Who/what are you looking for?
John the Baptist is doing it tough. He has doubts. (He is in prison.) Has he got it all wrong?
Messengers ask the question. They are told to ‘wake up’.
John did say, ‘By their fruits they will be known.’
Light, life, song, goodwill, good news proclaimed.
Are you defeated? Wavering in the breeze? Or awakening?

Gaudete Sunday: The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word meaning “rejoice.” This Sunday is so named because “Rejoice” is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today’s Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near.” Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation:
The Second Rite: Wednesday night 18 December at 7pm at Sacred Heart Church Rosalie.
The Second Rite is communal with individual confession and absolution. The community gathers and listens to the Word. The priest leads the examination
of conscience. Four priests will be available for people to confess their sins. It is drawn together with a short conclusion as we rejoice in God’s mercy.

The First Rite of Reconciliation is also available at the regular Saturday afternoon times. If the penitent wishes to have a longer conversation with the priest, then the First Rite is the form where this is best done.

Both are celebrations of God’s peace coming into our lives. That is a way to usher in some gaudete joy!

St Thomas More Church has recently been given a touch of tender loving care. A repaint has been done in the last few weeks. Tiling being repaired as well. Grazie also to the local community that provided for the majority of the costs. Grazie to Mr Gambaro for a $500 donation towards the costs.

Gaudete: The parish rejoices in the presence of religious in the parish. Jubilee is extremely blest in the discipleship of these faith filled women and men. Thanks be to God for the Presentation Sisters (Herston), Verbum Dei Missionaries (Bardon), Sisters of the Morning Star (Ashgrove), Marist Fathers (Rosalie) and Marist Brothers (Rosalie). The parish exults, it rejoices and blooms, bringing forth blossoms and singing for joy. They witness to the splendour of God in our midst. Thanks and blessings on them.

THANK YOU! There are numerous parishioners who do so much voluntary work to have our parish motoring along as well as it does.

Counters: faithfully at the counting table every week totalling the collection for banking. These people do count! Toda

Sacristans: arrive early and set up for the liturgy. They are so efficient we hardly notice them. And they clean up and close up. Shukran

Welcomers: What a difference a warm welcome makes to our participation in the Eucharist. These joyful people do prepare the way. Dziekuje

Church environment decorators: or creative artists/decorators that add colour and verve to the ambience of the liturgical space. They wake us up to the different feel and texture of the liturgy as our senses are alerted to the mystery we are about to celebrate. Merci

Office Closure

Parish Office Closure Wednesday 18 December: The parish office will be closed this Wednesday 18 December from 12pm as the office staff rejoices in the season.

Parish Office Closure for Christmas: as we move from Advent into the Christmas season please note that the office will be closed from 12pm, Tuesday 24 December, and reopen Thursday 9 January, 2020. Thanks for the joy you have brought to the office in 2019, and may you rejoice in the birth of our Saviour.
Parish Noticeboard
- 15 December – Red Hill Carols 7pm
- 18 December – Second Rite of Reconciliation
- 22 December – Carols on Clyde

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

Christmas Pageant 2019 - St Mary Magdalene’s Church
Calling all Angels & Shepherds
St Mary Magdalene’s is featuring a Christmas pageant with Baby Jesus lying in the hay. Mary and Joseph, the stable, the Angels, the donkey
Christmas Present is made of memories of Christmas Past.

Christmas Eve Service will be held in the School Assembly Hall. The Service will begin at 4.00pm with the Christmas Pageant and Carols, followed by Mass at 4.30.
Children of all ages can be involved. Costumes are basic (no sewing required). Rehearsals will be held in the School Assembly Hall at 9.00am on:
- Monday 16th December
- Dress Rehearsal Monday 23rd December
Attendance at the Dress Rehearsal is essential.

Anyone interested please contact Therese Beavis on 0403 784 778 or email on mtbah@optusnet.com.au

Jubilee Casual Youth Minister Position - Applications Open.
To work with our Youth Coordinator, Georgina, Jubilee is hiring a Youth Minister for 2020. The position in 10-15 hrs/week and will play a key role in primary school youth ministry and in running the youth group and Parish youth mass, monthly.

Applications close: Friday 10th January 2020
Commencing: Monday 27th January 2020

Please look at the Parish Website (under the “youth” banner) for the full job description and for info on how to apply.

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Carols on Clyde
22 December
St Joan of Arc Church
47 Clyde Road, Herston
7pm

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Enquiries: Elizabeth Harrington 3369 3795

Volunteers needed SVCS Bardon
27 December 2019
Do you have a few hours to spare on December 27th and would like to give back to the community that shares your values? SVCS Bardon requires a Volunteer bus driver for a special lunch outing with our elderly residents to Sandgate on the 27th December, between 9am and 1:30pm. Only a standard Drivers Licence is required. We also need a few extra hands to help out on the day, so if you would like to join us for this special outing, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Sonia Kovac: Sonia.kovac2@svha.org.au or 07 3435 7210.

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As a parish we celebrate with the families of Grace Salvadore Pedro & James Koch who were baptised this weekend.

We celebrate with the families of Jonathan Rebuquiao & Jennifer Lingard who celebrated their wedding this weekend.

We pray for Pat Nolan, Brian McGrath & Francis (John) Morahan who passed away this week.

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

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.

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Ministers of the Word
New ‘Break Open the Word’
For new Church Year Begins Sunday 1 December
$10 bargain!
Thanks for preparation
AND proclamation

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Coorparoo Qld invites applications for the part-time position of Finance Officer

(10 hours per week : 6 hours one day and four the next )

The successful applicant will:

- Demonstrate ability in providing reception services and administrative support.
- Knowledge of Business Activity Statement (BAS) reporting and accounting software packages preferably MYOB or QuickBooks.
- Well-developed written and oral communication skills and interpersonal skills for providing excellent customer service to internal and external stakeholders.
- Demonstrated capacity to work both independently and with others.
- A willingness to work within the Mission and Vision of the Catholic Church.

Specific responsibilities include:
The banking, financial management, database entry, document preparation, photocopying and filing.

Remuneration will be based on the suitable candidate’s skills and experience and be paid in line with the Clerks Private Sector Modern Award 2010.

For a copy of the position description and to apply for this position, please visit the below link. Applications should include the name of two (2) referees one of which preferably should be a Parish Priest.


Applications close Wednesday 8th January 2020.

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