him his life. He expects us to stop and help those in need even though it will cost us time, trouble and expense. ***The Gospel emphasises that there is no love of God without love of our neighbour.***



A MESSAGE REGARDING SAFEGUARDING ISSUES

A copy of the Safeguarding Policy has been uploaded to the website of St John of God and a copy will also be attached to our notice board. If anyone would like a copy of the Safeguarding Policy, one can be provided to you upon request. As part of the Safeguarding procedures, the Parish is now making available a suggestion box especially for children and young people in order that we take into consideration their thoughts, feelings, and suggestions in a more proactive way. The Suggestion Box is placed in the church foyer.

Also, as part of the Safeguarding procedures, it is available for parents, guardians and the general community a protocol 'Managing Safeguarding Complaints'. We value the process in moving forward positively in relation to all Safeguarding measures. If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Priest. **Child sexual abuse is a crime.** The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

We acknowledge the Watergora people of the Darug Nation, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which St John of God church stands. We pay our respects to the past, present and emerging Watergora generations