

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Year A Cycle 1

6 August 2023



Hum in our Hearts

Today Jesus brings us into his experience of the Father. We hear the Father calling Jesus 'my Son, the Beloved'! It is staggering to be here, mind-and-heart-blowing as it dawns on us that we are caught up in the reality of Jesus who shares God's divine life with each of us personally. The prophet Daniel, too, is filled with awe, as he speaks of the One whose sovereignty is eternal. In today's Second Reading Peter tells us to depend on prophecy, such as Daniel's. It 'lights the way for us', 'until the morning star rises in our minds.'

We too are God's beloved, and on occasions Jesus takes us aside also and offers a taste of transfiguration. In the midst of some darkness that may be surrounding us, surprisingly a light shines. May the Father's words, 'you are my beloved', hum in our hearts as we journey with Jesus, our Morning Star.

God's Word Sr Flora Ricupero pbvm

Celebrations for Fr Brian's 40th Anniversary of Ordination

All are invited to the 40th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination Thanksgiving Mass and Supper for Fr Brian on Saturday 19 August. He will celebrate the 5pm Vigil Mass and this will be followed

by a Supper in the parish centre. It will be a great time to show him our appreciation of his many years of dedicated service in our diocese, and latterly in our parish.

We ask parishioners to bring a plate of hot/cold finger food to share at the Supper. As we expect many to bring pies/sausage rolls, we ask that you try to bring something a little different. Some suggestions could include quiche, pinwheels, puffs, spring rolls, arancini balls, meatballs, spinach triangles, chicken wings, savoury muffins, potato rostis, zucchini slice, fritters, prawn toast, pastries etc. These can be left in the parish centre prior to the 5pm Mass for keeping warm in the pie ovens.

Also for those who wish to give Fr Brian a gift, envelopes are available on the Church tables and may be placed in the collection boxes.



DIOCESAN YEAR OF SAFEGUARDING



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop 8 August

> St Lawrence 10 August St Clare



Welcome

to the
Tamayo Family
for the Reception
of their child
for the Sacrament
of Baptism.



Low Gluten Hosts

Please see one of the Priests before Mass if you are a coeliac.



God has created my heart only for himself. He asks me to give it to him that he may make it happy. St John Vianney

Share Your Catholic Faith

re you wanting to share and develop your Catholic faith?

Over the past few months, we have had several enquiries from people wishing to explore the Catholic faith with the intention of becoming a Catholic Christian. Due to these enquiries, we would like to introduce the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program as part of our parish ministries that we offer.

What's it all about? Developing a relationship takes time. Through the RCIA process people are invited to enter into a journey of faith in Jesus Christ, a journey of discovery as they practice living life as a Catholic Christian. The journey of becoming a Catholic Christian is one made in the company of the whole parish community along with other enquirers, catechists and sponsors.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process that is located in the heart of the parish community. The parish community is where everyone learns how:

To pray and worship

To listen to God's Word in the Scriptures

To build and take part in community life

To go out in service of others.

Thus, every member of the parish is 'part of the overall RCIA team', apprenticing, mentoring, guiding and giving example and witness to those who seek to live the Catholic Christian way of life in relationship with Jesus. Everyone in the parish has qualities, gifts and skills which they bring to the life and growth of the community and are thus of service to those seeking initiation.

We are seeking expressions of interest from parishioners to be part of the RCIA team in the following areas:

Prayer Partners: To pray for all those participating in RCIA program and give their ongoing encouragement to them.

Hospitality: Have a welcoming and inclusive attitude, enjoy being with, introducing and socialising with people. Responsible for simple suppers, etc for gatherings.

Catechists: Are to be actively living out their faith and one who has an understanding of adult learning. Be able to support the faith development of the enquirers, lessons should be appropriate, taught with sensitivity for the level of understanding and follow the provided curriculum.

Sponsors: Are active participants in the mission and sacraments of the Church and be prepared to befriend and support a catechumen or candidate to accompany them on their faith journey.

If you would like to know more about these positions, please contact the parish office on 4332 2216 or speak to Fr Brian or Colleen Smith.

Humour Time

our Bishops are having dinner when one of them keels over in a medical emergency. It doesn't look good and they don't think he is going to make it. Then one of the bishops yells, "Someone get a priest."

MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Clergy Appointments OLR Parish

I have been granted Long Service Leave starting from Sunday 20 August and I will return to the parish on Thursday 2 November. Bishop Anthony has appointed Fr Leonse Kurian to be Parish Administrator during my absence. Bishop Anthony asked if one of us could help in Wilcannia Forbes diocese for a short placement as they are not able to get a priest supply so Fr Leonse has gone to Deniliquin parish (800km away) and will return on Saturday 19 August. Bishop Anthony has also appointed Fr Joshi Naduppura as Assistant Priest here in our parish, who arrived on Tuesday. Fr Joshi is a member of the Sons of Immaculate Conception Order who staff Toukley Parish and like Fr Leonse hails from Kerala. Please make him welcome as he joins our parish. Fr Joshi will be the second priest while I am away and then when I return Fr Leonse will be leaving us later in November and Fr Joshi will remain as the Assistant Priest.

Yours in Christ, Fr Brian Moloney

National Vocations Awareness Week

The Catholic Church in Australia celebrates National Vocations Awareness Week in August, coinciding with the feast of our country's first saint, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

Pope Francis said, our vocation "teaches us that our life is not a fluke but rather a gift: that of being God's beloved children, gathered in the great family of the Church." National Vocations Awareness Week is a time for every Christian to ask these important questions: Where is God calling me in my journey through life? Who am I called to journey with? In what spirit should I receive the gifts and challenges of life?

The Voice Dialogue

Confused? Join a Dialogue about "The Voice" Referendum. Let's take the heat out of the discussion. Why should Christians take this seriously? Whose idea is it? What does it actually say? How will it work? What does the Church say? Come 9:30–11:30am Tuesday 29 August and 12 September in the Parish Centre. - Margaret Hagan

Please Note

Annual Seminarian Benefit Dinner

Calling all Broken Bay faithful! Come join us for an amazing evening of delicious food, friendly company and musical performances put on by our very own seminarians. Most importantly, support our diocese's commitment to inspiring vocations! Saturday 2 September 6:30pm after the 5pm Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood Parish Harrington Hall, 94 Archer Street Chatswood. Tickets \$60pp at trybooking.com/cjoux or 9410 9000.

Clergy Care Coordinator

The Chancery is seeking an experienced Care Coordinator to support our clergy in their health and medical requirements. This role also provides support to our retired clergy to optimise their independence and maintain their quality of life and dignity as they age. This is a permanent full-time position. For more information, email recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au





For World
Youth Day:
We pray that
World Youth Day
in Lisbon will help
young people to
live and witness
the Gospel in
their own lives.

Parish Morning

The Pelican Blue Family Group is hosting our Morning Tea next Sunday 13 August in the Parish Centre after 9:30am Mass. All Welcome!



This Week's Winners!

1st Prize - 56 2nd Prize - 99 Congratulations!

THE ENTRANCE PARISH DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

A beacon of Faith, Hope and Love

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Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court, Bias Ave Bateau Bay) Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am

Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm

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 Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

The Transfiguration Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

2 Peter 1:16-19

Matthew 17:1-9

Entrance Antiphon: In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my

beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Keep Us In Your Prayers There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel

Recently Deceased: Fr Laurie Beath (PP Cowra), Morna Faehrmann, Raymond Baker, Kerry Pintado, Fr Alfred Vella, Rita Matthews, Angelo Savino, Noel Day, Simon Butcher.

Anniversaries: Margaret Simmons, Delma Clarke, Patricia Costello (baby), John McDermott.

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, John Giutronich, Petar Lerotic, David Drinan, Charlie Attard, Agnes & Alfred Rodger, Betty & Jack McDermott, James, Molly & Mary Freney, Sidney Jayesuria (birthday), Joe Bond and all the Holy Souls.

Families: Clarke, Curtis & Parsons.

Sick: Anne O'Rourke, Dallas McDonald, Susan Simmons, June Molloy, John Cox, Mal Garrington, Paul Smith, Collette O'Grady, Oskar Alessandro, Trish Knoke, Emma Horton, Marc Sabat, Patrick Cologon, Linda Read, Rita Meilak, Peter O'Grady, Tanya Doorn, Kelly Will, and all with serious illness.

Pearly Gates Revisited











Gift Centre

New stock coming in all the time - come and see! We are open before and after the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass and before and after the 9:30am Sunday Mass in the Church fover. EFTPOS is available. For any enquiries call

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