



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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Parish Newsletter 14 January 2018 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy days of Obligation: In Australia we have the Feast of the Assumption (15 August) and Christmas Day (25 December).



The First Disciples of Jesus

Mass Times and Services

Weekend Mass

Saturday	6.00pm
Sunday	7.00am, 9.00am & 5.00pm

Weekday Mass

Mon to Friday	6.30am
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Exceptions

Thursday	6.30am Liturgy of the Hours
Saturday & Public Holidays	8.00am

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Exposition held after Mass
Friday 7am - 9am.
All are invited to join this devotion.

Reconciliation

Saturday	5pm-5.30pm
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Or by appointment

Baptism

Infant Baptism:
2nd and 4th Sunday after 9am Mass
Baptism preparation:
3rd Saturday 10.30am

The Gospel is from St. John 1:35-42 and gives an account of the vocation of the first four Apostles who followed Jesus. It was a momentous event in the history of salvation. It was the beginning of a stream of vocations that would grow and spread down through the ages until the end of the world. It was momentous, firstly, in that Christ, who had come to open heaven for all men and who could find means of bringing them all to that eternal home without help from any man, decided instead to let men co-operate with him in this divine task. He decreed to set up a kingdom in this world—his Church—which would be run by mere mortals for their fellow-mortals, but which would be under his protection and assisted by his divine aid until the end of time. Christ chose this very human way, in order to make his Church more acceptable to our limited, human understanding and more approachable for sinful, human nature.

Christ, as God, could deal directly with every human being on earth. He could teach the infallible truth; he could pardon sins; he could give all the graces needed to travel successfully to heaven. There would then be no need for a Church with its teaching magisterium, no need for the sacrament of Baptism, or of Penance, nor of the Holy Eucharist itself or of any other such aids. Christ could do all that his Church does for the salvation of mankind, and more successfully, of course, but yet he chose the way which divine wisdom saw was best.

We mortals know that God can speak directly to our hearts, and actually has done so to many men in the past. We know that he can do directly all that is done by his Church, to whom he gave the power, with its teaching magisterium and sacraments. If he were to act in this way we should be open to continuous doubts about the source of our inspirations and the objectivity of the graces we thought we were receiving. It was to remove such doubts, and the possibility of self-deception that Christ left to us the external visible kingdom to which he gave all the powers necessary for men's salvation. It was for the security and peace of men's consciences that he set up a visible Church founded on the Apostles, men like ourselves, but transformed by his assisting grace.

Another momentous fact in Christ's choice of the Apostles on whom he was to build his Church, is that he "chose the lowly and the humble to confound the wise." The first four Apostles, as well as the other eight, were simple, lowly fishermen from Galilee. They may possibly have been able to read and write a little, but they were certainly not men of education or any social standing in their communities. He could have converted and chosen some of the more highly educated scribes of Jerusalem, or some of the Roman centurions then in Palestine, or some of the many philosophers in Greece, or even Roman senators whose influence as Christian teachers would carry such weight with the educated elite of the empire. But he did not. The instrument he chose to carry his message to all men was not dependent on human ingenuity or on the educational or social standing of his witnesses. Rather it was to stand on the power of God, of which it was the expression and proof.

We can see clearly the divine wisdom governing Christ's choice of Apostles! Had his message of salvation been spread and promulgated by men of learning and social standing, the cry would soon go up on all sides: "This religion is the invention of philosophers; it is a clever plan of the upper classes to keep the poor and humble workers in subjection."

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Liturgy of the Word

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 3-10,19

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39: 2,4,7-10

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6: 13-15,17-20

Gospel: John 1: 35-42

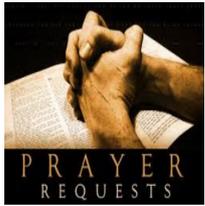
Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

Acclamation of Faith:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.



We give praise and thanks for blessings given and prayers answered. We pray for all our family members, parishioners and benefactors who are in need of prayer and for all those who are facing difficult times. We pray for them and for those who have asked for our prayers.

Condolence - Our prayers and thoughts are with those who are mourning the death of loved ones.

• Brian Kinne

• Neil Howard

Recent deaths and anniversary Mass intentions are prayed and mentioned in the Prayers of the Faithful. Mass Intention envelopes can be collected at the Church or from the Parish office. If you would like the parish to pray for and have someone's name listed in our prayers each week, then please let the office know.



Our teaching on marriage and the family cannot fail to be inspired by the message of love and tenderness. (Pope Francis)

Sunday Collections

Week End / /2018

1st & 2nd Collections During Mass : \$ 2693.00

Direct Deposit at Bank: \$ 315.00

Total Income : \$ 3008.00

Gospel continued from first page:

But it was the poor and working classes who spread Christ's message, and who suffered imprisonment and death itself at the hands of the educated and upper classes for so doing. Today, let us thank our blessed Lord who provided so humanly—and yet so divinely for our eternal welfare. In the Church, which he founded on the lowly but solid foundation of simple fishermen of Galilee, he erected an institution against which the gates of hell, the power of all the enemies of our salvation, cannot prevail, for his divine guidance and help will be with it forever. It has had enemies and opposition from the beginning; they may be more numerous and more destructive than ever today. But the promise of Christ still holds good, his word cannot fail. Therefore, neither the opposition of materialistic enemies from without, nor the even more insidious attacks from faint-hearted and worldly-minded members from within, can affect the safety and permanence of the building which Christ built on the Rock. "If God is with us," it matters not "who is against us."

— Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.



Parish of Our Lady and St Dymphna

All parishioners (past and present) and friends are invited to join us in celebrating the 80th birthday of our former Parish Priest

Fr. Peter Luton

Fr Peter will co-celebrate Mass on Saturday, 24th February at 6.00 pm.

Dinner to follow at the

VC Suite

Kedron Wavell Services Club

21 Kittyhawk Drive Chermside

Saturday 24th February at 7.15pm.

R.S.V.P. 14th February

Tickets: \$40.00 per person (drinks not included – may be purchased at venue).

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PLEASE NOTE: Tickets will be available after ALL MASSES: 3/4 and 10/11 February 2018.



Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Brian and Nola Griffin who will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on 18 January 2018.



May God be with you and bless you.

DATE CLAIMER: SOMOAN COMMUNITY MASS SCHEDULE

Samoan Community Mass, Schedule 2018

- January 21st 2018 at 11.30am
- Marcy 25th 11.30am
- May 13th, 11.30am
- July 15th 2018, 11.30am
- September 9th, 11.30am,
- November 4th, 11,30am,

All parishioners are most welcome to attend these Masses.



Rosary group:

This group meets throughout the year every Tuesday Morning in the Blessed Sacrament chapel at 10:30am. Access via the back of the church. First timer? ... Not sure if this is for you? ... All are warmly welcomed to come along and join in the prayer of the Rosary.

A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

PETRA | BETHLEHEM | JERICHO | SEA OF GALILEE | JERUSALEM

FOOTPRINTS OF JESUS
16TH - 31ST MAY 2018
MULTICITY DEPARTURES AVAILABLE

PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Return Economy Class Airfares
- ◆ Accommodation in Premium Hotels
- ◆ Israel and Jordan Visas
- ◆ Transfers on Deluxe Air Conditioned Coach
- ◆ Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
- ◆ Services of Professional Guides
- ◆ Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jericho & Jerusalem
- ◆ Mt Tabor, Mt Nebo & Mt Carmel
- ◆ Petra, Caesarea Maritima & Qumran Caves
- ◆ Float in the Dead Sea
- ◆ Boating in the Sea of Galilee
- ◆ Marriage Vows Renewal at Cana

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AUSTRALIAN TOURISM ASSOCIATION

Positions Vacant

Position: Parish Youth Coordinator **Classification:** Casual **Area:** Parish position **Location:** Wilston

Description: Good Samaritan and St. John the Baptist Parishes are seeking applications for the casual position of Youth Ministry Coordinator, working up to 10 hours per week. The successful applicant will be responsible for coordinating and supporting youth programs and activities including:

- Supporting the Parish Priest in parish pastoral activities and liturgies
 - Coordinating Youth Masses in each parish
 - Facilitating Junior & Senior ministry groups
 - Supporting Youth and Children's Ministry activities as required
 - Promoting additional faith development opportunities for young people including retreats, camps, youth conferences, and Deanery/Archdiocesan events.
- An interest in music and an ability to play a musical instrument would be well regarded.

Qualifications: Had been a member/attended the Net Ministry or similar is a plus. Current Blue Card and Police Check or willing to obtain Experience and/or participated in Youth Initiatives 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.

Closing: Monday, January 22, 2018 **Details:** Please visit our Parish website to download the Position Description

Submission:

To apply for this position, please email your current resume and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the position to kbcc@bne.catholic.net.au: Fr Michael Grace
Applications should include the name of two (2) referees, one of whom preferably should be a Parish Priest. For more information, please email kbcc@bne.catholic.net.au

Rosters

Notice to Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers

Our Parish Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers perform an important role in the celebration of the Mass. In order to ensure that we have sufficient numbers of these ministries available for Mass on weekends, please ensure that if you are rostered for any of these ministries, you inform the Mass Coordinator for the relevant Mass of your arrival at **least 10 minutes** before Mass commences.

20/21 January 2018	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday	Sr M. Costello (B) S. Stevens L. Dutton G. Cox D. Griffiths	First Reading A. Borgeaud Second Reading M. Cafe Prayers of the Faithful T. Hand	J. McLune L. Powell	Volunteer	Yvonne Pat
7.00 a.m. Mass	D. O'Keefe (B) G. Bortuzzo J. Vitaliano D. Volter R. Volter	First Reading D. Francis Second Reading D. Chiavaro Prayers of the Faithful S. Ferlito	J. McNamara	R. Campbell	Nancy Rod
9.00 a.m. Mass	M. Gonsalves (B) C. Gonsalves J. Fernandes C. Fernandes A. Ware C. Ware K. Buxton	First Reading J. Self Second Reading J. Frayne Prayers of the Faithful L. Bedford	R. Tumma A. Brough G. Ede M. Ede	Volunteer	Couples for Christ
5.00 p.m. Mass	K. Rye (B) K. O'Donnell S. Tam F. Gowans N. Lord	First Reading M. Hopewell Second Reading B. Hopewell Prayers of the Faithful S. Lopez	J. Tomsey O. Joshy	Volunteer	Di
Altar Society: ? 2018 Roster TBA Children Liturgy: 9am Kim O'Rourke	Cleaners: 20 Jan Volunteer Cleaners: 27 Jan Paul Xavier Cleaners: 3 Feb Harry Boevink David Francis	Counters: 21 Jan G. Cox D. Francis D. McCudden J. Goh	Counters: 28 Jan S. Sherwood D. Jago T. Salvati N. Medina	Bring Forth The Kingdom I Have Seen The Lord Our Supper Invitation City of God	

Next week liturgy	The Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p style="text-align: center;">Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>First Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5,10 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24: 4-9 Teach me your ways, O Lord. Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20</p> <p>Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: Believe the Good News. Alleluia!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Keeping faith with you</p> <p>* Pope Francis denounces all, even 'subtle', attacks on human life * International association honours niece of Australian devoted to caring for disabled Indian children * Caritas Australia commits thousands of dollars to support Typhoon Tembin survivors * Congregation founded by popular confessor seeing major reconciliation growth at Brisbane parish * Several charges dropped for Street Swags founder Jean Madden * Immigration decision sparks outpouring from hundreds of supporters for asylum seeker Mojgan Shamsalipoor .</p>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="width: 10%;">Sun</td><td style="width: 10%;">14</td><td>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</td></tr> <tr><td>Mon</td><td>15</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Tues</td><td>16</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Wed</td><td>17</td><td>St Anthony, abbot</td></tr> <tr><td>Thurs</td><td>18</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Fri</td><td>19</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Sat</td><td>20</td><td>St Fabian, pope martyr St Sebastian, martyr Saturday Mass of the Virgin Mary</td></tr> <tr><td>Sun</td><td>21</td><td>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</td></tr> </table> <p>Date Claimers: 22 January - St Dympna Youth Leadership Group Meeting 14 February - CWL General Meeting 24 February - Fth Peter Luton 80th Birthday Party</p>	Sun	14	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mon	15		Tues	16		Wed	17	St Anthony, abbot	Thurs	18		Fri	19		Sat	20	St Fabian, pope martyr St Sebastian, martyr Saturday Mass of the Virgin Mary	Sun	21	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
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