

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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27 January 2019 - Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am Thursday: 9:15am Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (vigil) Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm Public Holiday: 9:00am

Youth Mass: 6:00pm (1st Sunday of month)

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment
Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice
Morning Prayer: Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6:10am Thursday: 8:40am
Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:15am or by request
Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 – 10am concluding with Benediction
Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am
Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)



Every Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg 10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Every Thursday Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

January

Sunday 27 January Parish Choir 9am-11am

Monday 28 January Australia Day Public Holiday Mass at 9am

Thursday 31 January Parish Social Craft Group 10:30am Parish Hall

February

Sunday 3 February Junior Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 10 February Parish Choir 9am-11am



Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.

(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

There are some things we need to highlight in Luke's Gospel of today. Firstly, that Jesus had that power of Spirit *in* him. Secondly, that he had already been active in a synagogue—teaching ministry throughout Galilee before he came to his home town of Nazareth. Thirdly, the initial response to Jesus had been one of praise. However, note too that Luke says nothing about healing! Fourthly, the text t ells us that Jesus was in the habit of going to synagogue on the Sabbath—he was used to practising his faith.

What is also significant is that Jesus could read, and read in Hebrew at that. At this point in history, Hebrew was not widely spoken and only a

few could read it. Indeed, the master of the synagogue would occasionally invite special guests to read and comment and it is in this context that Jesus is handed the scroll of Isaiah. The reading was a source of hope for a dispirited people, not long returned from their exile in Babylon. It comes from the heart of God and God's concern for the poor, the captives, the blind and the oppressed. By claiming that the Scripture 'is being fulfilled today', Jesus is effectively claiming that he is the One anointed by the Spirit and that God's 'year' of favour had begun. His sense of God was that God cared deeply and the audience in the synagogue at Nazareth understood themselves as the oppressed of Isaiah's prophecy. Just as it was then, so it is now. The message of the Gospel is that we have a God who cares deeply for us. How deeply to do we care for God by taking care of the poor, the captives, the blind and the oppressed?

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee

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GOSPEL OF LUKE

with Bishop David Walker

RSVP Friday 8 Feb

This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Gospel of Luke that is proclaimed at Sunday Masses this year.

Bishop David Walker will lead these sessions. Each session will conclude with guided Lectio Divina.

Tuesdays 10 - 11.30am in the Magnificat Room (*Kirk St***)** 12, 19, 26 Feb & 12, 19, 26 March

Thursdays 7 - 8.30pm in Magnificat Room (Kirk St) 14, 21, 28 Feb & 14, 21, 28 March

RSVP TO Gail Gill 9410 9021 gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au

How to Pray, using the example of the Woman at the Well (John 4).

The following is a simple, helpful method as given by St John of the Cross:

"The first thing is to summon up the mysteries of Jesus by imagining them." For example be present to Jesus as he sits wearied at the well, hot, alone, waiting (John 4). Imagine, not in detail, but impressionistically, as entering, not just observing.

"Then ponder in your mind the mystery you have evoked."
Continuing John 4; Jesus is there, weary, for me... He
demands no explanation; he wants to quench thirst with living
water.... He allows me to be with him.

Third, 'attentiveness to God, in loving stillness: that is where the fruit of the other activities is plucked, and where the door, of the mind is opened to God's light...'

Attentive in love; desire him there; adore him there; be with him in faith.

You see Jesus is the best of lovers: like a man who really loves a good woman. We are the beloved. If the woman does not respond with her heart desiring the relationship nothing much will happen.

In fact, 'what prepares a soul for union with God is desire for God; if we desire Him know that He desires us even more'. (Living Flame of Love).

Prayer Zone

Please pray for the ill:

Maria and Jack Garcia; Roseanne Kapel; Tony
Lee; Jose Mestres; Marie Martin; Meacheal;
Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Crinitti;
Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di
Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco
Macolino, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone,
Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane
Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Carol-Anne Campbell,
Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie,
Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone,
John Michael Walsh

 ${\it Please let the office know of any changes to the ill.}$

If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let the office know.

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for Pymble Chapel Uniting Church and Reverend Steve Aynsley, their leaders and preachers.

Feast Days — January / February

Monday 28th, St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor

Thursday 31st, St John Bosco, priest **Saturday 2nd**, The Presentation of the Lord



The Australia Day public holiday falls on Monday 28 January 2019. Mass on this day will be held at 9am.

Happy Australia Day everyone. Enjoy your long weekend.

Our Deepest Sympathy

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Francesco Macolino whose funeral was held at Corpus Christi on Wednesday 16 January 2019. May Francesco experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 2019

The sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in Term 1 of 2019 at Corpus Christi Parish on 23rd March.

In order to join this sacrament program children must be in Year 3 or older and be both **Baptised** and have completed the sacrament of **Confirmation**.

Parents wishing to enroll their child for the Sacrament of reconciliation should do so filling in the form attached and returning it to the Parish Office by **Monday 11**th **February 2019** with a payment of \$30. You may have already enrolled your child if you paid for all three sacraments in 2018. In this instance an email will be sent to you.

There will be one Parent Information Evening held in the Church at 7:30pm on Thursday 14th February.

Reconciliation will be held on Saturday 23rd March 2019 at either 9:30am or 3:30pm.

Attendance by at least one parent at the information evening is a requirement of the course.

All queries can be directed to Gerri Hadwen via sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au

PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, lessons available. Next get together **Thursday 31 January 2019** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

Enq.: Angela 9144 6553 or Merna 9449 2883.

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values TRUTHFULNESS..... "For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth." - 2 Cor 13:8

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY



Evangelisation—Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.



LAST OPPORTUNITY Further Listening and Dialogue Sessions

There has been an amazing response to the Plenary Council so far and we are not far from reaching the end of the first phase of this process. Corpus Christi is holding two more Listening and Dialogue Sessions on:

Tuesday 5 February, 7-9pm in the Hall and Sunday 10 February, after 10am Mass (approx. 11:15am-1:15pm).

An update of how the Listening and Dialogue Sessions have been going across Australia will also be shared.

We are fast approaching the last opportunity to "have your say". These listening and dialogue sessions will end on Ash Wednesday (6 March 2019), at which time the Plenary Process will move into Phase 2, the discernment of all gathered information. THERE WILL BE NO MORE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR VIEWS AFTER THIS TIME.

You may also submit your own listening and dialogues session online at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au This is a great

opportunity to involve family and friends who do not attend church and are happy to engage in this process at home. It is also very important we hear from those who do not attend church. We would appreciate it if you would share a copy of your submission with the parish. Some of the submissions can be dealt with at parish or diocesan levels before the end of the plenary process in 2021.

To avoid missing out, please register your interest on the enrolment forms at the entrances to the church or with the parish office on 9144 6998 or Jennifer Perrott at

<u>jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au</u> before the selected dates. We look forward to hearing your views.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present. We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.



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- * Divorce/separation –incorporating principles which can help parents and children adapt/ transition to changed circumstances.
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