# Jubilee Catholic Parish

#### EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Ambrose's, Newmarket ~ St Brigid's, Red Hill ~ St Finbarr's, Ashgrove ~ St Joan of Arc, Herston St Mary Magdalene, Bardon ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 4 FEBRUARY 2024

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#### The Healing Word of God

In today's Gospel, Mark describes one of many of the healing events in Jesus' ministry. Mark's gospels are in fact full of descriptions of Jesus healing a range physical illnesses including; fever, paralysis, blindness, leprosy, deafness.

oedema and haemorrhaging. On these occasions Jesus predominantly used nothing more than words and touch to bring about the cures.



While I am sure all the clinicians in the room are asking "how?" I think the more important and illuminating question is "why?". Why did Jesus' ministry include healing?

Even today, the experience and understanding of illness has a cultural and social component. In first century Galilee, illness was seen not as an organic, medical problem but as a societal and religious one mediated by evil. From a religious perspective, illness was seen as a punishment from a judgemental God, a sign that God had abandoned them. The inference being that the afflicted was possessed by an evil spirit or had done something to warrant being abandoned. The social consequence of illness was that the afflicted could not participate fully in community life and in some cases, such a leprosy, was completely kept out of the community. They would have felt alone and abandoned, yearning for forgiveness and acceptance. Jesus recognised this and saw that the "cure" for the social and religious construct of disease was public forgiveness and reconciliation with God.

Through his healing ministry Jesus brought suffers back to God. He demonstrated to the afflicted (and the wider community) that though their faith they were worthy of forgiveness, worthy of participating in the full life of society and welcomed to participate in the Kingdom of God.

In healing ministry Jesus also demonstrated his power to conquer evil. In last weekend's Gospel Jesus successfully commanded the taunting, evil spirit to "Be quiet!" and to "come out" of the man it had possessed, again in today's Gospel Jesus casts out evil spirits and commands them to silence.

In Australia 2024, while our understanding of the biological causes of illness may have changed, the social determinants of health haven't changed much at all since first century Galilee. Poverty and illness are inevitably linked: the poor get sick and to quote U2, "the sick stay poor" and poverty remains a significant cause of social isolation.

Through this ministry Jesus taught that in order to live a full life we must be one with God and that by faith we are all offered salvation, forgiveness and acceptance to participate fully in the Kingdom of God.

Gina Clare, Pastoral Associate

## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time- 4 February 2024 (Year B) Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Second Reading: 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23 Response: Praise the Lord who heals the broken hearted.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 1:29-39

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY: The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February - February 4 in 2024. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday



From Pope Francis' writing on The Word of God # 12 "When sacred Scripture is read in the light of the same Spirit by whom it was written, it remains ever new. ... Sacred Scripture accomplishes its prophetic work above all in those who listen to it. ... The sweetness of God's word leads us to share it with all those whom we encounter in this life ... We should never take God's word for granted, but instead let ourselves be nourished by it."

Blessing our Ministers of the Word: The parish is grateful to those who proclaim the scriptures at mass. Essential to our worship they make a difference in how we hear the Word. We are grateful for their prayerful pondering of the Word, their preparation with the assistance of Break Open the Word, and putting it into practice in their lives. "Everlasting God, when Jesus read in the synagogue at Nazareth, your Son proclaimed the good news of salvation for which he would give up his life. Bless these readers. As they proclaim your words of life, strengthen their faith that they may read with conviction and boldness, and put into practice what they read." Book of Blessings.

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to Audrey Austria who receives the sacrament of confirmation at the 7.30am Mass at St Joan of Arc this Sunday. Audrey is an active member of the St Joan of Arc community and has been undertaking confirmation preparation with Fr Gerry over the past few weeks. Congratulations Audrey; may the Holy Spirit guide you.



LEANING WALL OF JOAN OF ARC. Works delayed because of rain. Hopefully with fine weather and drying out work will be completed in the coming week.

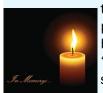
CHRISTOPHER GIRVAN REST IN PEACE.: Sad news Wednesday last week of the



sudden death of Chris Girvan, Fr Tony Girvan's brother. Funeral Prayers will be celebrated on Monday 5 February at 11am at St Bernard's Catholic Church, 4 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt. Prayers that Chris is welcomed into the peace of God's fullness. Intercession also for Fr Tony, his mum and family that God's

comforting Spirit console them and give them the strength needed in this very sad time.

BRIAN DEVITT REST IN PEACE.: Parishioner Brian Devitt died early last week. He was



the husband of Becky who lives in Rosalie. Brian was a teacher and principal in Brisbane Catholic Education. His funeral mass will be celebrated on Friday 9 February at 11am at Sacred Heart Church Rosalie. "In Christ the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying, might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come. Indeed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed

not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, and eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven." Preface 1 for the Dead.

May Brian be welcomed into the great school playground of heaven and enjoy catching up with family, friends, fellow teachers and students. Prayers also for Becky and family that God's Spirit hold them up and help them through these sad days.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REMINDER-JUBILEE PARISH



## PARISH DIARY



Monday 5 February Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 6 February Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

Wednesday 7 February Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am School Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 8 February Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 9February Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10/11 February 2024

Saturday 3 February **Individual Reconciliation** (Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm (Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

3 February Vigil Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

Sunday 4 February Mass (Herston) 7:30am Mass (Bardon) 8:00am Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am Mass (Newmarket) 9:30am Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm



ST JOSEPHS CLASS MASS St Mary Magdalene Church Wednesday 7 February 9.00am

> **ROSALIE AGED CARE Anointing Liturgy** Friday 9 February 11.00am

If your child has completed their Confirmation and is now preparing for First Holy Communion, please be reminded that during the Lenten period 14th February - 1st April, no communion celebrations will take place. Passport stickers can still be collected.

If you haven't already collected your Communion folder from any parish weekend mass please remember to do so at your earliest convenience. Simply ask the greeters as you arrive.

Communions can be celebrated any weekend from 6th April or group communion dates are confirmed at all parish churches on the following weekends - May 11 & 12, June 15 & 16, July 27 & 28. Bookings required.

#### **LENTEN REFLECTION GROUPS**

You are invited to join fellow parishioners in a series of discussion groups to help prepare for Easter.

Easter is the most significant feast of the year for Christians. It symbolises hope for all humanity and taking some time each week to reflect on the Gospels helps us to reconnect with the meaning of Easter and the basis of our faith. Discussions will be guided by the reflections and resources from the Diocese of Wollongong.

Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be a liturgical expert and you don't have to come every week. Just come.

Please join us for around an hour at one of the following times:

Mon 9.30am Milton (private home)
Mon 10.00am Newmarket (private home)
Mon 5.00pm Herston (St Joan of Arc)
Mon 6.30pm Newmarket (St Ambrose's)
Wed 9.45am (after Mass) Bardon (St Mary Magdelene)
Wed 7.00pm Bardon (private home)
Thu 9.45am (after Mass) Ashgrove (St Finbarr's)
Sun 9am (before Mass) Red Hill (St Brigid's)



Sign-up sheets are available at all churches from this weekend. Please indicate which group you'd like to attend, provide contact details and the organiser will be in touch. For more information, visit Jubilee Parish website.



#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES: 14 February 2024

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am Mass (Bardon) 9.00am Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am Mass (Newmarket) 11.00am Mass (Red Hill) 5.30pm

#### LENT 2024 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY, BRUCE DOWNES

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed!

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <a href="https://BruceDownes.org/Lent">https://BruceDownes.org/Lent</a> Go to BruceDownes.org for more information.

WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK: On 20 October 2010, World Interfaith Harmony Week was unanimously adopted by the United Nations and since then has been celebrated in the first week of February each year. The concept came from a proposal, only a month earlier, by H.M. King Abdullah II of Jordan, and is based on the pioneering work of The Common Word Initiative. Commencing in 2007, this encouraged Muslim and Christian leaders to engage in dialogue. The concept has been extended to people of all faiths and those of no faith. World Interfaith Harmony Week provides an opportunity to celebrate the dialogue being undertaken by all people of good will.







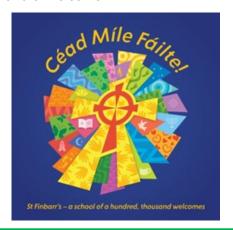


## The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

St Finbarr's School, Ashgrove. St Joseph's School, Bardon. St Ambrose School, Newmarket



If you've walked into our school this year, you no doubt would have seen this colourful logo on our walls. At St Finbarr's, our school theme for the year is Céad Míle Fáilte - which is Irish for 'a hundred thousand welcomes'. This year, we are focusing on celebrating our richly diverse community, our Irish connections, depthing our understanding of Celtic spirituality and striving to be a school of a hundred thousand welcomes. Inspired by the scripture passage 'I was a stranger and you welcomed me' (Matt 25:35), we have been exploring the many and varied ways we can be people of welcome, particularly to those who need it most. We look forward to connecting with the parish in meaningful ways to extend this hand of welcome.





It has been wonderful welcoming back students for the 2024 school year. This year our school theme is Joy of Caring, which was also the focus of our opening Mass on Wednesday. As a school community we will be focused on 2024 on caring for ourselves, each other, our community and our environment.

## Community Library: 2023 Year 6 Legacy Project

As you enter St Joseph's from The Drive Road entrance, you will see our new colourful artwork installation. This wall and community library has been designed and mosaiced by our 2023 Year 6 leaders. As tradition, we ask the graduating class to give their talents to an art legacy project. A huge thank you to Mrs Pryor, Mrs Staatz, Mr Nucifora and Mr Rathbone for their planning and organisation of bringing this project to fruition; one that will stand the test of time to beautify our surrounds.







bee more in 24'

This year, our St Ambrose's school community will be inspired to "Bee More", as modelled by the lives of St Ambrose, St Benedict, and Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. We are reminded of the importance of striving to be our best selves.

We will pay particular attention to the words in our St Ambrose's School Vision and Mission.

"....reaching out with the hands of God in respect and compassion to empower" our community to "realise their potential through Faith and Mission, and Teaching and Learning".

In 2024, we will reach out with the hands of God. We will take action and use our God-given gifts to serve others, showing compassion and perseverance, as we strive to make a difference in our school community and beyond. Together, we can "Bee More in 24".

#### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill.

We praise you, we bless you,
We adore you, we glorify you.
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty
Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow)

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### In Transition

We especially pray for

Brian Devitt and Christopher Girvan
who both recently passed away and
for all the souls of the
faithful departed;
May they rest in peace.