

Jubilee Catholic Parish

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Words for the week: Antagonists continue to 'test' Jesus to bring him down.

A lawyer questions Jesus on which is the greatest of their 613 laws (commandments).

Jesus is wise and wily. He gives two commandments!

Last week Jesus' insight was to discern God's way in the way of the world. Discernment is living the interplay of faith and flesh. What is the criteria we use to sift and sort our experience?

Loving God and neighbour as ourselves is Jesus quickfire answer.



A longer option is given in the first reading. The Hebrews experience of being strangers in Egypt made them aware that God was like a protective parent who watches compassionately over the most vulnerable. From their experience they were to do the same.

What is your one-line foundation in your discernment?

Fr Gerry

A quiet weekend? ABC commentators Roy and HG quip, 'When too much sport is barely enough.' This weekend could be so. Though the Lions will not be running around the Gabba, it will still be a feline display as Cats tussle with the Tigers. Don't worry the horses will be elsewhere chasing a Cox Plate. On Sunday, a Storm is brewing over Penrith, but thankfully the Bronco Women will be showing the men how to beat the Roosters. The lycra brigade will be following a Giro in Italia. Tennis is being played in Cologne, the women in Ostrava. And believe it or not Fr Rony will still find cricket somewhere on the planet!!

"You must love your neighbour as yourself..."

Last week, the Universal Church, including this parish, celebrated World Mission Sunday. It was a time in the liturgical calendar when Catholics acknowledge, and



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give thanks for, the selfless sacrifice made by priests, brothers and religious sisters around the world, as they look to serve people in need by bringing hope, faith and love. It is these people that model the compassion of Christ and the grace of God and who you were invited to support, by contributing to the Catholic Mission appeal campaign. If you have not yet made a donation, you can still do so, in any of the following three ways: **Text** the word *GIVE* to 0488 854 436, enter your parish name in the notes and follow the prompts; donate online (catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia) or give via the traditional appeal envelopes that are still available from your church. To all those who did contribute, by donating or offering prayers, we thank you. May the Lord bless all of you and sustain your community at this challenging social time, just as you have sustained other communities around the world.

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 25TH OCTOBER 2020 (YEAR A)

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26 **Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

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PARISH DIARY



Monday

Liturgy of the Word (Red Hill)
6:30am

Tuesday

No Mass (Newmarket)

Wednesday

Mass (Rosalie) 6:30am

School Mass (Bardon) 9:00am

Thursday

Liturgy of the Word (Red Hill)
6:30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am

Friday

No Mass (Bardon)
Rosary (Rosalie) MIDDAY

**31st Sunday in Ordinary time –
1st November 2020**

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) 5:30pm



Congratulations to Greta Powell and Charles Lane-Mullins who celebrate their reception of First

Holy Communion this weekend. Greta and Charles are welcomed into the common union we share in at the table of the Lord. May Greta and Charles always know, experience and live our communion with Christ. Thanks to the parents for their ongoing formation of their children in the faith.

Masses this week: Changes abound this week as Fr Rony is on retreat as well as Fr Anthony being away on holidays. A further complication is Fr Gerry doing supervision for St Francis Spiritual Direction Formation Intensive. Check the parish diary for masses on during this week.

Temporarily away for spiritual maintenance. I am heading to Marian Valley this weekend for my Annual retreat and back on 30th October. It will be the time for spiritual awakening, as well as fraternal sharing. Because, all priests, from my order, working in different Queensland dioceses, will come together for this retreat. In spiritual retreat, we distance ourselves from the voices of the world and listen to the voices of God. Kindly remember me in your prayers to hear the voices of God, and I guarantee my prayers for you all.

Fr Rony

Baptism Preparation

THIS WEDNESDAY 28th October at 7pm at Sacred Heart Church Paddington.

This is for parents wanting their infant child (up to 3 years old) baptised in the parish during November or the following months. At this short preparation meeting we outline some of the symbols used at the ceremony, answer any questions and finalise dates. For more information please visit the parish website on www.jubilee.com



Continuation of *Fratelli Tutti*...

In the sixth chapter, "Dialogue and friendship in society" emerges as the "art of encounter" with everyone, with the world's peripheries and with original peoples. "Each of us can learn something from others. No one is useless and no one is expendable" (#215). Then, of particular note, is the Pope's reference to the miracle of kindness, an attitude to be recovered because it is a star "shining in the midst of darkness" and "frees us from the cruelty, the anxiety and the frantic outbreak of activity" that prevails in our contemporary era.

The value and promotion of peace is reflected in the seventh chapter, "Paths of renewed encounter". It underlines that peace is connected to truth, justice and mercy. Far from the desire for vengeance, it is proactive and aims at forming a society based on service to others and on the pursuit of reconciliation and mutual development (#227-229). Peace-building is a never-ending task, and thus it is important to place the human person, their dignity, and the common good, at the center of all activity (#230-232). This chapter also speaks of war, and the death penalty as two false answers. War is not "a ghost from the past" but a "constant threat", and it represents "the negation of all rights", "a failure of politics and of humanity". The death penalty is inadmissible and must be abolished worldwide, because "not even a murderer loses his personal dignity". Do not view punishment as vindictive, but rather as part of a process of healing and of social reintegration. *To be continued* Fr Rony

A staggering 20,000 people in Queensland are experiencing homelessness—this is 1 in every 200 Queenslanders (source, Australian Bureau of Statistics). This includes people who are sleeping rough, as well as people who are staying in temporary, unstable or substandard accommodation.

How can we make a difference on this issue? How will you use your Queensland State Election vote for the benefit of the whole community?

You can find out more about the issues you might reflect on when you cast your vote at <https://bit.ly/3kd5Rj2>



Consider the Common Good
on October 31

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WITH DWCS:

Take the stress out of Christmas shopping by getting a head start on it at the Downs & West Community Support charity stall. Wednesday 28th October to Friday 30th October – a variety of beautiful handcrafted gifts and gift packs including items for sale for children and babies. All proceeds go to supporting individuals & farming families in Southern Queensland struggling through the impact of drought, fires and COVID19.

The stall will be at the BROOKSIDE SHOPPING CENTRE, Mitchelton and will be located within the Centre near Woolworths and The Coffee Club. For any further information please see Kathrine Howlett after Mass (Bardon).

Halloween (edited version from E. Harrington's *Liturgy Lines*)

The name 'Halloween' comes from 'Hallowed (Holy) Evening' meaning the evening of All Saints Day. Halloween is the vigil of the feast of All Saints on November 1.

Halloween originated with the ancient Celtic tribes who lived in Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Brittany. For the Celts, November 1 marked the beginning of a new year and the coming of winter. On the night before the new year, they celebrated the festival of Samhain, Lord of the Dead.

To commemorate the event, Druids built huge sacred bonfires where crops and animals were burnt as sacrifices to the Celtic deities. The people wore costumes, typically consisting of animal heads and skins.

By the 9th century, Christianity had spread into Celtic lands. In 835 Pope Gregory IV moved the celebration for all the martyrs (later all saints) from May 13 to November 1 to Christianise the Celtic festival for remembering the dead.

All Saints and All Souls days are reminders that all of us, living and dead, are united in a living communion with Christ and one another. In effect, Halloween is one vigil for two feasts celebrated by the whole Church.

Celebrations of Halloween should certainly not overshadow those of All Saints and All Souls which provide the context for the former.

Understanding the historical background of Halloween customs shows that most are not antithetical to Christian faith. Used appropriately, they can provide opportunities for catechesis in a school context.

'Trick or treat', for example, comes from a Middle Ages superstition that those who had died the previous year without being reconciled to someone might rise at Halloween to haunt that person, appearing as will-o'-the-wisps or ghosts. These apparitions could be released by prayer and forgiveness, and giving them 'soul cakes' or 'treats' ensured protection from their 'tricks'.

Halloween symbols of skeletons and skulls remind us of our own mortality and the need to pray for the dead. Halloween also invites us to talk openly about death in a culture that largely avoids the subject.

Perhaps it is not such a bad thing to have children dress up as witches and devils at Halloween if it suggests that these are objects of fun rather than something to be feared. Witches and devils symbolise the evil Christ has overcome. Christ has conquered sin and Satan once and for all. All of us share in that victory.

The Halloween tradition of carving pumpkins into Jack-o'-lanterns has more meaning when linked with the story behind the custom. Jack was a gifted fellow who was completely self-centred and never in his life used his talents to help another human being. Jack had the cleverness to outwit the devil, but it wasn't enough to get him into heaven. Hence, he is condemned to roam forever between heaven and earth, holding his pumpkin lantern high.

Rather than trying to ignore or resist the growing popularity of Halloween in this country, perhaps we can take advantage of the opportunities it offers to talk about a Christian understanding of the big issues of life and death, good and evil.

Book of Remembrance: During November our church particularly prays for 'those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.' At the entrance to each of our churches is a 'Book of Remembrance' for you to note the names of your deceased relatives and friends. If you come from a large family like myself you may wish to simply note 'Deceased relatives and friends of the Kalinowski family' or individual names. During November these books will be placed strategically on the sanctuary to honour the life they share in the resurrection. "When this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven." Preface of Christian Death

24 Hour Walk for Vinnies - Sunday 1 November: Ashgrove Vincentian, Dave Vidler, is planning to walk for 24 hours around north-west Brisbane to raise awareness and funds for Vinnies' good works.

Please visit <https://vinniesqld.grassrootz.com/24-hour-walk-for-vinnies/> if you would like to donate.

All parishioners are invited to cheer Dave across the finish line, immediately after 8.30am Sunday mass at St Finbarr's Ashgrove on Sunday 1st November. Complimentary cappuccinos, tea, and juice will be served - with thanks to our local Councillor, Steve Toomey. Many thanks, Chris - Chair St Vincent de Paul Ashgrove.

The UN is marking its 75th anniversary at a time of great disruption for the world, compounded by an unprecedented global health crisis with severe economic and social impacts. Will we emerge stronger and better equipped to work together? Or will distrust and isolation grow further?

2020 must be a year of dialogue, when we come together to discuss our priorities as a human family, and how we can build a better future for all.



Covid-19 is a stark reminder of the need for cooperation across borders, sectors and generations. Our response will determine how fast the world recovers, whether we achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, and how well we handle pressing challenges: from the climate crisis to pandemics, inequalities, new forms of violence, and rapid changes in technology and in our population.

The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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



This week St Joseph's celebrated book week. The theme for 2020 is 'Curious creatures, wild minds. We have been involved in many activities throughout the week. We have a tremendous *Active Learning Centre* team (Some people call it a library, but it is much more than that) and thank them so very much – Mrs Morgante, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Carroll. They all love books and share this passion with our Joey's students. But back to book week. Our whole school participated on the Book Week Dress up Parade on Wednesday. We had a plethora of book characters which demonstrates our diverse reading tastes. The staff dressed up too. In Arts classes we have been making special beaded bag tags around the book week theme. We have extra activities during lunch breaks and we watched a virtual show from Perform Education Virtual. To top it off the tuckshop became involved and we had a special 'meal deal' with 'bear' burgers and 'frogs in a pond'. Thank you to our wonderful Mrs D and her band of amazing volunteers. We also welcomed our new 2021 Preps parents with a parent information evening. Then during the week, we welcomed our new preps to school in small groups. The smiles and happiness on the faces as the new Joey's kids begin their primary school journey was something of pure joy. We are so truly blessed to welcome them and their families into our Joey's school community.

Week 3 has been filled with so much joy and happiness. We are so Joey's proud of all the people who make these amazing things happen in our school.



Last week St Finbarr's celebrated Book Week in amazing style. Guided by the theme; **Curious Creatures, Wild Minds**, the students and staff let their imagination run wild and dressed in all manner of costume. The week began with a musical, 'The Greatest Discovery'. On Tuesday we had our costume parade which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. After the parade, the children created a variety of art activities based around the shortlisted books.

On Wednesday the children celebrated LITFEST 2020, which featured Jenny Gahan speaking to Preps-Year 2. Jenny lives locally and is a former teacher and has released a beautiful picture book called, 'A Rainbow of Feathers'. Samantha Wheeler also lives locally, is a prolific, award winning author and spoke to Year 3 and Year 4. Christine Bongers is another local treasure, former journalist and award-winning children's author and worked with Year 5 and 6. What an amazing week, thanks to Mrs Gardiner for all her organisation and planning and Mrs Clifford for her creativity in making Book Week come alive.



Our St Ambrose's School Monday assemblies are now back to, 'live and in-person', providing a wonderful connection as a school community; something we all know has been significantly lacking this year.

Our Active8 School Choir performed confidently and competently in front of their first audience for 2020. The standing ovation (which may have been delicately influenced) was a response well earned.

A big thank you to the children involved, as well as to Ms Bryant and Mrs Schmidt for leading Active8 Choir all year.



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.

MASS FOR HEALING OF YOUR FAMILY
TREE, St. Mary Magdalene's, Cecil
Road, Bardon, Friday, 6th November,
2020, 7.30pm. Only 25 places left.
Opportunity to offer Mass for
generational healing. Register at
lenpatairey@gmail.com or
0421977849. Information and
genogram available on
<https://www.ccrbrisbane.org.au/news.php>