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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A - AUSTRALIA DAY 25TH / 26TH JANUARY 2020

Australia Day weekend special collections

Sacred Heart

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St Vincent's

40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise

Stella Maris

254 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach

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On this Australia Day we are particularly aware of all those around the nation who are suffering from bushfires and drought. That amazing Australian spirit of mateship and support has been quite apparent in the wonderful response of so many to the difficulties.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge and the Australian Bishops have asked that special collections be taken up on Australia Day weekend to support bushfire-affected communities. Money raised from this collection will support the Vinnies' bushfire appeal. Parishioners wishing to donate individually and receive a tax-deductible receipt can donate at www.vinnies.org.au. Thank you to those who have already contributed to support affected communities.

A Message from Archbishop Mark Coleridge:

Australia is facing an unprecedented calamity as fire engulfs the land in many places. We have all seen the apocalyptic images, even if we are not in the areas most affected. Lives have been lost, homes and towns have been destroyed, smoke has shrouded large swathes of our country.

And there is no end in sight to the horror which confronts us with our powerlessness before the devastating force of nature.

The efforts of firefighters have been heroic. The resilience of the communities affected has been extraordinary. This has been Australia at its best, and we all stand with those who have been most stricken and with those who are putting their lives on the line to fight the fires.

But we need more than words. Expressions of solidarity are important, but they are not enough.

The bishops are aware of the huge amount being done around the nation, led by governments and first responders. Many local faith communities, including Catholic parishes and organisations, as well as ecumenical and inter-religious coalitions, are also making a big contribution.

Parishes across the country are taking up a special collection at Masses on the Australia Day weekend, with all funds to be donated to Vinnies' bushfire appeal.

Vinnies is responding in all affected states and territories. Its network of local conferences and support services has seen them rapidly respond throughout the nation as the fire crisis has spread.

Our experts on the ground – from agencies like Vinnies, CatholicCare and CentaCare, in parishes and other Catholic communities, including Catholic hospitals and aged care providers – know this will be a long-term process to help people and whole towns rebuild.

With broad and deep roots across the nation, the Church stands ready to walk alongside people throughout their journey of recovery.

Facing this exceptional crisis, we renew our call for insistent prayer for those stricken by drought and fire, for those who have lost their lives in the fires and their families, for rain to quench the parched land and extinguish the fires, and for urgent action to care for our common home in order to prevent such calamities in the future.

See over page for special prayer

“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.

OUR PRAYER IN TIMES OF DROUGHT AND BUSHFIRE

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land, on our starving and displaced animals, on our failing crops and burning farms, towns and forests. Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them. Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires, those who have lost family, friends, property and stock. Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of essential services. In your loving providence, send abundant rain to quench the fires and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.

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

READINGS NEXT WEEK: Malachi 3: 1-4; Hebrews 2: 14-18; Luke 2: 22-40

FEASTDAYS: Tues 28th: St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor; Fri 31st: St John Bosco, priest.

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM: This weekend we are welcoming **Casey James Wright, Jack Harvey Riordan** and **Ida Tracy Scott** and their families through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please keep these families in your prayers.

FUNERALS TO BE CELEBRATED IN OUR PARISH: On **Thursday 30th January at 10.30am** in **Sacred Heart Church** we will celebrate the Life of **Margaret Mary ‘Peg’ Byrnes**. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.

Take time to reflect:

The Our Father “.. is simple yet so beautiful.
Can I say this prayer with
an open heart, with a pure heart?
Everything is there:
God, myself, my neighbour.
If I forgive them I can pray.
There are no complications and yet we
complicate our lives so much,
by so many addictions.

‘The Joy in Loving’ by Mother Teresa

PLENARY COUNCIL CALLS FOR DELEGATES:

The Plenary Council National Facilitation team has opened up expressions of interest for those who want to be delegates of the local Brisbane church to the plenary council sessions. “Delegates to the council in Adelaide in October 2020 and Sydney in June 2021 would contribute toward the renewal of the Church via discussion of the plenary council agenda, which is currently being developed,” Brisbane Archdiocese Plenary Council 2020 co-ordinator Eric Robinson said. Mr Robinson said the minimum age for delegates was 16yrs old. Other distinguishing characteristics of potential delegates would be:

- A demonstrated commitment to leadership in the Church and/or ministries (e.g. and active parish ministries leader, Catholic Education staff member/parent/student, Catholic Social Services worker or ecclesial movement leader, etc);
- A commitment to living of the Gospel through both actions and prayer;
- An awareness of ‘the bigger picture’ of Catholic faith, community and works in context of contemporary Australian society;
- Previous participation in/leadership of listening and dialogue, or listening and discernment encounters with the delegate’s community, workplace or family as part of the preparatory process toward the plenary council.

For more information visit:

www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/parishes/plenary/ or contact Evangelisation Brisbane at: eb@bne.catholic.net.au



ART AND CRAFT NEWS: Our weekly gatherings will re-commence at 9am on **Wednesday 29th January**. 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.

SAINT THERESE OF LISIEUX AND HER PARENTS RELICS TOUR – BURLEIGH PARISH 2020:

The Catholic Leader reports a family of saints – The Relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents Sts Louis and Zélie Martin – will be touring Australia for the first time in 18 years.

From February through May 2020, the relics will travel to Queensland, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, Victoria, Tasmania and Western Australia.

The visit was announced on the feast day of St Thérèse, organised by Catholic Mission, which has partnered with InvoCare to bring the relics to 17 Australian dioceses.

The relics of the 3 Saints will be in our Parish at **Mary Mother of Mercy Church** as per the program below.

13th February

4pm: Solemn Reception of the Relics

5-6 pm: Quiet time and Family visits

6 -7 pm: Faith Formation on the 3 Saints

7pm: Sung Evening Prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

8pm-12midnight: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration in the presence of the relics

14th February

12 Midnight – 8am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration in the presence of the relics

8am - 10am: School and College Visits by Students

10am: Parish Mass

11am: Relics depart.

Interested Surfers Paradise parishioners who wish to attend Adoration in the presence of the relics should visit any of the Burleigh Parish churches to place their name next to the times they wish to attend. The enrolment sheet is at the front door of each Church (more than 2-3 people are needed per time slot).

THE CATHOLIC LEADER: KEEPING FAITH WITH YOU

- Brisbane **Archbishop Mark Coleridge** is standing up to protect Catholic confession rights against proposed mandatory reporting laws.
- Queensland Law Society has hit back against the proposed mandatory reporting laws around religious confession, warning it could easily spread to other confidentiality privileges like lawyer-client privilege.
- **St Margaret Mary's College, Townsville**, unearths a time capsule from 1988 because of demolition work after the devastating floods in February last year.
- Brisbane Catholic **Kym Keady** reflects on her experiences of motherhood, hard work and leadership in a heartfelt letter to her daughter Bethany.
- Catholic photographer **Alan Edgecomb** displays a gallery of photos of Rome's Basilica di Santa Maria and his "superb" experience photographing it.
- **Marjorie Williams** is hanging up the apron at the Cathedral Coffee Lounge after 20 years, looking for volunteers to take over, and shares a few stories from her life.

LIBRARY NEWS: The Parish Library offers lots of alternatives for your **Summer Reading**. Check out our display (which includes CD's and DVD's). We have chosen some always **popular** titles: Sister Wendy on Prayer; Hail Holy Queen and The Shoes of the Fisherman. We have also included books by well read authors like Henry Nouwen, Joseph Gzone and Margaret Silf. These have delighted previous readers so maybe you will discover just the book for you!

Don't forget our **Read and Return Trollies**, and there are **new titles** at St Vincent's Church! If you want to own a book - browse our **Donation for a Book Deal** shelves at Sacred Heart Church.

Do you have any **OVERDUE PARISH LIBRARY ITEMS?** Recently we happily received two 'overdues' from 2016 and 1994!! So its never too late to return and borrow something new.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Margaret 'Peg' Byrnes (Funeral Thurs, 30th January at Sacred Heart,) Joseph Friedman, Helen Boreham, Fr Ray Brain CP, Stanley Jackson, Garth Rippin, Lionel Cunynghame.

ANNIVERSARIES: George Andreou, Charles Camilleri, Albert McIlhatton, Eleanor Velez Britten, Paul Zappa, Peter Bernardi, Stan Hancock, Gloria Klaasen, Margaret Cooper UK, Enid Cox, Kent Moray, Harold Alexander.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: David Westmore, Ann Reich, 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 27TH JANUARY	TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY	WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY	THURSDAY 30TH JANUARY	FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY	SATURDAY 1ST FEBRUARY
7.00am ST VINCENT'S PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES	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
	STELLA MARIS CHURCH SACRED HEART CHURCH ST VINCENT'S CHURCH	Saturday Evening 5.00pm Saturday Evening 6.00pm Saturday Evening 6.00pm	AND AND AND	Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm 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) Resumes 29 January.

BOOK CLUB: 3rd Tues, 12noon Parish Hospitality Centre

BRIDGE: Mondays 12 noon & Wednesdays 1pm Parish
Hospitality Centre. Cheryl 5538 8821.

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.

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 only.
No further Overnight on 1st Fridays;

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 and 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