

# 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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Greetings to all.

One of the things that I enjoy in reading the Bible is parables. I enjoy reading them for two reasons. Firstly, parables seem to have many layers of meaning, they have obvious meanings, but also underlying deeper messages that sometimes take a bit to uncover. Thus, reading parables for me is like a treasure hunt. Secondly, when Jesus tells a parable, it is often the case that one of the characters in the story is an expression of himself and of God. It tells us something about God. The parable of the barren fig tree this Sunday is an example of that.



The owner of the fig tree came searching for fruits on it over three years but found none. This particular fig tree was taking in nutrients from the soil for three years and had given nothing back. Most orchard owners would conclude that its fruit bearing days were over and that it was just taking up space. Also, if your livelihood depended on the figs your trees produced, you would easily conclude that enough is enough. However, in the parable Jesus tells, the gardener convinces the owner to give the tree one more year, during which every effort will be made to get it to bear fruit.

It is clear that the gardener in the parable is an image of Jesus and of God. A God who is very patient with us. A God who knows how to wait on us. There are times when our lives do not appear to be very fruitful. The many and varied graces that the Lord may have given us over the years appear to yield very little return

Today's gospel reading assures us that our God does not to give up on us, even when others may be tempted to do so. Our God continues to invest in us, even if past investments have given little return. Our God is patient with us. However, God's patience should not make us complacent. Rather, God's patience should make us hopeful. The gardener in today's parable had hope for an apparently hopeless tree. God has hopes for us; he is always hopeful in our regard, which is reason enough for each of us to be hopeful in our own regard. We also need to be hopeful in each other's regard, knowing that the Lord, who began his good work in us, is always working to bring it to completion. Lent is a time to relive this hope. Have an amazing week,  
**Fr Dang**

**Third Sunday of Lent – 20 MARCH 2022 (YEAR C)**

**Proper of the Mass**

**First Reading:** Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 **Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

**Response:** The Lord is kind and merciful

**Gospel Acclamation:** Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Repent says the Lord;

The kingdom of heaven is at hand..

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Flood Recovery:** For those still hard at work recovering from the flood you continue in our thoughts and prayers. It is a long road ahead littered with many frustrations. Hopefully there is some glimpses of light as well.

### PRAYER FOR THOSE RECOVERING FROM FLOOD.

O God, look upon us and see:  
the waters ravage the earth,  
the floods overwhelm us.  
**From the anguish of our hearts call forth hope.**  
**From the ruin of our land bring new life.**  
**Give strength and resilience to hearts and hands,**  
Sure hope to mind and spirit.  
**Be the strength of those who have**  
lost loved ones or property.  
**May there be sustained support from**  
the wider community, and wisdom to planners  
for a way forward into the future. Amen

Fr Gerry



### Third Week of Lent

(Week beginning Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March)

We are now in the third week of Lent with the Project Compassion story of Janice, [a Wagilak woman and traditional dancer who tells her family's stories through movements handed down over generations.](#)

Like many remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, Janice's faces a range of challenges – low employment and education, financial hardship, poorer health and lower life expectancy.

With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.

Janice believes that Djilpin Arts' work is essential to create opportunities for young people to stay on-country, to share intergenerational knowledge between elders and the younger generation - to promote healing, and to keep culture alive.

Watch a short film about Janice's story [here.](#)



Please support Project Compassion: [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au)



**March 21: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination** (IDERD) is a day organised by the United Nations which aims to stop people being discriminated against because of their race.

The event is held on this day because on the 21st of March, 1960, police opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration in Sharpeville, South Africa against the apartheid "pass laws". Pass laws were an internal passport system that was designed by the South African government to prevent the freedom of movement of Black people. This controlled where people could work, live and travel inside the country.

Amazing work has been done to start putting an end to Racism. Still many people throughout the world are racially abused on a daily basis. In 2020 alone, there were a number of racist attacks on ethnic minority groups, from the horrible murder of George Floyd by white police officers, to the consistent unwarranted criticism and abuse of Chinese people over the origin of the COVID-19 pandemic.

What can we do?

- Recognise and teach that no matter what our skin colour, accent, the language we speak or where we are from, we are all equal and deserve the same rights and treatment.
- Make sure everyone feels included and welcome in any given situation.

### THE CURSILLO MOVEMENT

Interested, Curious, Searching, to enrich and strengthen your faith in these times?

The Cursillo Movement is holding a 3 day live-in encounter - with self, with Christ, with others- from 23-25 April at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston.

Cursillo,- translated as a 'short course' - is a world -wide lay led movement of the Church to help each person live out the Good News on their Christian journey.

For more information you can call Rosemary on 0431 464 211 or Peter 0407 588 014.

### PARISH DIARY



Monday 21 March

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 22 March

Mass (Newmarket) 9:00am

Wednesday 23 March

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 24 March

Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am

Friday 25 March

Mass (Bardon) 9am

4th Sunday of Lent

26/27 March 2022

Saturday 26 March

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

Saturday 26 March Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4:30pm

Mass (Ashgrove) 6:00pm

Sunday 27 March

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



**Lent First Rite of Reconciliation:** The First Rite of Reconciliation is celebrated one-to-one with the priest. It is the way it is celebrated most regularly in the parish. In the Parish Diary it is titled "Individual Reconciliation". The Sacrament of Penance also goes by the name of Confession. Lots of names for the sacramental experience of God's mercy and compassion.

As for the rest of the year, the priest is available for this sacrament Saturday 4 – 4.20 at Sacred Heart Rosalie and Saturday 5.15 – 5.45 at St Finbarr's Ashgrove. If these times do not work with your diary you are welcome to make a time with a priest either by seeing him at mass or phoning the parish office and asking for a priest to make a time.

This Lent priests of the parish are also offering Individual Reconciliation at St Ambrose' Church Newmarket on **Tuesday evening 5 April from 7pm to 7.30pm**.

Fr Gerry, Fr Dang, Fr Tony and Fr Gerard Hall will all be there.

Being one-to-one means as people arrive they can meet with one of the priests, pray together, focus on a piece of scripture, acknowledge sins and be forgiven. Once you have celebrated with the priest you are free to leave. There is no requirement to wait until a concluding communal celebration as it will be an individual celebration of the sacrament and not a communal one like the Second and Third Rites.

As part of your Lenten preparation for Easter you may wish to begin planning to come along and celebrate God's forgiveness in your life.

## PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,  
who change the hardened heart  
and break the power of violence,  
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;  
let them know not death but life,  
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;  
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength  
to live that truth in love,  
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



**Grass Manager:** Ian Luffman is mowing his heart out getting parish properties under control. Welcome Ian, it is great to have you as part of the team.

Thanks for your understanding as it takes a little time to get everything back to the way we would like it to be. Thanks to you for what you do to keep our churches looking smart.



**Holy Thursday** celebrates the institution of the Eucharist as the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ at the Last Supper and the institution of the Sacrament of the Priesthood. During the liturgy we focus on humility of service through the washing of the feet as Jesus did to his disciples, as the Priest washes the feet of several members of the Congregation. Within the ceremony we receive into the church the Holy Oils used in Baptism, Confirmation, and the Anointing of the sick. These have been blessed during the Mass of Chrism in the Cathedral. And yes, the music is heavenly. The Liturgy is different in a few aspects....but the same in essence!

In Jubilee, we take the opportunity to come together to celebrate in unity this special Liturgy – to celebrate in unison as the Jubilee Parish.

Be a part of it - Come join us! At St Brigid's Church, Red Hill at 7.00pm on 14 April.



*Therese Beavis  
Pastoral Associate  
Bardon*



### Pope Francis:

"In the name of God, I ask: Stop this massacre."

The city of Mariupol, he said, "has become a martyred city of the heart-wrenching war that is destroying Ukraine.

Before the barbarity of the killing of children, of innocents and unarmed civilians, there are no strategic reasons that hold up," the pope said. "The only thing to do is to stop the unacceptable armed aggression before it reduces the cities to cemeteries. "With pain in my heart, I unite my voice to that of ordinary people who implore an end to the war," he said. "In the name of God, listen to the cry of those who are suffering and stop the bombings and attacks."

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ENROLMENT

### Year 3 Parents,

The Jubilee Parish Sacramental Program is now taking enrolments for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. These must be completed and submitted by Monday 4th July.

Please visit:

<http://www.jubileeparish.com/confirmation.html> and scroll down to the Sacramental Program for a copy of the Confirmation Enrolment Form and we look forward to seeing you at the Parent Information Night on Tuesday **12th July at 7pm** Sacred Heart Church, Rosalie. **Emma Ferguson**

# The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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



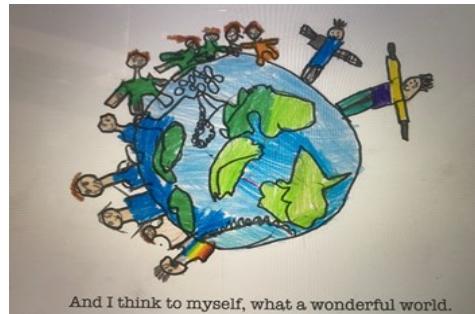
This week at St. Joseph's Bardon has been one filled with inspiration for staff and students to be agents of change. At our Monday assembly this week, Year 4's led the school in a reflection on St. Joseph's life and the virtues of simplicity, persistence, faith and service which he modelled for us. Joseph, they reminded us, was a man always working in the background. He doesn't speak in the scriptures but is a role model of living and working each day as a person of action. In preparation for his feast day this weekend students across the school, joined with their buddy classes to complete feast day activities and identify connections between the life of Joseph and their own. Our Middle Years students continued this theme with their participation in a leadership incursion this week. The day encouraged our senior students to develop a better understanding of their own strengths and to embrace school leadership opportunities. The day incorporated reflection opportunities, team challenges and the A.S.P.I.R.E framework for leadership.

- A – take Action
- S – Serve, be kind and give others a go
- P- Persist
- I – Influence others by example
- R- Respect people, group and equipment and
- E- Encourage others

We look forward to seeing the fruits of their positive examples, influence and kindness to others.



## Living and Learning in Faith and Love



And I think to myself, what a wonderful world.

Our Religious Life of the School events, will be very busy over the next few weeks as we celebrate all our buddy masses. We began on Thursday with our Year 1 and 2 Buddy Mass on the theme, the wonder of creation. It was lovely to see some of our youngest students lead the mass so confidently. On Thursday we also celebrated our first assembly for this year, which acknowledged the very important day, National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. The theme this year is: Kindness Culture; It Starts with You! Our Year 4 students connected the message of, 'Say No to Bullying', to St Patrick's lovely Breastplate prayer as it was St Patrick's Day.



St A's Mud Army  
On the 6th March, volunteers from our St Ambrose's School community formed their own "Mud Army" to assist those St A's families who were victims of the latest floods.

The Habits of Generosity and Love were obvious as massive amounts of donations were provided to these families, which included cleaning supplies, food, gift cards, and drinks.

All hands were on deck as rostered volunteers contributed their help to restore homes.

Other families have shown their support by baking and providing lunches for students who suffered too.

We couldn't be prouder of our school community. A job well-done everyone!



### Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God **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 Harriet Midgley, Eloise Rondle, Hudson Carrigan, Felicity Finan, Esma Pender, Emerson McClean & Adrienne Duran who were baptised this weekend into the Church.*

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