

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 ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lepers are shunned. They live outside the city walls. Jesus crosses boundaries. Jesus stretches out his hand and touches the contagious.

Healing happens. The outsider takes himself to those who maintain borders. Presumably he is welcomed in. We are not told. We are not told how welcomed he was.

A consequence is that Jesus is now outside. Jesus now resides where nobody lived. Is it in solidarity with those normally shunned? Or does he want to be by himself?

Still the insiders come to him. Do they make the crossing of reaching across the barriers?

Fr Gerry



Congratulations to **Millie Hirn, Timothy Watts & Connor Ferguson** who celebrated their reception of First Holy Communion. May they always know, experience, and live our communion with Christ. Thanks to the parents for their ongoing formation of their children in the faith.



Project Compassion
Sunday 14th February



Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More".



As Saint Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."

Through your generosity and by aspiring to "Be More", you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

Thank you for being more!

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

February 13th marks the anniversary of the Apology to Australia's Indigenous peoples by former Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd, apologising for past laws, policies and practices that have impacted on Australia's First Nations Peoples, particularly members of the Stolen Generations. We pray "that Indigenous Australians will be recognised as having a special place in Australia as its first peoples and that all Australians will work for true reconciliation."

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 14 FEBRUARY 2021 (YEAR B)

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 **Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

Response: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

PARISH DIARY

Monday 15 February
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am

Tuesday 16 February
No Mass (Newmarket)

Ash Wednesday 17 February
Mass (Rosalie) 6:30am
Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am
Mass (Bardon School Hall) 9am
Mass (Newmarket) 11:30am
Mass (Red Hill) 5:30pm

Thursday 18 February
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am
Mass (Ashgrove) 9am

Friday 19 February
Mass (Bardon) 9:00am
Woodlands Mass 10:30am

Saturday 20 February 2021
Individual Reconciliation
(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm
(Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

1st Sunday of Lent
14 February 2021

Saturday Vigil
Mass (Rosalie) 4:30pm
Mass (Ashgrove) 6:00pm

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



17 February
Mass Times

Mass (Rosalie) 6:30am
Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am
Mass (Bardon School Hall) 9am
Mass (Newmarket) 11:30am
Mass (Red Hill) 5:30pm

Book via Jubilee website

February 14: Valentine was a third century Roman martyr with an early following. His martyrdom most likely took place in the Flaminian Way, two miles outside of Rome, ca.250 during the Decian persecution. It is not clear how he became linked with lovers.

Emperor Claudius, who liked to go to war decided that single men made better soldiers than married men so he outlawed marriage for young men. Fr Valentine defied him and continued to perform secret marriages for young couples. You can guess what the Emperor did to stop Fr Valentine.

May the love of lovers be wholesome and lifegiving. May it bring people together as one.

Parish Plan: In moving the parish along in its renewal efforts I have asked those who were in the renewal group to focus on “action” items in their particular communities. An example of an “action” in your community can be the Lenten program group. There might be something different in the middle of the year, and again something different later in the year. It means that the groups are focused and not having to be a long term commitment.

To maintain and foster our mass communities with a sense of being the one parish there is going to be (possibly) 3 whole parish networking gatherings. People who are involved in the above “action” items gathering together to pray and get-to-know other parishioners. It is hoped that these gatherings will develop people’s awareness of other parishioners and continue to develop Jubilee parish.

The first of these is Tuesday 16 Feb 7pm at Sacred Heart Rosalie. Pray for the ongoing building up of our parish.

Ashes: The Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship issued a note on the “distribution of ashes in time of pandemic”, directing priests to say the words “remember you are dust ..” over the whole congregation (rather than individually). Ashes will then be sprinkled over the head of penitents without saying anything.

Fasting and abstinence: Ash Wednesday is the first day of the season of Lent. It is designated by the Church as days of fast and abstinence, as is Good Friday.

In current Catholic practice, fasting means having only one full meal a day. Smaller quantities of food may be eaten at two other meals but no food should be consumed at any other time during the day. The law of fasting applies to people from 18 to 59 years old.

Abstinence is the practice of abstaining from the use of certain kinds of food. Everyone aged 14 years and older is bound by the law of abstinence from meat.

The practice of fasting and abstinence aims at leading us to interior conversion by making us more disciplined and more charitable. We fast in order to share our time and our treasure with an attitude of love towards God and others. In addition, the practice helps us imitate the example of Jesus who fasted for 40 days in the desert.

The ashes that are sprinkled on our heads are a symbol of humility, purification and sorrow and remind us of the need to repent our failings. But we remember also that we are Easter people – that good can come out of evil, that death gives way to new life and that there is hope in the midst of despair. *Elizabeth Harrington*

Parish Office prayer morning: This Thursday 18 February the parish office will close from 9am to 2pm. The office staff are taking some ‘time out’ for prayer and reflection.

I am very grateful to the extended office staff for their generous and gracious ministry. May the God who ‘stretches out his hand’ empower us with his presence.

Woodlands Mass Friday 10.30am. Remember these parishioners in your prayers.

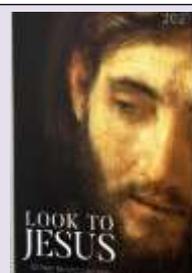
Spam emails supposedly from Fr Gerry are coming thick and fast again. **Anything with a gmail address** that purports to be from Fr Gerry needs to be blocked. The scammers are getting cheekier with the email addresses: for example pp.jubilee.bne.catholic.au@gmail.com

Look to Jesus: The 2021 Archdiocesan program is for Lent and Easter.

Walk as a ‘missionary disciple’ on the path to Easter and beyond with the Archdiocese’s new-look Lent program from Evangelisation Brisbane.

Look to Jesus: 52 Daily Reflections for Lent and Easter is accessible to both individuals and groups. It’s just \$5 and is available for pre-order. Those who buy a book will also receive access to the e-book and an audio version.

To purchase or find out more, go to www.lentprogram.com



Comfort

LENTEN PROGRAM 2021

Lent is near!

Parish group discussions will use "Comfort" a program from Wollongong.

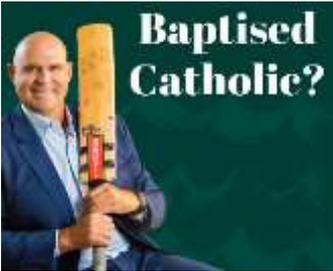
Monsignor Graham Schmitzer reflects on the Sunday gospels through the beautiful art of the Masters.

Sr Susanna Edmunds OP (St Cecilia Dominican) will assist groups in further breaking open the Sunday Scriptures.

Sunday 9am – Red Hill
Sunday 6:30pm – Rosalie
Monday 9am – Rosalie
Tuesday 9:30am – Newmarket
Monday 5pm – Herston

Wednesday 9:30am - Bardon
Wednesday 7pm - Bardon
Thursday 9:30am - Ashgrove
Thursday 7pm – Marist Brother's Chapel Ashgrove

Sign-up sheets available at each of the churches - Please place your sheet in the envelope provided



We're looking for your help to:

- Pray for the opening of hearts
- Accompany those who are seeking
- Welcome new faces

To sign up to be an accompanier or join the prayer, or to find out more, go to: www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic.

Modern slavery: Brisbane Archdiocese is taking bold new steps to combat modern slavery through ethical business practices, as the Church marked the feast of St Josephine Bakhita. (8 February) Josephine Bakhita was a one-time slave who became the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.

An estimated 40.3 million people are enslaved in the world today with the highest number in the Asia Pacific Region.

Even in Australia there are 15,000 victims, trapped in forced labour, debt bondage, forced marriage or human trafficking.

Signed off by Auxiliary Bishop Ken Howell, the new policies and guidelines forbid any worker exploitation and make it mandatory to report any actual or suspected exploitation.



An image of Sudanese St Josephine Bakhita is carried in procession during a prayer service led by Pope Francis in St Peter's Basilica (CNS)

Pope Francis' prayer intention for the month of February sends a powerful message against the various kinds of violence against women, which he describes as the "degradation of all humanity".

Pope Francis asks us to pray for the victims, "that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded by all."

This month's Pope Video seeks to make the drama of this issue visible also through narration with images. It represents, through animated illustrations, the story of a woman who is the victim of violence, who finds courage to escape from the tunnel of abuse thanks to her own strength and to the help of the community.



The Pope Video for February features animated illustrations (The Pope Video)

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-02/pope-s-prayer-intention-for-february.html>



Lunar new year, also known as Chinese New Year begins Friday 12 February and celebrations continue to 26 February.

Lunar New Year usually falls on the second new moon after the winter solstice, which makes it move every year.

The animal for 2021 is the Ox. Every year has a different animal, based on the Chinese Zodiac. The story goes the Jade Emperor told all the animals there would be a swimming race, with the animals each given a year in the zodiac, the winners of the race determining the order.

Happy new year to you!

The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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



Congratulations to all of our St Joey's community on a glorious start to our 2021 school year. Many thanks to our amazing Parents and Friends Association for our "Tea and Tissues" morning tea on our very first day. It was so exciting to see the beautiful faces of our parents back on school site along with our gorgeous children. It was rewarding and joyous to reconnect after the year that was 2020.

This week we celebrated our Welcome whole school Liturgy. Our 2021 prep cohort were outstanding considering they have only been at school for one week. They settled so quickly and were shining STARS. We thank Fr Gerry for presiding over this celebration.

This week our students commenced 2021 Specialists lessons - Arts, Music, Chinese, Active learning Centre and H&PE. Our Years 3 to 6 students began swimming lessons.



This week I had the opportunity to go to the church with our Prep children and their Year 6 buddies. Our purpose was to practise for the Welcome Liturgy on Thursday. For many of the Prep children this was their first experience of being in St Finbarr's Church. The children were in awe of the building and the many beautiful objects to look at and touch. But they did seem to be more in awe of their Year 6 Buddies. I am always amazed at how quickly this friendship bond is established and how important this relationship is to both year levels. It was wonderful to welcome our Prep children to St Finbarr's officially on Thursday and celebrate this special milestone in their life with a welcome liturgy.

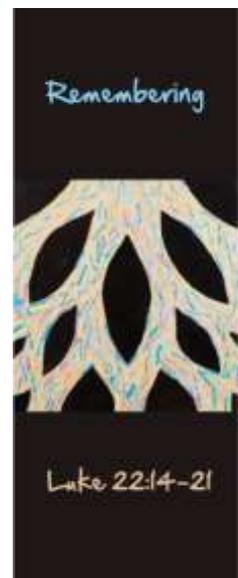
It was also exciting to have so many parents join us in the celebrations. The liturgy finished with one of our parents leading all the parents to pray a blessing over our children for 2021. We are looking forward to a great year ahead.



At St Ambrose's, our Religious Life of the School is an integral part of our daily routines and planned activities.

This year, we are "Remembering our Story", with a focus on the Habits of Remembering (listening and sharing) and Tolerance (listening with our hearts and minds). Our Christian story and our traditions make us who we are today and provide us with a foundation and direction for the future.

Not only will students "remember" the story of St Ambrose's school, but we will continue to remember the story of Jesus, our role model, who teaches us how to make a difference to the lives of others and to the world we live in.



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
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 Lord,
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

*As a parish family we welcome into
the church **Georgia Pitt, Harry
Blaney & Liana Lee** who were
baptised this weekend.*

*We remember and pray for **Erica
O'Neale** whose 1st Anniversary
falls at this time.*

**WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE
FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY
REST IN PEACE.**