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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm
Sunday: 7am, 9am & 5.30pm
10.30am (Italian)

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am
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8am Saturday
& Public Holidays

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am
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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 Day of the Lord was believed to be the time when God would come in majesty and power to set all things right. We must remember that the descriptions in today's readings are metaphoric or symbolic in nature. As with all metaphors or symbols, we miss something of their profound meaning if we merely understand them literally. It is not helpful to relate elements of the description with particular aspects of the contemporary world. Belief in the Day of the Lord is a way of testifying to our faith in the righteousness of God.



Although the narrative readings for today concentrate on the disruptions that will accompany the coming of God, they also contain hints of the salvation that will finally arrive. Malachi speaks of the sun of justice that comes with healing rays; Luke promises that the faithful disciples will escape without a hair of their heads being destroyed. Just as the descriptions of the upheavals should not be understood literally, neither should these descriptions. It may be that the faithful followers of Jesus will suffer terrible agonies. The point here is that even in the midst of their pain, they will be protected. The healing rays of justice and the rescue of the lives of the upright are references to salvation. God does not come at the end to condemn, but to save. Furthermore, the suffering that precedes the end is intended for purification and refinement, not punishment. Christians are exhorted to live in this end time with patient endurance of difficulties.



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PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 13 November

- 9.00am Children's Liturgy of the Word – Library

Monday 14 November

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

- 7.00pm Parish Finance Council – Library

Tuesday 15 November

- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library

- 7.00pm Sacramental Program Meeting – Church

Wednesday 16 November

- 9.45am Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Church

- 5.00pm St Martin's Christmas Concert – Oval

- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

Thursday 17 November

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality Area

- 11.00am Two Hearts Prayer Group – Church

- 5.30pm San Sisto Graduation Mass – Church

Friday 18 November

- 6.00pm TCS Choir – Church

Saturday 19 November

- 3.00pm Dominican Laity – Library

Sunday 20 November

- 5.30pm Kids' Mass – Church

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick *Therese Nieddu, Frank King, Caroline Massa, Marie Atkinson, Elliott Jones-Perrin, Pamela O'Reilly, Noah Riley* **those whose anniversaries occur around this time** *Celestina Moschella, Carmelo Papale, Bill Cummins, Maria Monteverde, John Matson, Gerard Brown, Florinda & Carlo Grossetti* **and the recently deceased** *Zeanaida Espino, Michael Underhill, Scott Hughes, Gabriele Di Felice, Br Brian Steele.*



**WORLD DAY
OF THE POOR**
13 NOVEMBER 2022

Pope Francis established the commemoration of the World Day of the Poor, with it first marked in 2017. It occurs on the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The theme for Pope Francis' World Day of the Poor message for 2022 is *"For your sakes Christ became poor (cf. 2 Cor 8:9)"*. The Pope's message begins: With these words, the Apostle Paul addresses the first Christians of Corinth in order to encourage their efforts to show solidarity with their brothers and sisters in need. The World Day of the Poor comes this year as a healthy challenge, helping us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us.

To read the Pope's message, you can go to www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/pov-eri/documents/20220613-messaggio-vi-giornatamondiale-poveri-2022.html

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held TODAY, Sunday 13 November, during 9am Mass and then on Sunday 27 November. All primary school aged children are welcome to attend.

November - Month of Remembrance

- November Mass Offering Envelopes

November Mass Offering Envelopes (yellow envelopes with red print) are available from the tables near the church entrance. When you fill in the envelope, **please print clearly** so they can be easily read. Envelopes can be returned via the basket in front of the Book of Remembrance, or at either collection at Sunday Mass, or to the parish office.

- Book of Remembrance

The Book of Remembrance, which lists the names of your departed loved ones, is displayed on the sanctuary during the Month of November.

Similar to the last couple of years, please do not enter names into the Book of Remembrance. Instead, fill in a November Mass Offering Envelope and return via one of the ways listed above. The parish office staff then types up the names from the returned envelopes and places them into the Book of Remembrance.

The Catholic Leader

Apologies to parishioners who were wanting to purchase a copy of the November edition of The Catholic Leader last weekend. Due to changes in the delivery of the newspapers this year, there is now no guarantee that they will arrive until the Tuesday after the 1st Sunday of the Month. Therefore sometimes the newspapers will only arrive after the 1st Sunday of the month, which was the case this month.

Parish Shop News

Advent & 2023 Resources

The following Advent & 2023 Resources are available for purchase from the Parish Shop from this weekend onwards until sold out.

- Advent & Christmas Daily Reflection Books: \$6
- Christmas Children Activity Books: \$2
- 2023 Columban Calendars: \$10
- The Catholic Leader *November edition*: \$4

Sacramental Program Overview Meeting

The Sacraments are both a celebration of milestones in our faith development, and a source of ongoing grace for our faith life and Christian relationships with God and others.



The Sacramental Program Overview Information Meeting will be held this **Tuesday, 15 November, 7.00pm - 8.00pm in Our Lady of Graces Church.**

The meeting is open to parents of children who will be in Year 3 or above in 2023, and would like to begin or continue their Sacramental journey toward Confirmation, First Communion or Penance.

Fr Alex and Shelly will provide a general overview of the Sacraments and aspects specific to Our Lady of Graces Parish.

The Sacramental Enrolment Form for 2023 will be available for children new to the Sacramental Program. Penance preparation handouts will also be available for parents whose children are nearing the end of their Sacramental Program journey.

For further information, contact Shelly at the Parish Office on 3398 2977 / sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au

Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass will be held next Sunday 20 November.

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 5.00pm for a little coaching. To take part, go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and using code **6tg2y**, register for the ministry of your choice.

After Mass there will be sausages on bread, in which everyone is invited to stay, chat and connect.

Alpha-Youth Celebratory Mass/Praise & Worship

The Alpha-Youth will have a Celebratory Mass on Sunday 27 November at the 5.30pm Mass.

Following Mass, beginning at 7.00pm, there will be a Praise & Worship evening in which everyone is invited to attend and participate.

Invitation to an Open Rehearsal: *Adventus*

Celebrating traditional music of the festive season.

TCS Choir welcomes parishioners of the Our Lady of Graces community to enjoy a sneak peek ahead of our end of year concert. Please join us as we fine-tune our repertoire.

Date & Time: **Thursday 1 December, 6.45pm**

Venue: **Our Lady of Graces Church**

There is no charge to attend this event.

Parish Working Bee in preparation for Christmas, will be held on Saturday 10 December from 7am onwards. Please mark the date & time in your diary.

Priests Jubilee Celebration

On Sunday 11 December at the 9.00am Mass we will celebrate and acknowledge Fr Maurice's Diamond Jubilee (60 years), Fr Joseph's Silver Jubilee (25 years), and Fr David's Golden Jubilee (50 years) from last year.

Following Mass there will be morning tea, which we invite everyone to bring a plate of food to share.

Advent Adventures 2022 for children 5 years & above (anyone under age 5 needs to be accompanied by an adult).

- Thursday morning, 15 December
- Tuesday morning, 20 December
- Thursday morning, 22 December

Further details will be provided at the end November.

Washing of Altar Linen Roster

We are desperately in need of four more people to come onto the 2023 Washing of Altar Linen Roster to share the load. This involves collecting, washing, ironing and returning the Altar Linen (Purifiers, Corporals and Hand Towels) each week over a rostered one month period in the year. If you are able to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

St Vincent de Paul Carina Conference

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 church door. Thank you for your support.

Annual Catholic Campaign THANK YOU

We are overwhelmed by your generosity and support, and that of your parishioners. Times are hard for so many, and our agencies have seen an increasing number of individuals and families experiencing severe hardship. With your support, and through funds raised through the Campaign, these agencies continue reaching out to serve those in need, bringing hope, and showing the love of Christ. This year, Our Lady of Graces Parish raised **\$5,525** to support the Campaign held in August. A tremendous contribution, received with absolute gratitude for your kindness and care. *The Annual Catholic Campaign Team*

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bishop Michael Putney Memorial Lecture

- When: Thursday 17 November, 7pm
- Where: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, City). Cathedral car park open.
- Cost: \$10
- Speakers: Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Dr Peter Kline, Rev Janet Staines, Major Dean Smith
- Topic: New Sparks of Christian Unity - a panel discussion seeking fresh expressions of the ecumenical spirit
- RSVP: app.tickets.org.au/eb/BMPMemorialLecture22

Brisbane World Youth Day Festival

Saturday 19 November, 10.30am – 7.00pm

Little Flower Parish / Padua College, Kedron

To celebrate World Youth Day locally, the Archdiocese will host a Brisbane WYD Festival day! Picture this: a fun day playing touch footy (youth group vs youth group), live music, Mass, food trucks, new friends and more! Register via the QR Code.



Brisbane Fair Trade Christmas Market

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- Saturday 26 November, 8am-7pm
- Sunday 27 November, 8am-3pm

Western Stand, Queensland Sports and Athletic Centre (QSAC), corner Kessels Road & Main Road, Nathan. Free Entry & Parking. Free Face Painting 9am-1pm.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane Refugee Sponsorship Initiative

arises from a key relationship with Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia (CRSA), an organisation tasked by the Australian Government to oversee grassroots community support of refugee families. This initiative provides a way for our parishes and communities to connect with and support refugee families as they settle and find a sense of home in Australia. We invite you to join us for our 2022 Information Session for dinner, conversation and to hear from the Archdiocese of Brisbane Refugee Sponsorship team and guest speaker, CRSA's Community Engagement Manager, Blaise Itabelo.

- Date/Time: Wednesday 30 November, 6-8.30pm (*dinner included*)
- Cost: Free
- Location: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, City). Cathedral car park open.
- RSVP: Friday 25 November
https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/rsi_info22?mc_cid=1fce7f7eb5&mc_eid=5a966f3761

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