



# PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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## Parish Newsletter 25 July The 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time , Year B

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



[www.covid19.qld.gov.au/check-in-qld](http://www.covid19.qld.gov.au/check-in-qld)



Mass and Service Times	
Weekend Mass	
Saturday	8.00am 6.00pm
Sunday	7.00am, 9.00am & 5.00pm
Weekday Mass	
<b>PLEASE NOTE</b> Cancelled until further notice from 1 July 2021.	
8am Saturday only	
Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:	
Cancelled until further notice from 1 July 2021	
Reconciliation	
By appointment	

### PARISH ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

As you know, Father Sunny Mathew (Aspley Parish Priest) has been on Sabbatical leave from 1 July 2021. For the past month Father Paul Chackanikunnel CMI (Parish Priest of Our Lady of the Angels parish, Chermside) has very kindly provided administration of Aspley Parish on a temporary basis. We would like to thank Father Paul for his efforts and support over the past month. From 29 July we are very glad to be welcoming Father Stanley Orji who will provide continued administration for our parish.

Further information will be provided in the coming weeks.

**THE GOSPEL IS FROM ST. JOHN 6:1-15.** Although Jesus had the intention of preparing the minds of the multitude for his discourse on the heavenly food which he would make next day, his principal motive in working this miracle was pity and compassion. He knew that they were hungry they had been away from home all day and some for many days.



They were willing to suffer this inconvenience but he did not want them to do so. Even though he knew there were some among them who would never accept him, and perhaps even some who would be among the rabble that demanded his crucifixion on Good Friday; yet he made no distinction. He had compassion on them all.

This miracle should surely convince us that Christ is interested in our daily needs too, just as he was interested in those of his contemporaries in Palestine. Our principal and only real purpose in life is to be saved and Christ is ever ready to help us. However, we have first to travel through our earthly life so, of necessity, we have to take a passing interest in the affairs of this world. We have to provide for our earthly needs and for those of any others who may depend on us. For many, in fact for the vast majority of men, this has always been and will be a struggle against great odds. Here, too, Christ is ever ready to help us. He has a true interest in our progress through life and if we turn to him trustfully and sincerely, he will help us over our difficulties.

This does not mean that we can expect or demand a miracle whenever we find ourselves in difficulties. If, however, we are true to Christ and to the faith in our daily lives, he will find ways and means of freeing us from difficulties which would otherwise overcome us. If we look back over our past we may notice occasions when we were saved from grave difficulties by some unexpected intervention. We may not even have called on Christ to help us but he knew our needs and he answered our unspoken request. Those five thousand hungry people had not asked him for food, but he knew their needs. He knew too that their needs were caused by their desire to be in his presence so he gave them what they had not thought of asking for. If we are loyal to him we, too, can trust that his mercy and power will be with us in our hour of need. He may not remove the cause of our difficulty. Remember St. Paul who had some bodily infirmity which he thought impeded his effectiveness as a missionary? Three times he pleaded with Christ to remove this 'infirmity, but Christ assured him: "my grace is sufficient for you." He would prove all the more effectively that he was Christ's Apostle by preaching in spite of that infirmity: "for my power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor. 12: 7-9). Thus it may be that Christ will use the very difficulty from which we are suffering, to bring us and others into more intimate union with him. Many of the saints suffered great hardships and afflictions during their years on earth these very afflictions were Christ's gifts to them. Without these, and the virtues of patience, faith and trust which they had to practice, they might not be among God's elect today. **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2.....**

## Liturgy of the Word

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** 2 Kings 4:42-44

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Psalm 144: 10-11, 15-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4: 1-6

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.

**Acclamation of Faith:**

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.

## PLEASE COLLECT THIS FINANCIAL YEARS PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES



We would like to thank all parishioners who join the Planned Giving Program and also those who have registered for the parish [online giving](#) for their continued generosity and commitment to our Parish.

**This financial years envelopes are now in use.  
Please collect your new Planned Giving envelopes  
in the foyer of the church.**

If you're a carer,  
there is support  
for you too



## CARER GATEWAY AUSTRALIAN CONNECT- ING CARERS TO SUPPORT SERVICES

Emotional help and  
support available for  
carers.

Getting help early can make a big difference to a carer's life by helping to reduce emotional and physical strain and improving their overall health and wellbeing. Supports and services are free for carers through Carer Gateway and are designed to help if you are:

- feeling stressed
- experiencing anxiety
- have low moods
- find it difficult to manage feelings.

Services such as counselling, peer support, and skills courses are available to help you in your caring role. Find out more at [carergateway.gov.au](http://carergateway.gov.au) or call 1800 422 737, Mon-Fri between 8am and 5pm local time.

## Prayer Requests

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.

**SICKNESS:** Our prayers are asked for people who are sick or housebound, and for all those who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes.

**Especially: Nola Griffin and Mary Mennis**

If you would like the parish to pray for and have someone's name listed in our prayers each week, Intention envelopes can be delivered to the Parish office

## GOSPEL CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE —

We must rest assured then that Christ is intimately interested in our daily lives on earth. We must not expect that this interest of his will remove all shadows from our path. This would not be for our eternal good and our eternal happiness is Christ's first interest in us. It should also be our own first and principal interest too. It will help us, too, to bear with our lot, if we look about us and see so many others who are worse off, or at least as badly off as we are especially with regard to the snags of life. Christian charity will move us to help them; we may not be able to give them any material help, but we can help to lighten their load by showing our sincere interest in them and by offering words of comfort and consolation. This is the only charity that the poor have to offer to their fellow sufferers, but if it is Christ-inspired its effects will reach to heaven.

*Excerpt from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.*

## Baptism



**Baptisms at  
Our Lady and  
St Dymphna Parish**

**Baptism preparation:** 3rd Saturday 10.30am  
**Infant Baptism:** 2nd & 4th Sunday (after 9am Mass).

Further information and application for Baptism:  
<http://www.ourladyandstdympnaparish.com/baptism.html> or contact the Parish Office.

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY 25 JULY** Pope Francis has proclaimed the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on the fourth Sunday in July each year. The Day is marked near the feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Thank you to all our Grandparents and Elderly! 





# I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

[www.catholic.org.au/grandparents](http://www.catholic.org.au/grandparents)  
#IAMWITHYOUALWAYS

**WORLD DAY  
FOR  
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**ST IGNATIUS PARISH'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY** This year's speakers are Fr Richard Leonard, World renowned Author and Speaker & Dr Danielle Anne Lynch, Theologian | Musician | Teacher at Marist College, Ashgrove. This year, you will need to book to attend this event to be held at St Ignatius Church, Kensington Tce, Toowong, on Wednesday 28th July (6pm Dinner | 7.30pm Event), or view from the comfort of your own home by streaming the event.  
~ Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/womens-night-of-spirituality-tickets-156038151311>  
~ Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/RA7aRObyDsM>  
All Welcome. Contact details: Allison King  
pw.toowong@bne.catholic.net.au | 3870 7818

**LECTURE SERIES-ASPLEY CLASSES FOR SENIORS TERM 3**  
**Presenter:** Debra FRANKS; Wills Manager; The Public Trustee of Queensland.  
**Topic:** "The Public Trustee; Wills, Guardian ships, Health Directives etc."  
**Venue:** Uniting Church Hall, 748 Robinson Road, Aspley.  
**Date:** Wednesday, **28th July, 2021**;  
Registration / morning tea 10.30am.  
**Time:** Lecture 11.00-12 noon.  
**Cost:** \$5.00 donation at the entry doorway.

**CCR GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION PRAISE, WORSHIP, EUCHARIST**  
St Stephen's Cathedral 11am, Saturday **7 August, 2021** Mass celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Mark Coleridge Music Ministry by Emmanuel Worship Hosted by Charis Connect comprising Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer Groups, Communities and Ministries Bookings for this event are essential: register at [www.trybooking.com/BSBIF](http://www.trybooking.com/BSBIF)  
Enquiries: Miriam secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au, Audrey 0435558390, Len 0421977849

**NO EUTHANASIA BILL LINKS:**  
<https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/members/current/list>  
[https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition\\_2105\\_ocp\\_qld](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2105_ocp_qld)  
**Please stand with the Queensland Bishops and medical experts in opposing this legislation.**  
*Dying with dignity already exists - it lies in being able to access high quality palliative care statewide.*

**Archdiocese of Brisbane Positions Vacant**

**LUTWYCHE CATHOLIC PARISH** Applications are open for a position at the Lutwyche Catholic Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a casual position of Administration Assistant Monday & Friday working 8.30am to 12.30pm, 4 hours each day. Application close 30 July 2021

**BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH** Applications are open for a position at the Booval Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a part time 3-year contract position of Parish Secretary for 20 hours per week, 5 hours on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. Closing date – 19 August 2021

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.*

Rosters					
31 July 1 Aug	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	<b>First Reading</b> M. Cafe <b>Second Reading</b> S. Cuaycong <b>Prayer of the Faithful</b> E. Arpon		Light of Jesus Family	Light of Jesus Family
7.00 a.m Mass	J. Coates	<b>First Reading</b> I.Spanevello <b>Second Reading</b> A.Spanevello <b>Prayer of the Faithful</b> D. Francis		S. Vitaliano	Nancy David/ Mike
9.00 a.m. Mass	C. Fernandes (B) J. Fernandes	<b>First Reading</b> K. Brough <b>Second Reading</b> E. Tatu <b>Prayer of the Faithful</b> K. Taatu		J. Ferris	Judith Men's Choir
5.00 p.m. Mass	J. Bissell (B) E. Lebajo	<b>First Reading</b> B. Kent <b>Second Reading</b> M. Hopewell <b>Prayer of the Faithful</b> B. Hopewell		Volunteer please	Kelli Rod
<b>Counters:</b> <b>1 August</b> M. Stack. N. Hughes L. Johnson  <b>8 August</b> D. O'Keefe P. Skehan M. Skehan M. Lalor	<b>Cleaning Church:</b> <b>24 July</b> Volunteers Nigel Hughes <b>31 July</b> Volunteer <b>7 August</b> David Francis <b>13 August</b> Volunteer <b>21 August</b> Savio and Jinella	<b>COVID19 VOLUNTEERS:</b> <b>Marshalls:</b> 2 Volunteers for each Mass. (Marshalls should be less than 70 years of age. If over 70, you must be prepared to wear a mask. Marshalls assist with Check-in and ensure operation under the parish Covidsafe Plan. CovidSafe Government venue number restrictions of 175 still in place.) <b>Cleaners:</b> Every Mass or event must have at least <b>SEVERAL</b> people who stay behind to sanitise church. (Cleaners are NOT restricted by age but must be in good health. If 70 or over, you must be prepared to wear a mask.)	<b>HYMNS</b> <b>A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD</b> <b>EAT THIS BREAD DRINK THIS CUP</b> <b>I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE</b>		
				 <b>PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK</b>	

Next week liturgy	The Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p><b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  <b>First Reading:</b> Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15  <b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>            Psalm 77: 3-4, 23-25, 54            The Lord gave them bread from heaven.  <b>Second Reading:</b> Ephesians 4:17, 20-24  <b>Gospel:</b> John 6: 24-35  <b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>            Alleluia, Alleluia!            No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.            Alleluia!</p>	<p><b>KEEPING FAITH WITH YOU</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nurses speak out against voluntary assisted dying.</li> <li>2. Bishops demand asylum seekers freedom eight years on.</li> <li>3. New conference to boost connection among Australia's seminarians.</li> <li>4. Queensland seminary's new rector wants to build a culture of vocations.</li> <li>5. March for Life targets Queensland's "dangerous" voluntary assisted dying bill.</li> </ol>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Sun</td> <td>25</td> <td><b>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mon</td> <td>26</td> <td>Sts Joachim and Anne, parent of Blessed Virgin Mary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues</td> <td>27</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wed</td> <td>28</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thurs</td> <td>29</td> <td>St Martha</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fri</td> <td>30</td> <td>St Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat</td> <td>31</td> <td>St Ignatius of Loyola, priest</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sun</td> <td>1</td> <td><b>18th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Date Claimers:</b>  <b>ASPLEY PARISH MULTICULTURAL MASS 2021</b> - Sunday 22nd August 2021 at the 9.00am Mass.</p>	Sun	25	<b>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Mon	26	Sts Joachim and Anne, parent of Blessed Virgin Mary	Tues	27		Wed	28		Thurs	29	St Martha	Fri	30	St Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor	Sat	31	St Ignatius of Loyola, priest	Sun	1	<b>18th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
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