

Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th /18th September 2023

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Breaking the Chain

Forgiveness. It is the inner meaning of Sunday's Mass.

Our culture has some pretty diverse understandings of what forgiveness means. For some it is an condescending act performed only by one person who is higher than the other – a King or Queen, who leans down to grant pardon.

For others it means "I forgive the one who hurt me but I can never forget." Under such an attitude, one will remain angry forever but will never act upon it.

Which leads to another possible meaning, that a person might choke back their hurt and anger by a sheer act of the will. They may have been savaged by someone, but will choke down their reaction.

So what is the real basis of forgiveness? On Easter Sunday of 1960, that great seer and lover of God, Dag Hammarskjöld, wrote an interpretation that moved me:

Forgiveness breaks the chain of causality because he who 'forgives' you – out of love – takes upon himself the consequences of what you have done. Forgiveness, therefore, always entails a sacrifice. The price you must pay for your own liberation through another's sacrifice is that you in turn must be willing to liberate in the same way, irrespective of the consequences to yourself.*

So much to think about in these brief words. ...

The Gospel illustrates what forgiveness means. (How many times must we forgive?)

Underneath this question is the answer we are looking for. The real motivation for forgiveness is gratitude, loving gratitude. If someone has had pity on me out of love, then my authentic reaction will be deep appreciation. I will want to give to someone else the liberation I have received, especially if that person has hurt me. I will want to pass the gift on.

God has loved us so kindly; can we feel grateful? Can we halt the cycle of retribution and pass along love instead of hate?

As you and I receive Christ's presence this Sunday, let us sense his forgiving love signified so deeply in the sacraments. Let us allow our gratitude to flow out and become the same forgiving love toward others.

John Foley, SJ



This past week we welcomed our new Associate Pastor, Fr Krupa Sagar Bonagiri (MSsCc.) Fr Krupa is from Theratpally, in the Nalgonda District of Telangana State in India. He joined the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary in the year 2001 and was ordained a priest on 29th December 2014. Fr Krupa is the youngest in a family of five and enjoys cooking, playing table tennis, cricket and listening to music. We look forward to getting to know Fr Krupa during his time in our Parish and sharing with him our Australian friendliness and our Parish Spirit.

Of course, as our Parish looks forward to welcoming Fr Krupa, we also must bid farewell to Fr Anthony (who arrives back from Nigeria this week). For your opportunity to give thanks for his pastoral gifts to our Parish and wish him well in his next appointment at Surfers Paradise, please put either of the following dates in your calendar -

- ❖ St Mary's 9.30am Mass Monday 25th Sept
- ❖ St Peter's 9.30am Mass Wednesday 27th Sept or
- ❖ Little Flower 9.15am Mass Thursday 28th Sept.

As we welcome Fr Anthony back, we'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Fr Dudley, Fr John & Bishop James for assisting Fr David with all our weekend & weekday Masses.

St Vincent De Paul Revitalisation Month

The National Council of St Vincent De Paul has identified September as 'The Month of Revitalisation'. The theme for the month is "Who is on our Street- the hands behind the help".

We have three conferences in our Parish - St Peter's, Little Flower and St Mary's (which is ecumenical). The members of these three conferences are the hands behind the help, they offer a shoulder to lean on, an ear to listen with or financial assistance to those of our brothers and sisters in Christ who are doing it tough. Our Parish is very generous of its financial support of Vinnies either through the Winter Appeal or the Christmas Appeal. But there is so much more you can do - offer your daily prayers up for their 'good works' or find out more of what they do so that maybe you might be able to volunteer some of your own time to help out. The members of St Vincent De Paul live their faith through their actions, with every face they see, they see the face of Christ, they show the compassion and love of God to all they meet and for this we ask God's blessings on them as they continue to be the face of our church to those who most desperately need to see it.

Vale - RIP Mrs Irene Edwards

Irene's family would like to invite you to join them as they say goodbye to her.
1.30pm Wed 20th September, St Peter's Church
Rest in Peace Irene in God's loving care.



9am Mass Sunday 1st October
Little Flower

Please join us as we celebrate
the feast day of our Patron
St Therese of Lisieux.

BBQ breakfast followed by cake & coffee.

Please note this will be the only Mass time that weekend for Little Flower.

God's Word 2024 is a companion on the journey to pray, to share, to grow in God's love and be nourished by the Word of God. It includes the Bible readings set down for each day, with a reflection and is designed to keep the Word of God close to your heart each day. If you would like a copy please email/phone the Office. Thank you to those who have done so already. The cost for each book is \$15.00.

Men Alive Weekend - 7th/8th October,
Stella Maris Primary School, Maroochydore.
For all enquiries please call -
Fr. Isaac (5443 3488) or Ross (0418 962 837)

Volunteering in Our Parish

Our Parish Volunteers are not just the 'mortar' that holds our parish together, but it is a practical and rewarding way of living out our faith.

Joining a ministry is about feeding each other and nourishing ourselves. We participate in ministry that eventually we might participate in the mission. The mission is to go out beyond the walls of our Church to nourish others and give them a taste of what we experience within the Church. Ministry and mission go hand-in-hand and we need both to keep our faith alive.

We have so many different ministries here in our Parish and we welcome you to any of them. But it's important to be aware that before beginning any of our Ministries volunteers must register with the Parish Office before commencing. Some of our ministries require training or BlueCard's. Some even require Police Checks. These requirements are a necessary requirement not only by the Archdiocese but State Government as well.

If you are new and would like to become involved, please call the Office and we will arrange a time with Fr David who will most warmly share with you the fabric of our Parish and the Ministry and mission in which makes up its charism.



Parish Collections: Parish 9/10 Sept \$5044.60

Thank you for your constant support of our Parish both financially and prayerfully.



Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Irene Edwards, Shirley Armstrong, Lorna Raffaut,
Shirley Grey, Nancy Revie, Charlie de Brueys,
Sarina Illott, Wayne Hogan & Leo Berge.
who have recently gone to their eternal reward.

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time

Leon Shaw, Cecil & Votive Greentree, Maureen
Burgess, Jamie Fairey, Joan McCafferty, Ray Gilbert,
Elizabeth Swinfield, Harry Wrench, Wojtech Lasek,
Glen Standfast, Ryan Bliss, Ross Gabriel, Don
Stewart, John Brady, Iris Hickey, Allan Corbett,
Elizabeth Brown, Nell Dunne, Mary Jones, Don Lord,
Norm Pearce, Steve Speak, Audrey Taylor, Charles
Hatlock, Petronille Delepeleer, Les Pearce, Frank
Sullivan, Kevin Cummer & Frank Wust.

Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.

Arthur Hangan, Pat Hegarty, Ron Jones, Brian
Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell,
Les Jacobs, Hunter Clist, Gerard Brown, Charlie
Donaldson, Tegan, Myerscough, Ken McKewin,
Laurie Barron, Mike & Kaye Brown, Susanne Weir,
Jessica Timson, Gerry van Dinter, Helen Teys,
Margaret Evans, Michael Cooper, Patricia Twinchek,
Ted Hawkins, Ray Davis, & Kathryn Mobley.

Woohoo it's a Teddy's Bear Picnic!!

Wednesday 11th October - only \$10.00
per head which includes lunch and the
bus trip to Mary Cairncross Park, Maleny (of course,
Teddies are free, and they may eat all they like!) Please
meet at the Park n Ride next to Woolworths on Bribie
at 9am sharp. For more info and to book a seat call
Diane on 0408 828 047, please note that there are
limited seats available, so act fast if you'd like to enjoy
this wonderful day of fun and frivolity!



Last Thursday night members of our Parish Rap
Steering Committee went to Brisbane for the launch of
the 2nd Archdiocesan Innovate Reconciliation Plan.
This plan will be the basis on which our own Parish
will build one from. A Reconciliation Action Plan is an
important step in building relationships with our First
Nations brothers and sisters and to reflect on the
significance of reconciliation and how essential it is for
the growth of our Nation. As our Archbishop says,
under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the
implementation of this plan will lead communities on
a new path of trust and respect. The next meeting for
the Steering Group will be Wednesday 27th September
at 2pm in the Parish Office.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 27:30 -28:7

Psalm Resp: *The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger
and rich in compassion.*

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Weekday Readings

Mon 1 Tim 2:1-8; Ps 27:2,7-9; Luke 7:1-10

Tues 1 Tim 3:1-13; Ps 100:1-3,5,6; Luke 7:11-17

Wed *Sts Andrew, Paul & their Companions & Martyrs* 1 Tim 3:14-
16; Ps 110:1-6; Luke 7:31-35

Thur *St Matthew Feast + Gloria*

Eph 4:1-7,11-13; Ps 18:2-5; Matthew 9:9-13

Fri 1 Tim 6:2-12; Ps 48:6-10,17-20; Luke 8:1-3

Sat *St Pius of Pietrelcina* 1 Tim 6:13-16; Ps 99; Lk 8:4-15

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Psalm Resp: *The Lord is near to all who call him.*

Second Reading: Phil 1:20-24,27

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16



**Let Justice
and Peace Flow**
Season of Creation 2023

As we enter the third week of the Season of Creation,
we might prayer this prayer (based in the Our Father)
by Jim Cotter:

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echoes through the
universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples
of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your communion of peace and freedom sustain our
hope and come on Earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

“Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make
a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and
they bless you, the giver.”

Mass times across our Parish

Little Flower, Bribe Island
41-47 First Avenue, Bongaree
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am
Tuesday 5pm
Thursday 9.15am

St Peter's, Caboolture
30 Beerburum Rd,
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 10am & 5pm
Wednesday 9.30am
Friday (St Columban's College 7.45am)

St Michael's Kilcoy
26 Kennedy Street
Sunday 10am
Thursday 5.30pm

St Mary's, Woodford
16 Peterson Road
Sunday 8am
Monday 9.30am

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