# Living Waters Catholic Parish

# **Embracing the Communities of:**

# Little Flower Bribie Island, St Peter's Caboolture, St Michael's Kilcoy, St Mary's Woodford. First Sunday in Lent

# 17th / 18th February 2024

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## **Ministry Matters**

This weekend marks the beginning of our Lenten journey. Over these next 6 weeks of Lent, we have the opportunity to take time out of the busy-ness of our lives, to stop and to spend a quiet moment with God.

Each week there are masses available across the parish that enable us to take that moment of quiet solitude in the presence of our God. It is a moment to simply sit and listen, and in that listening our lives can be changed.

So, following on from the message of Matthew from Ash Wednesday, our Lenten observance is marked by three areas that Jesus highlighted in his speech to the people of his time.

Almsgiving is the first leg of the triangle of Lent. Giving of ourselves for the sake of those who may share our lives but do not benefit from the wealth. There are many areas of alms-giving that are available to us, but particularly through the Lenten Journey, Project Compassion is so easily available for us to give of ourselves. Just grab an envelope and begin to give.

The second point Jesus raised was the call to prayer. Find your sacred space, your secret place where you can indeed be caught up in the silent whispers of God. Stop, sit and listen. That's prayer.

Finally, the third point Jesus raised was the need to Fast. Finding times when we choose to fast through the season of Lent enables us to focus. So often we pass through the world around us and miss the wonder of the moment that is so available to us because we become distracted by life. It may be that when we fast, when we can take the time to focus our lives and our thoughts, perhaps we will begin to see the wonder of that God-moment within our lives.

So, The Season of Lent has begun, and it is a time of prayer for all of us. And in those scared moments in the presence of our God, our lives can change. May God continue to bless us in our journey through Lent.





This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women from three different corners of the world. They are facing vastly different challenges but are all united by one dream: to create a better tomorrow for all future generations.

This week we meet Ronita from the Philippines. Ronita is a mother of two young boys living in the slum district in Quezon City with her husband and parents. She left high school after having her first child, Clark, followed closely after by her second child, Egzy. Wanting a better life for herself and her family, Ronita heard about Faithful Companions of Jesus and its programs, including an Alternative Learning System program. She decided to re-enrol in her studies. The ALS offers students the chance to continue their studies in a safe, flexible environment. As a result, Ronita completed her Alternative Learning credits and was able to continue on to senior high school, where she has now gained a Higher School Certificate. Gaining this in Metro Manila gives Filipinos the option to gain higher paid employment with better working conditions. Ronita hopes to support her mother, husband and two young children with a call centre job she has obtained as a direct result of completing her education.

Many thanks to Diane & the Little Flower Hospitality Group for their wonderful fundraising effort for Project Compassion. Raising \$472.05 from their Pancake Tuesday on Thursday fundraiser. If any of our other groups would like to fundraise for Caritas, please call Kath at the Office 5430 9379

If you're yet to get yourself a copy of A Resurrected Life there's still time, we have half a dozen copies here at the office! It's a great resource to help you spend a short amount of time each day in prayer and reflection during your Lenten journey.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be held every Friday during Lent St Mary's Church - 8.30am St Peter's Church - 5.30pm Little Flower Church - 5.00pm



Thank you to the Parishioners who have indicated their willingness to learn how to operate the power point during the weekend masses or as required for funerals at St Peter's. We'll be in touch regarding training and the volunteer paperwork. God bless you in your generosity!

#### Parish Collections



Parish Giving for 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> February \$3991.75 Thank you for your support of our Parish.

### World Day of Prayer Friday 1st March



This years' service is written by the Women of Palestine with the theme: "I beg you... bear with one another in love" Eph 4:1-3

Please show your support for the women of Palestine by attending on of the venues across our Parish –

<u>Bribie Island</u> – Host: The Abbey Church, 1-63 the Abbey Place, Caboolture. Starting at 2pm.Please bring a plate to share.

<u>*Caboolture*</u> - Host: Baptist Church, 74-92 Grant Rd, Caboolture. Starting at 10.00am. Morning tea provided.

*Kilcoy* – Host: Anglican Church, 67 William St & Service Rd. Starting at 9.30am. Morning tea provided.

<u>Woodford</u> - Host: Anglican Church, 88 Archer St. Starting at 2pm St Matthias Church. Afternoon tea provided.

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

### First Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15 Psalm Resp: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant. Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22 Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

#### Weekday Readings:

Mon: Lev 19:1-2,11-18; Ps 18:8-10,15; Mt 25:31-46 Tues: Is 55:10-11; Ps 33:4-7,16-19; Mt 6:7-15 Wed: Jonah 3:1-10 ; Ps 50:3-4,12-13,18-19; Lk 11:29-32 Thur: The Chair of St Peter + Mass of Feast + Gloria 1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 22; Matt 16:13-19 Fri: Ezek 18:21-28; Ps 129; Mt 5:20-26 Sat: Deut 26:16-19; Ps 118:1-2,4-5,7-8; Mt 5:43-48

### Second Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18 Psalm Resp: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living,* Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

## Some giggles to brighten your day!

A tourist finds a bedraggled penguin on the beach at Bribie Island and asks a nearby policeman what to do. "I'd take it to Australia Zoo mate," said the policeman.

Next day, to the policeman's astonishment, there's the same tourist and penguin waddling along the beach together at Woorim.

"Hey you," says the policeman, "I thought I told you to take the penguin to the zoo."

"I did," says the tourist, "and he enjoyed it so much that

I'm taking him to the cinema today." 🍪

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St Peter's Primary School Principal: Mr Matt Mackinlay

From the Desk of Miss Catherine Meiklejohn (APRE)

Catherine is away this week on camp with the Grade 6's We wish them an enriching and growth experience.

## Please Remember in Your Prayers <u>Our Recently Deceased</u>

Fr Ian Wren, Laurie Barron, Joseph Casha, Laurie Scott, Barry Gravener, Graham Tronc, Muriel Lawson, Gene Rosenblatt, Margaret Genery, Baby Genery, Pat Stinson, Margaret Ryan, John Ruff, Angela Edwards, Kristy Silk, Laurie Holdsworth, Kevin Cranston, Beryl Mulligan, Dudley Chilcott.

### Those whose Anniversaries Occur at this Time.

Bert Bruynesteyn, Maurice Thomas, Peter Genery, Cherone Millard, Thelma Marshall,

Danuta Morgan, Gwen Robinson, Trevor Wacker, Winifred Portley, Darrell Evans, Lucy Lovell, Noreen Morris, Taarito Santo, kay Furneaux, Margaret Kerr, John Hakfoort, Tony Buchhorn, Ann Lacey, Haldon Kuster, Maureen Hanlon, Anesthesia Ruston, Leonie Joku, Marie Bryon, Rosalie Williams, Bob Bell, Eileen Heales, Jack Hartcher, Joe Salgado, Thomasine Terry,

Joan Catton, Brian Wagstaff, Lyla Franch, Ernest Kilpatrick, Amanda Sunter, Waly Parker, Marie Spencer, Eileen Webber, Annie Van Bekkum, Kevin Cahill, Jill Eldridge, Stewie Grainger, Miriam Duncan, Kenny Carbery & Beverly Brewer.

### Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.

Helen Johnson, Suzy Henry, Tricia Fischer, Sandra McShane, Joshua & Myra Sessions, Joan Fitzpatrick, Recy & Loycito Dampil, Roger L'Huillier, Anne Kelly, Marlyn Hooper, Czes Parchimowicz, Della Lopez, Teresa Mills, Barbara O'Neill, Arthur & Eileen Hangan, Pat Hegarty, Brian Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell, Ken McKewin, Susanne Weir, Jessica Timson, Michael Cooper, Patricia Twinchek, Ted Hawkins, Ray Davis, Helen & Gerry Van Dinter, Gerard Brown. St Columban's College Principal: Mr Michael Connelly

# From the Desk of Mrs Angela Woodriff (APRE)

As a whole College Community, we came together to participate in our Inaugural Opening Liturgy where we had the opportunity to ask God's blessing on our school community in the coming year and again to remind us of our identity and mission as a College. Br Ian Robertson led our Liturgy sharing the word of God and his thoughts on the journey of education in the light of Christ and Edmund Rice principles; Presence, Compassion and Liberation - we are blessed to have Br Ian part of our College Community. The sacred atmosphere was enhanced by the warm welcome extended to Father John, a revered addition to our College family. The ceremony served not only as a spiritual foundation for the academic year but also as a heartfelt initiation into a shared commitment fostering relationships and deepening our connection with one another. We look forward to building lasting bonds with Father John, fostering a sense of community that would undoubtedly enrich our educational experience. Blessings Ange.

# YOUTH NEWS

After weeks of planning and preparation, we are finally back in full swing. Since the start of the school term, the amazing Encounter Team have been excited to be back serving the young community of Caboolture every Friday night, along with that games, upbeat music and all around good culture.

This term, the theme is The Parables and last Week our amazing leader Eli had given a talk about 'The Good Samaritan' and just like that throughout the term, there will be many more to come including testimonies and other exciting news.

In addition, we run youth mass every 4th Sunday of the month at 5pm and afterwards come together for pizza. We'd love to see our community grow. So, if this is something that interests you and you are in grades 7-12 we would love to see you this Friday night from 6:30PM at St Peter's Church Caboolture so come along this Friday to Belong, Renew and Encounter!

Tatiana - Encounter Caboolture Team.

## **REVISED PARISH MASS SCHEDULES FOR WEEKDAYS**

For the Pastoral Care of our two Priests and allowing them to have one full day off each week, please be aware of the change to 2 of our weekday Mass times. **Tuesday night Mass will now be celebrated at St Michael's Kilcoy** & not at Little Flower and there will be **no Thursday evening Mass at all at Kilcoy**. This schedule will designate a weekday mass at each of our worshipping centres each week along with the College on Friday. Thank you for your support. *Please note there is no change to the weekend schedule of our individual reconciliation times*.

Little Flower: Bribie Island Sat 6.00pm & Sun 8.00am Thurs 9.15am St Peter's: Caboolture Sat 6.00pm, Sun 10.00am & 5.00pm Wed 9.30am St Columban's: Fri 7.45am

St Michael's: KilcoySt Mary's: WoodfordSun 10.00amSun 8.00amTues 5.30pmMon 9.30am

Confession: 5.00pm Little Flower & St Peter's every Sat night. Outside of these times please contact the Office.

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