

# 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

**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 17 SEPTEMBER 2023**

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, today's gospel reading invites us to reflect on the meaning and practice of forgiveness. Forgiveness is not just a matter of counting how many times we forgive someone who wrongs us, as Peter asked Jesus.

Forgiveness is a matter of the heart, a matter of mercy, a matter of love.

Jesus tells us a parable of a king who forgave his servant a huge debt, but the same

servant refused to forgive his fellow servant a much smaller debt. The king was angry and punished the unforgiving servant. Jesus concludes the parable by saying, "This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

What does it mean to forgive from the heart? It means to forgive as God forgives us. God does not keep a record of our sins, nor does he demand that we pay him back for his grace. God forgives us freely and generously, out of his infinite love and compassion. God forgives us not because we deserve it, but because he wants us to be reconciled with him and with one another.

To forgive from the heart means to imitate God's forgiveness. It means to let go of resentment, anger, bitterness, and revenge. It means to show mercy, kindness, understanding, and peace. It means to restore the broken relationship and heal the wounded soul.

Forgiveness is not easy, but it is possible with God's help. Forgiveness is not a one-time event, but a lifelong process. Forgiveness is not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength. Forgiveness is not an option, but a commandment.

Let us pray that we may always forgive as we have been forgiven, from the heart. Amen. **Fr Jose**

**SEASON OF CREATION:** Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Prayer for Care & Creation: "First, let us join the mighty river by transforming our hearts. This is essential for any other transformation to occur; it is that "ecological conversion" which Saint John Paul II encouraged us to embrace: the renewal of our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but cherish it instead as a sacred gift from our Creator. Furthermore, we should realize that an integral approach to respect for the environment involves four relationships: with God, with our brothers and sisters of today and tomorrow, with all of nature, and with ourselves."



## **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time– 17 September 2023 (Year A)**

### **Proper of the Mass**

**First Reading:** Sirach 27:30-28:7 **Second Reading:** Romans 14:7-9  
**Response:** The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.  
**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!  
**Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-35



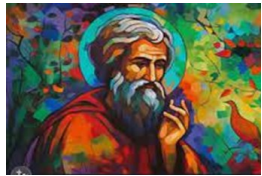
## FEAST OF Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions 20



September. Andrew Kim Tae-gon was the first Korean presbyter and Paul Chong Ha-sang a catechist and lay apostle. After more than two centuries of lay leadership, the Church in Korea was subject to fierce persecutions between 1839 and 1867. This feast commemorates 103 of the numerous Korean martyrs, representatives from all walks of life: men and women, married and unmarried, the elderly, teenagers and children, missionary bishops and presbyters. Remembered for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death. Jubilee Parish particularly prays for their intercession on this feast day for our local Korean

Community. May God continue to inspire their faithful discipleship.

## FEAST OF ST MATTHEW: Matthew is recognized as a saint in the Roman Catholic,



Eastern Orthodox, and Anglican churches (see St. Matthew's Church). His feast day is celebrated on 21 September in the West and 16 November in the East. (Those churches which follow the traditional Julian calendar would keep the day on 29 November of the modern Gregorian calendar, being 16 November in the Julian calendar.) He is also commemorated by the Orthodox,

together with the other Apostles, on 30 June (13 July), the Synaxis of the Holy Apostles. His tomb is located in the crypt of Salerno Cathedral in southern Italy. Matthew is remembered in the Church of England with a Festival on 21 September. Like the other evangelists, Matthew is often depicted in Christian art with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7. The one that accompanies him is in the form of a winged man. The three paintings of Matthew by Caravaggio in the church of San Luigi dei Francesi in Rome, where he is depicted as called by Christ from his profession as a tax gatherer, are among the landmarks of Western art. **Fr Marty**

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 21 September: The UN General Assembly has



declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire. The 2023 theme for the International Day of Peace is "End racism. Build peace." We invite you to join the efforts of the United Nations as we work towards a world free of racism and racial discrimination. A world where compassion and empathy overcome suspicion and hatred. A world that we can truly be proud of. For more details go to: <https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-peace>

**CELEBRATING THE GIFTS OF EARTH.** On Sunday 24 September, at St Mary Magdalene's 8.00am Mass, we will be giving thanks for the Gifts of the Earth—for food and nourishment that the earth provides. All are welcome and invited to bring with them any fruits, vegetables, herbs etc from their garden, which will be a visible symbol of the Gifts of the Earth. These will be blessed, then later given to a food pantry for distribution to those for whom fresh fruit and vegetables are a luxury.

## NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK In 2023 we will celebrate National Migration Week

National Migration Week 2023  
September 18-24



September 18 – 24, which culminates with WDMR on Sunday the 24th. This year's theme, "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay," shines a light on the root causes that drive migration. Pope Francis emphasizes the importance of understanding the systemic factors that contribute to forced migration, such as political instability, economic inequality, and persecution. Through advocacy, education, and charitable works, Catholic faithful can work to create a world where individuals and families are free to choose whether to migrate or stay in their homelands. By addressing these issues, we can help create the conditions for people to live in safety and dignity, regardless of where they call home. Let us use this National Migration Week and World Day of Migrants and Refugees as an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the complex issues driving forced migration and to renew our commitment to building a just and inclusive world.

**MULTICULTURAL MASS :** This year's Multicultural Mass will be held on Sunday 24 September, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and concelebrated by priests ministering to cultural communities throughout the Archdiocese. The Mass is held annually in recognition of World Day of Migrant and Refugees and will this year highlight the 2023 theme "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay". **When:** 2:30pm, Sunday 24 September. **Where:** Cathedral of St Stephen **RSVP:** [app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM23](http://app.tickets.org.au/eb/MCM23). Mass will be followed by cultural performances and refreshments in the cathedral grounds. Parishioners from any and all cultural backgrounds are encouraged to attend to celebrate the richness of Brisbane's diverse Archdiocese.

## PARISH DIARY

### Monday 18 September

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

### Tuesday 19 September

Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

### Wednesday 20 September

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

### Thursday 21 September

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

### 22 September

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23/24 September 2023

### Saturday 23 September

**Individual Reconciliation**

(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm

(Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

### 23 September Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

### Sunday 24 September

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

WHAT'S  
HAPPENING  
THIS WEEK

## ST JOAN OF ARC Morning Tea

This Sunday 17 September  
Following the 7.30am Mass  
All welcome!



**MASTERPLAN UPDATE:** Update - Old St Bernard's Sale Process. The sales campaign for Old Saint Bernards ran for four (4) weeks and has now closed. The marketing campaign resulted in 201 enquiries, 44 prospective purchasers requested the Due Diligence Folder and nine (9) offers in total were received. The offers received were wide ranging and reflected the unique characteristics of the site including its mixed zoning as well as the extensive earthwork requirements. The top two (2) offers sit within the valuation range set by the two independent valuers that appraised the site. The Archdiocese are now negotiating with the bidders, on behalf of the PFC, to finalise their offers and proceed to a sales contract with the preferred purchaser. A further update will be provided once the sale has been finalised.



**THE ARCHBISHOP'S STATEMENT ON REFERENDUM:** The Archbishop has issued a Pastoral Statement on the Referendum :*"The Referendum on the Voice brings Australia to a threshold moment, since it looks not only to our past but to our future, not only to what we have been but to what we can become. There is no doubt that Australia has achieved great things since European settlement, and that is a source of national pride. But Australians are increasingly coming to appreciate the devastation that European settlement has brought to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The Archbishop urges everyone in the Archdiocese to prepare to vote in a way that looks to the Gospel and, whatever the result of the Referendum, to commit to redressing the chronic disadvantage suffered by the Indigenous peoples and promoting reconciliation for the good not just of some but of the whole nation".* For the full transcript contact the Parish office, grab a copy from table at back of Church or go to <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/articles/a-pastoral-statement-on-the-referendum/>



**PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** If your child has celebrated their First Holy Communion, enrolments are now open for the First Rite of Reconciliation. Please note this is not the Reconciliation done prior to First Communion. The First Rite of Reconciliation is for Yr 5 children and above and is individual confession with the priest. The enrolment deadline is Friday 6th October. Please visit <http://www.jubileeparish.com/penance-reconciliation.html> for a copy of the Enrolment Form and we look forward to seeing you at the Parent Information Night on Tuesday 10th October.



**LITURGY NOTES: THE COLLECTION** In the early years of Christianity, the faithful brought bread and wine with them to church to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist. What wasn't used at the Mass was given to the poor and needy. Later, people started bringing other gifts of food or money which were offered for the work of the Church. In most parishes a collection of money is taken up during the Preparation of Gifts. This action is an integral part of the liturgy because our offering links us to the sacrifice of the cross and the money will be used in the mission of the Church.

Visitors to a Catholic Church are often surprised (and sometimes embarrassed!) when the collection plate comes around a second time at Mass, usually after Communion. Having two collections is a way of separating donations for the support of the clergy from contributions to the cost of the parish services and operations.

**WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS :** This year's Advent resource invites us to explore more deeply what it means to allow God to come to birth in us. We have developed "With Expectant Hearts" to help us enter a new liturgical year, the journey of faith that stretches before us. The spiritual nourishment God seeks to give us now will come to birth in us through the entire year if we can open our hearts in response to it. This 22-day reflection resource can be used by individuals and groups. Its main purpose is to help us to find a few minutes each day to practice what it means to sit with God and to trust God to lead us forward. If you would like to pre-order your copy to receive it ahead of Advent, you can do so at: <https://evangelisation-brisbane.myshopify.com/products/with-expectant-hearts>.



Supporting Vinnies

2023 Jubilee Catholic Parish

POT LUCK DINNER

6.30pm Friday, 27th October

Join us at St Finbarr's Catholic School, Ashgrove

Music!  
Food!  
Fun!

Call the parish office 3324 3985 or email [jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au)

# The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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

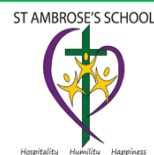


What a wonderful end to Term 3 at St Finbarr's! There have been so many exciting celebrations that have created much joy and lasting memories for our St Finbarr's students. Our dance concert showcased the new skills learnt by our students with a surprise invite to our parents and special guests to join in for the last song. This brought much excitement for both students and parents. It could not have been a more fitting way to end our term celebrations than with our St Finbarr's Feast Day events. A very special thank you to Monsignor John Grace and the Yr 3 students for leading us in Mass, followed by morning tea for our families and parishioners and an extended picnic and play time for our students. We have been blessed in so many ways throughout this term that has allowed our students to grow and flourish and we give thanks to God for a wonderful term of learning at St Finbarr's. Be you. Be kind. Belong



Congratulations to Mrs Claire Byrne, our STEM Education Officer at St Joseph's who was awarded the NGS Super Award for Excellence in Learning and Teaching at the Brisbane Catholic Education Excellence Awards this term.

Mrs Byrne's dedication and passion for education have shone brightly through her work in supporting and nurturing the students she teaches. Her commitment to fostering a love for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) has not only inspired our students but has also contributed significantly



After the unfortunate theft of our original St Ambrose's School beehive earlier this year, we have been working diligently to rebuild and launch a new hive that promises to be buzzing with activity and educational opportunities. With the invaluable assistance of the MELLAS Investigation Squad, the Queensland Police Services, and the unwavering support of our dedicated community members, we are thrilled to announce the successful launch of our brand-new beehive. This remarkable endeavor would not have been possible without the collaboration and dedication of several key individuals who generously shared their time and expertise.

As we embark on this exciting new chapter, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed to the successful launch of our new beehive. Your support and commitment to our school's mission are truly remarkable. Thank you for being part of our journey as we create a sustainable future, one bee at a time.



## 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 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 **Henley Moore, Orlando Payne, Lewis Vitale, Madilyn Vitale, Mia McKee & James Cameron** who were baptised this weekend.

We especially pray for **Morris Williams** whose anniversary occurs at this time and for all the souls of the faithful departed; May they rest in peace.