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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  
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#### PARISH TEAM

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# Spread the Word

**Vol. 38 No. 32 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 13 August 2023**

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

## Reflection by Greg Sunter

I don't know that we've ever properly understood the significance of the disciples in the gospels; our attention is always focused on Jesus. The disciples certainly got the inside running on all of Jesus' teachings; they witnessed the miracles; and were themselves empowered to carry on the work of Jesus. They can be seen as the prototypes for all the followers of Jesus that have come since. When we read the gospel stories we can perhaps place ourselves in the position of James or John or Peter or Andrew.



To be a disciple to a rabbi was not just to be a supporter or an interested bystander. To be a disciple was to hungrily learn from your rabbi. The fact that all of Jesus' disciples were called from other walks of life means that no other rabbi had already chosen them. They had been passed over as not good enough to study with a rabbi. When they were called by Jesus it was an opportunity they would never have dreamed possible; of course they left everything and followed him.

To be a disciple was effectively an apprenticeship to becoming a rabbi. To be discipled to a rabbi was to believe that you could do what your rabbi did. It is this belief that makes Peter get out of the boat. His rabbi is walking on the water and Peter believes that he can do what his rabbi does. And extraordinarily, Peter begins to walk on the water just like Jesus. It is only when he starts to think about what he's doing that he sinks. When Jesus asks Peter, 'Why did you doubt?' he is asking Peter why he doubted himself. It wasn't that Peter doubted Jesus; he doubted his own ability to be the equal of his rabbi!

**Holy Communion:** *It is emphasised that if you are unwell, you refrain from receiving from the chalice or receiving communion on the tongue.*



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## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Sunday 13 August

- 9.00am Children's Liturgy of the Word – Library
- 2.00pm Jesus Youth – Library

#### Monday 14 August

- 7.00pm Italian Vigil Mass: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Day of Obligation) – Church

#### Tuesday 15 August

- 6.30am, 9.00am & 7.00pm Mass: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Day of Obligation) – Church
- 9.30am Japanese Language Playgroup – Hospitality Area

#### Wednesday 16 August

- 8.00am Mass Only & Parish Office Closed
- 8.45am Novena: OLPH – Church
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

#### Thursday 17 August

- 9.45am Two Hearts Prayer Group – Church
- 6.00pm TCS Choirs – Church

#### Friday 18 August

- 4.00pm Consecration to Jesus through Mary [Spanish Kids' Group] – Library

#### Sunday 20 August

- 5.30pm Kids' Mass – Church

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick** Harold O'Connell, Cedric McIntyre, Ann Connell, Fr Anthony Lemon, Jocelyn Bonney, Robert Balmer, Ciaran Ayres, Caroline Massa, Marie Atkinson, Elliott Jones-Perrin, Pamela O'Reilly, Noah Riley **those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Maria Giufre, Joanne De Wolf, Mary Elizabeth White, Salvatore Zappala, Lawrence (Dinty) Ranasinghe, Patrick Boyle, Ross Holt, Harry Pieper **and the recently deceased** Fr Rafael Cabezon OP, Fr Simon Suvenava OP, Brian Chapman, Jonathan McCowen, Leo Espino.

**Fr Alex is currently away in Thailand**, and will return to the Parish on Friday 1 September. While Fr Alex is away, Fr Anthony Walsh OP is Acting Parish Priest.

**Italian Youth Choirs Concert:** Thank you to all those who came along last Saturday to the Italian Youth Choirs Concert and listened to the choirs of Gioventù in Cantata and Giovani Voci Bassano.

**Dominican Fathers' Retirement & Sickness Fund** Thank you to those who supported the Dominican Fathers Retirement & Sickness Fund Collection last weekend. Donation envelopes are available on the table near the main door of the Church for anyone who still wishes to contribute.

#### 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 in the baskets at the church door.

If you make a donation to SVdP Carina Conference with cash or via EFT and would like a receipt, please contact the Parish Office.

St Vincent de Paul thanks the generous people for donating food and money during the month of July.

The members of the conference will keep you in their prayers.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

is being held TODAY, Sunday 13 August, during 9am Mass, and then on Sunday 27 August. All primary school aged children are welcome to attend.



**Parish Phones:** We are currently having some issues with our parish phones, in particular if you are ringing in on a mobile phone and selecting the available options. Sorry for the inconvenience at this time. We hope to have these issues resolved soon.

#### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass Times

*Holy Day of Obligation*

Monday 14 August: 7.00pm [Italian]

Tuesday 15 August: 6.30am, 9.00am & 7.00pm

#### Carina Japanese Language Playgroup

We are happy to advise that a Japanese Language Playgroup will start to meet in the Hospitality Area on Tuesdays, 9.30am-11.30am, from this week, 15 August. It is a playgroup suitable for families where parents can communicate in Japanese.

#### Exhibition (Ekka) People's Day Public Holiday

A reminder that this Wednesday, 16 August, is the Exhibition People's Day Public Holiday in the Brisbane City Council local government area. Therefore, Mass will be celebrated at 8.00am only and the Parish Office will also be closed on this day.

**2023 Annual Catholic Campaign** will be held next weekend, 19-20 August. It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and the local community. The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for our elderly and retired priests, helping local families in dire need access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our community.

#### Sunday 5.30pm Kids' Mass (Sunday 20 August)

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](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and using code **6tg2y**, register for the ministry of your choice.

#### Sacramental Program 2023

First Holy Communion (Year 4 / 9 years old)

*Family Session 3 - Preparation Session*

- Tuesday 22 August, 3.30pm-4.30pm (Option 1)
- Sunday 27 August, 3pm-4pm (Option 2)



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### Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

*The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.*



## Italian Youth Choirs Concert – Saturday 5 August



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Queensland Catholic, Schools and Colleges, Music Festival** will be held Thursday 17 August – Sunday 20 August at Villanova College and St James' Parish, Coorparoo. Come and hear schools and colleges from throughout Queensland perform in bands, choirs and ensembles. Day and Festival Passes available for purchase at the door or on the QCMF website. Visit [www.qcmf.com.au/](http://www.qcmf.com.au/) for further information.



**Social Justice Statement Launch** from the Australian Bishops 2023-2024, "Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples", will be launched on Wednesday, 23 August, 7.00pm, at St James' Parish Hall, 92 Kirkland Avenue, Coorparoo. RSVP via the following website link: [app.tickets.org.au/eb/sjstatement\\_2023](http://app.tickets.org.au/eb/sjstatement_2023)

### Archdiocesan Centre for Formation - Module 2: Understanding, Praying & Living the Scriptures

This second module of the Archdiocesan Centre for Formation, *Understanding, Praying and Living the Scriptures*, is open for registrations. The first unit is not a pre-requisite for the second, so all are welcome to register for module two even if they haven't yet completed module one.

When: 7pm, Mondays starting 21 August

Where: Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary (487 Earnshaw Rd, Banyo)

Cost: Individual \$250 | \$150pp for groups of 5+

#### Regional Hubs

- St James Coorparoo. Contact David with your interest [adultfaithformation.stjames@gmail.com](mailto:adultfaithformation.stjames@gmail.com)
- St Bernard's Upper Mt Gravatt. Cost is \$150pp. Contact Pauline Thomas (Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish Pastoral Associate): 3849 7158 / [pa.umg@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pa.umg@bne.catholic.net.au)

Find out more & register at [www.catholicformation.au](http://www.catholicformation.au)



**Mystery & Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration Conference:** Register now for the National Conference



on Liturgy and Liturgical Music to be held in Brisbane from 28-30 September. It is rare to have expert liturgists, liturgical musicians, and educators together in one place for three days of focussed input. In addition to 6 keynote presentations and over 50 workshops, there will be opportunities to engage in facilitated discussions, and to participate in the Conference Mass as well as Morning and Evening Prayer. Register at <https://mysteryandmission.com.au/>

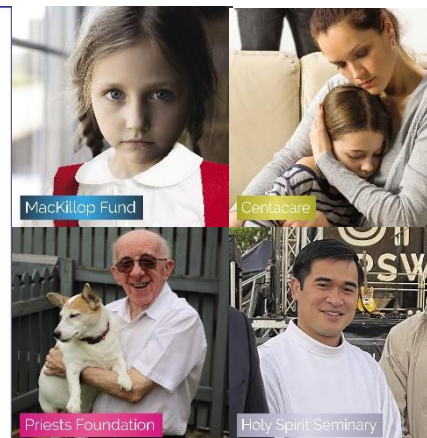


### Your gift today is a blessing to your local community

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



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