Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8th/9th July 2023

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Archdiocesan Prevention & Protection Policy

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people 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 safeguarded by all. Safeguarding Is Everyone's Responsibility

Safeguarding Coordinator Sharron Macrae admin.livingwaters@bne.catholic.net.au People usually think that people who engage in self-praise are not only arrogant but boastful and immodest to say the least. But it is not usually the case unless when it is an empty boast. There are people who share their success stories to motivate and encourage others. You know the proverb: 'empty boasting reflects poorly on the qualities of the braggart.

Now, one might want to ask when do you know an empty boast or how can you identify one. Well, the answer to the question lies on the person who is making such boast of him/herself because you cannot say of yourself something that is not true. Self-truth is the best of truth and self-lie is the worst of its kind. Unexamined life, so says Plato in his Apology is not worth living.

Make no mistake about it, what Jesus said of himself in the gospel of Matthew 11: 28-30 is not self-praising but saying exactly who he is and what exactly he does- "burden-lifting". Remember that all the prophecies given about him in the Old Testament were couched in the very same phrase of 'burden lifting' as seen in the prophecy of Zechariah which formed our first reading. Further in the gospel of Luke 4: 18ff he made same prophecy about himself in the synagogue after his baptism using the exact words of Isaiah's prophecy, "the Spirit of the Lord is upon me..."

But more to that assertion in the gospel of this Sunday Jesus in clear terms tells us one of the demands of our Christian mission as his disciples in our dispensation- care. To do that Jesus invites us to "come to him" for he is the mission and the missionary from the Father. So, when we 'go to him' we learn from him and we listen to him speak to us and also significantly draw closer to each other from the east, west, north and south as one family to listen to each other, to hear the heartbeat of each other. However, there are times when this missionary call can be daunting given how fast things change or improve around us from what we were used to, to something almost completely different and the requiring strength and skill to navigate around them.

Paul in the second reading gifts us his friendly encouragement to be always docile to the Holy Spirit who is the principal agent of mission who leads us along this path and not to yield in his terms, to our unspiritual selves.

In one of his seven apostolic priorities Archbishop Mark mentioned 'teaching prayer'- which not always begin in speaking (for when we do so we babble...) but in listening to God who always has the first word. In saying "come to me" Jesus invites us each day into a prayer-filled relationship with him and a fraternal closeness to one another where it can be possible to lift each other's burden in the smallest ways we can.

Happy Sunday to you all! Fr Anthony

This past week many of you might have received a text message claiming to be from Fr David, once the message was opened it asked you to



purchase Amazon Cards from a given website. <u>THIS IS A SCAM.</u> This message and all like it should be ignored at all cost!!

An email was sent out as soon as it was discovered to advise but unfortunately, not everyone has emails; so, what we are asking you now to do, is if you ever receive a text or email from either one of our Priests seeking money, please don't open it up and DELETE straight away. Should you (out of the kindness of your hearts respond) sadly you'll find yourselves out of pocket. Always remember our Priests would never under any circumstances ask you for money. In this 'Technology age' we live in, vigilance will be your only friend, so stay scam aware and if it doesn't seem right – then it almost certainly won't be.



Congratulations to Dot Maher From Little Flower who celebrates her 90th Birthday this week!

<u>Chatters</u> will take place this Tuesday in the Parish Office Meeting Room commencing at 9.30am. All Parishioners are most welcome, and the group look forward to enjoying your company. It's a wonderful way to meet new friends.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Group returns this week! When: 6:30-8:30pm Friday Night's Where: St Peter's Church Caboolture If you have children or grandchildren



who are in high school and would like to be part of a great group of young people, please call Matt at the Parish Office.

Fr Anthony will be in Brisbane over the next week taking part in an acculturation program. We look forward to seeing him when he returns.

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

Mary Henkel, Paul Copeland, Monica Woolley, Maria Pinna, Sr Beryl Gleeson MSS, Bede Brittenden, Ashley Perkins, Noel Nell, Kevin Ray, Gary Sainty, John Fitzpatrick & Donald Scott. who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time.

Joe Houchin, Imelda Hulett, Mary Anderson, Ron Schneider, Rob Anderson, Francesco Prato, Luigi Rossin,

Gordan Finnigan, Edna Harris, Alex MacRae, Douglas Geddes, Norm Woodman, Bill Wright, Br Denis Hernon,

Kieren O'Meara, Gerald Sullivan, Frank Cuskelly, Kata Lendel, Dan Flynn, Helen Turner, Laurie Lathan, Lorna Lane, Derek Holcroft, Bill Jeffrey, Jim Mannion, Reg Simpson, Mary Petty, Jim Corbin, Kathleen Griffin, John Deguara & Ana Cabrera.

<u>Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.</u>

Joan Taylor, Lorna Raffaut, Brian Wyvill, John Murray, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, Leo Berge, Shirley Armstrong, June Bell, Owen Bellamy, Mark Poole, Les Jacobs, Hunter Clist, Gerard Brown, Charlie Donaldson, Judy Wade, Tegan Myerscough, Angela Rankin, Ken McKewin, Avril Egan, Charlie Fletcher, Aileen Suhnann, Kathryn Mobley, Laurie Barron, Mike & Kaye Brown, Catherine Johnson, Susanne Weir, Jessica Timson, Gerry van Dinter, Patricia Twincheck, Dawn & John Roberts, Helen Teys, Eleanor Copeland, Terry Farrelly, Ted Hawkins, Margaret Evans, Michael Cooper.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

<u>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

First Reading: Zech 9:9-10 Psalm Resp: *I will praise your name forever, my King and my God.*

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Weekday Readings

Mon Gen 28:10-22; Ps: 90:1-4,14-15; Matt 9:18-26

Tues *St Benedict* Gen 32:23-33; Ps 16:1-3,6-8; Matt9:32-38 Wed Gen 41:55-57,42:5-7,17-24; Ps 32:2-3,10,11,18-19; Mt 10:1-7 **Thur** Gen 44:18-21,23-29,45:1-5; Ps 104:16-21; Mt 10:7-15 **Fri** Gen 46:1-7,28-30; Ps 36:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40; Mt 10:16-23 **Sat** *St Bonaventure* Gen 49:29-33,50:15-26; Ps 104:1-4,6-7; Mt 10:24-33

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm Resp: *The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.* Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23 Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

Pope Francis calls St Mary MacKillop Australia's first Saint 'an extraordinary religious sister' who dedicated her life to "the intellectual and religious formation of the poor in rural Australia." "This is very important," he said. Along "the path to holiness, which is the Christian path, the poor and the marginalised are the protagonists and a person cannot move forward in holiness if he or she does not also devote himself or herself to them in one way or another."

News from Our Schools



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



We welcome our school communities back on Monday and hope they have all enjoyed a restful break.



Donations to Help the Homeless

Our Knights of the southern Cross are in the thick of it this winter, donating \$5000.00 to 'not for profit' organisation Coast2Bay to assist them in their efforts of assisting homeless people into secure accommodation. Chief operating officer Lee Banfield (pictured far right) thanked the KSSC 'for their tireless awareness and fundraising they undertake in the community and for their support of Coast2Bay over the past three years'. Ms Banfield said the support from the Knights allowed Coast2Bay the chance to continue to support tenants into successful housing outcomes.



So far this year the Knights have financially supported at least six of the households exiting our accommodation into their new and permanent homes with things like Fridges, washing machines, beds and other general household items. The Knights would also like to take this opportunity to thanks those who help them in helping others: Brian Leeson from Trader Dukes and the butchers from 'Get Butchered'.



Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during the recent pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports, products

that sustain our population and economy. Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. If you would like to support this ministry, you may send a donation to: <u>https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/</u> or alternative you may like to keep both those who work on the sea

and those who care for them in your daily prayers.



Celebrating 150 years of Weddings at The Cathedral of St Stephen

In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen, couples who have been married at St Stephen's are invited to commemorate their years of marriage.

On Saturday, 30th September 2023, the Archbishop will celebrate Mass at 11:30am, followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

There will be a particular focus on Golden Wedding Anniversaries, however anyone married at the Cathedral or Chapel, is invited to attend.

> If you have photos or stories to share, please contact David Todd. email: toddd@bne.catholic.net.au telephone: 3324 3030 by 1st September 2023

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please note that there will be NO Mass this Monday at St Mary's

And with our school community back now from their third term break, please be advised that Friday Mass will resume at 7.45am with the Students and Staff at St Columban's College Community Chapel

Parish Collections: Parish Giving for 1 /2 July \$5215.60 Thank you for your constant support of our Parish both financially and prayerfully.

Petrie Catholic Parish has the pleasure of presenting a -PORTOFINO FASHION PARADE Come check out the latest Fashion, Accessories, Shoes and Jewellery. 2pm Saturday 22nd July 2023 in the School Hall 38 Armstrong Street, Petrie



Cost \$20.00, which includes afternoon tea and a lucky door prize or \$50 voucher. Raffles will be held on the day. To register please contact the parish office 3285 6759 or email: petrie@bne.catholic.net.au Book a table/ Bring a friend!



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Parish Mass Schedules

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

St Mary's: WoodfordSt Michael's: KilcoySun 8.00amSun 10.00amMon 9.30amThurs 5.30pm

Parish Reconciliation Times

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