



# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Year C Cycle 1

4 May 2025



## Giving of Ourselves

In the Gospel reading, we are invited to reflect on the third occasion that Jesus 'shows' himself to the disciples following his resurrection. Jesus appears by the Sea of Tiberias and upon seeing the disciples struggling to catch any fish, suggests that they cast the net on the other side of the boat. When they listen to Jesus and do as he says, they catch an abundance of fish. This provokes the question-when and how does Jesus show himself in our lives? Is it through the kind word of encouragement expressed by a work colleague, or is it someone speaking truth in a difficult situation, or perhaps is it in the invitation to share a meal? Jesus shares bread and fish with the disciples, and in so doing, not only shows up, but shares something of himself his presence and friendship. How can we show up in a similar way for others, as Jesus did for the disciples? How can we offer words of life and abundance, and give something of ourselves in the name of Jesus, today?

*God's Word* Fiona Basile

## Pastoral Works Appeal this Weekend

Our Diocese of Broken Bay Pastoral Works (PWBB) Appeal is being held this weekend. The Appeal supports various charities in our Diocesan community, particularly the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. PWBB also supports St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College for students with disabilities, and the Ephpheta Centre supports the deaf community.

This financial year, 2025/2026, our parish has been asked to contribute \$56,127.00, of which \$16,027.00 is still outstanding. These ministries need our community's generosity as they get little or no Government funding. Please consider donating to help us reach this year's goal. You can donate at any time, not only during the Appeal months of May and November. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Envelopes are available on the pews or you can donate using the QR code. Thank you!

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## Nothing but the Truth

How many TV programmes, books, films and songs can you think of that have crime as their main focus? Take a moment to think... I'm guessing most of us got into double figures fairly quickly. Do you know which genres of novels sell the most books? Romance, and Crime. These two types of stories outsell all others by a significant amount. Our readings today also tell stories of love and crime.

A key element to many of these crime and legal stories is the taking of witness statements. Witnesses are asked to recount what they remember of what they saw and heard. They are asked a series of questions, "Can you describe the events as they happened?", "Can you identify the accused?", "Would you be willing to testify in court?" If a witness does testify in court, they are called by name to the stand and asked to swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Sometimes the entire case rests on the account of the witnesses.

The Apostles find themselves on trial before the Council of the High Priest. Their crime? Teaching in the name of Jesus. Their defense? "We must obey God." In Peter's witness statement, he tells of the coming of Jesus, Jesus' death and resurrection and the forgiveness of sins. Peter makes a witness statement of faith. He explicitly claims the name of "witness" for himself. Despite this witness testimony, the disciples are instructed not to speak in the name of Jesus. As we well know, or we would not be here today, the disciples disobeyed the court's ruling and chose to be obedient to God.

*Sunday Living Word* Majellan Family Media

## Congratulations Robinson Family!

Amy completed her Rite of Christian Initiation with Confirmation and First Eucharist and children Lily and Lincoln were Received into the Church this Easter.



**Masses:** Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 8am & 9:30am | Reynolds Court 11am | Maronite Mass 5pm

**Weekday Masses:** Monday - Thursday 9am | Friday 11:45am | Saturday 9am

**Reconciliations:** Saturdays 9:30am - 10am | 4pm - 4:30pm

**Liturgy of the Hours:** Saturday 8:40am

**Rosary:** Monday-Thursday 8:35am | Friday 11:20am | Saturday 9:30am

**Cenacle Prayer Group:** Wednesday 9:30am

**Christian Meditation Group:** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room



# A Beacon of Faith, Hope & Love

## Thank You from the Moloney Family

Fr Brian and sisters Pauline and Eileen wish to express their gratitude for the prayers and thoughts received with the recent death of their father Leo. Thank you to all who came to the Mass and helped in any way with the wake afterwards in the Parish Centre. Thanks and prayers

Fr Brian, Pauline and Eileen.

## First Eucharist Information & Enrolments

The Sacrament of First Eucharist or First Holy Communion begins with an Information and Enrolment session for parents. Available dates are:

**Tuesday 6 May at 7:00pm | Thursday 8 May at 5:30pm | Monday 12 May at 9:30am**

These sessions will be held in the Parish Centre. If you are unable to attend one of these sessions you will need to make an appointment with Fr Brian before the closing date for enrolments on Thursday 15 May. We look forward to the preparation and celebration of this most important Sacrament with you and your child.

## Seaside Youth Group

So blessed to have Youth Leader Marie giving us a talk this coming Saturday on how Jesus' Real "Love never fails." (1 Cor 13:8). Come and join us for Games 🎮, Food 🍕 and a talk about Easter 🐣, the Eucharist 🍷 and soon to be Saint, Carlo Acutis. 🙏 Saturday 10 May after 5pm Mass [till 8] in the Upper Room. All youth welcome! For any enquiries call the parish office on 4332 2216 or email [theentranceparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:theentranceparish@bbcatholic.org.au)



## Keep Us in Your Prayers

**Recently Deceased:** John Faehrmann, Alfie Borg, Pope Francis, Fr Michael Fallon, Kathryn Walker, Petra Fazzino, Fr David Coffey, Simon Camilleri, Jack Peeters, Robbie Lamont.

**Anniversaries:** Barry O'Neill, Bernard McCudden, Giuseppe Calvi.

**Remembrances:** Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Mario Cauchi, Delma Clarke, Charles Gatt, Leo Moloney, Frank & George Grech, Carolyn Finch, Narelle Adams, Joe Bond and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**Families:** Giutronich, Tyrell, Grech, Zahra, Grima, Cassar, Sciberras, Camilleri, Falzon & Patterson.

**Sick:** Loui Abraham, Stjepan Tuka, Peter McCarten, Pam Elliott, Graham Henneberry, Pauline Fowler, Antonio Palagiano, Beau Davis, Max Leete, Anne Clancy, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will.

**Welcome Newly Baptised:** William Fogg, Belle & Sienna Evans-Miranda, Florence Hennessey, Lachlan Northey, Cleo & Tai Hudson.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter** Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 | Apoc 5:11-14 | Jn 21:1-19

**Entrance Antiphon:** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm:** I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen; the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.



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## Please Note

### Welcome!

To the Chase & Caetano Families for the Reception of their children for the Sacrament of Baptism.

### Seniors: New Craft - Games - or Chat Morning

Come along for a relaxing, fun time and make new friends! Carers are welcome. While enjoying a cuppa and biscuit, just have a chat, do your craft, or bring your cards or favourite game. Share other ideas of activities. Every 3rd Tuesday of month commencing 20 May in the Reynolds Room from 10am to 12.30pm.

### Nursing Home Communion Service

Will be celebrated on Tuesday at Killarney Court Killarney Vale at 11am.

### Warning – Beware of Thieves!

Please take your handbags or valuables to Communion with you and keep them in front of you in the pews. There have been recent theft attempts.

### Free Community Wills Seminar

Join us for a free seminar with legal expert Cecilia Castle of Castle Lawyers who will cover essential estate topics like: Writing a Will, Power of Attorney, and Enduring Guardianship. Tuesday 20 May 10:30am-12:30pm in the Parish Centre. Call: 8379 1653 or email: [parish.admin@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:parish.admin@bbcatholic.org.au)

### Easter Offerings Thank You!

To all for your donations to support the Priests of our Diocese – retired and active.

### Easter Water

The new Easter Water is available in the Holy Water Urn next to the Confessionals.

### Secular Franciscans

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month (9 May) at 1pm in the Reynolds Room. All welcome!  
Enquiries: Gerard 0439 519 018.

### CCD Reflection Day – Stations of the Resurrection

Join us as we reflect on the post-Resurrection journey of Jesus. To be held in Chatswood on 9 May and The Entrance on 19 May 2025. All Catechists are invited, and welcome to bring a friend. Registrations essential: please email [registrations@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:registrations@bbcatholic.org.au) or call 8379 1643.

### Holy Souls Crusade

Please join in prayer with others around the world for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Tuesdays after 9am Mass in the Church. Enquiries: 0438 320 927.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe with Fr Peter De Souza

Experience the rich faith of the Mexican people and the miraculous story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. View the miraculous tilma of Juan Diego that bears an inexplicable image of Our Lady that is revered the world over. 12 Days - Mexico City, San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Guadalajara, Pátzcuaro, and return to Mexico City. Commences 22 September 2025. Enquiries: T: 02 9484 1427 or E: [Peter.deSouza@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Peter.deSouza@bbcatholic.org.au)

### The Catholic Weekly

Now on sale on the information tables. \$2 to the poor box please.



## Our Lady of the Rosary Sacred Gifts

### Welcome to OLR Sacred Gifts

OLR Sacred Gifts is open on Saturdays before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass and Sundays before and after the 9:30am Mass.  
You'll find us in the foyer of the Church.

**Enquiries: 4332 2216**