

Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish

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**ONE PARISH
three churches**

Sacred Heart

50 Fairway Drive,
Clear Island Waters

St Vincent's

40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise

Stella Maris

254 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach

PASTORAL

Fr Peter Dillon

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 29th / 30th APRIL 2017—YEAR A

My Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

This weekend, we listen to the Gospel of that superb incident on the Road to Emmaus. Two disillusioned disciples are walking away from Jerusalem, their faces downcast. They cannot make sense of the tragic death of the man they thought was the Messiah. Jesus walks along with them and lets them tell him all their concerns, fears and hopes. He assures them that all is not lost and that they are right to keep trusting and hoping. The weary disciples offer hospitality to this mysterious traveller. It is only when he breaks the bread at supper that they recognise the Risen Lord.

Today we recall the transforming power of the words of Christ:

"This is my body.....This is the chalice of my blood." In every Eucharist we recall the words of Christ and take strength from Our Lord who is really present to us, and walks with us in our joys and sorrows, as well as our failures and successes.

The picture building up in the readings during the Easter season show us the importance of community, and gathering for the 'Breaking of Bread.' Christ is present in and working through the community of believers and so we see how vital it is that we continue to support, encourage and gather together to hear the Word, gain strength from Eucharist and go out into our everyday lives to cooperate with what Our Lord is doing in our midst.

Speaking of the community of the Church, we continue to pray for vocations to Priesthood and religious life. As Pope Francis has said: "Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood or to the consecrated life, there is always the strong and intense prayer of someone; a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father, a community" the same applies for the vocation of every person as we all pray for and 'put new heart' into those around us.

Fr Paul Kelly



STELLA MARIS CHURCH PARISHIONERS are advised that there will be no vehicular access to

Stella Maris Church on **Sunday 14th May 2017 due to the running of the Mothers Day Classic.**

Hedges Avenue will be **closed from 6.30am until 10.30am.** If you do drive to the Church you won't be allowed to enter Hedges Avenue. You will be required to find parking in the side streets. If you do access the Church carpark prior to the street closure you will not be allowed to Exit until after 10.30am.

LIVE STREAMING OF THE ORDINATION OF BISHOP TIM HARRIS: Parishioners who wish to watch the live-streaming of the **Ordination on Wednesday 3rd May at 10am**, must advise the Parish Office **no later than Tuesday 2nd May.** We need to be able to seat everyone who wishes to attend and we can only use the Parish Hospitality Centre to access the Internet. If you wish to watch the Live-Stream in your own homes you can do so via the Internet at:

Evening Prayer - <https://youtu.be/GeVRhbLOTjM>

Ordination - <https://youtu.be/J5YhBBwRlyw>

READINGS THIS WEEKEND:

Third Sunday of Easter;

Acts 2:14, 22-33;
1 Pet 1:17-21;
Lk 24:13-35

FEASTS:

Tues 2nd St Athanasius, bishop, doctor;
Wed 3rd Sts Philip & James, apostles

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

Fourth Sunday of Easter;

Acts 2:14, 36-41;
1 Peter 2:20-25;
John 10:1-10

REFLECTION:

The readings this week have a Eucharistic theme. The structure of the Gospel passage is paradigmatic. The disciples are gathered in Christ, yet unknowingly. There is a sense of irony with the word exclaimed by the Word. Their understanding comes with the sharing of the meal.

The Emmaus disciples become the first 'com-panions' (com=with; panis=bread) of Jesus, to be 'united in sharing bread'. In the Eucharist we meet the Risen Christ, our hearts burn, and we are charged with new hope and mission.

In the First Reading Peter sets himself and the disciples as public witnesses bound to proclaim what they have seen with enthusiasm and conviction. Their very transformation is the sign of the presence of God's Spirit.

The Second Reading takes up this theme with an emphasis on the resurrection as the work of God and the point around which the whole of human history turns. In the Exodus there is freedom from slavery, in the resurrection there is hope from futility and meaninglessness.

In our earnest longing to build our discipleship on rock we turn, as Jesus taught us, to the scriptures. We journey with others who seek to make meaning from their life experiences. We gather with the community and in the breaking of the bread we see Christ. Our vision carries us forth to be, and bring Good News to all.



Reach out. Give life.

**We invite you to pray for, or consider registering to attend,
Mission: One Heart, Many Voices**

From the Gospel for this weekend, we see one of the earliest examples of evangelisation: the two disciples who encounter Jesus have their hearts and minds transformed. They then return, the Gospel tells us, to the others, to share in hospitality and recount their tale. This is evangelisation. From such personal encounters with Jesus, comes Mission. It is how the religious priests, Brothers and Sisters who we support overseas and across Australia live their lives but it is also how each of us are called to be missionary as well. As this coming conference will help us understand, when our hearts burn with the gospel message, we then want to share our Emmaus story. Please pray for all those presenting, attending and for those we will return to afterwards.

For more info, please visit: <http://www.mohmv.com.au/2017conference/>

David McGovern, Director, Brisbane Archdiocese

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR HIGH-SCHOOLERS

Expressions of Interest are invited from students (aged 11-17) who are baptised Catholic and wish to complete the **Sacraments of Initiation - Confirmation and First Eucharist**. Workshops will be commencing in the first week of June. Please phone **Helen on 5572 5433 (Wed-Fri)** or email helenpastoral@bne.catholic.net.au to register your interest.



VENIRE YOUTH RETREAT: SEEK

We are excited to run our 3rd annual youth retreat! Join 60 other youth from across the Gold Coast for 4 awesome days up in Mt Tambourine. There will be plenty of games and activities, inspiring speakers, live music, and memories you'll keep for a lifetime.

When: 26th – 29th June, 2017

Who: Highschoolers and recent school leavers

Cost: \$220 early bird until May 5th

Normal ticket price is \$250

Register now at www.venireyouth.com : Email hello@venireyouth.com with questions!

THURSDAY 4TH MAY

Venire is on in the hospitality centre from 6-8:30pm



Grow deeper in your faith, and meet like minded high schoolers who are on a similar journey. Join us for a great night of games, dinner, talk, small group discussion and prayer.

RSVP- 0411 669 876

FOR SUMMIT THIS MONTH, we'll be having a guest speaker present to us and lead us in discussion.

Join us as we hear from **Sr Mel from Vocations**

Brisbane about her journey into religious life and her life-changing experiences in Africa. She will give a powerful witness to how she answered God's call. What is God calling you to do in your life? [#quovadis](https://www.instagram.com/quovadis)

At Summit: a talk, discussion, complimentary wine and cheese is provided! We'll also have time to pray in Eucharistic Adoration together, and head out for desert afterwards.

Let us know if you're coming. **We start at 7pm in the Hospitality Centre.**

Young Adults



ALL NIGHT ADORATION: All night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this first **Friday 5th May from 7pm to 7am Saturday 6th May at Sacred Heart Church**. All Welcome. Enquiries to **Jim 0424381069 or Helen 0421935678**.

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Mt 26:40

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Our Parish holds a treasure!

We welcome you to share in this treasure – this gentle contemplative process of faith formation for young children.

Our lives are so full – of noise, activity and commitments.

For 90 minutes, once a week, children aged 3 years and over, enjoy a peaceful place.

They work in silence. We learn. We sing. We pray.

We welcome our families back for Term 2 in the Atrium.

Monday and Friday sessions run from 9:30am to 11:00am.

Baptism Preparation (3-8 year old)

Saturday Baptism Preparation Sessions will run from **9:00am to 10:00am.**

To learn more, please email:

atrium.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au

PRAYING THE ROSARY: The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of May Winters of Varsity Lakes for the week of **MONDAY 1st May 2017**. There is no need to invite anyone else into your home unless you wish to do so. Please phone **Maxine or Pat Sela on 5539 9539**.

SACRED HEART ANOINTING MASS: 1st Tuesday of the Month: The next Anointing Mass will be held on **Tuesday 2nd May at 10am** in Sacred Heart Church, 50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters. Everyone is welcome to attend. Stay on afterwards for light refreshments in the Parish Hospitality Centre hosted by the Surfers Paradise Catholic Ladies.

All SPCL members are asked to bring a plate to share.

The Monthly Meeting of the Surfers Paradise Catholic Ladies will be held in the afternoon.

**3rd Sunday of Easter - Year A
A VOCATION VIEW:**

We can feel the Lord's call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?"



THE CATHOLIC LEADER: KEEPING FAITH WITH YOU

* **Special edition welcoming Bishop Tim Harris as the new Bishop of Townsville.**

We have limited copies so if you miss out please advise the



Parish Office and we will place an extra order with the Leader.

* Evangelisation Resources Down Under to close after 23 years as a parish ministry leading the way in Scripture study for many people around Australia

* **New Gold Coast project aims to end the cycle of homelessness**

* Priest brings Easter joy to notorious Don Dale youth detention centre

* **Vietnam veteran tells why Anzac Day is such an emotional time for him and what he's doing to help other veterans in need.**

COMMONWEALTH GAMES ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS: We are receiving requests from visitors who wish to come to the 2018 Commonwealth Games to be held Wed 4th to Sun 15th April. If any parishioners are interested in offering accommodation at this time please let us know and we will pass on your contact details to the inquirers. All arrangements will be strictly between yourselves and the visitors.



FIRST APPARITION OF OUR LADY AT FATIMA: All are cordially invited to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the First Apparition at Fatima on Saturday May 13, at the Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians, Marian Valley, Canungra. Please wear blue and white in honour of our Lady. The bus will leave from 7 Lind Ave, Palm Beach at 7.45am then from **Sacred Heart Church at Clear Island Waters at 8.15am**. A seat on the bus is \$20 per person return. Please call **Paula on 0402 930 918/ 5582 7950** or **Madelaine Zammit 5529 1573/0405 252 367** to secure your seat.

ART and CRAFT GROUP NEWS: Our next activity will be a **MOTHER'S DAY TABLE** with lots of lovely gifts to give to your Mother on **Mother's Day Sunday 14th May**. Our table will be set up on **SATURDAY 6TH MAY AND ON SUNDAY 7TH MAY AT ALL MASSES AT SACRED HEART CHURCH**. Proceeds from all sales will go to the needs of single mothers and premature babies. Please support this very worthy cause.



ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES is scheduled for 5, 6 and 7 May. Persons participating in this multinational pro-life prayer event will pray at least one Rosary for an end to abortion. For further details you can check the website at www.stmichaeltthearchangelorganisation.org

NEWS FROM THE GOLD COAST CATHOLIC LIBRARY

May is the month of special celebration of Our Lady. We have a whole section (Dewey Number 232.91) for books about Jesus' family. Our display shows some of the most popular and important books and CD's. "The Infancy Gospels of Jesus" with an excellent commentary, are a source of many of the Marian legends. "The Miracles of Mary" and "Shrines of Our Lady" concern the role of Mary in our modern devotions. Marian theology can be found in Papal writings and those who advocate recognition of Mary as co-redemptrix. Music to celebrate the Mother of God is also featured.

PARISH NAME BADGES: Parishioners are reminded to wear your Parish Name Badges whenever you attend a Parish Mass or Function. This helps everyone to get to know you by name. If you don't already have a Parish Name Badge please contact the Parish office 55725433 and we will order one for you. The 1st badge is free and replacements will cost \$5 each.

COFFEE CULTURE CAFÉ 7:00am—3:30pm Tuesday to Friday
Catering options are available for your function.
Phone: **Lauren 0435 721258**

MONDAY 1st May	TUESDAY 25th April	WEDNESDAY 26th April	THURSDAY 27th April	FRIDAY 28th April	SATURDAY 29th April
7.00am ST VINCENT'S <i>Parish Office Closed</i>	9.00AM SACRED HEART	9AM STELLA MARIS	9.00AM STELLA MARIS	7AM ST VINCENT'S 9AM SACRED HEART	<u>RECONCILIATION</u> 4.15pm STELLA MARIS 5.00pm SACRED HEART 5.15pm ST VINCENT'S
NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES	STELLA MARIS CHURCH Saturday evening 5.00pm AND Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am SACRED HEART CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm ST VINCENT'S CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am				

MIGRANT CHAPLAINS / COMMUNITIES:

Polish: Sunday 11.30am Sacred Heart Church
Fr Bernard Bednarz C/- 3252 2200

Italian: Sunday 4.00pm Sacred Heart Church
Fr Michele Cagna CS 0432110468—Pastoral Support and General Information - Connie 5575 8882

Filipino: Next Mass in our Parish is on 1st October 2017 at 12noon in Casey Hall. Fr Terence Nueva 3277 2252

Hispanic: 1st & 3rd Sundays 5—7pm St Vincent's Church
Fr Ignacio Gutierrez 0481 118 521
Email: paterignacio@yahoo.com

Maronite Rite: Saturday 7.15pm Sacred Heart
Phone: 3394 4994 St Maroun's Church, Brisbane.

FOR MORE PARISH GROUPS, PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office 5572 5433 to register.

Marriages: Contact Parish Office 5572 5433 (Min 6mths notice required)

Benediction: 1st Friday 7.30am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise

Children's Liturgy: Sunday @ 9am Mass Sacred Heart Church (during School Term only). **Stella Maris Church @ 8.30am Mass every 2nd Sunday**

Christian Meditation: Tuesday 10am (Youth Room) Pam Egberts 0428090703.

Christian Meditation Tuesday 6pm (Youth Room). Contact Parish Office

Couples For Christ FFL: Phone Butch & Mini 0424 583 168/9

Exposition: Monday & Friday 6am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise
Tuesday 9.30am Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters
Thursday 9.45am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise
Friday 7pm—9pm Sacred Heart Church,
1st Friday - **7pm Friday 5th May to 7am Saturday 6th May.**

Carmelite Spirituality: 3rd Sunday of each month 10.30am PHC, CIW
Contact: Norm Harding 0421 125 575. **Next Meeting 20th May.**

Rosary: Sunday 7.15am St Vincent's Church
Monday & Friday 6.25am St Vincent's Church
Tuesday & Friday 8.25am Sacred Heart Church, before Mass
Wednesday 8.25am Stella Maris Church, before 9.00am Mass

Venire Youth Mass—6.00pm Sunday 28th May 2017

Art & Craft: Each Wednesday 9am to 12noon in PHC

Book Club: 3rd Tuesday of Month at 12 noon in PHC

Bridge: Mondays at 12noon Parish Hospitality Centre

SPCL: Tuesday 2nd May 2017

Friendship Day Thursday 18 May 2017

Parish Choir Practice: 8.30am Saturdays SH

Playgroup: Wednesdays 9.30am Casey Hall, Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters - Sarah 0410 701 515

Playgroup is Volunteer Based— Each parent needs to sign an attendee sheet at each session.

Yoga: Tuesday 10.45am \$10/Session.

Zumba Gold: Friday 9.15am Casey Hall. Beginners and Intermediate. Susana Pozzi 0421 607 397

RECENTLY DECEASED: Adrian (Davo) Davidson (Cairns), Giovanni Marmina, Salvatore Scamante, Charles Brian Debnam, Margaret Boulton, Francesco Posa, Sr Carmel Mary Quinlivan RSM, Patty Cleal, Leonard Toner, Alan (Mick) Burcham, Fay Morgan, David Long (Vic), Willie Twyford.

ANNIVERSARIES: Tootsie Ware, Barry Toomey, David McCarthy, Tony McCarthy & the McCarthy Family, Eileen Scharenguivel, Richard McCarthy, Klaudio Krstic, Bruce, Greg & Gib McPhie, Stan Ryan, Joan Street.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Paul Beck, Steve Wayt, Ozzie Mazzei, Rose Arthurson, Brandon Watson, Claire Keefe, Maria Nazari, Sr Eileen Jones RSVM, Maria Shen, Helen Lindsay, Junko Costigan, Camelia Shamvian, Lauretta Peterson, Rosa Maria Santos, Vera McCormick, Jason & Jodie Morphet, Raymond Balkin, Jim O'Brien, Morgan McEniery, Ann Reich (Syd), Anne Donaldson, Irmgard (Joan) Graz, Carmelia Shamovian, Baby Ollie Hall, Andy Brown, Monica Bailey, Louie Kazzi, Edwin Ware, Nalin Sena, Ahoi Hong, Jackie Hatfield (Wollongong) Tony Bui, Bernadette Lewis (Capetown), Daniel Farrugia, Sean Weldon, Oscar Miranda, John Traynor (UK), Sr Mary Mullins, Patricia Sulzberger, Judy West, Fr John Milliken

PP Stanmore, Fadoul Kazzi, Pat Burton, Andreas Lunandi, Gus Reeves, Annette Anning, Sage Amor (Canada), Brian Elsmore, Emile Van Deurse, Ron Mooney, Denise Tracey, Ron Perry, Paul Kiely, Rachel Raines, John Ashby, Dorelle Muller, Michael Kearney, Barbara Farrell, Marian Komorowski (Poland), Mary Kerr, Conor Cosgrave, Anne Weston, Mary Hayes (Melb), Diep Armstrong.

Please note: All names will be removed from the sick list at the end of each month. Please call us if you wish to renew names on this list.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT LEAVING A LEGACY? Phone the Parish Office **5572 5433**

CONTACT FORM: Family Name: _____

Other Names: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RIGHT NOW?

REGISTERING IN PARISH SACRAMENT ENQUIRY YOUTH

PRAYER REQUEST ROSTER AVAILABILITY

OTHER: _____

to commence Parish Planned Giving Program

Please place this completed form on the collection plate, or contact the Parish Office on 5572 5433 for further info.