







### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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 8.30am - 12.30pm

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### MASS TIMES: Weekend:

Saturday: 6pm Vigil

Sunday: 7am, 9am and 5.30pm

Italian Mass: 10.30am

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am

Monday to 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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### Reflection by Greg Sunter



This passage marks a turning point in the gospel of Luke. It is the commencement of Jesus' journey towards Jerusalem and we are told that he resolutely takes that road (or in some translations, he resolutely 'sets his face' towards Jerusalem). Earlier in this chapter, we have heard Peter's confession of faith, seen the Transfiguration and heard Jesus predict his death. Today's passage

begins the second half of the gospel of Luke and it is clear from this point forward that there is no turning back for Jesus.

This passage is a difficult one on first reading; the second half of it seems to paint a picture of an unsympathetic and uncompromising Jesus. However, in the light of its positioning as the beginning of the second half of the gospel – the beginning of the end – it takes on more significance. Firstly, the incident of rejection in Samaria allows Jesus to make very clear that he will never resort to violence as a solution to any problem. The reaction of the disciples seems a bit extreme as a response to an inhospitable action! Jesus' rebuke to them reminds us that what he has offered all along is an invitation that was open to all – if some don't accept the invitation you can't call fire down on them from above!

The three vignettes make plain the urgency and demanding nature of Jesus' mission. He and his followers are constantly on the move and have no room for comforts and cosy beds. The second and third pieces contrast directly with the story from today's first reading. The message of Jesus is that the work of the Kingdom is even more important than duty to family and duty to the dead. Once he has set his face towards Jerusalem and his own death, there is no turning back – he is absolutely committed to his mission.

### **PARISH HAPPENINGS**

### LOOKING AHEAD Monday 1 July

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group Church
- 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Library

### **Tuesday 2 July**

- 9.30am Scripture Group - Library

### Wednesday 3 July

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group Library
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary Library

### Friday 5 July

- 7.30pm 500 Card Group – Aquinas Room **Saturday 6 July** 

- 7.15pm AA - Library

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Carmel Olive and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Jean-Claude Alizart, Stella McIntyre, Freda Hill, Joe Hill, Colin Patrick Senior, Tony Nobilo, John Sullivan, Patricia Bergin and the recently deceased Jacqueline Dickson, Jonas Asido and Irene Gur.

### **Parish Office Hours This Week**

The office hours this week will be the following, due to the Parish Secretary being absent.

**Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur & Fri:** 8.30am - 12.30pm We apologise for any inconvenience.

### **BED Scripture Group News**

The BED Scripture Study will commence on July 2nd and 3rd 2019 and will run for 8 weeks. 'Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible', presented by Jeff Cavins, will explore how the sacraments, the church and our entire Catholic faith are rooted in scripture and tradition. It will also show how the Old Testament and New Testament are connected as well as how the bible relates to every day life. Please read the following for more information:

**Evening sessions:** Tuesdays, starting 2 July, 6.30pm at St Thomas' Parish, Camp Hill

**Morning sessions:** Wednesdays, starting 3 July, 10.30am at Our Lady of Graces Parish, Carina

Where to sign up: There will be a form at the back table to write your information down.

**Contact:** For more information or general enquiries, please contact Louise Simento on 0456700040.

### 500 Card Group



The 500 Card Group meets again next Friday 7 June in the Aquinas Room at 7.30pm. All Welcome!

### **Counters Required**

We currently in need of two additional counters, two hours per fortnight, to help with counting the weekly collections on Mondays. If interested, please contact the parish office for further information and requirements.

### Peter's Pence Collection (6-7 July)

The Peter's Pence Collection will be taken up as a retiring (leaving) collection across the Archdiocese at all Masses next weekend (6-7 July 2019).

Peter's Pence gives Catholics in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See. The Collection allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters.

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday & NAIDOC Week

Next weekend (6-7 July 2019) the Australian Church commemorates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. During Masses next weekend, the Parish Social Justice Group asks our parish community to recognise, reflect and pray for the National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week that takes place from 7 July to 14 July inclusive.

### **SAFEGUARDING NEWS**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane now has a new reporting service if you need to report harmful behaviour or misconduct by clergy, employees or volunteers.

We also have our own Parish Safeguarding Representative, Carmen Kee. Carmen has been a member of our parish for a number of years and is involved in the Parish Pastoral Council and operates the Tuesday Playgroup. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the safety of children or vulnerable adults, you can contact Carmen on 0405 883 479 or you can email <a href="mailto:safeguardolog@gmail.com">safeguardolog@gmail.com</a> Please know that in reporting an icident, you can remain anonymous.

You can also find more information in the Archdiocese of Brisbane Prevention and Protection Policy booklet as well as the Safeguarding Strategy pamhlets, all located at the back tables of the church.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Many times I am asked as the President what does St Vincent de Paul do in the local community? As part of a small team of Parish members our volunteers undertake a range of activities to assist the most vulnerable and struggling in our local community. We reach out to those in need in many ways, such as:

- Providing direct emergency food help to families/individuals struggling financially.
   Parish members greatly help by providing food especially basic perishable food items.
- Visiting families/individuals with bread donated by the Flour Monkey bakery.
- Thanks to a grant of \$3000 providing school "lunch packs" to families in need to ensure children have a healthy lunch at school.
- Applying for external / community grants. Including education grants to help with school costs.
- Visiting Foodbank at Morningside to access suitable products for emergency food hampers.
- Visiting local schools to provide information to students about the work undertaken by St Vincent de Paul.
- Advocacy to assist those in need with payments plans for household bills.
- Advocacy to assist those in need with housing matters.
- Liaising with local business/property developers who may be able to assist clients with work or affordable housing or work experience.
- Providing "care packs" for clients needing to attend emergency hospital stays – often due to mental health issues.
- Providing an outreach / listening opportunity to families/individuals.
- Stocktake of food in St Vinnies OLOG pantry/fridge/freezers.
- Undertaking many administrative tasks to ensure accountability for finances, visits, etc.

### - Summary of January to June 2019

In terms of statistics from 1 January to 26 June 2019 the following clients have been assisted

- 0 to 16 yrs = 325 children
- 17 to 24 yrs = 47 people
- 45 to 64 yrs = 100
- 65 + yrs = 3

The "financial assistance and In-kind" is \$23,889.93 from 1.1.19 to 26.6.19. However, these figures do not account for the two bread runs/produce provided to families twice a week or the follow up of clients that is needed as part of the outreach we undertake. The Conference at Carina also assisted over 80 children with back to school costs thanks to an internal SVDP Qld State Office Society grant.

### - Thank you & Winter Appeal

The Conference at Our Lady of Graces really wishes to thank the many supporters. Including the very warm blankets recently distributed to clients from the Parish Knitting Group, the food provided to families in need including fresh produce donated by members of the Parish, "winter food appeal" response from both San Sisto College and St Martin's Primary school and direct financial donations.

### - How to Help

Please continue to provide food donations in the baskets at the front of the church, provide a financial donation via the Parish Office or Piety Staff or Poor boxes in the Church, or make a direct financial transfer to SVDP BSB 064 162, Account number 00906129, Agent number 2303 (it is important to reference in the transaction the agent Number to ensure the funds are allocated to the Carina Conference).

I would love to hear from you in any activity you may like to undertake and may be contacted on mobile 0438 982140 or email brdougherty@bigpond.com

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### Regina Caeli Over 50's Club

Wednesday 3 July, depart 8:30am. Bus Tour of Airport and lunch at Gaythorne RSL. BYO morning Tea. Ph: Leila on 0407 971 545.

### menALIVE MAX 19 Weekend

Annual National Catholic Men's Conference Event.

Now in its 15th year. The theme this year is "INTO THE BREACH". The material and experience on the weekend is all NEW to previous years and comprehensively different to the parish weekends run nationally.

When: 7.30pm Friday 12 - 2pm Sunday 14 July Where: Women's College, Uni of Queensland Cost: from \$275 per person includes 2 nights' accommodation 6 meals and a great event.

Register: <a href="https://cvent.me/Koql2">https://cvent.me/Koql2</a>
Contact: <a href="mail@menalive.org.au">mail@menalive.org.au</a>

Peter Carrigan - 0404 496 405 Robert Falzon - 0412 745 734

### CATHOLIC LEADER

### Catholic leaders are available at the back of the church for \$2.

- A sea of Catholics processed with the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of Brisbane CBD as part of the Feast of Corpus Christi.
- Pope meets Aussie bishops on Ad Limina visit to the Vatican; bishops say Mass at tomb of St Peter.
- Israel Folau is set to continue his fight for religious freedom against Rugby Australia after his GoFundMe page was closed.

### Become a part of the parish Planned Giving Program to help your Parish grow.

We thank, sincerely, all Parishioners who contribute to Planned Giving. Your ongoing commitment and contribution assists the parish to budget for operating expenses (wages, rates, electricity, phones, maintenance etc) as well as parish pastoral planning (faith education, sacramental preparation, resources etc). To obtain Planned Giving Envelopes or to contribute by direct debit, complete this form and place on the plate, or contact the Parish Office. Planned Giving contributions are not Tax Deductable.

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