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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A **18TH / 19TH JANUARY 2020**

The Church Calendar year returns to Ordinary Time. This season takes up over half of the year and it is really the time when there are no major seasons such as Christmas and Easter, or their preparatory seasons of Advent and Lent. This is the time when the Kingdom of God quietly and slowly but surely grows in the ordinary and everyday moments and events of life. Since the "ordinary" takes up a big part of our year, it is important to appreciate the subtlety of this time. Whilst there might not be many dramatic and exceptional elements to this season, it is nevertheless really important. Except for the occasional feast Day, Saint's day or Memorial, the Church uses this time to quietly and progressively work its way through the flow of the readings assigned for the year.

The Sunday cycle of readings is intended to allow people to get a really good continuous flow of both Scriptures. The Sunday pattern thematically tries to connect the first and second reading and psalm to the gospel passage of the day whilst flowing as continuously as possible through the Gospel of the Year.

With each different year within the Church Calendar, comes a new reading cycle. We are in YEAR A, the year where we systematically read through the Gospel of Matthew over most Sundays of this Year. The Gospel of Matthew is very closely tied to its Jewish heritage, probably written within a strongly Jewish-Christian community and particularly points out the ways in which Christ is the fulfillment of the Judaic Law and the Prophets. It is believed that Matthew's Gospel was written around 80 to 90 AD, probably closer to 90.

The Gospel of Matthew has five basic sections: the Sermon on the Mount (Ch.5-7), the Mission Instructions to the Twelve (Ch.10), the Three Parables (Ch.13), Instructions for the Community (Ch.18), and the speeches at the Mount of Olives (Ch.24-25). It has been suggested that this echoes the structure of the five books of the Pentateuch. And, following this thought, the Gospel of Matthew echoes and parallels the journey of the People of God with their Lord. Matthew shows how Christ is the fulfilment of that which was foreshadowed by the Old Testament prophecies and promises.

The weekday cycle of readings is a two-year Cycle. We are in Year I for weekdays. Interestingly, both year I and II have exactly the same Gospel for each weekday of the year, but the first reading is different. So, unlike the weekend readings the first reading and Gospel are not thematically linked by intention, as the purpose of the ordinary time weekdays is to serially move through large sections of the same Book of Scripture to get a really big sense of its flow and significance.

So, we get time to slow down, stop and breathe and really deepen our appreciation of God's word and God's values in the everyday moments of life. This is a time for hidden treasures to be uncovered ... treasures kept in ordinary clay jars... to use a biblical image...

Fr Paul Kelly

*“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: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 1: 1-3; John 1: 29-34.

READINGS NEXT WEEK: Isaiah 8: 23-9:3; 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17; Matthew 4: 12-23.

FEASTDAYS: Tues 21st: St Agnes, virgin, martyr;
Friday 24th: St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor.

The Joy in Loving – Mother Teresa

“How do we learn to pray?
When Jesus was asked by His
Disciples how to pray,
He did not teach them any methods or
techniques. He said that we should
speak to God as to our Father,
a loving Father.

PRAYING THE ROSARY: The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of Aileen & Julio Camara and Family for the week commencing **20th January 2020**. If you would like to take part in Our Lady’s Rosary please contact **Patrick and Maxine Sela** on **5539 9539**.

A VOCATION VIEW: Isaiah’s vocation was to be a light to the nations. Nations and neighbourhoods need missionaries: lay, clergy and religious. Listen to the call!



ART AND CRAFT NEWS: **Wednesday 29th January** is our opening day for 2020! We look forward to welcoming old and new members for another year of supporting each other and of helping others. The **KNITTING GROUP** is first on the *2020 Morning Tea Roster*. It is always delicious and supports a wonderful social morning.



AUSTRALIA DAY MASS: As Australia Day falls on Sunday 26th January, at our weekend Masses we will be using the readings of the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A, but the Mass prayers and Preface will be for Australia Day and our Intercession will also include Australia Day. The Hymns for this weekend will also suitably reflect Australia Day.

PRAYER DURING FIRE AND DROUGHT

Each day during summer across our nation we pray to you, our God, for the gift of life-giving rain, For those threatened this day by a dry land, high temperatures, strong winds, breathing difficulties and extreme fire alerts in parts of our nation.

Wherever we are and whatever we do today, we pray for our sisters and brothers who have died tragically during the bushfires, we pray for their families and friends and community members and for those who have lost their houses and properties.

We turn to you, our God, as we reach out to support each other.

We Are Family.

We pray for the many dedicated people fighting fires, and those providing emergency assistance.

We pray for those who continue to struggle with the ongoing drought and its devastation.

We pray for them and their communities.

We hear of the loss of livestock, animal and birdlife and habitat during drought and fire.

We pray for the land and its healing. We pray for life-giving rain,

We pray as family that we work together.

We turn to you, our God, in this hours of need for members of our human family and for our common home. **Amen.**



Fr Gerry Hefferan, 2nd January 2020
Parish of St Joseph and St Anthony

LIBRARY NEWS: The Holy Family and their life is the focus of a new display. **The Infancy Gospels of Jesus** is an illuminating exploration of three Gospels which are not involved in the New Testament. These early Christian legends can still inform your own spiritual journey as well as being historically intriguing. A little book by Henri Nouwen, **Jesus and Mary** tells of finding his 'sacred centre' in Marian devotion. Another priest who found inspiration in the 'hidden life' of the Holy Family in Nazareth was Bl. Charles de Foucault. This story from an officer with the French Foreign Legion, to the Holy Land and finally as a desert hermit, is fascinating.

GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB: We are running a new **6 week course for Beginners** commencing **Wednesday 22nd January from 9.30am to 11am**. \$85 fee includes textbook and light refreshments are provided. For information please phone **Dot on 0418 887 806**.

PILGRIMAGE JOURNEY TO THE HOLY LAND with HARVEST JOURNEYS: Departs **28 September 2020:** 14 nights / 18days. Walk the land where 2000yrs ago Jesus Christ preached and taught us to pray in the form of Our Father. Our journey concludes back in Jordan connecting with our flight back home from Amman. **With Fr Rafal Rucinski as your Spiritual Chaplain.** (Formerly from *Burleigh Heads and Nerang Parishes, now Parish Priest at St Flannan's Catholic Church, Zillmere.*)

Each day on the Pilgrimage, Mass will be celebrated in a special way you will remember forever. *For more details, please contact Marguerite McMahon, 0408 765 954 or email margueritemcmahonts@gmail.com.* **SEATS ARE LIMITED.**

U3A U3A BROADBEACH: Club sign on day. U3A Broadbeach, University of the Third Age (U3A), is looking for new members to join their club. If you are over 50 and enjoy learning in a fun and social group setting, then this is the group for you.

The club is hosting a special **Sign On Day at Merrimac State High School Hospitality Suite on Friday 31 January 2020 from 10am-12pm.**

U3A activities include ukulele, languages, history and memoirs, mah jong, yoga, art, choral singing, card playing, walking, armchair travel, discussion groups, lunches and excursions. Get in touch with the club via email u3abroadbeach@gmail.com or call **0436 449 139** to learn more.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP GROUP will meet for a 12noon for lunch at the Kampung Malay Restaurant, cnr Markeri St and Robina Parkway, Robina Quays on Thursday 23rd January. All Welcome.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER \$2.00 each

Final opportunity to **CATCH UP** Mass and Catholicism Series

FINAL CATCH UP sessions in the Parish Hospitality Room 50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters:

Saturday 25th January: **Catholicism** - by Bishop Robert Barron - *Peter and Paul The Indispensable Men* – 10.30am – 12pm
Amazed and Afraid - 12.15pm – 1.45pm; *A Body Bruised and Suffering* – 2pm – 3.30pm

Monday 27th January: **Catholicism** - by Bishop Robert Barron - *Amazed and Afraid* - 6.00pm – 7.30pm
A Body Bruised and Suffering – 7.30pm - 9pm

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Ray Brain CP, Stanley Jackson, Garth Rippin, Lionel Cunynghame, Kevin Hayes, Marie Long, Dalibor Novak, Alan Russo, Paul Kiely.

ANNIVERSARIES: Thomas Lloyd Muggleton, Aurora P B De Farias and Family, Luciano Freda, Rafael Toda, Kathleen Power, Joe Borg, Ted Llewellyn, Margaret Cooper UK, Enid Cox, Kent Moray, Harold Alexander.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Justin King, Sr. Christine Chia, Kurt Hilleshiem, Judy Ferraro, Jim Daly, Tony McLeod, Ron Perry, Rosslyn Wallis, Jabour Haddad, Yvonne Lofthouse, Maureen Murphy, Helen Bohringer, Peter Walsh, Frank Conway, Jean Di Benedetto, Patricia Bridge Wienand, Damian Callinan, Arthur Haddad, Rosemary Wales, Peter Allsopp, Yvonne Campesi, Louis Couch, Steve Wayt, Pat Sulzberger, Judith Salvestrin, Denise Kuhne, Duncan Dawson, Rachel Raines, Hugh Tighe, Barry Moray, Frok Kolaj, Caitlin Webster, Peter Capolupo, Jenny Johnson, Miriam Busitel, Judy Marshall, Tony Seymour, Stephen Kynaston, Katrina Gallagher, Sarah Clancy, Rachel, Young-Pil, Michael Tracey, Joanne Mooney, Tricia Baumann, Joanne Parkes, Cecilia Calligan, Maria Trosic, Lucy Liwag, Aileen Van Zijl, Marianne Vanek, Monica Bailey, Margaret Borg, Mark Miller, Michelle MacDonald, Julianne Conway, Peter O'Brien, John Stowers, Kim Parkes, Gus Reeves, Savannah Mary Ayoub, Frank Lyons, John & Molly Robinson, Mary Kerr, Eileen McCarthy.

PARISH MASSES and RECONCILIATION TIMES

| MONDAY 20TH JANUARY | TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY | WEDNESDAY 22ND JANUARY | THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY | FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY | SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY |
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| 7.00am ST VINCENT'S | 9.00AM SACRED HEART | 9.00AM STELLA MARIS | 9am STELLA MARIS | 7.00am ST VINCENT'S 9.00am SACRED HEART | RECONCILIATION 4.15-4.45pm STELLA MARIS 5.15-5.45pm ST VINCENT'S 5.00-5.40pm SACRED HEART PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE TIMES TO ALLOW THE PRIEST TO PREPARE FOR MASS |
| NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES | STELLA MARIS CHURCH SACRED HEART CHURCH ST VINCENT'S CHURCH | Saturday Evening 5.00pm Saturday Evening 6.00pm Saturday Evening 6.00pm | AND | Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am AND Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm AND Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am | |

MIGRANT COMMUNITIES MASS TIMES & CHAPLAINS :

POLISH: Sunday 12 noon Sacred Heart Church

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, 2nd February, 12noon at Guardian

Angels Church, Scarborough St, Southport. Will be at
Southport each 1st Sunday. MaryAnn Boehme 0416 331 233

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

Fr Ignacio Gutierrez 0481118521 e: paterignacio@yahoo.com

MARONITE RITE: Saturday 7:15pm Sacred Heart 3394

4994 C/- St Maroun's Parish, Greenslopes.

brisbane@maronite.org.au

ART & CRAFT: Wednesdays 8.30am-12.30pm in the Parish

Hospitality Centre (PHC) **In Recess. Resumes 29 January.**

BOOK CLUB: In Recess till 18 February 2020

BRIDGE: Mondays 12 noon & Wednesdays 1pm PHC

Cheryl 5538 8821. **Returns 20th & 22nd January.**

CHOIR PRACTICE: Saturdays 8:30am SH Church

FRIENDSHIP DAY: Next 20th February 2020.

SPCL: Next meeting Tuesday 4th February 2020

SENIORS EXERCISE TO MUSIC: 9am Tuesday Casey Hall
with Rochelle 0438 333 308 \$8 per session. **Returns 21/1/20**

YOGA: Tuesday 10:45am \$10/Per Session.

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

FOR MORE PARISH GROUPS,
PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE

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

WEDDINGS: The Catholic Church requires 6 months notice. Please
call the Parish Office on 5572 5433.

CARE & CONCERN: Medical Transport 0474 211 908

BENEDICTION: 1st Fri 7th February 7:30am St Vincent's Church

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Monetary Donations Phone 13 18 12

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sacred Heart 9am: Resumes February

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Tuesdays 10am Resumes 4/02/2020

& 6pm has resumed. 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: 2nd Sunday of each month 10:30am

PHC Contact: Norm Harding 0421 125 575. **Next 9 February 2020**

EXPOSITION: St Vincent's Church 5.45am on Monday and

Friday: Thursdays from 9am-11am.

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

1st Friday 7pm Friday 7th February to 7am Saturday 8th Feb.

**ROSARY: St Vincent's Church: Sundays 7:15am, and Monday
and Friday at 6.25am; Sacred Heart Church: Tuesdays & Fridays
8:25am before Mass; Stella Maris Church: Wednesdays 8:25am
before Mass.**

**MARIAN VALLEY: For all Marian Valley Bus Trips please phone:
Paula on 0402 930 918 or 5582 7950 or Madeline 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