



# PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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## Parish Newsletter Presentation of the Lord Year A 2 February 2020

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



### PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Luke's account of the presentation of the Lord in the Temple includes an instance of what is characteristic throughout his gospel: stories often comes in pairs, one with a male protagonist, the other with a female. Here the male and female protagonists are presented in one story. It is worth paying closer attention to the names Luke gives: Simeon, and Anna of the tribe of Asher. The names Simeon and Asher first appear in the account of patriarch Jacob's complicated family life (Gen 29-30). Jacob had intended to marry Rachel, but after the wedding night he discovered he had instead married her elder sister Leah. He did later marry Rachel too. In the meantime fertile Leah hoped that her bearing of children would bring Jacob to love her. Her second son was Simeon, said to mean 'Heard'. After Jacob married his beloved Rachel, she proved barren, and so she gave her maid Bilhah to Jacob in effect as her surrogate so that when Bilhah bore two sons Rachel claimed them as her own. Leah ceased to bear after four sons, yet still hoping for Jacob's love she copied Rachel's method and gave her own maid, Zilpah, to Jacob; Leah claimed each of Zilpah's two sons; she named the second son 'Asher', said to mean 'Happy', saying 'Happy am I! For women will call me happy', which is found in a modified form in Mary's Magnificat.

Luke's use of these names, Simeon and Asher, may be significant for their being the progenitors of the southernmost and northernmost tribes of Israel, such that the baby Jesus is metaphorically embraced by all of Israel. It may also be significant that both were second sons, one of a lawful wife and the other of a concubine, thus suited to play a part in the later frequent trope in Jewish and Gentile-Christian conflicts over who the true descendants of Abraham were: the children of the flesh (the elder son) or those by later adoption (the second son).

In Luke's gospel the child Jesus was first visited by shepherds, the marginalised of society, however much lauded in the earlier Scriptures. Here he is warmly received by the Israelites, and yet we know that that point will not persist as the gospel unfolds since he will be rejected by at least the leaders of his people. Perhaps that point is that he is received by those who are attentive to the Scriptures, seekers after God and seekers of wisdom. Those who yearn for him do recognise him when he comes.

*Excerpt Barry Craig - Presentation of the Lord - Homily Help Liturgia*

#### 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 - 9.00am  
All are invited to join this devotion.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday (excluding Holy 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

## Liturgy of the Word

### The Presentation of the Lord

**First Reading:** Malachi 3:1-4

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Psalm 23: 7-10

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

**Second Reading:**

Hebrews 2: 14-18

**Gospel:** Luke 2: 22-40

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Acclamation of Faith:**

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

## Prayer Requests

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:** Let us also remember those who have died. Especially:

**Aileen Dove, John and Brendon McNee.**

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

**Syd Greedy and Rosslyn O'Brien**

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.



The more you honour Me  
The more I will bless you.

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## THE LITTLE KINGS'S MOVEMENT - SPECIAL COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND

The Little King's Movement once a year conducts a Door Knock and a Parish Appeal. The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities. There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs. There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. **ENVELOPES AVAILABLE ON THE SEATS.**

## Sacrament of Penance Enrolment

Children who have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) will now be prepared for the Sacrament of Penance (Confession).

**ONLINE ENROLMENT:**

**OPENS 6.00pm Sunday 2nd February and  
CLOSES 6.00pm Monday 9th February**

**Parent Information Night:** Tuesday 11th February 7pm

**Children's Workshop:** Saturday 29th February 10.15am and 4.30pm

**Reception of the Sacrament shall be over two weekends :**

Saturday 14th March 4.30pm

Saturday 21st March 4.30pm



## CAN YOU SPARE 4 HOURS PER WEEK TO HELP PEOPLE IN NEED?

Aspleycare is an Emergency Relief Organisation staffed by volunteers five days per week between 10am and 2pm, on a roster basis. The centre is in urgent need of more volunteers.



Duties may include reception and/or interviewing clients, as well as providing available assistance. Training is provided and no previous experience is needed.

Aspleycare is in the grounds of **Our Lady and St Dympna's Church at 479 Robinson Rd.**

If you wish to enquire further or offer your time to assist, please phone

**3862 7145.** Thank you.

## TRAINING SESSIONS FOR LEVEL 1 HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY BY FRANCIS AND JUDITH MACNUTT OF CHRISTIAN HEALING MINISTRIES -

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane Healing Prayer Centre will be offering training on Healing Prayer. Level 1 at CCR Brisbane Centre, 688 Nudgee Road, Northgate (in the grounds of St. John's Catholic Church).

This level 1 course will be completed over 3 full Saturdays-

29 February, 28 March, 18 April (attendance at all three training days required)

This Level 1 Course is open to all. Registration essential by Saturday 15 February

For more details, fees and registration : [secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au](mailto:secretary@ccrbrisbane.org.au)

Phone: 0435 558 390 or 3202 6856



**Mount Alvernia College, Kedron** is currently accepting enrolment applications for **Year 7, 2023. Closing date for applications is 8 February.**

Enrolment Application Forms are available from the website ([www.mta.qld.edu.au](http://www.mta.qld.edu.au)) or by contacting Camilla Horn ([enrolments@mta.qld.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@mta.qld.edu.au); ph 3632 8599).

*Come for a*  
**SPIRIT FILLED NIGHT OF WORSHIP**  
Facilitated by Steffanie Le

**"give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."**  
1 Thessalonians 5:18

**Friday 7 February 2020 - 7pm**  
**47 Dornoch Terrace, West End**

**SUGGESTED DONATION - \$30 FAMILY**  
**\$10 ADULTS \$5 CHILD**  
**NIBBLES & REFRESHMENT PROVIDED**  
**RSVP BY WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

[Awaken.org.au](http://Awaken.org.au)  
Search - Awaken Community

[admin@awaken.org.au](mailto:admin@awaken.org.au)  
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**A VOCATION VIEW:** Jesus said: "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." Today he could say: "I will make you mechanics of souls; doctors of wounded hearts, counsellors of broken families; clowns in a joyless society." But regardless, Come.

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Centre: 1300 133 544  
[vocationbrisbane.com](http://vocationbrisbane.com)





# 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 Feb	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
<b>6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday</b>	L. Dutton (B) M. Cafe I. Dove D. Salvati G. Cox	<b>First Reading</b> A. Borgeaud <b>Second Reading</b> F. Xavier <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> L. McGorry	TBA	B. McGorry	Judith Di
<b>7.00 a.m. Mass</b>	D. Francis (B) A. Lopez D. Volter R. Volter S. Vaz	<b>First Reading</b> M. Colebourne <b>Second Reading</b> J. Colebourne <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> M. Campbell	TBA	M. Blight	Nancy Rod
<b>9.00 a.m. Mass</b>	S. Lopez (B) C. Gonsalves J. Fernandes C. Heskett R. Heskett T. Hoang G. Webley	<b>First Reading</b> M. Gonsalves <b>Second Reading</b> C. Fernandes <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> J. Ferris	TBA	Volunteer	Yvonne Suzan
<b>5.00 p.m. Mass</b>	K. O'Donnell (B) F. Gowans J. Bissell G. Dias .....	<b>First Reading</b> E. Lebajo <b>Second Reading</b> R. Meekons <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> S. Tam	TBA	Ike Soo Choon & Family	Ike Soo Choon & Family
<b>Children Liturgy:</b> TBA 2020	<b>Cleaning:</b> <b>14 Feb</b> Volunteer <b>15 Feb</b> Savio and Jinella <b>22 Feb</b> Volunteers and Nigel Hughes	<b>Counters 2 Feb</b> G. Juffs H. Juffs I. Spanevello A. Spanevello	<b>Counters 9 Feb</b> M. Stack G. Strathdee A. Hill L. Johnson	<b>We Are Called The Cry of the Poor Song of the Body of Christ Bring Forth the Kingdom</b>	

Next week liturgy	Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																											
<p><b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></p> <p><b>First Reading:</b> Isaiah 58:7-10</p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> Psalm 111:4-9 A light will shine like the dawn.</p> <p><b>Second Reading:</b> 1 Corinthians 2:1-5</p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 5:13-16</p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sydney Auxiliary Bishop Richard Umbers marched alongside tens of thousands for the March for Life 2020 in Washington DC.</li> <li>Aboriginal elder and educator Aunty Joan Hendriks died and is being remembered for her commitment to her culture and as a guiding light for Aboriginal Creation spirituality and Christian faith.</li> <li>Queensland Catholics were named to the Australia Day honours list including Orange Sky founders Nic Marchesi and Lucas Patchett.</li> </ul>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Sun</td> <td>2</td> <td><b>The Presentation of the Lord</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mon</td> <td>3</td> <td>St Blaise, bishop, martyr St Ansgar, bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues</td> <td>4</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wed</td> <td>5</td> <td>St Agatha, virgin, martyr</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thurs</td> <td>6</td> <td>St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fri</td> <td>7</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sat</td> <td>8</td> <td>St Jerome Emiliani St Josephine Bakhita, virgin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sun</td> <td>9</td> <td><b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"><b>Date Claimers:</b></td> </tr> </table>	Sun	2	<b>The Presentation of the Lord</b>	Mon	3	St Blaise, bishop, martyr St Ansgar, bishop	Tues	4		Wed	5	St Agatha, virgin, martyr	Thurs	6	St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs	Fri	7		Sat	8	St Jerome Emiliani St Josephine Bakhita, virgin	Sun	9	<b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Date Claimers:</b>		
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