



SURFERS PARADISE CATHOLIC PARISH

Phone: (07) 5572 5433

Mass Times: (07) 5595 8466

Fax: (07) 5572 5262

50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters, QLD 4226

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30am - 5pm

Email: surfers@bne.catholic.net.au

www.surfersparadiseparish.com.au

Sacred Heart

50 Fairway Drive,
Clear Island Waters

St Vincent's

40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise

Stella Maris

254 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr Peter Dillon

Parish Priest

Fr Paul Kelly

Associate Pastor

PARISH STAFF

Sonya Slater

Parish Manager

Marylou Ayres

Parish Secretary

Pat Kelly

Parish Assistant

Cathy Anderson

Sacramental Coordinator

Auceli Blanchard

Atrium Coordinator

SCHOOLS

St Vincent's School

Clear Island Waters

Phone: 5572 1746

P: Kerry Rowlands

St Kevin's School

Benowa

Phone: 5539 4522

P: Peter Anderson

St Kevin's Kindergarten

Phone: 5564 5910

Director: Michelle Nelson

St Michael's College

Merrimac

Phone: 5530 2722

P: Anthony Elmore

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD **20th / 21st APRIL 2019 - Year C**

PEOPLE OF THE RESURRECTION

When British journalist, social commentator and convert to Catholicism, Malcolm Muggeridge, was nearing his own death, he wrote about how comforting were Jesus' words "**I am the Resurrection**". He referred to these words as an "outrageous claim", not because he didn't believe them, but he was indicating that to people who knew nothing of Jesus' life and message, this concept would sound so incredible and radical.

Most people have no difficulty believing that a good and righteous man named Jesus lived and had a deep and lasting effect on those who heard him.

Similarly, people have no trouble believing that he was wrongly accused and he became a political scapegoat for both the Jews and the Romans, but when it comes to 'resurrection', people hesitate and caution themselves against accepting something so confronting.

Is there really something more than the physical existence that we know? If I believe that death is not the end, what difference does this make to the way I live?

They really are words which bring with them an outstanding opportunity and challenge. Generations following on from those who first heard these words have grappled with both their meaning and application. They are words, which if true, have the power to completely change the direction and intentions of a person's life. They are words which could overturn the values of people who only accept a secular world and crush the ambitions of those who only follow the attraction of material gain.

It was Christ's own belief in these words, "I am the Resurrection", that gave him the wisdom and courage to stand before Pilate and survive his trial of humiliation. The words gave him the strength to endure his agonising suffering and death. Yet these words were not simply said to give Jesus courage. They were meant for those who needed what the words offered, not simply a validation of the life and horrible death of Jesus, but that goodness and truth would endure, far beyond the historical Jesus. Today, Easter celebrates, not the ugliness of his suffering and death and what people did to him, but the enduring and compelling power of his life and love, which invites us to forever know ourselves as believers in the one who invited us to be resurrection people. Now is the time to ask the question again.

What difference does it make to the way I live that Jesus was raised from the dead and that we shall do the same? Do you genuinely believe it or are you just hedging your bets?

Fr Peter Dillon, Parish Priest



ANZAC DAY MASS will be celebrated on Thursday 25th April
at 9am in Stella Maris Church, 254 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach. Morning tea will be served after Mass.

“The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and protected from any harm.”
As a Parish Community we pray for a change of heart, that we respond to our grief by reaching out to one another in truth and love.

READINGS THIS WEEK: Acts 10: 34, 37-43; Colossians 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-9

READINGS NEXT WEEK: Acts 5: 12-16; Apocalypse 1: 9-13, 17-19; John 20: 19-31.

THE GENEROUS EASTER PEOPLE: Some days just don't seem to have enough hours in the to get all the work done and we seem to have had a few such days recently at the our parish Churches starting with the prayer and spirit-filled days of Lent and finishing with the large and enthusiastic Easter Triduum. While all these liturgies were attended by large numbers of parishioners and visitors, the liturgy that seemed to have the deepest resonance was the Holy Saturday Vigil, with its Easter fire, full-voiced choir and the welcoming of ten new members to our Catholic faith. It was truly a high point for those who had applied themselves to the disciplines of Lent. While all these celebrations have given us much to consider and be grateful for, there is often a misconception that such events happen simply by good intention and a bit of basic planning.

In order that these liturgies and hospitality events ran smoothly and meaningfully, a small army of very dedicated people has spend hours of time preparing and providing for the multitude of detailed requirements of such significant parish events.

As Parish Priest, I was very grateful for the ready response of many people to a request for assistance and, following the events, I was sincerely proud of the way that these volunteers took such care to carry out their tasks professionally and cheerfully.

On behalf of those who attended our Easter celebrations could I thank all the singers, musicians, servers, typists, readers, cooks, printers, welcomers, collectors, ushers, ground staff, palm gatherers and cutters, parking attendants, cleaners, polishers, painters, actors, florists, liturgists, planners, tea and coffee makers, seating coordinators and lastly, but not leastly, those who took part in the liturgies of these important days, those who journeyed from near and far to share the richness of their faith in this vibrant and faith-filled corner of the Archdiocese. The cheerful participation of all these people made this truly a house in which all God's people can have some sense of being part of the kingdom. Alleluia!!! Alleluia!!!!

Fr. Peter Dillon PP

PRAYING THE ROSARY: The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of Rachel and Kemal Coutinho of Broadbeach Waters, for the week commencing **25th April**. If you would like to take part please contact **Pat and Maxine Sela** on **5539 9539**.

WARMEST WELCOME: After months of preparation and the journey to faith in Christ, our parish joyfully welcomes Simon Waters, Kimberley Taylor, Trina Nakahashi, Robert Bisom, who were fully initiated at the Easter Vigil through Baptism, Confirmation and reception of the Eucharist. Also to Hester Mostert, who has been Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church through Confirmation and reception of the Eucharist.

May your lives be filled with abundant blessings as you now walk with us in the life of faith within the Catholic community.

Also our deepest gratitude to Jan and Brian Boniwell, Bernadette Roche and John and Robyn Kennedy, who have been the catechists to our candidates during the months of preparation. We are sure that you will be profoundly satisfied and privileged to have walked with these our new brothers and sisters.

LIBRARY NEWS: JEAN and all the Library Team wish you EASTER BLESSINGS OF JOY.

EASTER JOY: Our Triduum is “book-ended” by celebrations of Joy - the Holy Thursday meal and the Resurrection. On all our shelves of the Library we have displayed books which reflect the joy of being a Christian.

Special favourites include the writings of our Pope, Francis I, who says in *Evangelii Gaudium* 1: 6, “There are Christians whose lives seem like Lent without Easter”. The Holy Father is surely the most joy-filled Pope we have had for a long time. Despite dark days for our Church, his words shine with encouragement and the Joy of the Gospel.

Sometimes it is difficult to talk about the **Easter Story with Children**. In our “Little Library” corner we have presented books to share with the little ones in your life. Colourfully and sensitively illustrated these “Bible Stories for Children and Tots” are a beautiful way to pray.

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2019. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion
#projectcompassion
1800 024 413



SURFERS PARADISE CATHOLIC PARISH sends huge Birthday congratulations to parishioner **ALYCE BOSWELL** who turned 101 years of age this month. Alyce is currently in hospital so we also send her our best wishes for a speedy return to good health.

RENOWNED CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR JEFF CAVINS is visiting Brisbane to conduct *The Great Adventure Bible Study* on 5th May 2019, at St. James's Catholic Church, Coorparoo, from 12noon to 5.00pm. Donations accepted to help with costs. To view our website you can visit: parousiamedia.com/great-adventure-bible-tour-jeff-cavins/ Bring a plate for a shared lunch. For more information please call **Sonny 0421 437 752 or Ross 0408 781 929.**



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Gold Coast PUBLIC MEETING: The Gold Coast Public Information Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous will hold a public meeting for members of the general public and the professional community. The meeting is open to anyone interested in hearing about the program of recovery which can help alcoholics achieve and maintain sobriety. **Friday 3rd May 2019 - 7pm to 8.30pm.** To be held at Albert Waterways Community Centre, **Cnr. Sunshine Blvd & Hooker Blvd**, Mermaid Waters.

We will hear from a non-alcoholic keynote speaker, followed by brief talks by recovered alcoholics and someone who's life has been affected by alcoholism. Guests will then be invited to ask questions & supper is provided. **Contact - Karyn-lee Miyoshi: 0449 894 719 or Philip Denton: 0403 280 724.**

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP: Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the **25th anniversary National Pilgrimage**, giving you the opportunity to journey to places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop.

The Pilgrimage **commences in Melbourne 22 October**, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and **concludes in Sydney 2 November 2019.** Cost \$3,575 – \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure (Australia or New Zealand). Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp. For a brochure, application form or further info please email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr Therese Leydon rsj on **0417 683 123**, or Sr Annie Bond rsj on **02 8912 4818.**

PALMS AUSTRALIA: Come for Global Mission Info: Sunday **May 19th 3:30pm** at Brisbane Square Library, Community Meeting Room, 266 George St, BRISBANE. Palms.org.au **02 9560 5333.**

RECENTLY DECEASED: Benjamin Bondoc, Annunciato Moribita, Patrick Matthews, Betty Egan, Nympha Mendoza, Kay Diane Blake.

ANNIVERSARIES: Dorothy and Raymond Mullen, Relatives of the Hooworth Family, Elsie Wall, Ian Berman, Sylvia Goodwin, Christopher Di Maio, Santo Di Maio Snr, Santo Di Maio Jnr, Anna Di Maio, Maria Maugeri, Stan Ryan, Joan Street, Joan Enright, Mary Wylie, Percy Felsman, Imelda Rundell, Matthew Dwyer & Family.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Antonius Bennik, Warren Gardner, Joseph Robinson, Terry King, Joanne Parkes, Kim Parkes, Cecilia Calligan, Angelita Freda, Norm Harding, Patricia Bridgewienand, Raymond Bridge, Gerard Theron, Alan Krushka, Paul Kiely, Maria Trosic, Lucy Liwag, Tony McLeod, Ron Perry, Aileen Van Zijl, Robert and Anne Maree Reed, Gregory Perkins, Marianne Vanek, Monica Bailey, Margaret Borg, Rosa Michael, Catherine Palin-Brinkworth, Bernie Seeto, Kurt Hillesheim, Brian McGettigan, Joanne Mooney, Michelle MacDonald, Julianne Conway, John Stowers, Frank Lyons (Syd), Gus Reeves, Savannah Mary Ayoub, Mark Miller, John & Molly Robinson, Claire Keefe, Yvonne Lofthouse, Eileen McCarthy, Mary Kerr.

Please review this list and advise the Office of any names that should be removed.

POSITION VACANT – PARISH MANAGER : Applications are open for a position at the **Upper Mount Gravatt Wishart Parish.** A person with excellent Office Management experience as well administration and secretarial skills is required for a full time position of Parish Manager for 37.5 hours a week Monday to Friday. For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers. **Closing date: Friday 17th May 2019**

POSITION VACANT – EVENT COORDINATOR: Applications are open for a position at **St Stephen's Cathedral Parish.** A person with excellent event management and administration is required for a full-time position of Event Coordinator for 37.5 hours per week, Thursday to Monday. **Applications close Friday 26 April 2019.**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

ART AND CRAFT NEWS: THE ART AND CRAFT GROUP are hosting an Exhibition at Robina Gallery which will be opened by Fr Peter Dillon on **Wednesday 8th May at 10.30am.** Everyone welcome and a free morning tea will be provided whilst you view the wonderful array of items on display for you to purchase.



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS: The 2nd Sunday of Easter is also Divine Mercy Sunday. Miami Community will host a Divine Mercy Prayer Gathering at **Calvary Church, Santa Monica Road, Miami.** The hope is to gather **from 2pm on Sunday 28 April** for prayer, Rosary, Adoration and Benediction. Everyone is welcome to join with them.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER: KEEPING FAITH WITH YOU:

SPECIAL EASTER EDITION

- * Easter messages from Queensland bishops
- * Young siblings multiply loaves of bread for pensioners and single parents after Sunday Mass at St Fabian's Church, Yeerongpilly

PARISH MASSES and RECONCILIATION TIMES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY												
22ND APRIL	23RD APRIL	24th APRIL	25th APRIL	26th APRIL	27th APRIL												
7.00am ST VINCENT'S	9.00am SACRED HEART	9.00am STELLA MARIS	ANZAC DAY 9AM STELLA MARIS	7.00am ST VINCENT'S 9.00am SACRED HEART	REC'ONCILIATION 4.15-4.45pm STELLA MARIS 5.15-5.45pm ST VINCENT'S 5.00-5.40pm SACRED HEART <small>PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE TIMES TO ALLOW THE PRIEST TO PREPARE FOR MASS.</small>												
NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">STELLA MARIS CHURCH</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Saturday Evening 5.00pm</td> <td style="width: 33%;">AND</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SACRED HEART CHURCH</td> <td>Saturday Evening 6.00pm</td> <td>AND</td> <td>Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ST VINCENT'S CHURCH</td> <td>Saturday Evening 6.00pm</td> <td>AND</td> <td>Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am</td> </tr> </table>					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
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														

FOR MORE PARISH GROUPS, PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE

MIGRANT COMMUNITIES MASS TIMES & CHAPLAINS :

Polish: Sunday 12 noon Sacred Heart Church

Inquiries please phone - 3252 2200 for inquiries.

Italian: Sunday 4:00pm Sacred Heart Church

Fr Angelo Cagna CS 0423 648 736

Pastoral Support and General Information - Connie 5575 8882

Filipino: Next Mass, 5th May 2019, 12noon at Guardian

Angels Church, Scarborough St, Southport. Will continue at Southport each 1st Sunday. MaryAnn Boehme 0416331233

Hispanic: 1st & 3rd Sundays 5—7pm St Vincent's Church

Fr Ignacio Gutierrez 0481118521 e: paterignacio@yahoo.com

Maronite Rite: NOT EASTER SATURDAY

Saturday 7:15pm Sacred Heart 3394 4994

ART & CRAFT: Wednesdays 8.30am-12.30pm in the Parish Hospitality Centre (PHC)

BOOK CLUB: PHC Tuesday 14th May @ 12 noon.

BRIDGE: Monday 12 noon & Wednesday 1pm PHC

CHOIR PRACTICE: Saturdays 8:30am SH Church

FRIENDSHIP DAY: Next 16th May 2019. Cancelled for April.

SPCL: Next meeting Tuesday 7th May 2019

SENIORS EXERCISE TO MUSIC: 9am Tuesday Casey Hall with Rochelle 0438 333 308 \$7 per session.

YOGA: Each Tues 10:45am \$10/Per Session.

divinaQ YOGA: Thursdays 6am PHC Mob 0435 721 258

ZUMBA GOLD: Fridays 9:15am Casey Hall. Beginners and Intermediate. Susana Mobile: 0421 607 397 \$12 session.

Baptisms: Contact Parish Office 5572 5433 to register your interest.

Marriages: (Min 6mths notice required) Phone 5572 5433

Benediction: 1st Friday 7:30am St Vincent's Church

St Vincent de Paul: Monetary Donations Phone 13 18 12

Care & Concern: Transport to Medical Apts: 0474 211 908

Children's Liturgy: Sacred Heart 9am: Next on 14th April then fortnightly thereafter. (28.4.19)

Christian Meditation: Tuesdays 10am (Parish Office Prayer Rm) & 6pm (Youth Room) Pam Egtberts 0428 090 703

Couples For Christ Foundation for Family and Life:

Please phone Butch 0424 583 169 or Mini 0424 583 168

Carmelite Spirituality: 3rd Sunday of each month 10:30am PHC Contact: Norm Harding 0421 125 575. **Next 21 April 2019.**

Exposition:

St Vincent's Church: **Monday & Friday 6am; Thursday 9:00am**

Sacred Heart Church: Tuesdays 9:30am; Fridays 7pm-9pm;

1st Friday 7pm 3rd May to 7am Sat 4th May.

Rosary: St Vincent's Church: Sundays 7:15am and

Mondays & Fridays 6:25am

Sacred Heart Church: Tuesdays & Fridays 8:25am before Mass

Stella Maris Church: Wednesdays 8:25am before Mass

Veniré Youth Mass: Sunday 6pm on 28th April 2019

Divine Mercy - Marian Valley: Please contact Paula on

0402 930 918 or 5582 7950 or Madeline on 0405 252 367

or 5529 1573.

CONTACT FORM FOR ALL PARISH MINISTRIES

FAMILY NAME: _____ OTHER NAMES: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PH: _____ 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 55 725 433 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.