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Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish E-Newsletter

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50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters, Queensland, 4226

<https://tinyurl.com/SPCPsite>

2024: The Year of Prayer

Sunday, 16 June 2024 -

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.
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Readings for Sunday, 16 June 2024 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

FIRST READING- Ezek 17:22-24

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 bibl. 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 as if someone would scatter seed on the ground"
(Mark 4:26-34)**

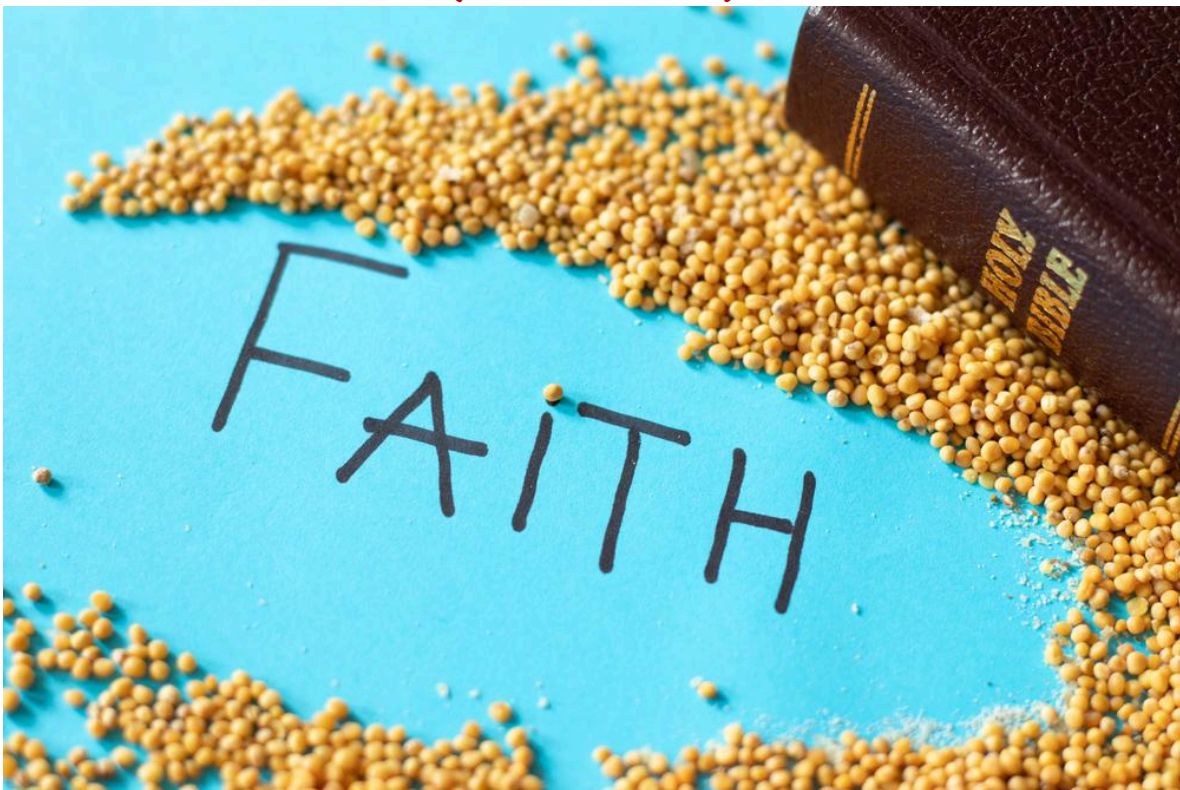


Image Credit- Shutterstock Licensed. Stock Photo ID: 1994023841 - Strong faith like a mustard seed in God Jesus Christ. Parable of hope and trust. Golden Holy Bible with handwritten word text. The gospel of Matthew 17:20 is a faithful Christian concept. Photo Contributor: MarinelaM.

We congratulate the BENNETT, HUGHES and ALLEN-TURUA families whose children, MASON MYLES, HAYES MORRIS and KAIMANA THOMAS, will be baptised in our Parish this week. Please keep the Baptism families in your prayers as they begin their faith journey.

PASTOR'S POST -

Important announcement re Gold Coast Marathon.

Please note that Sunday, July 7th, is Gold Coast Marathon weekend. There will be no Sunday morning Mass at Stella Maris Broadbeach on that day. However, please come along to the Golden Anniversary of Fr Dan Ryan and Fr John Maher that day at Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters, at 9 a.m.

SVDP Local Winter Appeal 2024 - Thank you for last weekend's support.



Many thanks to everyone who supported our local Saint Vincent de Paul Society Surfers Paradise conference Winter Appeal last weekend for good works to support locals in need. **The local annual winter appeal** helps support locals needing extra help. The generosity of the parish does not go unnoticed in our local community. If you have not yet been able to donate, you can still contribute if you would like. In the last 12 months, local Vincentians have made 484 visits and assisted 973 people directly and indirectly. We have provided financial assistance of \$50,741 and in-kind assistance (furniture, Christmas hampers, food and Vinnie's gift cards for clothing etc) of \$13,848. We are seeing an increase in those facing homelessness due to the high cost of living and the housing crisis. With your ongoing support, we can continue to provide comfort and tangible assistance to help people get back on their feet. Local Vincentians offer help in many forms, including food, clothing, blankets and furniture. Your generous donation will help us continue these good works. A donation of as little as \$10 can make a difference to the good works of the Surfers Paradise conference. For more details on the conference's activities, please contact Conference President Wendy Webb at wendy.webb@svdpqld.org.au or 0412 237 832 on mobile.

This passage from the publication "Exploring the Word" really sums up today's readings:

"The First Reading and the Gospel show that what is small, hard to see, and invisible can still be vastly important. Whether it's the tender shoot of the cedar tree or the tiny seed of the mustard plant, what seems slight now will become something mighty. "We walk by faith, not by sight," the 2nd Letter to the Corinthians says; we hope in what is unseen and in the future will come to pass. The important thing is to realise how the present still matters. How you tend that invisible seed makes a difference; what you do "at home in the body" now has consequences for when you are at home in the Lord, so "aspire to please God" at all times. Think of the little seeds, shoots, and easy-to-miss places in your life where more attention and cultivation "shall bear fruit," as the psalmist says, in the kingdom of God."

Fr Paul

JUBILEE MASS CELEBRATION -Fr John Maher and Fr Dan Ryan

Fr John Maher and Fr Dan Ryan are celebrating their 50th Anniversary of Priesthood this year. To give thanks for the blessings God has given us through their ministries, you are invited to a Golden Jubilee Mass for Fr Dan and Fr John at Sacred Heart Church, 50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters, Queensland 4226, on Sunday, July 7th, at 9 a.m.

Refreshments will follow.

All are welcome. God bless.



DATE CLAIMER - OFFICIAL INSTALLATION MASS FOR FR PAUL AS PARISH PRIEST - BY HIS GRACE, ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

Installation of Parish Priest – Fr Paul

Saturday 31st August 2024

Start: 9.30 am

**Mass for the Installation of Parish Priest – Fr Paul
Sacred Heart Catholic Church. 50 Fairway Drive.**

Clear Island Waters. Qld 4226

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Fathers Bradley Davies and Michael My Van Tran were ordained last weekend.

Livestream 7pm 7/6/24

<https://www.youtube.com/@ArchdioceseofBrisbane/streams>

RECLAIM RETREAT FOR ADULTS 18-30

Reclaim Retreat is 3 days and 2 nights to get out of town, meet up with friends, make some new ones and make space for God. When was the last time you gave yourself space to rest? To restore not just your body but your mind, your soul, and your heart. And when you aren't rushing, unplugged and unoccupied – what will God say to you? Open to young adults 18-30.

Where: Coolum Beach, When: 5-7 July, Who: Young Adults 18-30, Cost: \$175pp

More details available at <https://tinyurl.com/ReclaimRt24>



5-7 July Cooloum beach

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 A young adults retreat
\$175 pp Coolum Beach
A weekend to get away, meet up with friends and
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<https://tinyurl.com/ReclaimRt24>  @reclaimbne

SYNOD 2024 - BRISBANE ARCHDIOCESE



SYNOD24 Pastoral Message for Parishes

<https://vimeo.com/957389678>

In preparation for **SYNOD24: I Am Making All Things New**, a short video has been created. The video includes a pastoral message from the Archbishop on his vision for the synod and a short FAQ discussion with myself as Synod Chair and Steph Unger the Synod Executive Officer. The video can be viewed at: <https://vimeo.com/957389678>

1: SYNOD24: I Am Making All Things New will be held in September and October.

2: Fr Paul, Fr Morgan Batt and parishioner Robyn Hunt are among the representatives who will attend the Synod.

3: Our Archdiocesan synod is the next step on the Plenary Council journey and will discern practical and measurable actions that we will take as an Archdiocese to implement the focus areas (Decrees) that came out of the Plenary Council.

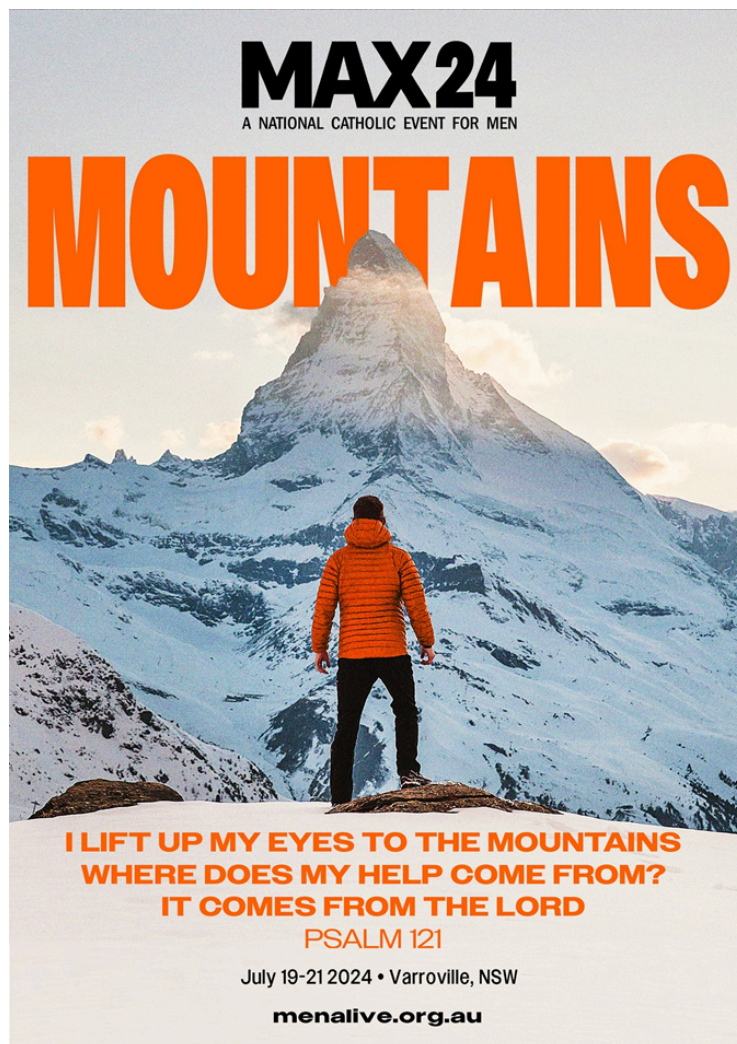
4: We are all asked to pray for those participating in the synod.

5: At the end of June, resources for parishes and communities to engage in synodal and spiritual conversations will be available. These resources will include simple versions of the Plenary Council Decrees and guided questions so the community can discern actions it would like to take to be a more co-responsible church on mission.

6: In July and August, a series of presentations will be given around the Archdiocese on synodality and its meaning for the global church and our own community. Information on these presentations will be available in the next two weeks.

7: To find out more about SYNOD24: I Am Making All Things New and the focus areas that came out of the Plenary Council, head to <http://aobsynod2024.com>

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit's creativity will lead us to renewed participation in the life and ministry of the Church and that the Holy Spirit will fill the hearts of all the faithful, inspiring us to walk together in the hope, joy, and the mission of the Risen Christ.



MenAlive Conference: menALIVE MAX 24 event

An opportunity to attend this annual event for men -

At the Carmelite Retreat House in Varroville, Sydney, from Friday, July 19, to Sunday, July 21.

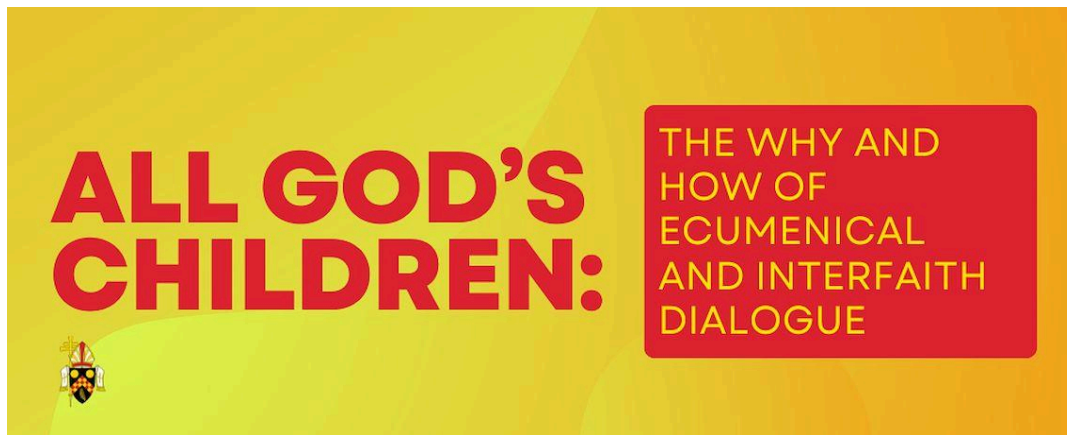
For more information, please contact - Christopher (Chris) Kennedy | MSpDir. Member |
menALIVE National Ministry Team.

Mobile: +61 412 270 828 Email: cbk1957@hotmail.com

Visit the website: <https://menalive.org.au/>

To tune in to The Weekend Mass (the sound podcast), please regularly visit the link below to listen to the Mass (including the sermon) from Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish. Please see this link: Liturgy for you at Home (by SPCP) - (It is updated at intervals just before the following Sunday or Feastday - <https://soundcloud.com/user-633212303/tracks> Also found at - <https://tinyurl.com/FHLpwk>.

Ecumenical Interfaith Presentation



by Evangelisation Brisbane - Date and time- Saturday, 13 July 2024. 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte Street, Brisbane

[View Map](#)

Description

“The credibility of the Christian message would be much greater if Christians could overcome their divisions... We must never forget that we are pilgrims journeying alongside one another.”(Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium #244, 2013)

“Interreligious dialogue is a necessary condition for peace in the world, and so it is a duty for Christians as well as other religious communities.” (Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium #250, 2013)

- How do these words of Pope Francis relate to you as a Catholic in 2024?
- Do you provide religious instruction in State Schools? Do you work or visit aged care facilities or hospitals where residents come from a range of faith backgrounds?
- Do you teach the Study of Religion in Years 11 and 12? Are you a teacher or educational leader in a Catholic or other faith-based school?
- Do you have a family member, friend or work colleague who belongs to another Christian Church or Faith community?
- Are you just interested in learning more about the Catholic Church’s position on relations with other Christians and people of other faiths and want to know what is happening in Queensland?

You are invited to a free presentation on **Saturday, 13 July** from **9:30 am to 12 noon** in the **Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte Street, Brisbane**. This presentation will be live-streamed for people across Queensland who are unable to attend in person.

You may like to organise a group of friends or parishioners to do this together.

Certificates of attendance can be provided for anyone who may need them as proof of professional development participation.

For further information, please contact Margaret Naylor (Brisbane Archdiocese) at naylonm@bne.catholic.net.au

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN:

THE WHY AND HOW OF ECUMENICAL
AND INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

SATURDAY 13 JULY
9:30AM – 12PM

HANLY ROOM,
FRANCIS RUSH CENTRE,
196 CHARLOTTE ST, BRISBANE

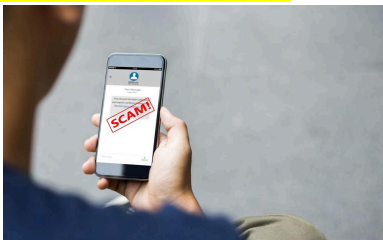
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INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION



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SCAM ALERT!

Scam messages are doing the rounds again. If you receive a suspicious or confusing SMS message (and any other illegitimate SMS), we recommend forwarding it to 0429 999 888 (the Australian Government spam reporting line).

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguardi>



Calling For New Surfers Paradise Parish Altar Servers

We hope to add to our number of children who want to become altar servers. If you are interested and you have received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion, then please make contact via the parish office - surfers@bne.catholic.net.au -

SYNOD24: I AM MAKING ALL THINGS NEW.



Brisbane Archdiocese is just over three months out from

- SYNOD24 is about discerning action plans to help the Archdiocese implement the areas of focus (Decrees) from the Plenary Council. A brief explanation of each area of focus (Decree) can be found here: <https://aobsynod2024.com/plenary-council-resources/>
- SYNOD24 will be held on two days in September and two days in October, where approximately 150 people representing the diversity of the Archdiocese will discuss, debate and vote on the proposed practical and measurable action plans. Synod Members must attend all four days. More information on SYNOD24 can be found here: <https://aobsynod2024.com/what-is-synod24/>
- Plenary Council Decree 7 requires all dioceses and eparchies to have a synod by the end of 2025. SYNOD24 is our response to this requirement. You can download all Plenary Council Decrees here: <https://aobsynod2024.com/plenary-council-resources/>
- SYNOD24 honours the significant level of broad consultation, listening and discerning that has taken place over the course of the Plenary Council journey (since 2018) and is the next step of this process. Over March, April and May, consultations have focused on voices that had not been heard previously: those on the margins, experts and experienced practitioners. This is to ensure the action plans are practical and measurable, reflect the needs of our Archdiocese, and truly reflect the responses submitted throughout the Plenary Council process. To remind yourself of the Plenary Council journey since 2018, head here: <https://aobsynod2024.com/what-is-synod24/>
- For all other information regarding SYNOD24, head to www.aobsynod2024.com

For SYNOD24: I Am Making All Things New,.

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit's creativity will lead us to renewed participation in the life and ministry of the Church and that the Holy Spirit will fill the hearts of all the faithful, inspiring us to walk together in the hope, joy, and the mission of the Risen Christ. Lord, hear us.

SYNOD24 PRAYER

Creator Spirit, whose breath of life *makes all things new*.

We gather around Your table of communion,
as many parts of one body,
grounded in the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We open our minds and hearts,
so we can be nourished and enlivened by Your presence,
ready *to be* the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We make space for the many stories of hurt, exclusion and
silence of those within, and on the very edges of our communities,
so we may be *in service* of the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

As your breath of life flows in us and through us,
may we be a vessel for Your bold creativity
so we may be the *hands and feet* of the hope, joy
and mission of the Risen Christ.

We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ,
Amen.



CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024

Cathy Anderson andersoncm@bne.catholic.net.au.

Please use the information in the table below to begin or continue the faith journey with your child.

<i>Sacrament Name & Sacrament Dates for 2024</i>	<i>Eligibility And Cost</i>	<i>How to enrol, or check a child's enrolment, or request information for Sacramental Preparation Groups in Surfers Paradise Parish, 2024</i>
<p>Sacrament of Baptism Celebrations of the Sacrament of Baptism occur most Sundays of the Year at 10:30 am in Sacred Heart Church.</p> <p>Bookings are linked to the online enrolment form (see info on the far right).</p> <p>**Baptism spaces are booked out a couple of months in advance.</p>	<p>Children are eligible from birth.</p> <p>(Administration cost for the preparation program -the Sacrament of Baptism is \$130)</p>	<p>To submit a baptism enrolment application for a child from birth to 7 years old, go to the parish website www.surfersparadiseparish.com.au. Use the top menu bar and hover over Sacraments. Click on Baptism. Please read the baptism information and then scroll down to the blue-filled box with the link to the enrolment form you need. Click on the link in the box, complete the form and then click Submit. You should receive an automated response that the form has been received.</p> <p>To request information for Baptisms for children from birth to 8 years, Email the Parish Secretary, Merla Nario, at surfers@bne.catholic.net.au.</p> <p>For Children 8 years and older: Email your interest in having your child prepare to receive Baptism to our Children's Sacramental Coordinator, Cathy Anderson. andersoncm@bne.catholic.net.au</p>

<p>Sacrament of Confirmation Dates: Parent Meeting 5:30 pm, Sacred Heart Church, Either 10.06.24 Or 11.06.24.</p> <p>Final Meeting & Practice 5:30 pm, Sacred Heart Church, Either 19.08.24 Or 20.08.24</p> <p>Celebration of Confirmation Evening of Thursday, August 29. (Friday, August 30, is the Gold Coast Show Holiday.)</p>	<p>For Baptised Children in Year 3 or greater.</p> <p>Administration cost for the preparation program -(other than Baptism is \$150)</p>	<p>To enrol, Go to the parish website (see address above). Use the top menu bar and hover over Sacraments. Click on Confirmation. Please read the information about Confirmation and then scroll down to the blue-filled box with the link to the form that you need. Click on the link in the box, complete the enrollment application form, and click Submit. You should receive an automated response that the form has been received. Families enrolled online should have already received an email from our Children's Sacramental Coordinator, Cathy Anderson. For further information, Email Cathy Anderson at andersoncm@bne.catholic.net.au.</p>
<p>Sacrament of Eucharist - First Holy Communion The Program for this year has ended. Please stay tuned for 2025 dates advertised in this newsletter from December 2024.</p>	<p>For children in Year 4 or greater who have been Baptised and Confirmed. (Administration cost for the preparation program -other than Baptism, is \$150)</p>	<p>A. If your child received the sacrament of Confirmation in Surfers Paradise Parish in 2024, they will be automatically included in the group to be contacted for Preparation for First Communion in 2025. Contact will be made via email by the Children's Sacramental Coordinator, Cathy Anderson. The email will be sent in Term 1, 2025. B. If your child was confirmed in Surfers Paradise Parish before 2024, please express your interest in joining the 2025 First Communion Group by emailing Cathy Anderson at andersoncm@bne.catholic.net.au C. If your child was confirmed in another parish, please follow the information in the To enrol, please call (see above this table). This information explains completing an online enrolment application and including your child in the 2025 First Communion Group.</p>

MASS TIMES: SURFERS PARADISE MASS TIMES

<p>Sacred Heart 50 Fairway Drive Clear Island Waters, 4226</p>	<p>Saturday Night - 5 pm (Note: Reconciliations from 4-4.30 pm at Sacred Heart) + (Maronite Mass, 6:30 pm, Saturday Night). *Note: First Saturday of the month, morning Mass, Adoration and Benediction: 9 am (Next: 6th July 2024) Sunday - 9 am and 6 pm + (Polish Mass 12:30 pm Sunday) + (Italian Mass 4 pm Sunday at Sacred Heart Church) Weekday Masses - Monday - Friday weekday Mass - 9 a.m. The Healing Mass will return on the first Tuesday of the 7th of May 2024 at 10 am (2/7/2024) - At 10 am on the First Tuesday of the month. <small>{First Friday Night of the Month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church - First Fridays of the Month, from 7 pm to 8.30 pm. All welcome. Enquiries: Helen 0421935678. "Could you not watch with Me for one hour?" Mt 26:40}.</small></p>
<p>St Vincent's 40 Hamilton Avenue. Surfers Paradise 4217</p>	<p>Sunday - 8 am & 10 am (Hispanic Mass – 5.30 pm every Sunday)</p> <p><i>Extra parking is available only metres from St Vincent's Church, King's Car Park, and entry via Beach Road. It is also available on Remembrance Drive opposite the church, next to the new Essence Building.</i></p>
<p>Stella Maris 254 Hedges Avenue, Broadbeach, 4218</p>	<p>Saturday - 5 pm Sunday - 7 am</p>

Hispanic (Latino American) Mass: Fr. Syrilus Madin. 5:30 pm Mass - **Every Sunday** - St Vincent's Catholic Church, Surfers Paradise. Gold Coast Contact: Juan Arrieta 0406 705 349

Polish Mass: Fr Jerzy Prucnal (Bowen Hills 3252 2200). 1.30 pm Mass ONLY for SUNDAYS 26 May and 2 June - Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters. Gold Coast Contact: George Syrek 0411 302 802 -

Italian Mass: Sunday, Sacred Heart Church at 4 p.m. For further information about the Italian Mass on the Gold Coast, please contact Fr Luis Antonio Diaz Lamus (Scalabrinian Missionary) at ladl71@hotmail.com or Giovanna at 07 55395528 or gianna52@hotmail.com.

Maronite Mass: Fr Fadi Salame 0421 790 996. The 6.30 pm Maronite Saturday Vigil is at Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters.

“TAP `N” GO CASHLESS DONATIONS -



AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCES OF THREE CHURCHES - tap once to donate \$10, tap again (when it has reset) for another \$10, and so on.

IN OUR PRAYERS

(Please contact us so we can keep these names up-to-date, and let us know when to remove the name from the list).

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Please also pray for the following who are ill. (Alphabetical)

Tricia Baumann, Pamela Caralis, Nadia Che, Tina Conidi, Ellanie Conzalez, Alfonso Covino, Shirley Croft, Lorraine Gallagher, Barbara Gilbert, Maurice Goss, Kevin June, Kath Kiely, Jan Kristenson, Michael Tiger McCormick, Bill McGuigan, Joanne Mooney, Maryann Moore, Denis Mullins, Letty O'Sullivan, Carmela Parente, Rachel Raines, Bob Rogers, Brenda Stewart, Betty Taylor, Denise Tracey, Christine Watkins, Billy Webb.

RECENTLY DECEASED: (Chronological - Most recent first):

June Mye, Sally Gage, Maura Bagtas, Cecilia Carvell (WA), Juliaa Elore, Lisbeth Pereira, Patricia Richardson, Amparo Pieters, Diane Land, Des Walsh, Lois Wood, Joanna Martha Edwards. (Known as Joan), Rosemarie Cocks, Bill McDermott, Santiago Canada, Marina Innocenti, Adoracion Santos Lapitan, Joseph Torbey, Jacqueline Rillo, Helena Nycz, Frank Cassidy, John William Worner (WA).

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH: (Alphabetical)

Raymond Victor Assaisso, Dragica Bosiljevac, Fr A. Joseph Butler, Sr Christine Chia, Robert Samuel Conn, John Cooper, Polly Cummins, Mary Josephine Dillon, Ronald Donovan, Rainer Empen, Reuben Empen, Fr Michael Fallon, James William Fuller, John Gannon, Albert Garske,

Fr John Gleeson, Dorothy May Joan Gray, Jabour Haddad, Kel Hamilton, Norma Ruth Hanley, Barry Thomas Haug, Anne Mary Hawes, Fr James Henry, Joseph Anthony (Joe) Hilton, Helena Barbara Hodges, Fr Alfred Hogan, Mons Edmund Keating, Lynette Lesley Larking, Cheryol Claudette Lewis, Teck Lim, Anthony Teck Lee Lim, Amelia Catherine Limbert, Fr William Livingston, Pearl Agnus MacCartney, Roza Masa, Anthony James (Tony) McCudden, Mons Timothy Molony, Antoninette (Toni) Moon, Benjamin Joseph Moore, Elma Luigia Moro, Leroy Bevan Muir, Charles Henry Nolan, Emilio Parolin, Ljuban Pilic, Gus and Mary Reeves, Paul Patrick Reeves, Arthur John Springthorpe, Brian Aubrey Swaddling, James Mark Tamai, Luke Dermot Tansey, Hedy Triffett, Fr Joseph Troy, Ellen Walker, Francis Weston, John Wood, Ted Woodhead, Edward (Ted) Woodhead, Rita Woodhouse, Cornel Zarie, Grazyna Zyner.

And Also: (Alphabetical):

Fr Denis Ahern, Patricia Allen, Annette (Annie) Anning, Peter Barry, Jean Anne Burgess, Fr Charlie Casey, Don Cope, John Vincent Davis, Fr Des Effeney, Fr John Egan, Stephen Gallagher, Andrew Hale, Roy Jackson, Helmut Kaltenthaler, Alfonso Lim, Melissa Ann Lord, Anna Marmina, Mario Paul Mazza, Mons John McCarthy, Dr. Frank Miao, Fr Patrick Murphy, Fr Gabriel Nolan, Mary John On, Aileen Pettersson, Mary Reid, Mark Reid, Felicitas Fay Robbins, John Ryan, Maria Silvestri-Fiore, Francis (Frank) Kevin Stephens, Valma Sudgen, Judith Lorraine Taylor, June Patricia Toole, Casey Jones Townsend, Lorna Sabina Wheeler, Phyllis Jane Woolaston, Agata "Tina" Zammit.

HOSPITAL CALLS - AROUND THE DEANERY -

HELP THE PRIESTS OF THE DEANERY RESPOND TO URGENT CALLS EFFECTIVELY BY CALLING THE FOLLOWING PARISHES' FIRST RESPONDERS TO NEEDS WITHIN THE HOSPITALS LISTED.

To efficiently and speedily deal with the pastoral needs around the Catholic parishes of the Gold Coast, the parishes within this Deanery have the practice of having the first call for emergencies go to the priests of the parish where the hospital is located. Here is a helpful guide to the hospitals and their attendant priests. A nursing home call also follows this procedure, where the first priest to call is a priest from the parish within which the Nursing Home is located. Please help us service the region effectively and help prevent delays in response by calling the nearest parish.

- **Robina Hospital - Burleigh Heads Parish. 5576 6466**
- **Pindara Hospital - Surfers Paradise Parish. 56717388**
- **John Flynn Hospital - Coolangatta-Tugun Parish. 5598 2165**
- **University & Gold Coast Private Hosp.- Southport Parish. 5510 2222**

RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOPS - SACRED HEART AND ST VINCENT'S CHURCHES

An excellent variety of religious goods is available for everyone; visit your local shop today at either Sacred Heart or St Vincent's Churches, which are open before and after Mass. Watch out for new stock arriving in July.

SACRED HEART ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Please join us to pray the Divine Mercy and Rosary each day at 8:15 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Church before 9 a.m. Mass, Monday through Friday, including First Saturdays.

ANOINTING MASS - MASS OF HEALING FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH (February-November Inclusive)

2/7/24 at 10 am Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Followed by morning tea. Please let others know who would love to come along.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this First Friday, **5/7/24**, at Sacred Heart Church from 7 pm to 8.30 pm. All welcome. Enquiries: Helen 0421935678. "Could you not watch one hour with Me" Mt 26:4

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AND BENEDICTION

First Saturday Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters. 9 am (tomorrow) Saturday - **6/7/24** Followed by adoration and Benediction. {This is a votive Mass for the Blessed Virgin Mary}.

ART AND CRAFT GROUP

The Group meets in the Parish Hospitality Centre on Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 noon. Activities include

- Art (watercolour, oils, acrylics, pen and ink drawing, etc.)
- Various kinds of Craftwork (Knitting, Embroidery, Crocheting, Card making, Sewing, etc.)
- Making Rosary Beads (later sent to the missions)
- And any other activities that individuals may have an interest in or you can bring in your ideas

A very relaxing and social environment - meet new friends! You are most welcome to join. For further information, phone John 0412 759 205 or the Parish Office.

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" - **It is Easy to learn the format. No previous card-playing experience is necessary. All are**

welcome. For more information and to enrol, please phone Cheryl at 5538 8821 or Mob at 0417 772 701.

YOGA AT THE PARISH HOSPITALITY CENTRE -

Join us for our social class in the Parish Hospitality Centre next to the Parish Office. Classes run every Tuesday at 10:45 a.m. Learn to relax yet gain greater flexibility, inner strength, body awareness and concentration while increasing your breath support and general well-being. Ruth is an IYTA-accredited instructor with wide experience and runs a caring, carefully monitored one-hour session costing \$10 (new attendees, please arrive by 10:30 a.m. to prepare adequately for class). For more information, call Ruth on 0421338110.

OUR LADY'S STATUE -

Praying the Rosary - Our Lady's Statue in the Parish -

Details of the Statue of Our Lady are going around the Parish.

If you want her in your home and say the Rosary,

Please contact Maxine or Pat on 0412 519 404.

Our Lady's Statue details for the next several weeks are

17/06/2024 Michelle Burda - Merrimac

26/06/2024 Suzanne Joseph & Family - Robina

01/07/2024 Suzanne Joseph & Family - Robina

EXERCISE CLASS - LOW IMPACT - FOR HEART HEALTH -

Join Rochelle for a fun, functional exercise class at Casey Hall. Low-impact cardiovascular exercises for heart health, improve strength and balance- an all-around fitness class for over 65's. Stretch and strengthen the whole body, make new friends and feel great. Tuesday mornings @9.30 Beginners welcome. Contact Rochelle for further information on 0438 333 308.

BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUP - ST VINCENT'S CHURCH, SURFERS PARADISE.

The Bible Study Prayer Group meets every Thursday from 5-6 pm at St Vincent's Church, (40 Hamilton Ave, Surfers Paradise). Come along and read/study Break Open the Word weekly from 5 pm to 6 pm. For further enquiries, contact Ashley at 0409840693.

MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP

The meditation group meets in the Morris prayer room on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. It would very much like to welcome new members. Please phone Pam Egtberts at 0493742670.

PRAYER GROUP - SPANISH SPEAKER

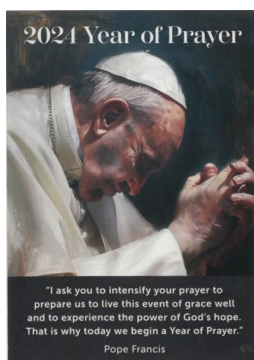
Jesus de la Misericordia. Invites you to participate every 2nd Saturday of the month from 11 am to 2 pm. Place: Hospitality Room. Sacred Heart Church. "We praise, We praise, We grow spiritually from the Word of the Lord." For more information, please ring Grace: 0410 006 484.

JOBS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires conducting working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has zero tolerance for abusing children or vulnerable adults.

YEAR OF PRAYER - RESOURCE



Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed (for short, it is often referred to as the “Nicene Creed”)

The Nicene Creed, also called the Creed of Constantinople, is the defining statement of belief of Nicene or mainstream Christianity in those Christian denominations that adhere to it. The original Nicene Creed was first adopted at the First Council of Nicaea in 325 and amended at the First Council of Constantinople in 381.

The amended form is also called the Nicene Creed or the **Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed.**

**I believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is adored and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins,
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nicene_Creed

Scan here for more



<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/year-of-prayer/>

A VOCATION VIEW:

Jesus said the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed that grows into a great tree. Our faith must be like that. From small beginnings, we can grow a great Culture of Vocations in which young men feel encouraged to offer themselves as priests. “Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.” Our life is one of gratitude for the many gifts that God has given. What are the gifts God has given you uniquely; and how is He asking you to share those gifts with the Church and the world? (Psalm 92). **To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544. vocation@bne.catholic.net.au and www.vocationbrisbane.com**



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STEWARDSHIP -

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 the gifts God has given us – our time, our talent and our treasure; everything we have and are. Each of us is accountable **not only for our own lives 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 applies to every aspect of life, inviting everyone to be thankful, generous, and accountable for what they have been given.**

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH -

WORD OF THE WEEK

Kingdom of God

Also, the reign of God or kingdom of heaven is the spiritual realm over which God reigns, which transcends time and space. It is a central element in Jesus' teaching.

CONTEXT

As we live in anticipation of the fullness of the Kingdom, we have a responsibility to create a world more in keeping with the values of the reign of God. —Helen Doohan

The kingdom of God is where our best dreams come from and our truest prayers. We glimpse it at those moments when we find ourselves being better than we are and wiser than we know.—Frederick Buechner

WHY IT MATTERS

Ancient Israel held hope in an eternal and universal restoration of David's kingship. Mark, Matthew, and Luke all emphasise the Kingdom's arrival as Jesus' principal teaching. Jesus proclaims the Kingdom by preaching and forgiving sins, casting out demons, and restoring the dead to life. Signs of the Kingdom include restored vision, hearing, mobility, good news for the poor, and much more. The Kingdom requires believers to be fully free, alert, and ready to move at the Spirit's prompting.

From *Gaudium et Spes* (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World): "After we have obeyed the Lord, and in his Spirit nurtured the values of human dignity, brotherhood, and freedom, we will find them again when Christ hands over to the Father 'a Kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace.' On this earth, that Kingdom is already present in mystery. When the Lord returns, it will be brought into full flower."

RELATED WORDS

Signs | Messianic king | Son of David | City of God

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What does "Kingdom of God" mean?

The kingdom of God isn't merely "heaven"—it's not just where we go when we die. It's not just a place. Kingdom refers to God's rule. Jesus refers to the Kingdom as "among" us and "within" us—always within reach. We don't "get there" so much as abide in it where we are. We participate in the Kingdom in various ways: changing our hearts, working toward justice, protecting the vulnerable, and freeing the burdened. We pray for the Kingdom to come in the Lord's Prayer.

Jesus offers stories and metaphors for understanding the Kingdom: a sower, a mustard seed, a treasure, a banquet. Matthew's gospel references the Kingdom almost 50 times. John's gospel makes clear that the Kingdom isn't territory to be gained. It's where peace rules and oppression ends. No political system or social program can establish God's rule. We can't make "Kingdom come" by our own efforts. Yet we're summoned to enter more fully into the Kingdom by reshaping society to conform to its values.

—Alice Camille, from *Questions Catholics Ask*:

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (JUNE 16)

How the mustard seed has spiced up spiritual life

The tiny mustard seed adds flavour to many foods and religious stories. We are familiar with the gospel parable of the mustard seed, which Jesus used as a model for the kingdom of God. Jewish texts compared the knowable universe to the size of a mustard seed to teach humility. The Quran states that no soul will suffer the least injustice on the Day of Judgment because even the equivalent of a mustard seed will be accounted for on God's scales of justice.

Readings: Exodus 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34 (92:

FAITH IN ACTION

The next time you open a jar of mustard, pause and ponder the lessons it has taught.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Your support is needed to help our Parish continue valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. To assist you in supporting the Parish, you can give [here](#).



If you can continue to support us, we would be most grateful. We thank all those who have been making payments via credit card and those who have donated directly to the parish account. 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 want confirmation of your donation or a receipt emailed, please contact me at [man.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:man surfers@bne.catholic.net.au).

To join planned giving, please contact the Parish Office: (07) 56717388 (9 am–2 pm Mon-Fri).

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE
FOR COLLECTION IN THE CHURCHES NOW**

WHAT TO DO IF YOU TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 (as at 13th May 2024)

Anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 can pass the virus to others.

While isolation is no longer a legal requirement, staying at home protects the people in your community if you test positive for COVID-19.

If you test positive, you should not visit [high-risk settings](#) like hospitals and aged and disability care settings:

- for at least 7 days or until symptoms have gone
- unless seeking immediate medical care.

To help protect those around you, we recommend:

- avoiding contact with people who are at [higher risk of severe disease](#)
- [wearing a mask](#) outside the home
- working from home where possible
- avoiding going to school, public areas, or travelling on public transport, in taxis or ride-share services
- practising [good hygiene](#)
- following your [local health department's](#) advice when leaving home.

If you have any appointments you cannot miss (e.g., a doctor's visit, family violence service, or police), let them know in advance that you have COVID-19.

If you feel unwell or need COVID-19 advice for someone in your care, call the Health Direct helpline at 1800 022 222 to speak with your health provider or a nurse.

If you develop symptoms such as severe shortness of breath or chest pain, call triple zero (000) immediately. Tell the call handler and the paramedics on arrival if you have COVID-19.

Manage your symptoms:

Most people with COVID-19 experience only mild [symptoms](#) or no symptoms at all (asymptomatic).

You can manage these symptoms with over-the-counter medication.

GO AND INVITE
EVERYONE

to the banquet



His Eminence

Cardinal Giorgio Marengo I.M.C.

Catholic Mission invites you to a dialogue on Mission in Action as we hear Cardinal Giorgio Marengo share how we can help support the work of the church in Mongolia.

Cardinal Marengo, who first went to Mongolia in 2003, is a strong believer in interfaith dialogue. It is through the grace of God he continues his ministry in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

Donations are welcome and will support the work of the church in Mongolia.



Monday 24th June 2024

Time:

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Venue:

Hanly Room - St Francis Rush Centre
196 Charlotte St, Brisbane



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Homily: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B.



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***Prologue-**

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.

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The first reading this weekend and the Psalm refer to the majestic and awe-inspiring sight of the towering cedar trees of Lebanon. This familiar and powerful image represents God's Kingdom and God's people. It is 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. 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, productive, and more down-to-earth. The Kingdom is more widespread. Sometimes it can be patchy, looking less "royal" and "majestic" and more suburban. It is more practical and "everyday," but it is better adapted to produce many fruits and survive in different harsh environments.

But, just like the image of the cedar, this large shrub, which has grown 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 that gives us hope and courage. Our human efforts can be spasmodic and inconsistent. However, God is constantly and quietly at work in obvious and invisible ways.

We can help or hinder God's work, 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.

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

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.

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To listen to the 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>

Also found at - <https://tinyurl.com/FHLpwk>

INSPIRATION FROM THE SAINTS:

→ St Romuald, Abbot. 19 June. Optional Memorial

- ◆ Born at Ravenna (Italy) in the middle of the tenth century. Died at Val di Castro on this day in 1027. Became a monk after witnessing a violent killing in his family. Promoted strict penance and solitude in the monastic life and established many monasteries and hermitages in Italy, most notably at Camaldoli in Tuscany. Remembered for combining the severe life of a hermit with the Benedictine community rule.

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- St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop. 22 June. Optional Memorial
- ◆ Born at Bordeaux (France) about 353. Died at Nola (Italy) on this day in 431. The son of the Roman prefect of Gaul who, after a classical education, had a career in the imperial administration. He and his wife were baptised after the death of their son and gave away their great wealth to the poor and the Church. Ordained a presbyter in Barcelona (Spain) at the demand of the people, and later elected bishop of Nola (Italy). Remembered for his charity and hospitality, for his religious poetry, and for his extensive correspondence with eminent Christians.
- St. Aloysius Gonzaga
- ◆ 21 June. Memorial
 - ◆ Born in Lombardy (Italy) in 1568. Died in Rome on this day in 1591 of the plague, contracted while caring for its victims. Devout and ascetical from the time of his childhood in a family of Italian nobility. Pursued a religious vocation as a Jesuit against enormous family opposition. Remembered for his youthful ideal of perfection and his determination to achieve it.
 - ◆ “It is better to be a child of God than the king of the whole world!” — St. Aloysius Gonzaga
- Sts John Fisher, Bishop, Martyr and Thomas More, Martyr. 22 June. Memorial
- ◆ John Fisher: Born at Beverley (England) in 1469. Died at London on this day in 1535. Chancellor at Cambridge and bishop at Rochester, combining diligent pastoral ministry with the defence of Catholic doctrine.
- Thomas More: Born in London in 1478. Died there for the faith on 6 July 1535. An Oxford scholar, a noted humanist and apologist, an incorruptible judge and Lord Chancellor, a devoted husband and loving father.
- ◆ Drawn into conflict with Henry VIII, both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason. Remembered for their wide learning, for their devotion to the Church, and for their uncompromising integrity and courage.
 - ◆ An opportunity to celebrate all the English martyrs, Catholic and Protestant, of the Reformation era. Coming from every walk of life, people rich and poor, married and single, women and men died on the scaffold, perished in prison, or suffered harsh persecution for their faith.
 - ◆ St John Fisher:
 - ◆ “A good man is not a perfect man; a good man is an honest man, faithful and unhesitatingly responsive to the voice of God in his life.” - St John Fisher
 - ◆ Saint Thomas More:
 - ◆ “I die the king's faithful servant, but God's first!” - St Thomas More

THE POPE: (From the rich history of the Church's teaching)

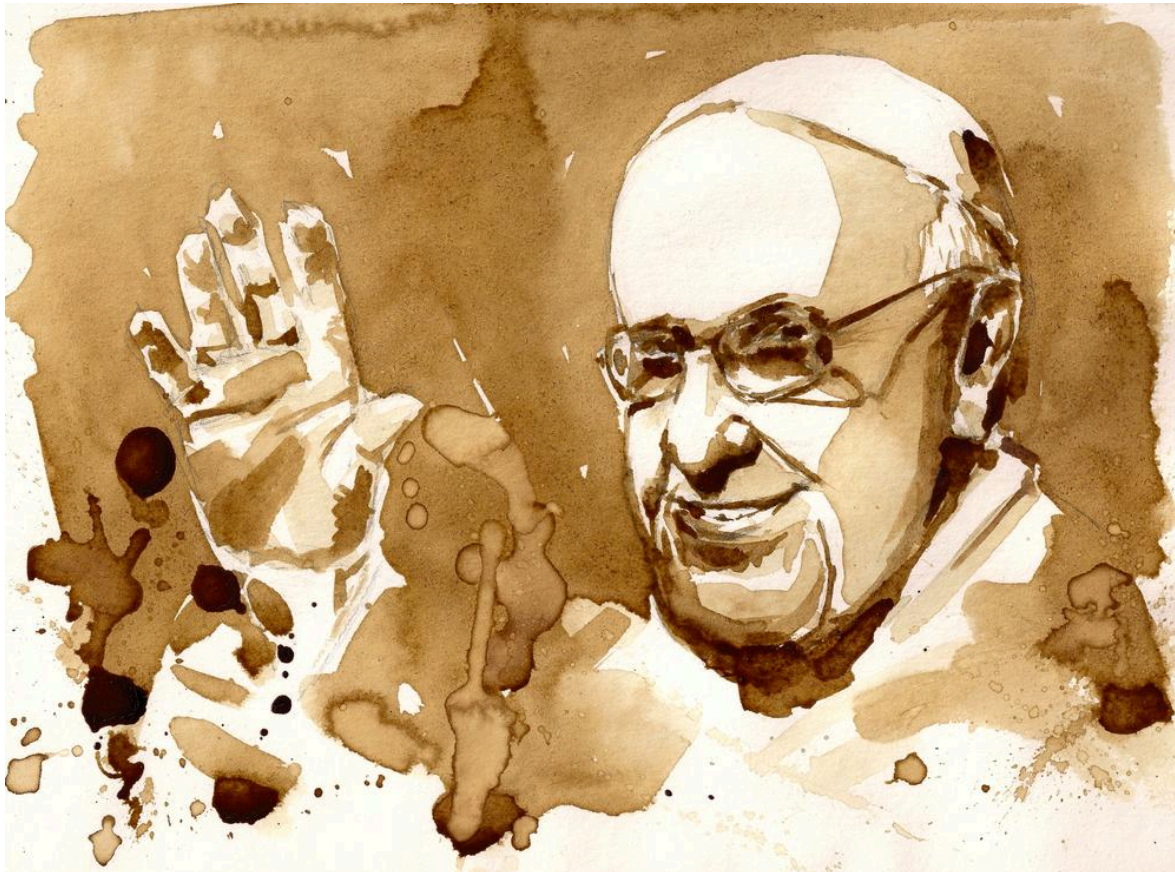


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Understanding Christian virtues: Pope Francis reflects on the most essential one
By Rome Reports. May 3, 2024.

Pope Francis continued his weekly catechesis on the virtues at this week's General Audience at the Vatican. This week, he reflected on faith, which he called the virtue that makes one a Christian. "Faith is the first gift to be received in the Christian life: a gift that must be welcomed and asked for daily, so that it may be renewed in us. Apparently, it is a small gift, yet it is the essential one."

The pope also called for prayers for the people in East Africa affected by recent flooding. More than 170 people have died, and 185,000 have been displaced since torrential rain started in March. "I also wish to convey to the people of Kenya my spiritual closeness at this time as a severe flood has tragically taken the lives of many of our brothers and sisters, injuring others and causing widespread destruction."

1 May also marks the feast day of a saint dear to Pope Francis' heart. And he took a few moments to reflect on his example. "Today, the first of May, with the whole Church we commemorate St. Joseph the Worker and begin the Marian month," he said.

"Therefore, to each of you I would like to propose again the Holy Family of Nazareth as a model of domestic community: a community of life, work and love."

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/understanding-christian-virtues-pope-francis-reflects-on-the-most-essential-one/>

EXPLORING OUR FAITH -

Source: <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/teachings-of-the-catholic-church>

Faith today

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (Hebrews 11:1)

Faith is both a gift from God and a human act by which the believer identifies with God personally. It is to believe in something or someone, to fully trust, and to be so confident that one bases one's actions on what one believes.

Faith in God, then, is having the kind of trust and confidence that leads you to commit your whole life and soul to God. Our post-modern world challenges this faith in things unseen, positing that reality can only be experienced through the senses and verified by scientific processes. Denials of the existence of God and life after death are hallmarks of this contemporary rationalist philosophy. Instinctively, human beings know that there is more to life than briefly dancing across the stage of life. Christian faith asserts that a loving Creator desires that our lives reach their ultimate fulfilment in eternity.

Faith in God develops within one's spirit and establishes a certain inner knowing that something is so before you see any material evidence. This spiritual knowing is of the heart and soul, not merely the intellect. It is a call to do and say what you believe you are called to without doubt. Faith can bring ultimate blessings as well as challenges and difficulties.

LINKS & 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/>

Breaking Parish News (SPP Blog): <https://news-parish.blogspot.com/>

EthicsFinder is a free, global, digital resource of immense value to interested parishioners. Try ACU's free digital tool, www.ethicsfinder.com.

Readings for next weekend- Sunday, 23 June 2024 (Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time.)

FIRST READING- Job 38:1, 8-11

Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 – "I praise you for I am wonderfully made."

SECOND READING- 2 Corinthians 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 Safety and Vulnerable-Adult Safety

(please see next page...)



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Child Safeguarding Practices

Safe Locations

When working with children use locations that provide natural surveillance (without impinging on the children's right to privacy).
Avoid using secluded, closed-off or out-of-view locations.

Direct Line of Sight

Workers should be accompanied by, and be within direct line of sight of, other adults at all times when working with children (without impinging on the children's right to privacy).

Maintain Boundaries

Workers should be very clear about their role and its limits when working with children.
Don't exceed those limits and maintain proper personal boundaries at all times.



Supervise

- Supervise children at all times.
- As a guide, when working with children below 13 years of age, have a ratio of 1 adult to every 10 children.
- When working with children 13 to 17 years of age, have a ratio of 1 adult to every 15 children.
- It's best to have at least 2 adults present when working with children.

Respond to Concerns

If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child, contact your Local Safeguarding Representative or the Office for Safeguarding Services:

P: 07 3324 3752

E: safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au

If an emergency, call Triple Zero - 000.

Together, let's do our part to keep children safe.

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St Vincent's Primary School would like to invite our community to advertise the business they own or work for in our 2024 St Vincent's Primary School Business Directory.

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SAFEGUARDING POLICY "The Church loves all her children like a loving mother but cares for all and protects those who are smallest and defenceless with special affection. This is the duty that Christ himself entrusted to the entire Christian community."
(Apostolic Letter issued 'motu proprio' by the Supreme Pontiff Francis, 4 June 2016)

Purpose
To promote a culture of safeguarding within the Archdiocese and reduce the risks of abuse and harm.

Scope
This policy applies to all parishes, ministries, and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Brisbane and to Associations of Christ's Faithful or Public Juridic Persons that freely opt into its application and which enter into an agreement with the Archdiocese accordingly. The policy applies to all Archdiocesan workers (clergy, religious workers, employees and volunteers).

Policy
National Catholic Safeguarding Standards
The Archdiocese adopts and adheres to the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. The Standards apply to all parishes, ministries, and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop.

Safeguarding Commitment
The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries, and services. The safety and well-being of children and adults at risk are paramount.

Safeguarding Principles

- Safeguarding is a shared responsibility.
- Treat everyone with dignity and respect.
- Prioritise the protection and best interests of children and adults at risk.
- Provide safe physical and online environments.
- Actively identify and manage safeguarding and abuse risks.
- Monitor compliance with safeguarding standards, policies, and procedures.
- Respond promptly and effectively to abuse concerns, suspicions, disclosures, complaints, reports, and incidents.
- Comply with all legal obligations to report suspected abuse and harm.

Compliance
Non-compliance with this policy which seriously jeopardises the safety and well-being of others, may be grounds for disciplinary action up to dismissal or termination of employment and reporting to authorities.

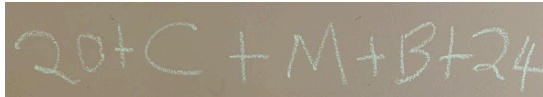
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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/>

Acknowledgement of Country - This is Kombumerri Country - The Traditional Custodians of this region.
We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the First People of this country. We pay our respects to the Kombumerri people, the traditional custodians of the land, waterways and seas upon which we live, work and socialise throughout this Catholic Parish of Surfers Paradise. We acknowledge Elders, past and present and emerging, as they hold our Indigenous people's memories, traditions, culture and hopes. We pay tribute to those who have contributed to the community's life in many ways. We affirm our commitment to justice, healing, and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. (See further: [The Kombumerri People](#) and <https://kombumerriproject.com/digital-resources/yugambeh-language/>)

**** The significance of the ancient Catholic Blessing Symbol. "20 C+M+B 24"**

An ancient medieval practice that developed in the Catholic Church was to bless one's home with blessed chalk at the yearly epiphany. On the door or the lintel will be this symbol:



This means that 2000 years ago, after Christ's birth, Wise Men visited and gave homage to the Lord and were welcomed into the hospitality of the Holy Family's abode. We dedicate the present year of this century, '24, to the protection of the Lord. May the Lord bless this abode.

The letters C+M+B represent Caspar, Bathasar and Melchior; the three Wise Men. CMB is also the initials of the Latin phrase "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" - "May Christ Bless this dwelling place."

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