



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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



Mass Times and Services

Weekend Mass

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

Weekday Mass

Mon, Tue, Wed and Friday	6.30am
(NO Thursday Mass)	

Exceptions

Saturday and Public Holidays	8.00am
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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 & 4th Sunday after 9am Mass

Baptism preparation:

3rd Saturday 10.30am

The Gospel is from St. Luke 5:1-11. Christ's voluntary self-mortification of forty days' fast, with its accompanying temptations, was but part of the self-mortification, with its climax on the Cross, which He gladly underwent for our salvation. He did not need to fast in order to keep the inclinations of the body in subjection, He did not need to allow the insult of temptation. He could have said, "begone Satan" at the beginning as easily and as effectively as he said it at the end. But He willingly underwent this humiliation in order to set us an example and to prove to us the infinite love He bears us and the value, the priceless value, He sets on our eternal salvation. He became like us in all things (except sin) in order to make it possible for us to become like Him—the beloved of his Father—and co-heirs with Him in the kingdom of heaven.

With this example given us by Christ no Christian can or should expect to travel the road to heaven without meeting obstacles and temptations. Our weak human nature is of itself, even without any external tempter, a source of many temptations to us, especially of those three illustrated in the case of Christ. Our body desires all the pleasures and comforts that can be got out of life and resents any curtailment of these desires even on the part of our Creator and Benefactor. Our gifts of intelligence and free-will often tempt most of us to look for power, political or economic, over our fellowmen. We want to be better off than others in this world, when our purpose in life is to help ourselves and our fellowmen to the better life. Finally, so fully occupied are many in the mad rush after pleasure and power that they have no time to devote to the one thing that matters, the attainment of eternal life.

Yet, through some foolish logic of our own, we expect God to do for us what we refuse to do for ourselves. We are tempting God by presuming he will save us if we have deliberately chosen the road to perdition.

There are few, if any, amongst us who can honestly say: "I am free from such inclinations or temptations." The vast majority of us can and should beat our breasts and say with the publican: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner." And merciful he will be if we turn to him with true humility. He may not remove all our temptations, all our wrong inclinations, but he will give us the grace to overcome them if we sincerely seek his aid.

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

Liturgy of the Word

First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90:1-2, 10-15 Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Acclamation of Faith:

We proclaim your Death O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
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.

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

If you would like the parish to pray for and have someone's name listed in our prayers each week, Mass Intention envelopes can be collected at the Church or from the Parish office.

Join in the Spirit this Lent



Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church every Friday evening

STATIONS of the CROSS (excluding Good Friday) from 7 pm from the 8 March 2019.

If you are unable to attend the Stations of the Cross with other members of our Parish family, you may wish to consider praying the Stations 'online' using your computer or mobile device. Simply log on to <http://www.catholic.org/prayers/station.php> Each station is accompanied by a short three-minute video and prayers.

Sacrament of Penance

Preparation for the Sacrament of Penance continues. The Sacrament will be celebrated on 16th March 2.30pm-3.30pm and 23rd March 2.30pm-3.30pm.



This week parents and children were continuing to reflect on the day and how they responded to others. This week the families have been concentrating on the loving compassionate forgiveness of God. Let us continue to pray for all those preparing for the Sacrament.

First Holy Communion

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAM

preparation for First Holy Communion. Enrolments for First Holy Communion will open on the parish website:

<http://www.ourladyandstdympnaparish.com/holy-communion.html>.

OPENS on Monday 18th March at 5pm and

CLOSES on Monday 25th March at 5pm.

(No enrolments will be taken after this time)

RCIA - Rite of Election



Today we celebrate the **Rite of Election**. This Rite is celebrated on the First Sunday of Lent in the Catechumen's local parishes and then in the Cathedral together with those in the RCIA process from across the Archdiocese. The Rite of Election publically celebrates a step on the journey to the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. It comes after a long period of time where the Catechumen has journeyed with a companion and realise they have been called by God (election) to a closer relationship with God and the Community. Today as a Parish we celebrate this Rite with Stephen. Let us be united with Stephen as we celebrate the Rite of Election.

St Monica's Guild Outing

Lunch at 12 Noon on Monday 18th March, 2019
at Aspley Hotel, 1247 Gympie Road, Aspley.
Phone Denise on 3160 0195
by Thursday 14th March, 2019 for reservation.

Women's Social Club Meeting

Women's Social Club will meet on the 13th March
at 10 am in the John O'Callaghan Centre,
Parish Hall. All Welcome!



Mission trip to Flores, Indonesia with Fr. Nev Yun 24 June – 4 July 2019 - By going on mission you will experience the simple life and radiant joy of the Missionaries of the Poor brothers, and assist in caring for children with disabilities. Many volunteers are inspired and moved by the loving kindness of the brothers, and time spent with the children. Please watch our video at <https://vimeo.com/mopsupporters/missiontrip> You are all invited to our Information Day on **Sunday 31st March 2019, commencing after 8.30am Mass, Holy Family Church, 37 Ward St, Indooroopilly.** For more information, please contact: 0412 073 965 / lamurifamily@outlook.com (07) 3371 7446 / indooroopilly@bne.catholic.net.au

Positions Vacant

Office Coordinator

Applications are open for a position at St John's Wood, The Gap Catholic Parish. A person with excellent administration and coordination skills is required for a part time position of Office Coordinator for 26 hours a week to work alongside the Office Assistant. Applications close Monday, 11th March 2019

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 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.

Thank You World Day of Prayer

Our parish hosted a wonderful ecumenical service on 1 March for World Day of Prayer 2019. This year's host country was Slovenia, and the theme was 'Come – everything is ready'. Thank you to all who came to celebrate this service and to our wonderful volunteers for organising the day, setting up, providing and serving a delicious morning tea! All funds raised from the World Day of Prayer will go to the country of Slovenia.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

**First Sunday of Lent
10th March 2019**

**Caritas
AUSTRALIA**



Thandolwayo, a 12-year-old girl in Zimbabwe, would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. She then went to school exhausted from hours fetching and carrying water. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 to provide clean water and a future full of hope for vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

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.

Mar 16/17	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday	S. Stevens (B) R. Campbell M. Cafe B. McGorry L. McGorry	First Reading A. Borgeaud Second Reading L. Dutton Prayers of the Faithful I. Dove	D. Matthew S. Gonsalves	Volunteer	YVONNE Women's Choir
7.00 a.m. Mass	I. Spanevello (B) A. Spanevello R. Perkins J. Bissell D. Volter	First Reading G. Bortuzzo Second Reading M. Colebourne Prayers of the Faithful J. Colebourne	J. Colebourne	R. Campbell	NANCY Sylvester
9.00 a.m. Mass	A. Ware (B) C. Ware J. Ferris Sr Gabriel G. Webley C. Fernandes J. Fernandes	First Reading K. Brough Second Reading B. Buna Prayers of the Faithful P. Mawaka	K. Green C. George J. McGorry A. O'Keefe	Volunteer	JUDITH Renata
5.00 p.m. Mass	B. Hopewell (B) M. Hopewell S. Lopez E. Lebajo K. O'Donnell	First Reading B. Kent Second Reading J. Bissell Prayers of the Faithful S. Tam	F. Paul J. Paul	Volunteer	Edmund & friends
Children Liturgy: 9am Kim O'Rourke	Cleaners 16 March Savio and Jinella Cleaners 23 March Volunteers & Nigel Hughes	Counters 17 March P. Hislop K. Hislop I. Dennison B. Dennison	Counters 24 March R. Campbell T. Smith B. Smith J. Goh	Be Thou My Vision A Trusting Psalm Bread of Life	

Next week liturgy	Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p style="text-align: center;">Second Sunday of Lent</p> <p>First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 26: 1, 7-0,13-14 The Lord is my light and my salvation.</p> <p>Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1</p> <p>Gospel: Luke 9:28-36</p> <p>Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brisbane Archbishop encourages Catholics to keep faith in the face of serious challenges in last Sunday's homily • Students from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane celebrate the Project Compassion 2019 Liturgy at St Stephen's Cathedral • Cardinal Pell spent his first days in jail after being found guilty of child sexual abuse, he awaits his sentencing on March 13 • The Missionaries of the Poor call for volunteers to visit and serve in their mission house in Labuan Bajo in Indonesia. 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="width: 10%;">Sun</td><td style="width: 10%;">10</td><td style="width: 80%;">First Sunday of Lent</td></tr> <tr><td>Mon</td><td>11</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Tues</td><td>12</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Wed</td><td>13</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Thurs</td><td>14</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Fri</td><td>15</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Sat</td><td>16</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Sun</td><td>27</td><td>Second Sunday of Lent</td></tr> </table> <p>Date Claimers: 3 - 20 March - Project Compassion 24 March - Children's Mass</p>	Sun	10	First Sunday of Lent	Mon	11		Tues	12		Wed	13		Thurs	14		Fri	15		Sat	16		Sun	27	Second Sunday of Lent
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Sunday Collections 03/03/2019

1st & 2nd Collections During Mass : \$2950.00 **Direct Deposit at Bank:** \$ 425.00 **Total Income :** \$3375.00