

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

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 17 NOVEMBER 2024

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Surviving the apocalypse

Apocalyptic imagery abounds in today's first reading and the Gospel. There are warnings of unparalleled distress, stars falling from the heavens and the sun turning dark. On top of that, Daniel warns only those whose names are written in the Book will be spared and Mark says that we don't know when all this is going to happen.

It all seems terrifying, but the purpose is not to terrify, but to encourage us to be ready and to give hope.

The death of a loved one can seem like an apocalyptic event and a very difficult time for those left to mourn. But amid all the sadness and loss, there is hope as we're reminded that death isn't the end, but simply a transformation. While the departed may no longer live among us, they're forever with us in their everlasting home in heaven.

Although we do not know when the apocalypse, the second coming of Christ or our deaths are due, we do know that Christmas is fast approaching and the lead up to Christmas is often very busy as we catch up with friends, buy gifts, hang decorations, plan menus and generally spruce up our houses (and churches!). Perhaps we can also use the coming Advent period to spruce up our faith and discipleship to ensure we are ready for whatever happens next as we live in joyful hope. **Jennifer Cahill**



CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to **Vivienne, Imogen & Stewart Clarke** who were all confirmed this weekend. May they hold the love for Jesus Christ in their hearts forever and spread it to everyone they meet in this



FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations to **Zarina Pedros** who received her First Holy Communion this weekend. May God's blessings shine upon her on this precious day and her faith be strengthened and bring her closer to God.

FR TOMI RETREAT: I will be on the annual priest retreat at St Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston from Sunday 17–22 November. The retreat is about spiritual renewal and nourishment. We will have daily reflection, Mass and meditation. I honestly request your prayers to have a fruitful experience. **Fr Tomi**

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17 November 2024 (Year B)

Proper of the Mass

1st Reading: Dan 12:1-3 **Second Reading:** Heb 10:11-14

Response: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Be watchful and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32

Change Discernment: 2023 into 2024 eight priests retired. At the beginning of 2025 three priests are retiring including Fr Terry Nueva at the Gap. At the beginning of this year Maroochydore parish went from 3 priests to 2, and Toowong, St Lucia, Indooroopilly went from 3 to having the Jesuits return. At the beginning of 2025 Gympie parish will go from 2 priests to one, Caloundra is three to two, and there will be other parishes having reduced access to priests. All the above has and will necessitate changes in mass times within their communities. It is happening across the Archdiocese (and Australia). For example, Clayfield/Hendra parish had to significantly reduce Mass times over the four churches within its community having only one priest. The Archdiocese is conscious of the need for management of the changes. It has developed "Guidelines for Pastoral and Financial Sustainability of a Parish" which will be sent to clergy next year.

Financially Jubilee is in good shape because of the diligent stewardship of its patrimony. Pat on the back to the Parish Finance Council. Regarding distribution of clergy a guideline is 1 priest for 300-900 Sunday Mass attendees; 2 priests for 900+ Sunday Mass attendees. It is not simply about the numbers as country parishes have their need of pastoral care, as do other ministries. A definition of community also will include the bond that exists in and between its participants.

Mass Attendance Jubilee from 2019 to 2024 – (note, in 2016 it was 1045)

Average Weekly Mass Attendance					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2019
Yearly Total	749	698	625	757	867
Rosalie 4:30pm Saturday Vigil	121	128	101	135	139
Rosalie 5pm Sunday	79	68	56	92	82
Ashgrove 6:00pm Saturday Vigil	62	46	48	58	73
Ashgrove 8:30am Sunday	121	109	94	98	143
Bardon 8am	88	98	99	112	118
Herston 7:30am	85	66	59	58	76
Newmarket 9:30am	75	56	45	65	88
Red Hill 10am	118	127	123	139	148

Diocesan Benchmarks

are exceeded when all Sunday masses have more than 100 attendees, and are below the benchmark when at least one mass has only 50-100 attendees.

Discipleship is more than mass. It is putting faith into practice. Keep encouraging others to do the same. And, keep encouraging your fellow disciples to come to mass as well.

We are a missionary and evangelizing church. Our Kingdom building stretches further than our 7 churches. We are part of a diocesan church. Working together as Christ's faithful we support each other in nurturing the Kingdom. There will be plenty of access to the Eucharist across our communities in Jubilee and Dorrington.

The change discernment group will assist me in the prayerful pondering of the changes necessary at the present time. It is holding together that we are a missionary and evangelising Church in the area. Secondly that there is care for the clergy and our wellbeing.

The following are the discernment group: Someone from each of the mass communities. Ashgrove Saturday 6pm Robert Tredenick. Ashgrove Sunday 8.30am Carey Power. Bardon Katherine Howlett. Herston Diane McKeone. Newmarket Tony Foran. Red Hill Dominic McCarthy. Rosalie Saturday 4.30pm Heather Whiteley. Sunday 5.30pm Anthony Sullivan. I am grateful for their generous acceptance of being engaged in this way.

In the bigger picture to note there were two transitional deacons ordained at the seminary on Friday 15 November. Their ordination to priesthood in June 2025. There are 11 entering the seminary next year. Pray for them in their discernment to the priesthood.

Prayers of all needed in the way God is leading!!

PARISH DIARY

Monday 18 November

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 19 November

NO Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

Wednesday 20 November

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Class Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 21 November

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 22 November

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Christ The King

23/24 November 2024

Saturday 23 November

Individual Reconciliation

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

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

23 November Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

Sunday 24 November

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

**THERE WILL BE
NO 9.00am Mass
at St Ambrose Church,
on Tuesday 19 November**

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP: When the time comes and your family is planning your funeral: Would they know what your wishes are? Take all the guess work out... Come along to our workshop at the Parish Office on **Tuesday 26th November at 10:30.** We will provide you with a package of information, helping you to record your wishes about your funeral preferences, plan your mass or liturgy and give you tips on what to expect and what is or can be included. **Please RSVP by 24 November to pa.ashgrove.jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au** Thank you. **Kathleen**

FUNERAL MASS for Marist Priest, Fr John Begg SM who died yesterday morning at Villa Maria, where he has resided for the last few years. John was a well known Marist priest who worked in Brisbane for several years and spent many years working in the overseas mission area of Bougainville. His funeral Mass will take place at **St Peter Chanel's church, The Gap, on Tuesday, 19 November at 10.30 am** and he will be interred at Nudgee Cemetery at 2.00 pm that afternoon.

We pray for his family and friends as we remember John at this time of sadness. Our sympathies also go out to all the Marist fathers. May John's memory be a blessing and bring comfort to them during this time.


POPE FRANCIS ENCYCLICAL DILEXIT NOS, "He Loved Us" On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ, October 2024.

In the third chapter, "This is the heart that has loved so greatly," the Pope recalls how the Church reflects and has reflected on "the holy mystery of the Lord's Sacred Heart." He refers to Pius XII's Encyclical *Haurietis aquas*, on the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (1956). He clarifies that "devotion to the Heart of Christ is not the worship of a single organ apart from the Person of Jesus," because we adore "the whole Jesus Christ, the Son of God made man, represented in an image that accentuates His heart" (48).

The image of the heart of flesh helps us contemplate that the love of the Heart of Jesus Christ not only understands divine charity but also extends to human affection (61). His Heart, Pope Francis continues, quoting Pope Benedict XVI, contains a "threefold love": the sensitive love of His physical heart and His twofold spiritual love, both human and divine, in which we find "the infinite in the finite" .

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 17 NOVEMBER: This year, in particular, the motto chosen by the Pope is taken from the book of Sirach: "The prayer of the poor rises to God" (Sirach 21:5). This motto emphasises that the poor hold a special place in God's heart. He hears their prayers and becomes "impatient" in their suffering until justice is done. The World Day of the Poor encourages the Church to "step outside" its walls and engage with poverty in its many forms in today's world.

FEAST OF ST RAPHAEL KALINOWSKI 19 NOVEMBER:




In 1877 Kalinowski was admitted as a postulant to the Carmelite priory in Linz, and where he was given the name Raphael of St. Joseph on his investiture. He was ordained a priest at Czerna in 1882 and in 1883 he became prior of the convent at Czerna. Kalinowski founded multiple convents around Poland and Ukraine, most prominent of which was one in Wadowice, Poland, where he was also elected prior. He installed a convent of Discalced Carmelite nuns in Przemyśl in 1884, and in Lvov in 1888. He was a noted spiritual director of both Catholic and Russian Orthodox faithful.

ST AMBROSE'S CHURCH WORKING BEE : St Ambrose's Church is looking forward to a thorough cleaning before we celebrate Christmas. If you have a spare hour , please come along and lend a hand on **Saturday 14 December from 10:30am.** BYO favourite tools, including vacuums, cleaning cloths and products. We are hoping for a good turnout. Contact Lorna at pyele8j@gmail.com if you have any queries.

ST FINBARR'S CHURCH WORKING BEE: Our beautiful church of St Finbarr's is in desperate need of a good clean in readiness for Christmas. Do you have a spare hour? If so, come along on either, **Thursday 28th November**, after the 9am mass OR **Saturday 30th November** from 8:30 to 10:30am.

ST JOAN OF ARC CHURCH WORKING BEE to help tidy the garden and clean the church for Christmas. If you can spare an hour, please come along with tools in hand on **Saturday 7 December** from 6.30am.



BREAK OPEN THE WORD: This weekend, books will be available for rostered readers to pick up at all the Churches. We ask for a small donation of \$10 to contribute to the cost.



Carols on Clyde
Christmas carols Supper Christmas cheer

All Jubilee parishioners are invited to join the St Joan of Arc community for a family-friendly carols service, followed by supper and Christmas cheer!
When: 6pm, Sunday 8 December
Where: St Joan of Arc church, Clyde Road, Herston

Everyone welcome!



St Brigid's Choir
A Ceremony of Carols
Sunday 15th December, 7.00pm
78 Musgrave Rd, St Brigids, Red Hill

The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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

St Ambrose School, Newmarket



Our week began with a tender message from one of our dads, Grant Joy, who shared with us the significance of Remembrance Day and how important it is for us to pause and remember. Then Mrs Fiechtner who told us about George, a young 15yr old who wanted to serve his country and didn't return. We are thankful to you both and especially to the young men, women and animals who served in any conflicts.

Prep Faith and Prep Love beautifully guided us through Matthew's Gospel, reminding us to always cherish and practice the Golden Rule. They showed us how this Gospel teaching is essential in every interaction and place we go. A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful preppies for sharing this important and loving message with our community! Thanks to Veronica from St Vincent De Paul Youth Team for visiting us last week to launch our 4 weeks of giving. We have an ambitious target of raising \$1,000 in vouchers or cash to help our local conference which will support people in our community as well as those in Inala and Goodna. If you'd like to help, please dig deep and reach out to the St Finbarr's office.



Last Friday was a day filled with joy and excitement at St Joseph's School as we hosted two fantastic events for our students and community. The day kicked off with the Prep to Year 2 Swimming Fun Day, where our youngest students showcased their swimming skills and had a splashing good time.

The event, organised by our dedicated teachers, was a wonderful opportunity for the children to build confidence in the water, participate in friendly races, and enjoy various water activities. The smiles and laughter from the pool were an clear indication that everyone had a fantastic time.

In the afternoon, the energy levels soared even higher with the P&F Association's Colour Fun Run. This vibrant event brought together students, parents, and staff for a colourful and exhilarating experience. Participants ran, walked, and danced through a course filled with bursts of colourful powder, creating a kaleidoscope of happy faces and laughter. The Colour Fun Run was not only a blast but also a fantastic fundraiser for our school. The funds raised will go towards enhancing our school facilities and supporting various educational programs, directly benefiting our students.

ST AMBROSE'S SCHOOL




As part of our St Ambrose's Remembrance Day commemorations, some of our classes created beautiful poppies, wreaths, and crosses that symbolize the respect and gratitude we hold in our hearts for our veterans and fallen soldiers.

Through these activities, our students gained a deeper understanding of the bravery and dedication of those who fought for the freedoms we enjoy today.

As a school we prayed that our Loving God will open our hearts to peace and love, reward all who have died for their country, and grant that Australia and all nations may continue to work for peace and justice.

We are proud to instil in our students the importance of remembering and honouring our history.

Lest we forget. 



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

We celebrate with the families of **Gerad Axiak & Abbey Coman** who were married this weekend.

As a parish family we welcome **Walter Brown, Finlay Marks & Maya Thwaites** who were all baptised this weekend.

We especially pray for **Fr John Begg** who recently died and for all the souls of the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.