



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYPNA

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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 (NO Thursday Mass)	6.30am
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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. John, 8:1-11 and is about the woman caught in adultery. "The two of them were left on their own, the wretched woman and Mercy. But the Lord, having smitten them with the dart of injustice, does not even deign to watch them go but turns his gaze away from them and once more writes on the ground with his finger. But when the woman was left alone and they had all gone, he lifted up his eyes to the woman. We have already heard the voice of justice; let us now hear the voice of gentleness. I think that woman was the more terrified when she heard the Lord say, 'Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her,' . . . fearing now that she would be punished by him, in whom no sin could be found. But he, who had driven away her adversaries with the tongue of justice, now looking at her with the eyes of gentleness, asks her, 'Has no one condemned you?' She replies, 'No one, Lord.' And he says, 'Neither do I condemn you; I who perhaps you feared would punish you, because in me you have found no sin.' Lord, can it be that you favour sinners? Assuredly not. See what follows: 'Go and sin no more.' Therefore, the Lord also condemned sin, but not the woman' (St Augustine, *In Ioann. Evang.*, 33, 5-6).

Jesus, who is the just One, does not condemn the woman; whereas these people are sinners, yet they pass sentence of death. God's infinite mercy should move us always to have compassion on those who commit sins, because we ourselves are sinners and in need of God's forgiveness. — *Excerpt from The Navarre Bible - St. John*



The Woman taken in Adultery (1644)

Rembrandt portrays a Bible story about the nature of God's forgiveness for those who sin. The subject comes from the Gospel of Saint John.. The Scribes and Pharisees, knowing that Jesus took pity on wrong-doers, tried to catch him condoning disobedience to the Law. They brought a woman to him who had been caught in the act of adultery and said, 'Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such. What do you say about her?' Christ replied, 'He that is without sin among you, let him

first cast a stone at her' (John 8: 3-7). In Rembrandt's interpretation, Christ's stature is exaggerated to make him seem taller (and by analogy morally superior) than those trying to trick him. The work is dated 1644, although it is more characteristic of his paintings of the 1630s in its detail, colouring, quality of light, and the small scale of the figures. It shows Rembrandt's gift as a colourist; although the colours are generally muted, there are balancing touches of brightness, for example in the dull gold of the throne and the altar.
Excerpt from National Gallery UK

Liturgy of the Word

Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 125 The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

Gospel: John 8:1-11

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

With all your heart turn to me,

For I am tender and compassionate.

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.

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 the sick, the housebound, and for all those who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes. Especially:

• **Ella Beer**

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.



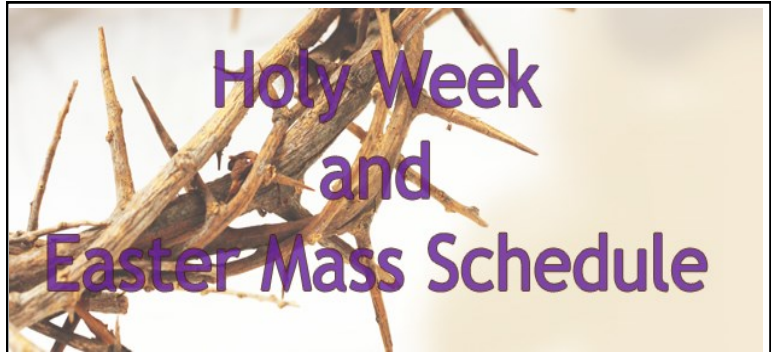
vocation

A VOCATION VIEW: Lent is a time of being serious about forgiveness and knowing that we too are loved. Who will step forward to tell of God's great love for us?

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Centre: 1300 133 544
www.vocationbrisbane.com

Holy Week and Easter Rosters

The Holy Week and Easter roster sheets are out and have been placed in the Church foyer. Please add your names to volunteer for Ministries. Thank you.



HOLY THURSDAY 7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

18th April

GOOD FRIDAY 10:00 am - Stations of the Cross

19th April

3:00 pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY 6:00 pm - Easter Vigil

20 April

EASTER SUNDAY 7:00 am and 9:00am
(NO 5:00pm)

21 April



Please Note: **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

GOOD FRIDAY 19 APRIL

EASTER MONDAY 22 April (Public Holiday)

ANZAC DAY 25 April (Public Holiday)

Aspleycare - Sheets and Towels Needed!

URGENT: Aspleycare is in need of spare, good condition sheets and towels to assist clients. Any donations of these items will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be delivered to Aspleycare, Monday to Friday, 10:00-2:00 a.m., or phone 38627145 Thank you.



Salma featured in Project Compassion 2013. At the time she was pregnant with her first child, sick and terribly frightened. In distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and provide hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.

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.

St Dympna's Women's Social Group Meeting

The St. Dympna's Women's Social Group meeting will be held on **9:30a.m. on Wednesday the 10th April** in the John O'Callaghan Centre (Parish Hall).

All interested women are invited to attend.

Position Vacant

Position Vacant – Sacristan

Applications are open for a position at the Cathedral of St Stephen. A person with Cathedral or Parish experience in liturgical ministry is required for a full time position of Sacristan for 37.5 hours a week working on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Closing date 18th April 2019.

Position Vacant – Administration Assistant

Applications are open for a position at the Beaudesert Catholic Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a Part Time fixed term contract for 12 months starting on the 1 July 2019 for 10 hours per week Monday and Tuesday. There is a possibility this position could become permanent. Applications close 3 May 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.

Parish Improvement Projects Update

Complete Projects

Air Conditioning Project: The installation of Air Conditioning was completed at the beginning of 2019.

In Progress

CCTV Cameras and Monitoring System Project: CCTV Cameras have been installed in the church and parish buildings in response to recent vandalism and other incidents at St Dympna's School and parish. This project is near completion with the installation of internet cabling required in the church to allow remote monitoring of the system (see below).

Church Data Cabling Project: Quotes are currently being sought for the installation of data cabling in the church. This will allow internet access in the JP2 Conference Room, for Church Laptop, and to enable remote monitoring of the CCTV Camera System.

Church Audio Equipment Upgrade: The audio equipment throughout the church is currently being updated and refurbished as the old equipment has been giving problems. The parish is currently trialling new audio equipment and if successful will be installed permanently. It is anticipated this work will be completed by Easter.

Church Lighting Upgrade: The church fluorescent lighting is being replaced with more cost efficient LED lighting. This is also to meet new electrical policy requirements that all fluorescent lights be replaced with LEDs. Work has been completed.

Future Projects (under consideration)

John O'Callaghan Hall Renovation Project

Some parishioners have expressed interest in sponsoring projects. Donations can be made by donating to:

BSB: 064-786 Account: 005921100 Reference: Project Name or by envelope in the plate at mass. Thank you.

Rosters

Apr 13/14	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday	D. Salvati (B) M. Cafe G. Cox Sr M. Costello I. Dove	First Reading T. Hand Second Reading F. Xavier Prayers of the Faithful J. Pillai	TBA	Volunteer	Judith Di
7.00 a.m. Mass	A. Lopez (B) H. Hollamby D. Volter D. Francis S. Vaz	First Reading J. Colebourne Second Reading A. Spanevello Prayers of the Faithful M. Colebourne	TBA	M. Blight	Nancy David
9.00 a.m. Mass	J. Patterson (B) M. Gonsalves C. Gonsalves J. Fernandes C. Fernandes T. Hoang J. Ferris	First Reading L. George Second Reading B. Buna Prayers of the Faithful C. Goh	TBA	Volunteer	Yvonne Suzan
5.00 p.m. Mass	F. Gowans (B) H. Boevink S. Sherwood S. Sherwood S. Lopez	First Reading J. Bissell Second Reading S. Tam Prayers of the Faithful B. Kent	TBA	B. Hopewell	Ike Soo Choon & Family
Children Liturgy: 9am Kim O'Rourke	Cleaners 12 April Barry Long Counters 20 April Savio & Jinella Counters 27 April Volunteers & Nigel Hughes	Counters 14 April D. O'Keefe P. Skehan M. Skehan M. Lalor M. Stack	Counters 21 April J. Bissell M. Aitkin B. McGorry D. Chiavaro	All Glory Praise and Honour Bread of Life I am the Bread of Life Hail Redeemer King Divine	

Apr 13/14	6.00p.m.	7.00a.m.	9.00a.m.	5.00p.m.
Ministers of the Passion Weekend	Narrator: M.Cafe Other: J.Pillai Crowd: L. McGorry & Co	Narrator: S Ferlito Other: J. Colebourne Crowd: D. Francis & Co	Narrator: K. Brough Other: J. Ferris Crowd: C.Goh & Co	Narrator: B.Hopewell Other: J. Bissell Crowd: S.Tam & Co

Next week liturgy	Catholic Leader	Dympna's Diary																								
<p style="text-align: center;">Palm Sunday</p> <p>First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 21: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24 My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11 Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56 Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gatton Laidley parishioners celebrate Our Lady of the Valley's centennial – a spiritual home to generations of Catholic families • New figures from the National Centre for Pastoral Research shows a drop in regular Mass attendance among the Australian Catholic population • Brisbane archdiocese partners with Youngcare and Moreton Bay Regional Council in housing project for young Queenslanders with high care needs • Parties pledge to get more electric cars on roads by 2030 • Technology and social media hindering children's intellectual development and psychological happiness 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Sun</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">7</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Fifth Sunday of Lent</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Mon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">8</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Tues</td> <td style="text-align: center;">9</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Wed</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Thurs</td> <td style="text-align: center;">11</td> <td>Collect of St Staninslaus, bishop, martyr</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Fri</td> <td style="text-align: center;">12</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Sat</td> <td style="text-align: center;">13</td> <td>Collect of St Martin I, pope, martyr</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Sun</td> <td style="text-align: center;">14</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</td> </tr> </table> <p>Date Claimers:</p>	Sun	7	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Mon	8		Tues	9		Wed	10		Thurs	11	Collect of St Staninslaus, bishop, martyr	Fri	12		Sat	13	Collect of St Martin I, pope, martyr	Sun	14	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
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<p>Sunday Collections 31/03/19 :</p> <p>1st & 2nd Collections During Mass : \$ 3307.00</p> <p>Direct Deposit at Bank: \$ 405.00</p> <p>Total Income : \$ 3712.00</p>																										