



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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Parish Newsletter 2 September Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

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 (NO Thursday Mass)	6.30am
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Exceptions

Saturday & 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 and 4th
Sunday after 9am Mass
Baptism preparation: 3rd
Saturday 10.30am

This Sunday, our lectionary returns to Mark's Gospel after a number of Sundays in which we heard the Bread of Life discourse from the Gospel of John. Recall that we focus on the Gospel of Mark in Lectionary Cycle B, but substitute John's report of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes for Mark's report of this event.

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways. *Excerpt from Sunday Connections Loyola Press*

**Aspley Parish
90th Anniversary
History Books**

For Sale \$10.00 in
the Parish Office
or Church.

Thank you!

90 Years



Parish of Our Lady & St Dympna
1928 - 2018

God Bless Fathers On Earth and In Heaven!
Happy Father's Day!

Liturgy of the Word

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 14:2-5 The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: James 1:17-18,21-22,27

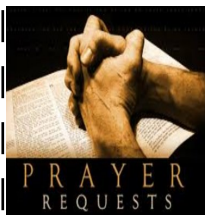
Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of

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.

Colleen Ann Egan, Ronnie Tomarong and Leoni Tomarong

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.

Child Protection Week 2- 8th September

Queensland Child Protection Week is held during the first full week of September each year. Schools, businesses, community groups and government organisations come together, to consider how best to promote the value of children and focus attention on issues of child abuse and neglect.

Children are a gift from God and must be protected from harm of every kind. Many Archdiocesan personnel through their ministries and services are in a unique position to identify child abuse and neglect and to do something about it.

The Archdiocese expects all personnel, including clergy, employees and volunteers to act upon concerns or complaints of abuse, and comply with reporting obligations.

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2018

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Sacrament of Confirmation



On Tuesday, eighty-seven children received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Joseph Oudemen OFM Cap DD was the celebrant and he encouraged all to remember they are deeply loved by God and can be confident God will always be with them no matter what occurs in their lives. After receiving Certificates, the children had a group photo taken and were then given a 'Spirit' bag with a popper, cupcake and a work book titled 'From Confirmation to Eucharist'. A very big thank you to the Sacramental Team who spent many hours ensuring workshops, seating allocation, sponsor cards, cakes, bags and photos were organised. There was truly a great 'Spirit' in the celebrations!

Our Church, our community. Doing good.

Next weekend our parish will do a special collection for the **Annual Catholic Campaign**, to support the vital ministries in our Church.

It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and local community.



HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY



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NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 2018

2nd - 8th Sept

PLAY YOUR PART NAPCAN

The ACU Centre for Liturgy, in partnership with Liturgy Brisbane, is offering a public Short Course **“From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals”** at the Leadership Centre Brisbane Level 3, Cathedral House, 229 Elizabeth Street, BRISBANE on Saturday, 22 September between 9.15am and 4.45pm. The cost is \$60 and registration is essential, at: http://www.acu.edu.au/acu_centre_for_liturgy/short_courses.

For more information phone 02-9701 4751.

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**A TRIVIA NIGHT**– will be held on **Saturday night 8<sup>th</sup> September** at the Geebung Bowls Club on Robinson Rd. It is conducted by the Quota Club of Sandgate with all proceeds going to **Aspleycare Emergency Relief program**. This night always ensures Lots of Prizes, Plenty of Fun and Supper so make up a group or come and join one on the night – be there around 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Please contact Clive Smith on 32631927 or Judy Doak on 0447824980 for further details.

**MASS FOR THE DEAF—SEPTEMBER 9 AT DORRINGTON PARISH.** The next Auslan-Supported Mass at St Michael’s Catholic Church, 250 Banks Street Dorrington/Ashgrove, will be held on **Sunday 9 September at 8.30am**. Everyone who would like to attend is invited to this special Mass, with morning tea afterwards. Please spread the word to friends and family. Our last Auslan Mass for 2018 will be held on 18 November. Enquiries to [dorrington@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dorrington@bne.catholic.edu.au).

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Position Vacant Sunnybank and Acacia Ridge Parishes, Pastoral Associate. 25-30 hours a week. The Pastoral Associate will be required to coordinate children and their families preparing for the Sacraments. The applicant will also be involved in Liturgy preparation, Adult Education and Pastoral Care of Parishioners. The applicant will require recent study and practice in the Sacraments of Initiation and Theological qualifications are essential.

Please apply to: Fr Daniel Ryan, Our Lady of Lourdes, PO Box 32, Sunnybank QLD 4109 Applications close: 17th September 2018 For job description / more information please contact the Parish Manager, Karrin Halliday Phone: 07 3345 3766

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE STATE OF QUEENSLAND

Catholic Women’s League Queensland is organised on three levels, Parish, Diocese and State, with almost 700 members in the Archdiocese of Brisbane, the Rockhampton Diocese and Townsville Diocese. Catholic Women’s League State of Queensland is a Member organisation of Catholic Women’s League of Australia, which in turn is affiliated with the World Union of Catholic Women’s Organisations which brings together in prayer, service and friendship Catholic women from 100 nations around the world.



A Member Organisation of CWLA Inc.

Members are involved in all aspects of parish life, wherever their particular gifts may be of service to the community: liturgical, spiritual, care and concern, social justice and social.

As well as supporting their own parishes, our members support worthy outreach causes such as Cancer Fund, Caritas, Jesuit Refugee Services, refuges for women and children in crisis, education for underprivileged children, ACRATH (Australian Religious Against Trafficking in Humans), drought and cyclone relief and many, many more. They really take to heart the words of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop: “Never see a need without doing something about it.”

Addressing social justice and ethical questions is one of the primary aims of the organisation. A National Research Officer is employed to research and prepare submissions to State, Territory and Federal Governments when we see a need to influence legislation which concerns the dignity and freedom of the human person. For example, in 2017 and 2018, our Research Officer prepared two submissions for the enquiries regarding the Abortion Reform Bill in Queensland. A current submission addresses the Dowry System in Australia.

Every year, a representative of Catholic Women’s League Australia attends the Status of Women Commission at the United Nations in New York, where we are recognised as a Non-Government Organisation with consultative status. For a small country like Australia, this is very special.

These are hard times for the Catholic Church. Catholic Women’s League members are dedicated to a culture of life, from conception to death, and make sure our voice is heard in the corridors of power. We promote the role of lay women in the Church, celebrate the good times and give support in the hard times, and enable women to participate more fully in the Church, so that the Church we love will again be seen as the sign and bearer of God’s love for others, just as Jesus was.

We make enduring friendships and all aspects of our lives are enriched. And we have a lot of fun! Why don’t you join us?

CONTACT: Parish Office 38629402 or <http://www.ourladyandstdympneparish.com/catholic-womens-league.html>

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.

8/9 September	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) I. Dove L. McGorry B. McGorry R. Campbell	First Reading A. Borgeaud Second Reading M. Cafe Prayers of the Faithful L. Dutton	J. De Clara-Woods R. Manahan	Volunteer	Judith Susan
7.00 a.m. Mass	G. Bortuzzo (B) R. Volter D. Volter D. Francis A. Lopez	First Reading M. Colebourne Second Reading J. Colebourne Prayers of the Faithful A. Spanevello	Volunteer	I. Spanevello	Nancy David
9.00 a.m. Mass	Sr Gabriel (B) A. Ware C. Ware J. Fernandes C. Fernandes C. Gonsalves B. Neill	First Reading J. Mascarenhas Second Reading M. Gonsalves Prayers of the Faithful J. Frayne	B. Colebourne A. Tsongorera N. Gardiner H. Espares	J. Ferris	Yvonne Di
5.00 p.m. Mass	J. Bissell (B) K. Rye M. Hopewell B. Hopewell K. O'Donnell	First Reading E. Lebajo Second Reading S. Tam Prayers of the Faithful S. Lopez	J. Tomsey O. Joshy	Volunteer	Renata
Children Liturgy: 9am Kim O'Rourke	Cleaners 14 September - Barry Long 15 September - Savio and Jinella 22 Sept - Paul Xavier	Counters: 9 Sept G. Cox D. Francis D. McCudden J. Goh	Counters: 16 Sept Sherwood D. Jago T. Salvati N. Medina	City of God Table of Plenty One Bread One Body We are Called	

Next week liturgy	Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Isaiah 35:407 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:7-10 Praise the Lord, my soul! Second Reading: James 2:1-5 Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!	Keeping Faith with You * Esk churches unite for day of prayer and thanksgiving * Brisbane Catholics give Timorese children health lift * Faith guides PM Morrison * Survey suggests religious instruction gaining support from Queensland parents and schools * Seniors and children all smiles during intergenerational day * Battle for life heats up * Pope Francis begins Mass in Dublin saying sorry for abuse scandals * Human compassion shows in Kerala floods * Driving hope to prison	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%;">Sun</td> <td style="width: 10%;">2</td> <td style="width: 80%;">22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time FATHER'S DAY</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mon</td> <td>3</td> <td>St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues</td> <td>4</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wed</td> <td>5</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thurs</td> <td>6</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fri</td> <td>7</td> <td>Spring Ember Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat</td> <td>8</td> <td>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sun</td> <td>9</td> <td>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</td> </tr> </table> <p>Date Claimers: 15 Sept- St Dympna's Fair Saturday 15th September 11am. - 5pm.</p>	Sun	2	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time FATHER'S DAY	Mon	3	St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor	Tues	4		Wed	5		Thurs	6		Fri	7	Spring Ember Day	Sat	8	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Sun	9	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Sunday Collections Week End: 26 August

1st & 2nd Collections During Mass : \$2693.00 Direct Deposit at Bank: \$350.00 Total Income : \$3043.00