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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 7am, 9am & 5.30pm

10.30am (Italian)

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am

Monday - Friday 8am Saturday & Public Holidays

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am

5.30pm - 6.00pm or by appointment

PARISH TEAM

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Spread the Word

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The community of Our Lady of Graces acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our parish stands.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God.

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things.

The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.

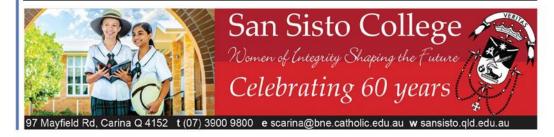
Election of the Provincial of the Dominican Friars

The Seventeenth Elective Chapter of the Dominican Province of the Assumption (Australia, New Zealand, Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea) has gathered in St Dominic's Priory, Camberwell in Melbourne this past week to decide the future direction of the Province and to elect its officials.

On Tuesday 17 May, the friars elected Father Dominic Murphy, O.P. as Prior Provincial for a four year term. To learn more about Fr Dominic, you can go to https://op.org.au/about-the-dominicans/our-prior-provincial



Please pray for Fr Dominic Murphy OP as he begins his appointment as Prior Provincial. We also acknowledge and say thank you Fr Anthony Walsh OP for his work as Prior Provincial over the last five and a half years.



PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD Sunday 22 May

- 8.00am Baptism Preparation Church & Library
- 9.00am Children's Liturgy of the Word Library
- 1.00pm Handmaids of the Lord Aquinas Room **Monday 23 May**
- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group Church
- 7.00pm RCIA Library

Tuesday 24 May

- 9.30am Playgroup Hospitality Area
- 12noon Funeral: Sonny Deverala Church

Wednesday 25 May

- 9.45am Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help — Church
- 10.30am BED Scripture Group Library
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary Library

Thursday 26 May

- 9.30am Playgroup Hospitality Area
- 11.00am BED Scripture Group Library
- 6.00pm Thomas Cantley Singers Church **Sunday 29 May**
- 12noon Baptisms Church
- 1.00pm Jesus Youth Library
- 1.00pm Handmaids of the Lord Aquinas Room
- 2.00pm Confirmation Practice (5.00pm) Church
- 4.00pm Confirmation Practice (7.00pm) Church

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Vicki Johnson, Fr Anthony Lemon, Marie Atkinson, Lynn Toon, Elliott Jones-Perrin, Pamela O'Reilly, Noah Riley those whose anniversaries occur around this time Terry Dwyer, Peter Hellwig, Tracey Elizabeth Begley, Rosetta Jorgesen, Colin Grieshaber, Greg Perkins, Rita Marshall and the recently deceased Sonny Deverala, Gino Aggetta, Konrad Bobek, Colleen Rossow.

World Communications Day: The Catholic Church in Australia celebrates World Communications Day on the 6th Sunday of Easter.



Easter Holy Water: You are welcome to bring a bottle to collect some Easter Holy Water from the Baptismal Font to bless your homes.

Archdiocesan Annual Mass Count

This weekend is the last Sunday of the Archdiocesan Annual Mass Count. Thank you to those who have assisted with the Mass Count these last four weeks.

Children's Liturgy of the Word for all primary school aged children is being held on the 3rd & 4th Sundays of the Month during 9.00am Mass. Children's Liturgy of the Word is being held TODAY, Sunday 22 May, and then on Sunday 19 June.

San Sisto College Annual Open Day is TODAY, Sunday 22 May, 1pm-4pm. Enjoy guided tours, performances, demonstrations & talks.

Tuesday Playgroup has vacancies for parents and carers to bring their pre-school aged children (0-5) to enjoy playing together and engaging with other children. Playgroup is held in the fully enclosed hospitality area with lots of grassy space and toys to play with, plus art and craft, musical play, fun activities and storytime. They meet each Tuesday, 9.30am - 11.15am, during school terms. Fees are \$10 per term plus Playgroup QLD membership (easy to join online). Contact: Allana Wanny, ajwanny@gmail.com or 0438 763 268

Parish Shop News

Are you looking for a gift/card for a family member who is celebrating a Sacrament this year?

Look no further than the Parish Shop. There are a number of gift options and cards for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation & First Holy Communion

Sacramental Program 2022

that are available for purchase.

Confirmation - Practice Sunday 29 May

- 2.00pm for the 5.00pm Confirmation Liturgy
- 4.00pm for the 7.00pm Confirmation Liturgy

Sacrament of Confirmation

On Tuesday Night 31 May, the children who have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be confirmed and anointed with the Holy Sacred Chrism by



Bishop Ken Howell. We pray for the children during their final stage of preparation for the Sacrament.

Parish 500 Card Group will meet at 7.30pm on Friday 3 June in the Aquinas Room. New members are more than welcome.

Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass

The 3rd Sunday of the Month 5.30pm Kids' Mass is back on Sunday 19 June.

Children can participate by reading, taking up the collection, handing out newsletters, or bringing up the gifts. You need to be available to bring them to the church around 5pm for a little coaching. To take part, go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and using code 9may2, register for the ministry of your choice.

St Vincent de Paul Carina Conference

To donate money via bank transfer, please use the following account details:

St Vincent de Paul Our Lady of Graces Carina BSB: 064 786 Account Number: 100026584
To donate non-perishable food, you are welcome to leave your donations in the baskets at the front door of the church. Thank you for your support.

New Principal: St Martin's Primary School

We are pleased to announce that Mr Peter Pashen has been appointed as Principal of St Martin's Primary School from Term 3 this year. Peter is currently the Principal at Stella Marris, Maroochydore.



Peter, son of Len (decd.) and Barbara Pashen, has a long history and connection with both Our Lady of Graces Parish and St Martin's Primary School with growing up in the area. We congratulate Peter on his appointment.

We also acknowledge and say thank you to Mr Brett Kitchener in his role as Acting Principal at St Martin's over the last six months.

Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility

Did you know ... our Parish has a Local Safeguarding Representative, who is dedicated to promoting safeguarding messages and keeping you informed about safeguarding practices & initiatives in the Archdiocese.



Carmen Kee - <u>Isr.carina@bne.catholic.net.au</u>

Carmen is also available to assist with questions, concerns, disclosures, incidents or complaints.

If you wish to raise concerns anonymously, contact the STOPline: 1300 304 550, aob@stopline.com.au, www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com.

IMPORTANT ALERT:

SMS Text, WhatsApp & Email Scam Activity

We are aware that text messages (phishing), WhatsApp message, and/or emails pretending to be from Fr Alex are making their rounds again. This is a phishing scam which is targeting churchgoers at a number of Parishes in the Archdiocese, including Our Lady of Graces.

Unfortunately, we are unable to stop these messages at the source. This is a timely reminder to please ignore and delete such SMS text / WhatsApp messages and/or emails, if you received them.

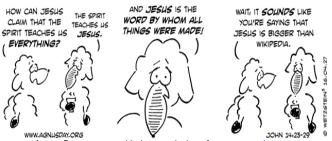
Parish Giving App

No Cash? No Problem! You can now give via the Parish Giving app, which is set up specifically for parishioners to connect electronically to their Parish for regular and one-off giving.



The giving app QR code has been incorporated into the green dots on the pews, so you can scan the code, set-up the app and make your contribution.

Agnus Day - The Lectionary Comic Strip



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Walking in the Spirit

The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the Walking in the Spirit prayer campaign. Walking in the Spirit runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, 3 July. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more information at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/

Archbishop's Dinner for Women: Gain insight and wisdom into your discernment journey and the questions you are currently facing at the annual Archbishop's Dinner for Women (Thursday 2 June, 6pm-8.30pm), where you'll be inspired by Archbishop Mark Coleridge's passion for the role of women in the Church and the importance of consecrated life.

To find out more or register your interest, visit http://www.vocationbrisbane.com/upcoming-events

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 was chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches, "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship" (cf Matthew 2:2). More than ever, in these difficult times, we need a light that shines in the darkness and that light, Christians proclaim, has been manifested in Jesus Christ. The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service in Brisbane will be hosted by the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane on Friday 3 June at 11am at St John's Cathedral, 373 Ann Street, City. All Christians are welcome.

St Ignatius' Women's Night of Spirituality presents Joan Chittister osb for the Toowong Parish's annual event celebrating women's spirituality. Joan is a practical theologian and renowned author who has written over 50 books.

When: Friday 3 June 2022, 7pm-9pm

Where: Stuartholme School Chapel, Toowong.



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