

SPREAD THE WORD

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners and Friends

I have almost completed my fourth week at Our Lady of Graces. It has been a good week and a busy one. Maybe some of you would like to know what kind of activities I have been up to. Well, the last week has included preparation of homilies and morning Masses, meetings with a couple preparing for marriage, a Parish Finance Council meeting examining our current situation, preparation for the Parish Pastoral Council meeting next week, a beginning of the year School Mass at St Martin's, a meeting with the Principal of San Sisto College, a Parish Staff meeting, and so on. One of the things which impresses me greatly is the number of parishioners who are actively involved in the administration, pastoral care and maintenance of the parish.

It is interesting that this Sunday's gospel is all about a typical day in the ministry of Jesus. It starts out with liturgy in the synagogue at Capernaum where Jesus teaches the people and drives the devil out of one of the congregation. Then Jesus goes to the house of Simon and Andrew, presumably for breakfast. However Simon's mother in law is seriously ill. Jesus cures her, and she immediately sets out to look after her family and guests. After that the house is flooded for the rest of the day by people who also want healing. Early next morning Jesus escapes to the hills to spend time alone with his Father. His disciples go after him to bring him back, as there are more people gathering at the house. But Jesus insists on moving out to other villages.

So what does all that mean for us? Here are a few thoughts:

- a. It is all about Jesus trying to bring people into a deeper relationship with his Father. So he teaches them and frees them from everything that prevents them from living a fully human life based on that relationship, hence the healing. And, Mark is telling us, all of that is still happening – the Kingdom is gradually being established on earth – by Christ through us.
- b. Whenever we see or hear any of the above happening in our lives, we are in the presence of the power of God .
- c. It is within homes and families that the Kingdom takes root, as in the house of Simon and Andrew.
- d. Simon's mother in law is presented as an example to all of us. She is healed and immediately begins to "serve" (breakfast), like Jesus.
- e. When feeling overburdened we need to take time off with the Father – like Jesus.

Fr Tom Cassidy, OP.

Let us pray for the sick: Anton Albina, Edith Arkin, Elizabeth Arndt, Kath Aspill, Geraldine Bakker, Kevin Blunt, Rex Bowen, Susan Edge, Sr Elian OCD, Maria do Carmo Ferreira, Morry Finn, Annette Gatt, Petra Hellwig, Jocelyn Hellstrom, baby Luca Hurley, Dorothy Ingledew, Barry Layton, Robyn Loth, Laura Maher, Paul McKean, Patricia Meulman, Fay Mollison, Steve Mollison, Jan Moloney, Betty Morris, Marcos Natividad, Jaryd Nunis, Caitlin O'Neill, Nancy Robinson, Judy Simons, Phil Spillane, Winnie Sutherland, Jose Villaneuva, Joan Ward, Joan Whewell and Matthew Zemek.

Let us pray for our deceased:

Recent: Noelene Thomas, Fr Vic Dalton, Ann-Maree McMeniman, Col Bramwell, Laurie Rossow, Sr Joyce Adams OP, Paul Childers, and Olwyn Robinson.

Anniversaries: Guy Clarke, Peter Vallely, James Rogers and Bob and Joyce Marino.

LOOKING AHEAD

Mon 6 Feb	Parish Pastoral Council meets
Wed 8 Feb	OLG Diners
Thu 16 Feb	Academic Mass for Parish Students
Wed 22 Feb	Ash Wednesday
Fri 2 Mar	World Day of Prayer

OLG Diners – The next dinner is **Wednesday 8 February around 6pm at the Pacific Golf Club.** New people welcome.

The **St Vincent de Paul bins** outside the Aquinas Room have been removed permanently due to recurring problems with managing the articles donated. Your unwanted, good quality articles may be put into bins at St Thomas' Camp Hill, St Oliver Plunkett Cannon Hill, St James' or Regina Caeli or Loretto College at Coorparoo, or any St Vincent de Paul store. All donation locations are listed at <http://www.vinnies.org.au/where-to-donate-qld>.

Attention all Students

Primary, Secondary or Tertiary

Mass for Students is being celebrated at Our Lady of Graces on Thursday 16 February, 6.30pm. Students from many different schools and universities are coming together to celebrate the beginning of the year. Join us for supper afterwards and find out what's happening in the Parish & around the Deanery.



World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year, on the first Friday of March, to which all are welcome. Each year a different local church hosts the celebration, and **this year it is our turn to host** on Friday 2 March.

WDP ceremonies each year are themed to reflect traditions of a different nation. In 2012 it is the turn of the women of Malaysia. If any parishioners have connections to that country, we would appreciate some memorabilia or articles we could use in this prayer ceremony. If you think you can assist please contact the parish office.

Rosters for 1st and 2nd Sunday of February

4 & 5 February		11 & 12 February
Ministers of the Eucharist:		
6pm	Co-ord: Frank King Judith Piccolo, Ella Vasta, Ann Connell & Brendan Schostakowski	Co-ord: Frank King Shirley Mahon, Reg Simons, Carmel Forster, John & Linda Gordon
7am	Co-ord: required Sandra Henry, Persis Ranasinghe, Maria Dower, Pat Andersen, R Kennedy	Co-ord: Dulcie O'Connell Del Boyle, Marie Duthie, Peter Carius & Harold O'Connell
9am	Co-ord: Carol da Silva Alex & Celia Sinibaldi, Tony Tello, Natalie da Silva & Catherine Retford	Co-ord: Chris Thompson Michael O'Rourke, Paul Mulvihill, Dorothy Blumke, Shanne Harding, Anne O'Dougherty & Janelle Kearns
5.30	Co-ord: Cedric McIntyre , Shane Johnson, Jessica Moss, Bob Daniel <i>1 Min req'd</i>	Co-ord: Cedric McIntyre Mary-Ann Canfield, Vilma Simbag, Pacqui Girard & Jenny Perrin

Readers of the Word:

6pm	Roseanne Macintyre, Denis Hohnen	Dennis Harrison, Kevin Searle
7am	Reg Simons, Joe Ayres, Alison Sorbello	Sandra Henry, Pat Pieper
9am	Chris Thompson, Lenore Sullivan	Peter Woods, Allan Montgomery
5.30	Yvonne & Ray Matta	David Greenaway & Mary-Ann Canfield

Altar Servers:

6pm	Damian King, Ramzi Matta & Will Stevens	Joseph Corbett, Damien Harding & Maxi Waaka
7am	Servers Required	Servers Required
9am	Claire Dimento, Ella Dickson & Emma Cran	Giovanna & Amira Hage, Gabby & Sam Behm
5.30	Megan Lassig, Alex Green & Ashleigh de Thomas	Lauren & Georgia Hocking & Will Stevens

Data Projector Operators:

6pm	Shirley Mahon	
7am	Michelle Coyne	Carlo Simbag
9am	Kevin Norohna	Tracey Halstead
5.30	Alex Matta	Rohan Mirchandani

Musicians:

6pm	Jan Williams & Julie Van Dieen	J Williams & J Van Dieen
7am	Maree Cummins, Maddalena Lucchi	Musicians needed. Please apply.
9am	Kim Noronha, McMahan & O'Dougherty	Noronha, McMahan & O'Dougherty
5.30	Dennis Harrison & L Nesbitt	Children's Choir

Communion to the Sick:

Carmel Forster, Eugenia Gomez, Anne Goodwin, Ana Varela, Denis Hohnen & John Desouza	Dorothy Blumke, Pam Heyes, Kevin Cronin, Len Pashen
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Children's Liturgy:

Steph Florido & Lisa Greenaway	Amy Samaranyake
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Purifiers:

Anne McIntyre	Anne McIntyre
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Home Transport:

A: Petchells	A: Petchells
B: Reillys.	B: Perrins.

Cuppa & Chat (9am Mass)

Dimento Family	Vasta Family
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Latin Classes will resume this year on Wednesday 8 February at 7.30pm. Venue will be decided on arrival at the priory



SPREAD THE WORK

Next week is our annual parish call to renew your commitment, or make a new one, to the many and varied works in our Parish. The generous helpers, who serve in our community, echo the example of Christ. This week we ask you to take the time to consider ways you can assist.

Introducing a Year of Grace

Tuesday Classes for 2012 begin next Tuesday 7 February after the 9am Mass. Newcomers are welcome. If possible bring along a Bible and "The Catechism of the Catholic Church".

Participants please pick up a card brochure entitled "Introducing the Year of Grace" from the table at the entrance to the church. It contains a programme for the year and a special prayer from the liturgy we will pray before class.

Youth News

The Blue is the Brisbane East Deanery's high school group, meeting every second Friday from 7:30-9pm at St Oliver Plunkett's Parish Hall, Beauvaria St, Cannon Hill. Everyone from grades 8-12 is invited. Join us for a night of games, sharing, prayer, talk and meet people. We'd love for you to join us. Contact Ciara Retford for more details or with any questions, or if you just want someone to meet at the front door to introduce you to more people! See more about this at edyouth.net. Meeting dates up to Easter are 17 February, 2, 16 & 30 March. Hope to see you ALL on Friday 17 of February!

Ciara Retford, Youth Coordinator

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Italian News.

Pilgrimage 2012 departing Brisbane 30 April, visiting Fatima (3 days), Holy Land (8 days), Central and Southern Italy (9 days). Tour Leaders: Vito and Anna Di Stasi and Padre Angelo Cagna. Cost (including air fare): \$6,245.00. For full programme and bookings, contact Vito Di Stasi 3398 5738, or email: vdistasi@optusnet.com.au

Eastern Deanery Trivia Night

Saturday 10th March at Sts Peter & Paul School Hall, Balmoral. 7pm for a 7.15 start. \$10 per person with tables of 10 people [max]. Only 16 tables available on the night – book a whole table, or part thereof. Cash bar, BYO nibbles for your table. Raffles, lucky door & best dressed prizes – the theme is Irish/St Patrick's Day. Sts Peter and Paul have won the trophy for the last 3 years – help to not let them win it for four years running. Phone or visiting Carina Parish Office to make your booking.

CENTACARE APPEAL

Next weekend we will hold the bi-annual appeal, the proceeds of which assist Centacare's aid to those affected by physical or psychiatric illness, loneliness, isolation, imprisonment, racism and HIV/AIDS. Centacare's Catholic Family and Community Services programs also assist children and adults suffering from problems stemming from emotional and financial issues. Your donation will help Centacare meet the increasing demand for their services.

Photocopier For Sale

Canon Office Copier suitable for small business or club. Excellent condition, one owner. Contact Parish Office if you would like more information – 3398 2977 Mon to Fri, 9am-3pm.

An invite is extended to all Parishioners

who grapple with the challenge of engaging young people in Church and Parish life today. Come along to the Annual Archdiocesan Day for Pastoral Councils – Saturday 10 March a day of prayer, information, discussion and sharing, with opportunities to meet and network with members of other parishes over morning tea and lunch. There is no charge for this day, but bookings are essential. RSVP March 1, to Mary-Anne Cullen on 3336 9362.

40 Days for Life from 22 Feb to 1 April 2012 our community in Brisbane is uniting with hundreds of other cities around the world for the largest pro-life campaign in history: *40 Days for Life*. Recognising that "with God all things are possible," people of faith are coming together to pray to bring an **end to abortion**.

Rally for Life 2012, where Bishop Geoffrey Jarrett will speak, is being held on Saturday 11 February at 2pm at Queens park, cnr William, Elizabeth and George Sts. Details on our parish noticeboard.

Applications are open for a position with the Cathedral Parish. A person with sound administrative & secretarial skills is required for a permanent part-time position, 4 days per week. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Cathedral Office on 3336 9111 Applications close Friday 10 February 2012.

The Dominican Friars are holding a retreat for men aged 18-30 at the Presentation Spirituality Centre, 26 Kooralgin Street Manly from 10-12 February 2012. It will be led by Fr Dom Murphy OP and Fr Paul Rowse OP. Theme: "Wisdom". Cost \$200 – includes meals and accommodation. For more information contact Br James Baxter OP – james.baxter@op.org.au.

IONA COLLEGE –ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS for 2014 - Year 8 & Year 5 close on Friday 10 Feb 2012. Please contact the Registrar, Sharon Young on 3893 8801 or enrol@iona.qld.edu.au.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

A reading from the book of Job 7.1-4, 6-7

Job spoke to his friends:

“Do not human beings have a hard service on earth, and are not their days like the days of a labourer? Like a slave who longs for the shadow, and like labourers who look for their wages, so I am allotted months of emptiness, and nights of misery are apportioned to me.

“When I lie down I say, ‘When shall I rise?’ But the night is long, and I am full of tossing until dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver’s shuttle, and come to their end without hope. Remember that my life is a breath; my eye will never again see good.”

Responsorial Psalm Ps 146:1-6

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken hearted.

Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving;
to him our praise is due. R.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel’s exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
he fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. R.

Our Lord is great and almighty
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. R.

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians 9.16-19, 22-23.

If I proclaim the gospel,
this gives me no ground for boasting,
for an obligation is laid on me,
and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel!
For if I do this of my own will,
I have a reward;
but if not of my own will,
I am entrusted with a commission.
What then is my reward?
Just this:
that in my proclamation
I may make the gospel free of charge,
so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all,
I have made myself a slave to all,
so that I might win more of them.
To the weak I became weak,
so that I might win the weak.
I have become all things to all people,
that I might by all means save some.
I do it all for the sake of the gospel,
so that I may share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
He bore our sickness,
And endured our suffering.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark 1.29-39

As soon as Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever; and they told Jesus about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her; and she began to serve them.



That evening, at sundown, they brought to Jesus all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And Jesus went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Communion Antiphon: Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

This week in the Catholic Leader:

- Rain and floodwaters cause headaches as Catholic students and teachers return to school
- Gifted US preacher Fr Robert Barron to speak in Brisbane in March
- Bishops urge asylum seekers be treated with dignity
- Brisbane events to support pro-life cause and honour the Blessed Mother
- Catholics honoured with Australia Day Awards
- Emily's Voice is speaking out for the unborn
- Bishop Finnigan reaches out to Toowoomba diocese
- Mass exodus as Christians flee violence in Nigeria
- Fiona & Paul Webb's family life full of blessings
- PLUS: A regional focus on Toowoomba Diocese, and the Catholic Church's most read jobs market.

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