



# 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).

### Lenten Challenges

On this Second Sunday of Lent we hear the familiar Gospel story of the Transfiguration.  
"Jesus took with him Peter, James and John and went up to the mountain to pray."

This is the very simple opening line of the Gospel. It is one to which we can relate. How often do we hear throughout the Gospels that Jesus takes these three disciples with him? He takes them up there for a specific purpose to leave the hurly burly of the daily routine so they can pray. It's up on the mountain that he is transfigured, and immediately (*though the disciples were 'heavy with sleep'*) they wanted to stay in the present experience of being with the transfigured Jesus. Impetuous Peter states "Master, it is good for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Elijah and one for Moses."

Then a voice from the cloud says 'This is my Son. The chosen one. **LISTEN TO HIM.**' When the voice had spoken the disciples looked up and saw no one—**ONLY JESUS.**

Such a story is echoed in our life's experience. We can be so caught up in the experience we want to leave the ordinariness of where we are and basically stay in the experience. It can be through the act of kindness, generosity, forgiveness of another that we can experience the presence of God in our lives. How attentive are we to the listening?

And just like the Gospel story, when we 'come down' from the experience there are the ordinary people who are instruments of God's presence in our lives.

#### During this Lent:

- Let us be attentive to the daily events in which the face of God is revealed.
- Let us be open to listen to the Word of God and others in our lives.



#### Why no Recessional Hymn during Lent?

*Thank you to the parishioners who asked why we didn't sing a Recessional Hymn last week.*



As you realise Lent is a time to think, take stock, do without and question ordinary habits. We do this to raise our consciousness of God's presence in our lives. In not doing what one usually does can heighten one's awareness of emptiness. It can be quite a desert experience which can trigger our attitude to what is essential. Throughout Lent the Church encourages us to pay particular attention to prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Ash Wednesday's Old Testament Reading from Joel stated:

"Let your hearts be broken not your garments torn,  
Turn to the Lord your God again,  
For God is all tenderness and compassion."

As we move out in silence let us take opportunity to continue the journey we have embarked on throughout this time of Lent.

#### During this Lent:

- Let us leave our celebration in silence respecting the journey our community is making in "turning to the Lord again, for God is all tenderness and compassion."

*Gabriel Williams osu*

## Liturgy of the Word

### Second Sunday of Lent

**First Reading:** Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 26: 1, 7-9, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

**Second Reading:** Philippians 3:17-4:1

**Gospel:** Luke 9:28-36

**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.

### Acclamation of Faith:

We proclaim your Death O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

## 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. Especially:

- Leila and Joe Comiskey; Mel and Kevin Daly Arthur, Iris and Julia Fox; Lennon Family Maureen and Jack Kenny; Brian Kinne Teresa Santa Maria; Helen McConville and Josephine Trimarchi

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

- Sister Ruth Wyatte

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.

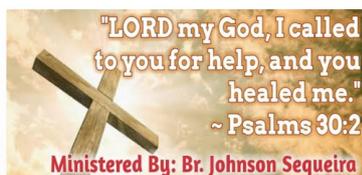
## Healing Ministry - by Br. Johnson Sequeira

**Br. Johnson Sequeira visit to Aspley Parish**

Friday 29 March 7pm to 10 pm  
and

Saturday 30 March 11am to 4.30pm

**Please come and be blessed by the Power of the Holy Spirit.**



Dear Parishioners,

Unfortunately we have had complaints about unsafe driving in the car park. Some people may feel that because our church is private property, it's not as serious to disregard speed or traffic regulations.

However, if you think about it, the reason these rules are in place is to allow the safety of all in the community, especially in the parish and school car park which is a very high use community area.

Please think of your fellow brothers and sisters when driving and parking in the car park.

Also, may I please ask that you please observe all posted signs and refrain from speeding or disrupting the traffic flow.

I trust that you will help us by complying with this very serious matter. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in keeping us all safe.

*Father John.*

## ASPLEYCARE Thursday Outing

Reminder for all Thursday outing drivers and food volunteers for Thursday 21st March. Contact Roger on 3263 3458.



### **HOLY SPIRIT MISSIONARY SISTERS- Position Vacant**

The Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters Congregation, in Carseldine QLD is seeking a permanent part-time Provincial Secretary/Bookkeeper. The role is to provide administrative support to the Provincial Leader. This position would suit an applicant with: a flexible approach and mature outlook to work, attention to detail and problem solving skills, time and office management skills, organisational/administration skills. The applicant should have the ability to work under limited supervision and proficient in Microsoft Office. A knowledge of the accounting program MYOB would be highly advantageous. Remuneration will be negotiated. Applications, including cover letter and curriculum vitae must be submitted by email to the Provincial Leader, email [sps1@holyspirit.com.au](mailto:sps1@holyspirit.com.au) or mail to Provincial Leader, Holy Spirit Sisters, P O Box 129, Aspley Qld 4034 no later than 4 April 2019

## Sacrament of Penance



This weekend thirty-one children received the Sacrament of Penance. The reception of Penance for the first time is usually celebrated in the Lenten Season which is in keeping with the liturgical penitential season. Throughout these weeks parents and children have reflected on how they have lived their daily lives in the light of God's love for them. Since the beginning of Lent they have taken the themes which Project Compassion has put before us all in becoming aware of children in various countries who are not as fortunate as we are in Australia. Thank you to all who have shown an interest in the children's preparation at this time.

## First Holy Communion Opening Soon

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAM

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

<http://www.ourladyandstymnparish.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)

## Mass Times and Services

### Weekend Mass

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7.00am, 9.00am &amp; 5.00pm</b>

### Weekday Mass

<b>Mon, Tue, Wed and Friday</b>	<b>6.30am (NO Thursday Mass)</b>
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### Exceptions

<b>Saturday and Public Holidays</b>	<b>8.00am</b>
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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

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5pm-5.30pm</b>
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Or by appointment

### Baptism

#### Infant Baptism:

2nd & 4th Sunday after 9am Mass

#### Baptism preparation:

3rd Saturday 10.30am



Second Sunday of Lent  
17<sup>th</sup> March 2019



Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia. She is a mother of three who was earning an income working in a local rubber plantation. Since taking part in eco-tourism training with Caritas Australia and its partners, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.**

**Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://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 23/24	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>	Sr M. Costello (B) G. Cox D. Salvati T. Borger T. Borger	<b>First Reading</b> I. Dove <b>Second Reading</b> M. Cafe <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> T. Hand	S. D'Souza J. McLune	Light of Jesus Family	Light of Jesus Family
<b>7.00 a.m. Mass</b>	H. Hollamby (B) A. Lopez G. Bortuzzo D. Francis J. Coates	<b>First Reading</b> D. Chiavaro <b>Second Reading</b> S. Ferlito <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> A. Spanevello	Volunteer	M. Blight	Nancy David
<b>9.00 a.m. Mass</b>	J. Patterson (B) M. Gonsalves C. Gonsalves C. Heskett R. Heskett B. Neill T. Hoang	<b>First Reading</b> J. Mascarenhas <b>Second Reading</b> C. Goh <b>Prayers of the Faithful</b> L. George	G. Ede M. Ede B. Self A. Self	Volunteer	Yvonne Di
<b>5.00 p.m. Mass</b>	J. Bissell (B) G. Dias S. Tam F. Gowans H. Boevink	<b>Children's Mass</b>	J. Jameson A. McSweeney	Volunteer	School Music
<b>Children Liturgy: 9am</b> Kim O'Rourke	<b>Cleaners 23 March</b> Volunteers & Nigel Hughes <b>Cleaners</b>	<b>Counters 24 March</b> R. Campbell S. Stevens R. Serrao J. Goh	<b>Counters 31 March</b> K. Ufer G. Juffs I. Spanevello A. Spanevello	<b>Seek O Seek the Lord Grant to us O Lord Song of Body of Christ</b>	

Next week liturgy	Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Third Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p><b>First Reading:</b> Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18</p> <p><b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> Psalm 26: 1, 7-0, 13-14 The Lord is my light and my salvation.</p> <p><b>Second Reading:</b> Philippians 3:17-4:1</p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> Luke 9:28-36</p> <p><b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> 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;"><b>The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pro-life advocates to campaign against Labor abortion policy</li> <li>• The Brisbane archdiocese celebrates International Women's Day March 8</li> <li>• Political parties ramping up their pledges to combat domestic violence</li> <li>• Church and state coming together in the euthanasia debate – palliative care is the true form of assisted dying</li> <li>• New Catholic brand recaptures the spirit of early learning</li> <li>• Brisbane parish offers 'ashes to go' to commuters at Springfield</li> <li>• Blind Eye invites the community to drop-in for Mass at "Home"</li> </ul>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Sun</td> <td style="text-align: center;">17</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>Second Sunday of Lent</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Mon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">18</td> <td style="text-align: center;">St Patrick, bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Tues</td> <td style="text-align: center;">19</td> <td style="text-align: center;">St Joseph, Husband of Mary</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Wed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">20</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Thurs</td> <td style="text-align: center;">21</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Fri</td> <td style="text-align: center;">22</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Sat</td> <td style="text-align: center;">23</td> <td style="text-align: center;">St Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Sun</td> <td style="text-align: center;">24</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>Third Sunday of Lent</b></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Date Claimers:</b>  <b>3 - 20 March</b> - Project Compassion  <b>24 March</b> - Children's Mass  <b>29/30 March</b> - Bro. Johnson Sequeira Healing Spirit, Soul and Body: Fri 29 March - 7 and 10 PM and on Sat 30 March 11 AM to 4.30 PM</p>	Sun	17	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	Mon	18	St Patrick, bishop	Tues	19	St Joseph, Husband of Mary	Wed	20		Thurs	21		Fri	22		Sat	23	St Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop	Sun	24	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>
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### Sunday Collections 10/03/2019

**1st & 2nd Collections During Mass :** \$2895.00 **Direct Deposit at Bank:** \$ 373.00 **Total Income :** \$3268.00