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Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish E-Newsletter

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Sunday, June 13, 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year B

Readings for Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year B

FIRST READING: Ezek 17: 22-24

Ps: Ps 92: 2-3, 13-14, 15-16 “Lord it is good to give thanks to you.”

SECOND READING: 2 Cor 5: 6-10

Gospel Acclamation: (no bible ref.) “Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the Word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live forever.”

GOSPEL: Mark 4: 26-34

“The kingdom of God is like ... a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth.” (Mark 4: 30a-31)



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THE PASTOR'S POST: Can't Live Without Them

For some time now Archbishop Coleridge has been reminding us that parish life in the future will not be able to operate as we presently do. He frequently speaks about the need for us to look at new forms of leadership, presumably lay leaders, since all the ordained ones are being fully utilised. While traditionally we have come to see ecclesial leadership as jobs occupied by priests, religious men and women and certain paid laity, there are only a few functions in Christian leadership that the laity cannot fulfil. In my youth almost all Catholic institutions, like parishes, hospitals and schools, while employing qualified lay staff, always had an ordained or consecrated person as the administrator/ leader, not always trained for the task, but possessing other essential qualities, dedication and inexpensiveness. Well, clearly that pool is drying up very quickly, and so it

has become necessary for us to look to other forms of leadership if we are to maintain our presence in these important functions of Church life.

When it comes to parish life, we would be hard pressed to function without volunteers. Those generous people who range from those who form the “priceless capital” of social and charitable networks, to the many behind-the-scenes people who prepare others for the sacraments and initiation into the Catholic Christian faith, who sing and play music, who read and welcome, and clean churches and serve at liturgies, and who generally maintain the day to day operations of parish life. Even though most people are pressed for time, hold two jobs and form households where both parents work, there are tried and true ways to involve more and more of these blessed people in limited, but significant ways.

One of the wonderful consequences that comes from this form of volunteerism is that we have noticed a relatively recent change of mindset. While volunteers used to “help out Father”, by taking on some menial tasks, many of these people have now come to understand that they are not strictly volunteers by helping someone out, but they recognise that they are “church” helping themselves out, doing what they do as a baptismal right, not just by permission or kindness.

As they come to see what is required and what they can do to be a more involved participant in the life of the church, they are apt to have a sense of ownership whose larger objective is the overall need and benefit to the parish as a whole. Some of these volunteers are seeing in their ministries the essence of what a church can be with their involvement, and many of these unsung heroines and heroes are looking to feed their motivation and inspiration through a better understanding of their faith through the scriptures, the history and teachings of theologians, the structure and hierarchy of the Church and the leadership of Pope Francis. In other words they are moving from doing a job in the parish, to participating in the mission of a Christ-centred community. Relying less on permission from the pastor and more on a personal call and charism. As they come to do more, they seek to know more. It really is church in action.

This understanding has as its foundation in the fact that parishes that are inviting and active, that are open to disclosure, varied shared and collaborative ministries, and above all, where there is a sense of ownership, will experience greater participation and stronger lay contributions. It stands to reason – what people own, they take care of. While for others who use the church as a quick stop service centre or being available if and when they need it, tend to not fully grasp that liturgies are not done for them, but with them.

Meanwhile we should look to the wonderful example of our fellow Catholics who live in the remote parts of Australia, who continue to grow in lay leadership and participation, even though they might have Mass available only a few times a year, they are still very much a Eucharistic people called by their baptism to be servants to each other.

Fr Peter Dillon PP.

COMMUNION MINISTERS TO NURSING HOMES -

Communion Ministers for the Nursing Homes we do require Ministers at all our Nursing homes. At present most of them are visited only twice a month.

Nursing Home visitation are:

- Lady Small Haven, Benowa. Tuesdays 9.30am to 11.00am
- Merrimac Park Private Care, Merrimac. Wednesdays 1.30pm to 3.00pm
- Bupa Nursing Home, Merrimac. Thursdays 9.30am to 11.00am
- Mermaid Beach Nursing Home, Mermaid Beach Fridays 10.15am to 12.00noon
- Hillview Nursing Home, Merrimac. Fridays 9.45 to 12.00noon
- Tricare Cyprus Nursing Home, Clear Island Waters. Sundays after 9.00am Mass Sacred Heart to 12.00 noon

Flu Vaccination is Mandatory to visit a nursing Home.

For Further information ring the Parish Office, or Maxine Sela on 0421051193.

We congratulate the Mathew and Rai families whose children Jesse Jacob and Eryn Marie will be baptised in our Parish this weekend.

Please keep the Baptism families in your prayers as they begin their faith journey.

ST KEVIN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, MR PETER ANDERSON RETIRES

On behalf of the Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish, we give heartfelt thanks to Mr Peter Anderson for his wonderful leadership of St Kevin's Catholic Primary School at Benowa. We are sad to see him retire but are happy for him in this next wonderful chapter of his life. Thanks, Peter, for your leadership, wisdom and faith. May God bless you and keep you always. We are delighted that whilst Peter is retiring, he and his wife Cathy, are staying part of our Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish family.

*Here is a message from the Principal of St Kevin's School,
Mr Peter Anderson:*



It is my time to graduate from school. I have been in school for the past 61 years as a student, teacher and principal. I commenced with Brisbane Catholic Education as a teacher at St Francis Xavier, Runaway Bay in 1977 and in August 1983 was appointed foundation principal of Star of the Sea, Hervey Bay. Following my 10 years in Hervey Bay, I had the privilege of leading Guardian Angels, Ashmore until April 2003. I then spent 12.5 years as principal of St Francis Xavier and finally, I was honoured to be given the opportunity to lead St Kevin's from 2016.

Here I am now on Long Service Leave and loving it. This period of leave has allowed me to reflect on my journey and to reach this decision. I have given my best and now it is time for me to say thank you and farewell.

I will continue Long Service Leave for the remainder of 2021 and will formally resign as Principal of St Kevin's from the commencement of 2022. Brisbane Catholic Education will shortly commence the processes and protocols that will lead to the selection of a new principal for the community of St Kevin's. They will also appoint the Acting Principal for the remainder of 2021.

During my career, I have been blessed with wonderful opportunities and I have worked with and for many exceptional people. I sincerely appreciate that a career as a teacher in a Catholic School provides a unique opportunity to live and work the faith that my parents gifted to me many years ago. I will continue to treasure the stories, traditions, and sacramental experiences that have uplifted me and inspired my school and family life. Please accept my sincere thanks for the part that each of you and your children contributed to my journey.

As I cast a line into our bright blue Gold Coast waters, I will enjoy the memories and always wish for you and your families God's blessings in abundance.

Cheers,

Peter Anderson. Principal of St Kevin's Catholic Primary School, Benowa.

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK FOR MASSES](#)

Or if you are unable to book online, please ring the parish office between 9am and 12 noon Mon-Fri. Ph: 5572 5433

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN

*Congratulations to our Parish children who have celebrated their First Holy Communion
A special thanks to Sacramental Coordinator Cathy Anderson, her wonderful team and
parents and children who worked so well for another beautiful celebration of the
sacraments. May The Lord continue to bless and walk with us in our life journey.*

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION -



“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.” - (2 Corinthians 5:10)

We are all accountable for all of the gifts God has given us – our time, our talent and our treasure; everything we have and everything we are. Each of us is accountable not only for our own life but for the lives of others as well. One day God will ask each of us what we did with the gifts we were given. How will you respond?

The vision of Stewardship speaks in every aspect of life, inviting everyone to be thankful, generous and accountable for what each has been given.

(IMAGE - SHUTTERSTOCK LICENSED ID: 184638974 - Mustard flowers with seeds on wooden surface. By Swapan Photography)

CATHOLIC CHURCH OPPOSITION TO VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING LAW

“Legislation to allow access to voluntary assisted dying in Queensland was introduced in Parliament on the 25 May,- the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021 – this is to be scrutinised by the parliamentary Health and Environment Committee, and is to go through further public consultation. ***The parliamentary Health and Environment Committee has 12 weeks to undertake scrutiny of the Bill and members of the public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to provide submissions. Submissions can be sent through via the following government page. [Click Here](#) - Also please see the excellent resources and information on this important topic here - [Catholic church resources on Euthanasia](#)***

Also, A Call to Action against Voluntary Assisted Dying - [anti-VAD](#)

INSPIRING CATHOLIC QUOTES:

- “Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength.” – St. Francis De Sales
- “Remember that you have only one soul; that you have only one life, which is short and has to be lived by you alone; and there is only one glory, which is eternal.” — St. Teresa of Avila
- “Our greatest cross is the fear of crosses”. – St. John Vianney.
- “To be His, one must remain little, little like a drop of dew! ...Oh! how few are souls who aspire to remain little in this way!” – St. Therese of Lisieux

- “JOY isn’t found in the material objects surrounding us, but in the inner recesses of the soul.” ~ St. Therese, the Little Flower
- “If you ever feel distressed during your day, call upon our Lady, just say this simple prayer: ‘Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.’ I must admit, this prayer has never failed me.” – Saint Mother Teresa.

<https://thecatholicme.wordpress.com/inspirational-catholic-quotes/>

EVENING OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP - NERANG



**As a follow up to our Pentecost Retreat,
We welcome you to an evening of Praise and
Worship, and of getting to know the Holy Spirit in a
deeper way.**

Venue: Date: Saturday 26 June 2021

Host Minister: Rev Fr Isidore Enyinnaya

**Jesus says, “God is spirit and those who worship him
must worship in spirit and in truth.”**

**Come and Worship with Us in Spirit and Get to Know
the Holy Spirit**

in a deeper way at:

**St Brigid’s Catholic Church, 39-49 McLaren Road,
Nerang**

On Saturday 26 June 2021

Host Minister: Rev Fr Isidore Enyinnaya

6.00pm - Vigil Mass, 7.00pm - 7.15pm Exposition,

Praise and Worship

7.15pm - Talk on the Holy Spirit, 8.50pm - Supper

Please email the parish office: nerang@bne.catholic.net.au

Or call 07 5596 2632 if you have any enquiries

“If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.” Romans 8:11

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT: REFLECTION & BIBLE STUDY



St Paul’s Missionary Journey through His Letters Fortnightly on a Tuesday

ALL WELCOME.

Our next session will be on **Tuesday 22nd June at 6pm**

in the **Parish Hospitality Room.**

If you would like to participate in this please ring 0409 486 326. This is a great opportunity for us to reflect, discuss, share and enrich our faith and relationship with Christ.

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

Ponder the beauty of the visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. It's a wonder-filled encounter with God's power to transform human life, as two holy women—cousins Mary and Elizabeth—embrace their unusual and graced pregnancies. Their joy trumps any worry as they glorify the Lord who lifts up the lowly and fills the hungry with good things. Mary's words have echoed through centuries of faith, calling all believers to see the presence of God in the unexpected. Ask for the grace to see the Holy, today. (Luke 1:39-56 (572). "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God, my savior"). SIGN UP FOR "TAKE FIVE" DAILY - <https://www.takefiveforfaith.com/subscribe>

Discovering Sophia: God's Wisdom Within – Womens Quiet Weekend Retreat

A Quiet Weekend with an opportunity to explore our life story and our experiences of the wisdom growing within us since the moment of our birth... Sophia, the wisdom of God within.

Come and experience a time of guided prayerful reflection.

Facilitated by Grace Harwood (Dragonfly Ministries)

Dates: Friday 18 June 6pm to Sunday 20 June 3pm

Place: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington Street, Ormiston

Cost: \$370 (\$340 for pensioners, f/t students and unemployed) includes all accommodation, meals (an additional fee for special diets of any kind), resources, spiritual direction and facilitation.

To register or enquire contact: grace@dragonflyministries.net.au or 0409 524 283

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Your support is needed to help our Parish to continue valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you to support the Parish, you can give via

<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>



If you are able to continue to support us, we would be most grateful. For all those who have been making payments via credit card and those who have donated directly into the parish account, we thank you. The pay-wave or tap-and-go machines on the timber stands in our Churches are also a safe and handy way to donate to the Parish. God bless you for your support.

If you would like confirmation of your donation or a receipt emailed to you please contact me at man.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au. To join planned giving, please contact the Parish Office: (07) 5572 5433 (9am–12pm Mon-Fri).

THE GOSPEL THIS WEEKEND - The Mustard Seed

I love the wonderful practicality of the prayers for this weekend's liturgy... the opening prayer, or the "collect" as it is called, gathers our many prayers and thoughts and distils them in these wonderful

thoughts: “Grant us the help of your grace always, so that we may please you with our resolve and our DEEDS...”



In other words, may your help and guidance Lord, lead us to pleasing attitudes and practical action.

The first reading this weekend and the Psalm refer to the image of the majestic and awe-inspiring sight of the towering cedar trees of Lebanon. This was a familiar and powerful image representing God’s Kingdom, and God’s people. It was a strong, powerful, impressive and providential image.

But then we move to the gospel. Jesus asks himself: “What image can I give you for the Kingdom of God?”

The people would have expected him to refer to the traditional image of the royal, strong, immovable Cedar tree, which towers over everything else and can be seen far and wide.

So, it is extremely surprising when Our Lord uses quite a different image. Christ tells us the Kingdom of God starts out like a mustard seed, a tiny, almost imperceptible seed, virtually inconsequential to the casual observer. And yet this tiny seed grows up to become the largest shrub. Here again Our Lord deeply surprises his listeners. He does not say that the tiny seed grows to become the largest tree of all. No, it becomes the largest SHRUB!!!

His point is both surprising and beautiful! Our Lord is telling us all that God’s Kingdom is not only to be seen in the obvious and towering grandeur of a mighty Cedar tree, but it is much more subtle and widespread. God’s Kingdom is still sturdy and productive, and more down-to-earth. The Kingdom is more widespread. At times it can be patchy and certainly looking less “royal” and “majestic” and more suburban. It is more practical and “every day,” but it is better adapted to producing many fruits and is also adapted for survival in many different harsh environments.

But, just like the image of the cedar, this large shrub, which has grown up from a surprisingly tiny mustard seed, still provides adequate shelter and welcoming protection for all that gather under its leaves. Again, not so high-class, but every bit as effective and much more involved in the lives of those around it. God’s Kingdom doesn’t tower loftily over everything else. Rather, it is in-and-amongst everything and involved directly in its surroundings.

This image is a good one which gives us hope and courage. Our human efforts can be spasmodic and varying in consistency. However, God is constantly and quietly at work, in obvious as well as invisible ways.

We can help or hinder God’s work. We can cooperate in it or frustrate it. But whether we cooperate or block God’s work, God keeps working and will succeed in the end. No matter what setbacks or frustrations, God is willing us to keep working away with his grace, and our hopes will be richly rewarded.

Sometimes the smallest seeds of action for good, lead to the greatest transformations. We ought never to underestimate what God is working on in our lives. For example, the extraordinary Rosa Parks, an African-American lady in 1955 during the time of segregation in the USA> She sat on a bus seat at a time when the law insisted that African Americans had to vacate their seats for white people, irrespective of their age. Rosa refused to move and was arrested. This seed of resistance sparked a whole human rights spotlight that

transformed that nation and inspired the world. When I first heard the story of Rosa, I was moved by the wonderful integrity and bravery of this action which led to enormous results.

God is at work all the time in big and small ways and we, his disciples, are called to respond to what God is doing and jump in and cooperate with it.

It is good for us to keep in mind the purpose of the sowing of the seed and its harvesting... the seed is to produce fruits. God's word is a powerful seed that is planted and nurtured to produce fruits... We must not fall into the trap that the Pharisees and scribes did in Christ's day. They turned the seed of God's word and Kingdom into an academic novelty and an exercise in endless rules and regulations. The Faith became almost a thing in itself, separated from its purpose to produce the fruits of God's kingdom.. love, compassion, kindness, mercy and faithfulness.... And so much more...

To use a rather bold image from an ancient writer.... "sheep do not 'spit-up' the grass they have eaten, in order to show the shepherd how much they have consumed. No, they digest the grass and process it and it turns into something tangible to produce wool and milk...."

So, we too plant the seed of God's word and nurture it by God's word and sacrament and by constant prayer and thanksgiving to the Lord... and God's grace sets to work in us to produce real and practical fruits for the building up of God's kingdom. Never just for itself but for the greater glory of God and God's Kingdom.

To listen to the whole Sunday Mass each week (including homily) from Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish, please visit this link: Liturgy for you at Home (by SPCP) - <https://soundcloud.com/user-633212303/tracks> Fr. Paul Kelly.

{References: Fr Paul W. Kelly; Barclay, W. (1975). The Gospel of Mark. 2nd ed. Edinburgh: St. Andrew Press, (Including a quote from the Greek Philosopher Epictetus; Link, M. (2000). Mission. Praying Scripture in a Contemporary Way. Year B. Allen, Tex.: Resources for Christian Living" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosa_Parks}

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POPE FRANCIS: "Don't be closed off to the Holy Spirit."

"The world needs men and women who are not closed in on themselves, but filled with the Holy Spirit. Closing oneself off from the Holy Spirit means not only a lack of freedom; it is a sin.



There are many ways one can close oneself off to the Holy Spirit: by selfishness for one's own gain; by rigid legalism – seen in the attitude of the doctors of the law to whom Jesus referred as "hypocrites"; by neglect of what Jesus taught; by living the Christian life not as service to others but in the pursuit of personal interests; and in so many other ways.

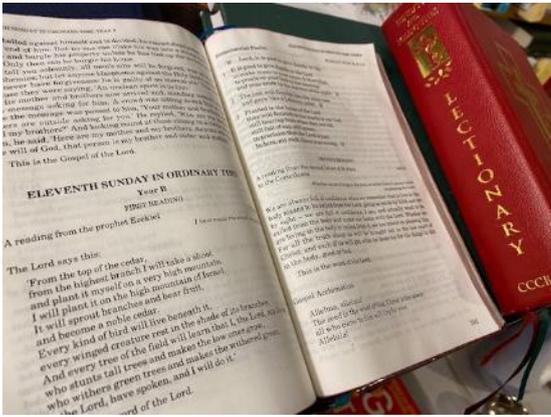
However, the world needs the courage, hope, faith and perseverance of Christ's followers. The world needs the fruits, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, as Saint Paul lists them: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (*Gal* 5:22).

The gift of the Holy Spirit has been bestowed upon the Church and upon each one of us, so that we may live lives of genuine faith and active charity, that we may sow the seeds of reconciliation and peace.

Strengthened by the Spirit – who guides, who guides us into the truth, who renews us and the whole earth, and who gives us his fruits – strengthened in the Spirit and by these many gifts, may we be able to battle uncompromisingly against sin, to battle uncompromisingly against corruption, which continues to spread in the world day after day, by devoting ourselves with patient perseverance to the works of justice and peace.

(source: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2015/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_omelia-pentecoste.html)
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WORSHIP AND FAITH SECTION - New Australian Lectionary?



The official lectionary of the Catholic Church in Australia is based on the Jerusalem Bible (1966). This translation is also shared with the United Kingdom. The USA uses the New American Bible translation and Canada uses the New Revised Standard Version, with adaptations approved by the Vatican for liturgical use.

The difficulty is that it has taken years to consider a new lectionary and the Jerusalem lectionary for Australia has been out of print for many years now. The books have fallen apart and been replaced. As such, copies of the New Revised Standard Version (Canadian lectionary) are used here in our parish.

Australian publishers have delayed any plans to release new copies of the old lectionary as there is strong indication the translation will be changed soon. It is looking more likely that the Australian church will choose the Revised New Jerusalem Bible, the updated version of the Jerusalem bible. This Revised New Jerusalem Bible in 2018. Substantially revising the JB and NJB texts, the new translation "applies formal equivalence translation for a more accurate rendering of the original scriptures, sensitivity to readable speech patterns and more inclusive language." It contains new study notes and book introductions written by Henry Wansbrough, OSB. This needs final approval, so we still await with eager anticipation. This explains why the version you hear on Sundays here in this parish is a different translation from the people's missal books you have for your devotions. Hopefully one day soon the new lectionary will be published and the lectionary and the peoples' missal will match again. The passages of scripture are the same, they are just from different translations. The annual publication "Break Open the Word" from Liturgy Brisbane features both translations in the guide, the back of the book features the NRSV version for parishes using this one.

An interesting article on lectionaries can be found here, it's well worth a read. The writer points out that the official Catholic lectionary is actually not a specific full "translation of the bible" from one particular version of the bible, but is an official list of scriptural references set down for each day of the church year. The writer argues that it might be better to choose the best translation for different texts rather than picking one single translation.

(Extra reading: <https://researchonline.nd.edu.au/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1004&context=pastoral-liturgy>)

(Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jerusalem_Bible).

MASS TIMES (PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL): SURFERS PARADISE MASS TIMES

<p>Sacred Heart 350 max capacity</p>	<p>Saturday Night - 5 pm + (Maronite Mass 6:30 pm, Saturday Night) *Note First Saturday of the month morning Mass 9am (Next: 3rd July) Sunday - 9 am & 6 pm + (Polish Mass 12:30 pm Sunday) + (Italian Mass 4pm Sunday)</p>
<p>St Vincent's 180 max capacity</p>	<p>Sunday - 8 am & 10 am + (Hispanic Mass – 5.30 pm on 1st and 3rd Sundays) Extra parking is available only metres from St Vincent's Church, at King's Car Park, entry via Beach Road</p>
<p>Stella Maris 200 max capacity</p>	<p>Saturday Night - 5 pm Sunday - 7 am</p>

Please note: Numbers allowed in each Church are based on social distancing restrictions and the Archbishop has continued to exempt everyone from the obligation to attend Sunday mass during restrictions.

In Addition to the above times, we will continue to celebrate weekday Mass at Sacred Heart at 9am.

The 9am Saturday Mass will be on the First Saturday of the month (3rd July) at Sacred Heart.

Please remember that as per restrictions we are still expected to check in for mass, maintain a social-distance of 1.5m to receive Holy Communion in the hand only, refrain from physical contact when offering the Sign of Peace, and to sanitise when entering and exiting the premises. We ask that people consult the parish website, www.surfersparadiseparish.com.au, to keep up to date with any changes relating to masses.

Mass Booking: bookeo.com/catholicmassgoldcoast

Check in is also available with the CheckIn QLD Contact Tracing App.

Thank you for your cooperation at this time

NOTICES AND MESSAGES

SACRED HEART AND ST VINCENT'S RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOPS

June edition of the Catholic Leader available now at the Religious Goods Shops.

Watch this space next week ????

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE REUNION (1966-1970)

All students who attended Lourdes Hill College in 1966 – Year 8, 1967 – Year 9 , 1968 – Year 10, 1969 – Year 11 and 1970 – Year 12 are invited to attend the Reunion of the 1966-1970 Cohort on Saturday 16 October at Lourdes Hill College. For enquiries, please contact Maree Foley (Stanton) maree_foley@hotmail.com or events@lhc.qld.edu.au or phone Mary at LHC on 3399 0411.

THE SACRED HEART BRIDGE CLUB

Meets at the Sacred Heart - Parish Hospitality Centre, Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters.

Playing Bridge keeps your brain active and increases your social network! So why not give us a try?

Learn to play Bridge at "Our Friendly Club" - Free Lesson. "Introduction to Bridge"

Easy to learn format, no previous card playing experience necessary. All are welcome.

For more information and to enrol, Please phone: Cheryl 5538 8821 or Mob 0417 772 701

PARISH ART AND CRAFT GROUP

Our Art and Craft Group is up and running, and is alive and well! We meet in the Parish Hospitality Centre, next to Sacred Heart Church in Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters, each Wednesday from 9am to 12noon. Our activities include Art (water-colour, oils, acrylics, pen and ink drawings etc), as well as various kinds of Craft work (knitting, embroidery, crocheting, card making, sewing) and making of Rosary Beads that are later sent on to the Missions. We are open to all other activities that individuals have an interest in. We come together to enjoy each other's company in a relaxed environment. New members, both men and women, are most welcome to join. For further information please contact John on 0412 759 205 or the Parish Office on 5572 5433 Monday to Friday 9am to 12noon.

YOGA AT THE PARISH HOSPITALITY CENTRE

Come join us for our friendly class in the Parish Hospitality Centre next to the Parish Office. Classes run every Tuesday at 10:45am. Learn to relax, yet gain greater flexibility, inner strength, body awareness and concentration, all while increasing your breath support and general wellbeing. Ruth is an IYTA accredited instructor with wide experience and runs a caring, carefully monitored one-hour session costing \$10 (new attendees need to arrive by 10.30am to prepare adequately for class). For more information call Ruth on 0421338110.

MAJELLAN MAGAZINE

The Majellan magazine has been a Catholic family favourite for more than 70 years. We would appreciate it if you would insert this short paragraph in your weekly bulletin alerting parishioners.

"The Winter issue of The Majellan is out now. It includes articles on Saint Joseph, fun things for families to do in Winter and how best to deal with interfering family members. For details go to:

www.majellan.media/the-majellan-magazine/

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites you to celebrate with us, the 45th Anniversary of Marriage Encounter in Queensland, to be held on Sunday 20th June 2021 at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 9 Bowman St, Hendra. This event will commence with Mass at 2pm followed by a social gathering, with a sausage sizzle, cake, soft drinks, tea and coffee. Please register the names of those attending with David and Maria Murphy, who will advise COVID requirements. dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au

SHALOM WORLD TV : AUDIO-VISUAL RESOURCE

Please visit and see the treasury of shows and articles at <https://www.shalomworld.org/>

CATHOLIC LEADER - MONTHLY NEWSPAPER

The Catholic Leader June issue is available now for \$4. Featured in this month's issue:

- Focus on Marriage: resources and ministries in Brisbane for married couples
- Marlon Riley on Reconciliation
- PLUS special Tertiary Education feature
- Married couple of 31 years who faced extraordinary medical challenges talks faith and family
- Springfield sees eight parishioners step forward in public ministry including women acolytes and new deacon and - Meet the newest fully professed Sisters of St Paul de Chartres

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VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR WANTED - MARIAN VALLEY

A reliable and organised person is wanted to take over the coordination and administration of pilgrimages from Churches on the Gold Coast to the Marian Valley at Canungra. The pilgrimages take place at least monthly and, on some occasions, twice monthly. The Coordinator will be required to inform the congregations of relevant Gold Coast Parishes of the details of the pilgrimage and then secure transport services and organise collection points. Training will be provided. Please note that this is a volunteer position. For further information or to apply please contact Paula on 0402 930 918 or 07 5582 7950.

ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

BURSARY PROGRAM 2022

Bursary applications are **NOW OPEN** for students enrolling into the College for **Year 7 in 2022**.

- Bursaries are awarded to high achieving students who excel in their academic pursuits within the areas of **THE ARTS**, **SPORTS** and **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**.
- There are ten (10) bursaries available at a value of \$1,000 per year over three years of attendance at the College. The bursary amount is deducted from school fees.

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FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Irene Carney, Michael James, Bill Gilmore, John Lenehan, Olga Hamshari, Roy Ferraro, David Spackman, Maryann Cassar, Margaret Haerse, Rosalind Lee, Milka Barac, Mary Ashton, Kurt Hillesheim, Neil Rogers, Bill Goodrem, Rodney & Norma McLennan, Lois & Doug Wood, Duncan Dawson, Sam Maxwell, William Franklin, Gerry Stoffels (Capetown, SA), Maria Mihalic, Annie Scicluna, Anne Logan, Dymphna Hogg, Elaine Cotter, Margaret & Louise Thompson, Patricia Moor, Helen Bohringer, Peter O'Brien, Angela Duvnjak, Rachel Raines, Savannah Ayoub, Gus Reeves, Baby Maeve Lombard, Kathy Kiely, Rosslyn Wallis, Arthur Haddad, Jean Di Benedetto, Michael Tracey, Joanne Mooney, Joanne Parkes, Michelle MacDonald, John & Molly Robinson, Mary Kerr. **And all suffering from Covid-19.**

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kathleen Hare, Marie Van Twest, Barry Moore, Patricia Dorothy Geor, Ron Perry, Maurice Hayes, Basilio Micale, June Valeen Deane, Patricia George, Margaret Boyle, Margaret Dawes, Sr Helen Mary Perrett RSM.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH: Frank Stephens, Elizabeth Anne Fredricks, Pauline Restall, Fr Charlie Casey, Simplicio Cabral, Aileen Pettersson, Maria Silvestri-Fiore, Andrew Hale, Stephen Gallagher, Jean Anne Burgess, Annette Mary Anning, Lorna Sabina Wheeler, Teck Lim, John Cooper, James Mark Tamai, James William Fuller, Pearl Agnes MacCartney, Paul Patrick Reeves, Leroy Bevan Muir, Anthony James (Tony) McCudden.

LINKS & RESOURCES

You can visit the [Stay Connected](#) page on our website to find an extensive list of information and resources.

Liturgy for you at Home (produced by SPP): <https://soundcloud.com/user-633212303/tracks>

Weekly Homily (produced by SPP): <https://homilycatholic.blogspot.com>

Surfers Paradise Parish Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/surferscatholic/>

Next Sunday's Readings

Readings for Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year B

FIRST READING: Job 38: 1, 8-11

Ps: Ps 107: 23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 "Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting."

SECOND READING: 2 Cor 5: 14-17

Gospel Acclamation: (Luke 7: 16) Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us. God has visited his people.

GOSPEL: Mark 4: 35-41

COMMITMENT TO CHILD AND VULNERABLE ADULT SAFETY

"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and protected from any harm." As a Parish Community, we pray for a change of heart, that we respond to our grief by reaching out to one another in truth and love.

Acknowledgement of Country

We respectfully acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the First Peoples of this country, and especially acknowledge the traditional owners on whose lands we live and work throughout the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane. And here in this parish of Surfers Paradise, we particularly acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kombumerri clan of the Yugambah people of the Gold Coast. We also acknowledge Elders, past and present and pay tribute to those who have contributed to the social, economic, cultural, political and spiritual life of our community. This acknowledgement affirms our commitment to social justice and the importance of healing and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.