

Living Waters Catholic Parish

Embracing the Communities of:

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

Fourth Sunday in Lent

9th / 10th March 2024

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Incredible Love of God

We are in the fourth Sunday of Lent. The readings of today make us aware that we are still sinful humans, called to grow in faithfulness and love. The first reading is from the second book of Chronicles and give us the sad history that God's people were unfaithful and finally taken from their land into exile in Babylonia. The story does not end there, however. Instead, this story gives us cause for joy because God brings some of His people back to Judah, to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple. The readings gives us message to all of us that we are people find it difficult to remain faithful. When we are unfaithful, God allows us to suffer the consequences and then, at least a remnant will return to the Lord.

The second reading is from the Letter to the Ephesians and speaks again about our failings and God's mercy. God, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. It is the greatest gift of God.

Today's gospel reading make us aware of God's immense love and the priceless gift he gave us in His Son, Jesus. Jesus says that He will be raised, exactly as Moses raised the serpent in the desert. This potent image explains to us how Jesus death on the cross frees us from sin, just as the bronze serpent healed those who gazed upon it with faith.

God's immense love for us is the reason Jesus entered the world. He desired to demonstrate to us how to live with him forever. He desires for us to follow His instructions, have faith in Him, and believe in Him. We make the decision to live in the light of God's love when we decide to follow and believe in Jesus. This implies that, as Jesus taught us, we make an effort to treat people kindly, to forgive those who have wronged us and to assist those in need.

Following Jesus transforms us into the light of the world. He is light. We have the ability to spread God's love to others and provide people around us with the light of happiness and hope. It is essential to keep in mind that God still loves us despite our mistakes. When we sincerely repent from our sins and make an effort to return to the Lord, he is always willing to forgive us. Let us give thanks to God for sending Jesus to save us from His love. Let us pray for the ability to follow Jesus every day and to show His love to everyone we come into contact with.

Peace be with you,

Fr Krupa

Communal Rites of Reconciliation

St Michael's after mass Sun 17th March
Little Flower 6.00pm Monday 18th March
St Mary's 4.00pm Tuesday 19th March
St Peter's 7.00pm Wednesday 20th March

Holy Week & Easter Celebrations



Mass of the Lord's Supper

- 6.00pm St Peter's
- 7.00pm St Mary's

Stations of the Cross

- 9.30am Little Flower
- 9.30am St Peter's
- 9.30am St Mary's
- 9.30am St Michael's

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

- 3.00pm Little Flower
- 3.00pm St Mary's (led by Lay people)
- 3.00pm St Michaels
- 3.00pm St Peter's (led by Lay people)

Easter Vigil Mass

- 6.00 pm Little Flower
- 6.00 pm St Peter's

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

- 8.00 am Little Flower
- 8.00 am St Mary's
- 10.00 am St Michaels
- 10.00 am St Peter's

Please note there will be no
5pm mass on Easter Sunday night.

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



Around the Parish

****Chatters** will gather in the Parish Meeting

Room on Tuesday 12th March at 9.30am. All our Parishioners are very welcome to attend.

****A St Paddy's Day cuppa** after Mass on Sunday 17th March at Little Flower. Please stay after mass & enjoy the spread.

****Working Bee at St Mary's Church**
Sat 23rd March at 7.00am (to prepare for Easter)
Please allow 2 - 3 hours. For further info call John Burton 0407 359 707

To the People of God, Living Waters Parish

I have been approached by a member of the parish to seek the possibility that Fr Krupa and myself may be able to provide a Mass on Holy Thursday at each of the Churches. I had advised the enquirer, that each mass takes somewhere in the vicinity of an hour and a half and it is not physically possible for the two of us to provide that many Masses and maintain some sense of our own health and well-being.

As you may see from the Holy Week schedule that was included in last weeks' newsletter, Fr Krupa and I have endeavoured to provide a shared access to the various Liturgies across the Triduum of Holy Week.

The intention being that what takes place this year will be reversed in the following year, so that each Community has some access to the various Liturgies of the Triduum.

Ideally, it would be good if we could provide everyone with each of the Liturgies, but the reality of our world today is that the priests available can only do so much and still maintain their own sense of health.

I do hope that you can understand that Fr Krupa and I will endeavour to do as much as we are able to provide the liturgies needed across the parish where we can all gather and celebrate the significant events of the Holy Week Triduum.

Until more priests arrive to serve the needs of parishes across our Archdiocese, the current situation is what we have and it is important for us to do all that we can to gather as Church in this current climate, with the resources that we have at our disposal.

Please be patient and help Fr Krupa and I to do what we can for the sake of Living Waters Parish and its people of faith.

God Bless,

Fr John

Fr Krupa

Parish Name Badges

Sheets are at the rear of our churches for anyone who wishes to purchase a name badge. This is a great first step in getting to know each other. Our badges are magnetic, although we do have a very small number of pins available; the cost for either is \$5.00. *PS it is a good way for Fr John to get to know you too!*



Congratulations to **Tiffany Garcia & Summah Morris**

Baptised into our Parish Family this weekend.



Be a partner in compassion and create a change that will last for all future generations!





St Peter's Primary School
Principal: Mr Matt Mackinlay

News from Our Schools

St Columban's College
Principal: Mr Michael Connelly



From the Desk of Miss Catherine Meiklejohn (APRE)

Living our Josephine Charism

This year, as a school community we are committed to deepening our understanding of, and commitment to living, our Josephite Charism. We know that St Mary of the Cross MacKillop was fierce and fair in the face of adversity and injustice. She gave love and support to all those she encountered. Mary was a person of service, and as a school founded in the charism of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, we know that we are called to be the same. To truly *never see a need without doing something about it*. We are looking for opportunities to serve within our community (through engagement with initiatives such as the Buddy Bench, Student Ministries, and our day-to-day care for others) and also within the broader Caboolture community (such as supporting the work of St Vincent de Paul and Caritas and engaging with aged care facilities). We look forward to sharing more of this important work throughout the year.
Take care and go gently - Catherine

From the Desk of Mrs Angela Woodriff (APRE)

On International Women's Day on March 8th, our school embraced the spirit of unity and empowerment as all our female staff members and Year 12 female students came together for a special brunch. The event was graced by the presence of a distinguished guest, Jo Hayes, a renowned Channel 7 news reporter and Catholic evangelist, who stands as a pioneer in her field. Ms. Hayes shared her insights and experiences, inspiring our school community with her journey as a leader in media and faith. The atmosphere was one of camaraderie and inspiration, highlighting the strength and resilience of women in various fields. As we commemorated International Women's Day, this gathering served as a poignant reminder of the importance of supporting and uplifting each other on our unique journeys. We are grateful to Ms. Jo Hayes for enriching our celebration and for being a shining example of leadership and empowerment for our female students.
Blessings Ange.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday in Lent

First Reading: 2 Chron 36:14-16,19-23
Psalm Resp: *Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!*
Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel: John 3:14-21

Weekday Readings:

Mon: Is 65:17-21; Ps 29:2,4-6,11-13; Jn 4:43-54
Tues: Ezek 47:1-9,12; Ps 45:2-3,5-6,8-9; Jn 5:1-3,5-16
Wed: Is 49:8-15; Ps 144:8-9,13-14,17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thur: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 105:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Fri: Wis 2:1,12-22; Ps 33:16,18,19-21,23; Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
Sat: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3,9-12; Jn 7:40-52

Fifth Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Jerimiah 31:31-34
Psalm Resp: *Create a clean heart in me O God!*
Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9
Gospel: John 12:20-30

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Our Recently Deceased

Josephha Shuliga, Colleen Thompson, Faagata Gali, Sandra McShane, Fr Ian Wren, Terri Grosser, Henry White, Laurie Barron, Joseph Casha, Laurie Scott, Barry Gravener & Graham Tronc.

Those whose Anniversaries Occur at this Time.

Kenith Kelly, Edna O'Keefe, Betty Pitkin, Paul Lutton, William Mathieson, Joan O'Connell, Daphne Young, Marilyn McDonald, Barbara Young, Elizabeth Rumph, William Tyrell, Carole Jordan, Marie De La fontaine, Dora Cervellone, Regina Gralike, Ken Murphy, Vince Corbett, Peter O'Connell, Estelle Greinke, Elaine Travers, Steve Tutty, Mavis Hennessey, Kevin O'Brien, Sid Matthews, Peggy McPherson, Jean Higgins & Robert Burns.

Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.

Sue McGarry, Wanda Sibley, Helen Johnson, Suzy Henry, Tricia Fischer, Joshua & Myra Sessions, Joan Fitzpatrick, Anne Kelly, 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.



Parish Giving for 2 / 3 March \$4170.45
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PARISH MASS SCHEDULES

Little Flower: Bribie Island
Sat 6.00pm & Sun 8.00am
Thurs 9.15am

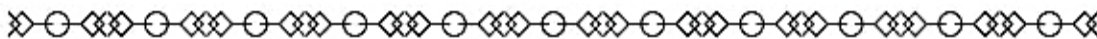
St Peter's: Caboolture
Sat 6.00pm, Sun 10.00am & 5.00pm
Wed 9.30am
St Columban's: Fri 7.45am

St Michael's: Kilcoy
Sun 10.00am
Tues 5.30pm

St Mary's: Woodford
Sun 8.00am
Mon 9.30am

Confession: 5 - 5.30pm Little Flower & St Peter's every Sat night. Outside of these times please contact the Office.

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