



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DYMPNA

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C - 20 February 2022

Holy Mass Times

Weekend Mass

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

Weekday Mass

**Monday,
Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday**
6.30am
**Saturday & Public
Holidays** 8.00am

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Exposition held after
Mass Friday
7.00am - 9.00am
All are invited to join
this devotion.

Reconciliation

After Mass
**Mon, Wed, Thurs,
Fri and Sat (am)**
or by appointment

*"I like the silence of
a church, before
the service begins
better than any
preaching".*

**-Ralph Waldo
Emerson**



Why do we venerate at the Altar?

Some of our parishioners were asking me why we venerate at Altar?

Always when we enter the Church we venerate the blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle. We make a low bow or a genuflection. The tabernacle is considered the holy of holies, Jesus Christ is present there in a true manner – soul and divinity, body and blood, although in the appearance of bread and wine.

At the same time, the priest and ministers make the proper reverence—that is, a low bow before the altar too.

The altar symbolises the heart of the Church. It is the Lord's table and the centre of the Eucharistic action. It has always been considered a symbol of Christ. That is why we cover the altar with a cloth, out of reverence for the celebration of the memorial of the Lord's sacrifice. There also has to be a cross, adorned with the image of Christ crucified, either on the altar or near it, which calls to mind the saving Passion of the Lord.

Moreover, the altar of the New Covenant is the cross of the Lord (cf. Heb 13:10), from which the sacraments of the paschal mystery flow.

The altar signifies Christ Jesus, the living stone.

Parish Financial Support

Following several requests from parishioners, I consulted the Finance council to provide Tap and Go facilities in our church, to assist people who may wish to offer money and help the parish, but find that they don't have access to cash when they arrive at Church.

We hope this will be a more convenient way for some parishioners to donate to the parish, and that people will not feel uncomfortable if they don't have money to make an offering when they come to the church.

All in all, it is a safer, easier, and more sensible way to donate as the carrying of cash is fast becoming a thing of the past. A safe and handy way to give offering in this changing world. Any ideas and suggestions are most welcome. After listening from more parishioners, considering your ideas, we will finalise this matter.

God bless you for your support.

Fr Biju

SYNOD 2021—2021 SUBMISSION CLOSING 27 FEBRUARY Pope Francis wants to hear from us and time is running out! All Catholics are invited to have their say about their experiences of 'synodality' – of walking together as a Church - Make a submission: [XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops - Catholic Church in Australia](#)

Finance - January

Total Income: including Sunday offerings, liturgy offerings and the donations etc. : \$ 9,887.81 Total Expenses : \$16,514.99

“Thank you to everyone who contributes to our Parish financially. Your generosity is important and essential for our parish to carry out its mission.”

VISITING THOSE WHO CANNOT COME TO THE CHURCH.

If some parishioners are sick, let me know so that I can remember them in my prayers, and if they wish I can visit them.

Holy Communion can be taken to sick and homebound people. If you know anybody who would like to receive Communion, please contact the parish office.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2022

All Saints' Catholic Parish, Albany Creek will host World Day of Prayer for 2022 and extend an invitation to members of Aspley Parish to join the **2022 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER on Friday, 04 March, at 10.00am**

Words of Gratitude from Fr Stanley

Dear brothers and sisters of Aspley family,

You have blessed my priestly ministry with your lives, and I want to say, 'Thank you.' I am particularly thankful for all your support and goodwill to me throughout my ministry with you.

I have received with great appreciation all your generous farewell messages and contributions through Iva Spanevello (Parish Leadership Team Chairperson). Thank you. Though my appointment at our Aspley family was short, your wonderful lasting imprint on me will always keep that story deeply meaningful, blessed, joyful and a treasured memory. May our God bless you and your families now and always.

Fr Stanley

A Message from the Chair of the Parish Leadership Team

Thank You!

Dear Parishioners,

We are so very grateful, incredibly thankful, and unbelievably blessed to have had Fr Stanley administrate to us even if for a short time. As a parish we opened our hearts on his arrival and gave generously on his departure.

The total of our donations was \$2,368. My thanks to you all.

Iva, Parish Leadership Team.

OUR LADY AND ST DYMUNA PARISH PERPETUAL ADORATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH SEVEN OTHER PARISHES

Perpetual Adoration will continue at 9.00am Every Friday until 7.30am on Saturday

Every Friday morning after 6.30am Mass, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Adoration as usual in church until 9.00am. From then, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the chapel until 10.00pm Friday. Adoration will then continue in church until 7.30am on Saturday morning when we will have Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by mass at 8.00am.

Please fill in the Adoration roster sheet (in church) against your preferred hour in His Presence. If evening adoration is to continue, we require the mandatory presence of at least three people. One person may help as a marshal. Please note for security purposes the code of the Adoration Chapel must not be shared with anybody. We appreciate your cooperation and help.

LITURGY CORNER



Holy Communion Part 2

Receiving Communion is both a communal and personal action of the body of Christ. In the Communion procession we sing and walk together to the Lord's table where we all share a communal meal with Christ and one another.

According to the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, the Communion Hymn is played 'as long as the sacrament is being administered to the faithful' and is intended to encourage us to adopt a disposition of 'union of spirit' and 'joy of heart'.

After having received Holy Communion, we observe a period of silence during which we 'praise and pray to God' in our hearts in gratitude and ask for the strength to be 'bread' for our own families and communities in the days ahead.

The Prayer after Communion (recited by the priest) serves to gather all our individual prayers and ask that the Eucharist that we've received will be effective in our lives.

COVID UPDATE

Requirements to collect contact information using the Check In Qld app are changing.

At venues where unvaccinated people are permitted to attend, i.e. churches, the parish will **no longer need to collect contact information from attendees via the Check In app**. However, please note that if a parish needs to utilise the option of 100 % capacity with ticketed and allocated seating, then attendees still need to be record through a booking system. Aspley Parish has a seating capacity of 175 (social distanced).

We must continue to use the Check In Qld app for entry to:

- **wedding ceremonies and receptions**, when more than 20 people attend, including the wedding party and officials, or **private hire of a venue**, where more than 20 people attend, or there is more than 1 person per 4 square metres

Masks are mandatory Masks remain mandatory when indoors, and priests are required to wear their masks at all times including while at the altar during the Eucharistic prayer. Priests and readers may remove their masks while at the ambo where there is a need to communicate more clearly.

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.

SICKNESS: Our prayers are asked for people who are sick or housebound, and for all those who are in hospital, hospice or nursing homes. **Especially:** Kate Clayton, Rosslyn and Michelle O'Brien and Father Peter Luton (former Parish Priest) .

CONDOLENCE: Our prayers and thoughts are with those who are mourning the death of loved ones. **Especially:** Josephine Trimarchi and Malcolm Wood.

If you would like the parish to pray for and have someone's name listed in our prayers each week, Intention envelopes can be

The Episcopal Ordination of Timothy John Norton SVD

The Episcopal Ordination of Timothy John Norton SVD as Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Tuesday 22 February at 10.30am.

Attendance is via ticketed seating only. A limited number of places will be available for online bookings from Tuesday 15 February to Friday 18 February, unless booked out sooner. The link to Eventbrite will be made available on Tuesday 15 on the Cathedral website:

<https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au/>

Please do not call the Cathedral office to register – tickets will only be available through Eventbrite and will not be available before Tuesday 15 February.

If you are unable to attend you will be able to livestream the Ordination via this link

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast/>

*** ROSTERS ***

26/27 FEBRUARY	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ministers of the Word	Altar Servers	Laptop Operator	Music Ministry
6.00 p.m. Mass in anticipation of Sunday	B. McGorry (B) L. McGorry	First Reading J. Mascarenhas Second Reading A. Arpon Prayer of the Faithful M. Cafe	D. Edmonds C. Edmonds	Volunteer please	Savio & Jaden
7.00 a.m Mass	D. Volter (B) R. Volter	First Reading J. Colebourne Second Reading M. Colebourne Prayer of the Faithful I. Spanevello	J. Brough J. Mascarenhas J. Mascarenhas	M. Blight	Nancy Rod/Denis
9.00 a.m. Mass	C. Heskett (B) R. Heskett	First Reading S. Lopez Second Reading J. Fernandes Prayer of the Faithful C. Fernandes	Jillela M. Orcullo M. Orcullo	Volunteer please	Judith Karen Emily
5.00 p.m. Mass	K. O'Donnell (B) S. Tam	First Reading R. Meekoms Second Reading J. Bissell Prayer of the Faithful E. Lebajo	K. Lara K. Lara	B. Hopewell	Kelli Volunteer

COUNTERS

27 February
P. Hislop
K. Hislop
I. Dennison
B. Dennison
6 March
R. Campbell
S. Stevens
M. Scott
13 March
G. Juffs
H. Juffs
I. Spanevello
A. Spanevello

CHURCH CLEANING

26 February
Volunteers and Nigel Hughes
5 March Volunteers please
11 March Volunteers please
19 March
Savio and Jinella
26 March Nigel Hughes and
Volunteers
2 and 8 April
Volunteers please

HYMNS 26/27 FEBRUARY

GATHER YOUR PEOPLE O LORD
GIVE THANKS
SEED SCATTERED & SOWN
BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD
NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 20 FEBRUARY

Sirach 27:4-7 / 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 / Luke 6:39-45

BAPTISM Baptism Preparation Sessions are held on the third Sunday of the month at 10.30am. Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. For further information, please phone the parish office on 3862 9402.



A VOCATION VIEW: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

If you love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you and pray for those who mistreat you, realise that God has already called YOU. To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Centre: 1300 133 544 vocationbrisbane.com

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**ST DYMPNA'S CATHOLIC
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Walk in God's Light