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#### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday: 6pm

7am, 9am & 5.30pm Sunday:

10.30am (Italian)

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am

> Monday - Friday 8am Saturday & Public Holidays

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am

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# Spread the Word

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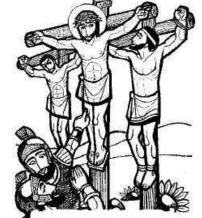
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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

# Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

This feast celebrates the power and authority of Christ by creating a collage of images that capture one or more characteristics of Christ's kingship. Each image reinterprets the concept of king, investing it with new meaning. Gathered together they create a kind of litany that extols the kingship of Christ.

Shepherd and commander call to mind the care and protection that Christ lavishes on



those who place themselves under his care. King of Israel is a sign of universal rule. Image of the Invisible God acclaims the divine origin of Christ and of the rule that he exercises over all. First born of all Creation places Christ over the entire created world. Source of all Created Things acknowledges both the sovereignty of Christ and his importance as the model after which all things were fashioned. Head the Church underscores the intimacy Bodv. interrelationship that exist between Christ and all those who are joined to him through faith and baptism. Firstborn of the Dead not only acclaims Christ's resurrection, but it also guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. Crucified King is clearly the image that reinterprets all other images.

The entire liturgical year is brought to completion in the last words of the gospel: 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' These are the words that we all long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.



#### **PARISH HAPPENINGS**

#### LOOKING AHEAD Sunday 20 November

- 5.30pm Kids' Mass - Church

#### **Monday 21 November**

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group - Church

#### **Tuesday 22 November**

- 9.30am Scripture Group Library
- 7.00pm St Vincent de Paul Aquinas Room

#### Wednesday 23 November

- 9.45am Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

- Church

- 6.30pm Legion of Mary - Library

#### **Thursday 24 November**

- 9.30am Playgroup Hospitality Area
- 6.00pm TCS Choir Church

#### **Sunday 27 November**

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

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 Leonard Pashen, Chas Steele, Mark Roff, Celestina Moschella, Carmelo Papale, Bill Cummins, Maria Monteverde, John Matson, Gerard Brown and the recently deceased Zeanaida Espino, Michael Underhill, Scott Hughes, Gabriele Di Felice.

#### **Parish Shop News**

#### Advent & 2023 Resources

The following Advent & 2023 Resources are available for purchase from the Parish Shop.

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

#### Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass

This weekend we celebrate our last Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass for 2022. Thank you to the children, and their families, who have participated in our Kids' Masses this year. The first Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass for 2023 will be Sunday 19 February.

#### Happy 90th Birthday to Bill Bergin

Last Thursday, 17 November, Bill Bergin celebrated his 90th Birthday. To acknowledge this significant milestone, there was a surprise morning tea following 9am Mass last Thursday.

#### Parish Finance Council - 2023 Budget Plan

Included as an insert in this week's Spread the Word is a messgae from our Parish Finance Council regarding our Parish Budget for 2023.

**2023 Planned Giving Envelopes** are available from near the main door of the Church. Please collect to save the parish the cost of posting out the envelopes.

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

## Alpha-Youth Celebratory Mass/Praise & Worship

The Alpha-Youth will have their Celebratory Mass next 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

The Thomas Cantley Singers, who rehearse each week at Our Lady of Graces, invites parishioners to enjoy a sneak peek of their end-of-year concert on Thursday 1 December, 6.45pm, in the Church.

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 ackowledge 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, to which we invite everyone to bring a plate of food to share.





#### **Advent Adventures 2022**

Faith, fun & friends!

For children 5 years and over. Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Three great mornings:

- Thursday 15 December
- Tuesday 20 December
- Thursday 22 December.



Registration at 8.45am. Finish at 12noon (12.30pm on 22 December). BYO morning tea, water bottle & hat. Gluten-free sausage sizzle & Zooper Dooper provided to children when being collected.

 $5\ \ per\ child$  -  $10\ \ cap$  for siblings. Spaces are limited.

#### Bookings close Monday 5 December.

Contact Shelly Stone (<u>sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au</u> / 3398 2977) for further information and to book.

#### **Sacramental Program 2023**

Penance (Year 5 / 10 years old)

The session dates handout for Penance, in February and March 2023, has been emailed out to families of children who completed their First Holy Communion this year. The School Interviews Portal for Penance Preparation sessions are now open. Please refer to the handout for the links and booking codes.

#### Confirmation (Year 3 / 8 years old)

Enrolment forms are available from the parish office. Enrolments close on Tuesday 14 February 2023.

# Key Dates for the Sacramental Program: 2023 <u>Penance (Year 5 / 10 years old)</u>

- Tue. 21 Feb Penance Preparation begins Confirmation (Year 3 / 8 years old)
- Tue, 7 Feb Confirmation Parent Meeting
- Tue. 14 Feb Confirmation Enrolments close
- Tue. 23 May Sacrament of Confirmation First Holy Communion (Year 4 / 9 years old)
- Tue. 20 Jun 1st Communion Parent Meeting
- Sat. 9 & Sun. 10 Sept } First Holy
- Sat. 16 & Sun. 17 Sept } Communion Masses

#### **New APRE: St Martin's Primary School**

We are pleased to announce that Mr Nicholas Tyler has been appointed as APRE (Assistant Principal of Religious Education) at St Martin's Primary School from the commencement of the 2023 school year.



Nick is currently the Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education at St Martin's.

We also take this opportunity to acknowledge the significant contribution of Mrs Jennifer Cran and wish her well as she moves to the position of APRE at St Mary Mackillop Primary School Birkdale.

#### **Washing of Altar Linen Roster**

Thank you to those who have come forward to share the load with the 2023 Washing of Altar Linen Roster. We now have enough volunteers, so each person only has to look after one month in 2023.

#### 2023 Parish Diary

We need to book your group for next year's diary. If your group regularly uses either the Church, Parish Library, Aquinas Room or Hospitality Area (even if you have done so for many years), please let the Parish Office know to confirm your bookings/restart date for 2023. This is to ensure the space is available and booked into next year's diary.

Also, if you have any important events/celebrations that we need to be made aware of, also let the Parish Office know.

Thank you to those group leaders who have been proactive and already contacted 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.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Brisbane Fair Trade Christmas Market**

One-stop shop for all your ethically-sourced handcrafted Christmas gifts and decorations.

- 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.

#### Advent Retreat @ Regina Caeli Parish

You are invited to an Advent Retreat in the beautiful grounds of Regina Caeli (81 Waverley Rd, Camp Hill) on Saturday 10 December, 3pm-6pm. There will be two 20 minute presentations, time for personal space, journaling and meditation. Finish the retreat with Mass at 6pm for the 3rd Sunday of Advent.

Please RSVP to Brian Moffett on 0402 588 296.

Cost is \$5, which covers the Advent Reflection Book "The Heart of the Disciple".

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 <a href="https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/rsi\_info22?mc\_cid=1fce7f7eb5&mc\_eid=5a966f3761">https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/rsi\_info22?mc\_cid=1fce7f7eb5&mc\_eid=5a966f3761</a>









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