Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

Beachmere, Little Flower Bribie Island, St Peter's Caboolture, St Michael's Kilcoy, St Mary's Woodford.

First Sunday in Lent 25th / 26th February 2023

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Safeguarding Coordinator Sharron Macrae admin.livingwaters@bne.catholic.net.au So, it's around that time of the year when we begin our forty day Lenten campaign with the three works: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Every part of this campaign is significant, and they could prove to be a soul-searching opportunity for one and all. It could also offer to be a journey of truth telling. Truth telling not to someone outside there or to some invisible being but to oneself, where one sits at a corner and do some introspection. How one has been able to live out his/her life first as a human being and then as a catholic Christian.

St. Paul in the second reading of Ash Wednesday (Cor. 5: 20- 6: 2) has already offered us a helping hand with his exhortation; "to be reconciled to God". A reconciliation which begins with our reconciliation with one another and then up to God. It could also be an opportunity of 'silence of the heart' which happens not by turning off from the happenstances around us and in the world but a 'committed silent active attention to the very little things happening around us and its attendant opportunities to offer our quota in ways we can.

Just last Sunday we came together from our four worshipping communities at MMPC in St. Columban's college to celebrate our unity and the water ritual bore that significant reality of who we are and who we have become- LIVING WATERS. Among many things that stood out in that celebration was not our perfection of who we are but our faithfulness of who we are which to some extent has given us some road map moving forward. And then this Sunday, the first in these forty days Lenten journey St. Paul reminds us again that it was not any of our own merit that we are made worthy of this gift of righteousness but by the obedience of that one man- Jesus Christ we have been made partakers of God's grace (Rom. 5: 12- 19). Now, what does that tell us? It tells us unambiguously that we are ambassadors of God's grace no longer in the manner of the old man Adam but in the verdict of acquittal from the new man Jesus Christ.

So, as ambassadors of God's grace let this Lenten journey this year be for us another opportunity to pray more silently, fast more silently and give alms more silently that "our Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward us" (*Matt. 6: 1- 6, 16 - 18*).

Many Blessings Fr Anthony



Congratulations to

Sidney Saunders & Jaxon Cambourn

Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend.



Congratulations to Diane Henshell who is celebrating a very special birthday this Sunday



and to Thea Jonkers, who turned 95 last Saturday. Well done to you both.

News from Around the Parish

Little Flower Hospitality Group's Chit Chat is this Monday at the Bribie RSL starting at 12 noon. All Parishioners are very welcome, so do come along (and bring a friend) You'll have to Buy Your Own Lunch but the company's definitely free! The Little Flower Chit Chatters enjoyed meeting the St Peter's Chatters at their last get together at the Sports Club, they had a lovely morning meeting everyone.

World Day of Prayer Friday 3rd March

<u>Bribie Island</u> – hosted by the Lutheran Church, 10am at the Orchid House. Please bring a plate to share.

<u>*Woodford*</u> – hosted by the Anglican Church, 2pm St Matthias Church. Afternoon tea provided, all welcome.

<u>*Kilcoy*</u> - hosted by the Anglican Church, 9am St Mary's Church. morning tea provided, all welcome.

<u>*Caboolture*</u> – hosted by the Seven Day Adventist Church, 9.30am. morning tea provided, all welcome.

<u>Growing St Peter's</u> Meeting, this Monday at 4.00pm in the Mary McKillop Hall. Please come along.

<u>Chatters</u> will meet again on Tuesday 14th March in the Parish Meeting Room at 9.30am. All Parishioners are welcome.

Fancy an afternoon on the water? The Little Flower Hospitality Group are organising a day cruise on the Lady Brisbane on the Pumicestone Passage on Friday 24th March. The cost is \$45.00 per person, which includes the 2-hour cruise and a buffet lunch. Only 5 tickets left, so be quick!

Call Dianne on 0408 828 047.

Please Remember in Your Prayers Our Recently Deceased

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Reynold Grainger, Leonie Joku, Margaret Gough, Bernadine Cia, Marie Webster, Ray Walsh, Bill Ross, Lily (Noah) O'Brien, Anna Ludwig, Peter Chapman, Luke George, June Horan, Kevin Scott, Lillian Edwards & Anna Putzolu. who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Kenneth Carbery, Susan O'Donnell, John Batt, Lillian Rafter, Margaret Glasson, Ray McNamara, Joan Sumner, Jean Cousins, Nancy Elmer, Bill Sechi, Dr Ron Parker, Kathleen Brooker, Jim Taylor, Denis O'Connell, Peter Vance, Wayne Hinds, Bruce Anderson, Anna Searle,

Bernard Pattel, Trevor Meehan, John Nunn, John Anderson, Mari Carmen Cabrera, Maree Hazbourne & Jim Montague.

Our Parishioners, Family & friends who are Sick

Neil Clunes, Chantelle Challis, Charlie Donaldson, Tegan Myerscough, Angela Rankin, Marie Phillips, Ken McKewin, Tony Grealy, Von O'Neill, Avril Egan, Charlie Fletcher, Margaret Neale, Aileen Suhnann, Des Kelly, Kathryn Mobley, Laurie Barron, Pat Stinson, Mike & Kaye Brown, Terry Farrelly, Catherine Johnson, Susanne Weir, Heidi Greentree, Kerry & Felicity McGill, Dawn & John Roberts, Helen Teys, Joana Van Laart, Miriam Gittins, Paul & Eleanor Copeland's & Col McLaughlin.

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Some sharing for our 'Prayers for the Sick' list Please ensure that if you are not the person to be prayed for, you get their permission to add their name. Names will be removed after 2 months.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Gen 2:7-9,3:1-7 Psalm Resp: *Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.* Second Reading: Rom 5:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

<u>Weekday Readings:</u>

Mon: Lev 19: 1-2, 11-18; Ps 18:8-10,15; Mk 25:31-46 Tues: Is 55:10-11 ; Ps 33:4-7,16-19; Mk 6:7-15 Wed: Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 50: 3-4,12-13,18-19; Lk 11:29-32 Thur Esther 14:1,3,7-8; Ps 137:1-3 7-8; Mt 7:7-12 Fri: Ezek 18:21-28; Ps 129; Matt 5:20-26 Sat: Deut 26:16-19; Ps 118: 1-2,4-5,7-8; Matt 5:43-48

Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Gen 12:1-4 Psalm Resp: *Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.* Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-10 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Date Claimer: Mandatory Training: Sat 22nd April 11am in St Peter's Caboolture (*Lunch will be provided*) This is for Staff, Youth Leaders, Special Ministers to the Sick & members of the Pastoral & Finance Councils.



St Peter's Primary School Principal: Mr Matt Mackinlay St Columban's College Principal: Mr Michael Connelly

From the Desk of Miss Catherine Meiklejohn (APRE)

Project Compassion Launch

On Tuesday, a small group of Year 6 leaders attended the Launch of Caritas' Project Compassion. We were joined by representatives from many Catholic Schools across Brisbane and were led in prayer by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. It was great to be together, and think about the ways that we can contribute to a better, more unified world. The students also participated in a Pancake Race, where they took out first place! We were very proud of the way they represented our school.





<u>PROJECT COMPASSION</u>

The donation envelopes and boxes to support Caritas Australia are available at all our churches this weekend. Please take a box or set of envelopes home with you and support the work that Caritas does. Your generosity will make a huge difference in someone's life.

Parish Collections

Parish Giving for 18/19 February \$3377.00 Thank you for your constant support of our Parish, both financially and prayerfully.

NORTHERN DEANERY LENTEN RETREAT: "From Ashes to Hope" Saturday March 11th 2023, 9am to 2pm. St Mary's Hall, 16 Peterson Road, Woodford

The day will begin at 9 am and will finish at 2pm after Mass. This is a free Retreat, with morning tea provided, but please bring along your own lunch and water bottle.

Please come along, we would love to see you there. The Retreat will be ideal preparation for Easter.

For any enquiries, please contact St Benedict's Parish Office on 34901768 or

email admin.northlakes@bne.catholic.net.au

From the Desk of Mrs Angela Woodriff (APRE)

Edmund Rice built a school in Waterford called Ballybricken and at that school he provided meals for poor students and their families. Therefore, at St Columban's College, an Edmund Rice Inspired school, we have named our program "The Ballybricken Bakehouse". Through this program, students engage in a service-learning activity by cooking food for those experiencing homelessness, disadvantage or vulnerability on a weekly basis. The meals are donated to either the Caboolture Community Action Group or Redcliffe Breakfast Club, and the aim is to not just provide sustenance but also nourishment and dignity to those in need. This initiative has been successful in serving more than 750 meals to the homeless in less than six months. The staff and students of St. Columban's College are immensely grateful to the Knights of the Southern Cross for their generous monetary donation, which has enabled them to continue providing this much-needed service to the community. Our hearts are full of gratitude and praise for the opportunity to make a positive impact in the lives of those who need it most.



We'd like to extend our congratulations to the Living Waters Parish and recognise the significant effort that was invested in organising the Unity Mass over the weekend. It was an incredible celebration to participate in, and we've received a lot of positive feedback from the families who were in attendance! Many Blessings Angela

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

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There are certain things in life that we will never regret, regardless of our circumstances or where our journey takes us. Here are a few thoughts:

Showing kindness: *Kindness is never wasted, and it can make a lasting impact on someone's life.*

Pursuing our passions: Whether it's a hobby or a career, following our passions can bring us fulfillment and purpose.

Spending time with loved ones: Our relationships with family and friends are some of the most important things in life, and we will never regret investing time in them.

Learning new things: Continuous learning keeps our minds active and helps us grow as individuals.

Taking care of our health: Our physical and mental wellbeing are crucial to our quality of life, and taking care of ourselves should not be neglected, as self-care will help us be better equipped to handle the challenges that come our way.

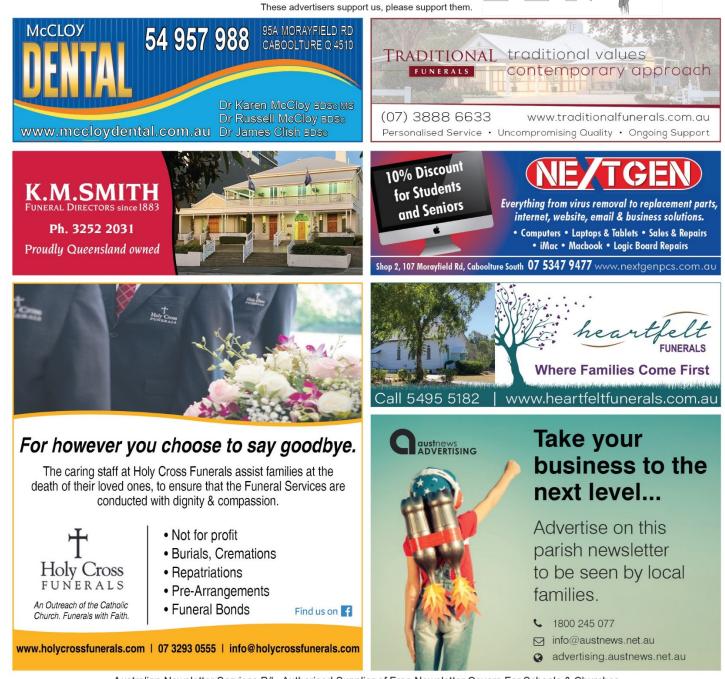
At the end of the day as Christians, one thing we will never regret is prioritising our relationship with God and seeking His guidance to help forgive others and bring meaning, joy, and positivity to our lives and the lives of those around us

Mass schedules	
Little Flower:	Saturday 6.00pm
	Sunday 8.00am
and the second	Tuesday 5.00pm
and the second	Thursday 9.15am
St Peter's:	Saturday 6.00pm
	Sunday 10.00am & 5.00pm
and the second	Wednesday 9.30am
St Columban's College Chapel: Friday 7.45am	
St Mary's:	Sunday 8.00am
	Monday 9.30am
St Michael's:	Sunday 10.00am
and the second second	Thursday 5.30pm
St Mary's:	Sunday 8.00am Monday 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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





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