

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

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 10 NOVEMBER 2024

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The providence of God.

This weekend we meet three generous givers: the Old Testament widow of Zarephath, the New Testament widow in the Jerusalem Temple, and Christ who sacrificed all for us.

God commands the prophet Elijah to go to a widow in a foreign country. God has also been communicating with this non-Israelite to

feed the prophet when he comes, despite her own life and the life of her son being threatened by the drought. Elijah and the widow minister to each other. She shares the poor meal she has and, in return, Elijah gives her God's assuring word that she and her son will survive the famine.

The scribe of the gospel is very different to that of last week. These are the Temple lawyers who are supposed to stand on the side of the oppressed but are oppressing the poor to grandstand themselves. Widows, bereft of family support, were easy victims of this financial abuse. Jesus, attentive to each individual, highlights the generosity and trust in God's providence of this widow who gives all.

These readings are not a romanticization of poverty nor a condemnation of large donations. It is the motivation behind the gift that is important. That is a takeaway for each of us. The flipside is for us to ponder the providence of God that we have experienced when we thought all had been spent and we nearly gave up.

The second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews calls our attention to Jesus' passion. He will drop all that he has to live on, his very life, into the treasury of the grave, from which he will rise as the new and living Temple. This is Jesus' ultimate, once-and-for-all self-offering for the life of all. As the Eternal Priest he perpetually will intercede for us. It is the permanent and unbreakable union of humanity to God, welded by the obedience of Christ on the cross.

Today is Prison Sunday. It is a foreign land for many of us, and familiar territory for others. We are extremely grateful to the prison chaplains and prison-care support networks that cross thresholds, generously, to provide hope and life to these sons and daughters of God and their families. **Fr Gerry**



FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations to **Luca Rolls & Finn Burridge** who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. May God's blessings shine upon them on this precious day and their faith be strengthened bringing them closer to God.



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10 November 2024 (Year B)

Proper of the Mass

1st Reading: 1 Kg 17:10-16 **Second Reading:** Heb 9:24-28

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: Throughout November, a Book of Remembrance will be placed on a stand at the entrance to each Church for you to write names of your deceased relatives and friends. At each Mass, the book will be placed on the sanctuary and prayers offered for all those gone to eternal rest.



POTLUCK DINNER: I was unsure of what to expect when I arrived at the hall for my first Potluck Dinner last Friday night. I was welcomed by an array of colours and cuisines, steaming chicken, fragrant curries and vibrant salads. Everyone was in high spirits, chatting, laughing and serving each other. What struck me was the strong sense of community. As I enjoyed the music and dancing, I realised that the dinner was not just about the food but about connection, belonging and gratitude. This was my first potluck dinner but won't be my last. *Fr Tomi*



Our Family Prepares: The First Rite of Penance. On Saturday 9 November a large number of our Year 5 parishioners celebrated the First Rite of Reconciliation. Our prayer is that this has been an experience of God's mercy and compassion in their lives.

These past few weeks have been an opportunity for them within their families to discuss:

- Understanding right and wrong
- Choosing what is right
- Being sorry for sin
- Forgiving and being forgiven.

Thought provoking areas for all!

Many thanks to parents for the ongoing formation of their children in the ways and practice of our faith.



PRISON MINISTRY SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER: Each year on the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Prison Sunday, bringing attention to the plight of prisoners and highlighting the important work that prison chaplains undertake. Having a day dedicated to inmates like Prisoners' Sunday is important, because it helps call to mind this aspect of the Church's work because often inmates, their families, and prison chaplains "are out of sight, out of mind.

We acknowledge and pray for all Chaplains and in particular Fr Anthony Girvan for their tireless service to this ministry.

We welcome Fr Anthony back from his time away. The 6.30am Mass at Red Hill will resume from next Thursday 14 November.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 11 NOVEMBER: On this day we unite in solemn respect and Remembrance for those who have died or suffered whilst serving in wars, conflicts and peace operations.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. We will remember them.



FUNERAL MASS: There will be a Funeral Mass to celebrate the life of **Shirley Crawford** held at 10.30am on Tuesday 12 November at St Mary Magdalene Church, Bardon. We offer Brian and the family much comfort and prayers during this difficult time.



FUNERAL MASS: A Mass of thanksgiving for the life of **Rosa Eales** is to be held at 9.30am on Tuesday the 12th of November at St Finbarr's Church, Ashgrove. The parish joins in sympathy and prayers for Rosa's family at this sad time.

PARISH DIARY



Monday 11 November

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 12 November

Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

Wednesday 13 November

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 14 November

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 15 November

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

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Saturday 16 November Individual Reconciliation

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

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

16 November Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

Sunday 17 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

What's happening this week?

WOODLANDS ANOINTING LITURGY

Friday 15 November 10.30am

JUBILEE CARDS

Saturday 16 November

St Finbarr's school hall

12.00pm-4.00pm

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Sunday 17 November 7.30am

St Joan of Arc Church

MORNING TEA

TO FOLLOW

All Welcome!!!

PROPERTY NEWS: Hurrah! Break out the bubbly! Finally, the Rosalie Convent site has had approval. Email received Thursday from Mark Burroughs, Archdiocesan Strategic Development Manager, “I am pleased to confirm that the court issued final orders on the appeal this morning allowing the changed development application. This thankfully brings an end to this chapter of the masterplan approval process. Thank you for your and the PFC’s patience through this drawn-out process.”

In the background organizational planning has continued. The next phase is the engagement of a business that will help us go to market for partnering of a retirement facility on the site. There are several providers in this field. There are Catholic providers as well as commercial providers. It is a complicated process of what the parish can bring to the table, and what their entity can build and operate in a way that is financially beneficial to all involved. With the approval through the court the process can proceed. More to come.

Change Discernment: In the recent Archbishop’s clergy appointments there are changes to the priests in The Gap, Dorrington, and Jubilee. It will necessitate changes to the mass times in Jubilee and Dorrington because of the availability of priests. Jubilee has had its present mass schedule since approximately 2006. Presently 3 priests are needed on a Sunday morning for all the masses to be celebrated. Jubilee is going to not have the services of Fr Tony who will now be sacramental minister at Dorrington. Some change to our Sunday mass schedule will be required. It is sensible to make mass time change that will provide Catholics in the area access to the Eucharist. The changes have to be sustainable with the appointed clergy and not relying on the generosity, availability and health of retired clergy.

I propose a discernment group to pray God’s wisdom as we look to the changes in Sunday mass times within Jubilee. I seek a representative of each of the mass communities of Jubilee to pray about this, communicate with their community and help us all in moving forward. The group would conclude early in the new year as the transition is made.

Change effects all, not simply the communities having to make the change. In God’s grace, ripples spread out with all coming to settle on what will be the adjusted timetables. If people are willing to volunteer, please contact myself **by 6pm Monday 11 November**. If there is more than one volunteer for a community, there will be the prayerful ballot out of the hat (variation on selection of Matthias Acts 1: 23-36 and Brisbane Archdiocesan Synod). If no volunteers, I will be tapping people on the shoulder. Time commitment will not be too onerous. Your prayer for our parish is most appreciated. **Fr Gerry**

Pope Francis Encyclical *Dilexit nos*, “He Loved Us” On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ, October 2024.

A summary of each of the five chapters is included from weekend 3 November:

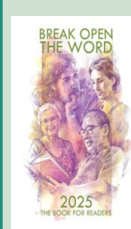
The second chapter is dedicated to the actions and words of love of Christ. The acts by which He treats us as friends and shows that God “is closeness, compassion, and tender love” are evident in His encounters with the Samaritan woman, Nicodemus, the prostitute, the adulterous woman, and the blind man on the road (35). His gaze, which “examines the depths of your being” (39), shows “how attentive Jesus was to individuals and above all to their problems and needs” (40), in such a way “as to admire the good things he recognizes in us,” like in the centurion, even if others ignore them (41).

His most eloquent word of love is “being nailed to the Cross,” after having wept for His friend Lazarus and suffered in the Garden of Gethsemane, aware of His violent death “at the hands of those He loved so much” (45, 46). *Joseph Ivel Mendanha, C.Ss.R. S.T.D*

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS CARDS

Available for purchase at Sacred Heart Church. See the SVDP representative at the front door after the 4.30pm & 5.30pm Masses. **PACK OF 5 FOR \$5.00**

BREAK OPEN THE WORD: From 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. Envelopes have been provided. Thank you.

ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH Working bee

We need volunteers to bring back the shine to our heavily dust coated louvres. If you can spare an hour or two please arrive at the church at **8.00am, Saturday 16 November**. **All equipment provided**

FIRST FRIDAY HEALING MASS- 9am, 6th December, Sacred Heart Church Rosalie followed by CHRISTMAS LUNCH at PADDO TAVERN, 186 Given Tce., Paddington. 10-10.30am.



Menu: 3 set courses.
Cost: \$30 each —please bring cash— also for the Raffles.
RSVP: Essential for catering ASAP no later than 25th Nov.
Phone: Joyce Klemick 0400726630; Susanne Hodge 0476235016.
Hope to see you there!!



The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

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

St Ambrose School, Newmarket



At St Finbarr's we are always keen to engage in opportunities to enhance our teaching methods. Recently, two staff members have been participating in 'Challenging Maths' workshops. These workshops are designed to spark curiosity and foster problem-solving skills among our students. By engaging in these sessions, our teachers aim to create a dynamic and stimulating learning environments that encourages students to think critically and creatively. This commitment to professional development ensures that our educators are well-equipped to inspire and challenge their students, making learning both exciting and effective.

This week we welcomed Veronica from the Vinnies Youth Team to launch our *4 Weeks of Giving* to support Vinnies by collecting donations and vouchers which are an essential part of the *Hand Up* that Vinnies offers to the vulnerable in our community. The cost-of-living crisis means our local companions need support more than ever. If you would like to support us as we support others please reach out, we'd love to hear from you.



St Joseph's Book of Remembrance

Throughout the month of November, our Catholic community remembers and prays for those in our hearts who have gone before us through death and into the eternal life. Students at St. Joseph's School are continuing this tradition of the Church and reflecting on the lives of those who have died and who have positively impacted their families.

Each student has been invited to write or draw their memories of someone special, capturing their memories of them. These reflections have been compiled into a beautiful golden book of remembrance.

Throughout November, the Book of Remembrance will be incorporated into class Masses and assemblies, ensuring that these cherished memories are kept alive in our prayers and thoughts. Circulating to a different class each day, students and teachers will pray for the souls of those named within its pages. This daily prayer not only honours the departed but also fosters an appreciation for students of their own place amongst the communion of Saints.



Congratulations to all our St Ambrose's students who recently participated in the ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) assessments! A special congratulations to four standout students for their exceptional performances:

Grace Chan, Distinction in Maths

Felicity Petrie, Distinction in English

Phebe Herron, Distinction in Spelling

Kiana Devgun, High Distinction in Spelling

We would like to extend a special thank you to **Shirley James-Sharry** and **Celia Dodds** for their invaluable support in coordinating and conducting many of the ICAS assessments outside of school hours. Their dedication and commitment made it possible for our students to shine. Congratulations once again to all ICAS participants, and a heartfelt thank you to Shirley and Celia for their efforts. Keep up the fantastic work, everyone!

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 **Lexi Stone, Jade Stone & Emilia Close** who were all baptised this weekend.

We celebrate with the families of **Christopher Provost and Rachel Maynard** who were married on Friday.

We especially pray for **Maria Teireira Medeiros** who recently died and for all the souls of the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.