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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
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PARISH TEAM:

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Spread the Word

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Reflection by Greg Sunter



In the gospel of Luke, Jesus is accused of eating with sinners and tax collectors (Lk 15) and we have an image of Jesus as always eating with the marginalised. However, today's gospel account is a more common occurrence: Jesus eating with a leading Pharisee and people of social importance. Although Jesus is depicted as frequently dining in the houses of these well-to-do people, he was probably never invited a second time! As in today's account, Jesus made a habit of accepting the hospitality of such people and then giving them a lecture about how they should behave and reminding them who was not gathered around the table with them. Certainly the sort of actions that don't see too many follow-up invitations!

The message he dishes out to the Pharisees on this occasion is about not thinking you're more important than you really are. He tells them that it is far better to assume a lower status and to be lifted to greater prominence than it is to assume too much and have to be asked to step down to your proper status. In first century Jewish society, eating was as much a political act as it was a social one. Who you ate with was a reflection of your social and political position. To be invited to the head of the table would reflect very positively on a guest whilst being asked to assume a lower seat would be humiliating.

Jesus' final teaching in this account would have been outrageous to his audience. The thought of inviting to a meal people who were in no position to reciprocate was absolutely ridiculous. But Jesus encourages his audience to give to those who cannot repay – to be graciously generous just as God gives without expecting anything in return.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday 2 September

- 11.30am Funeral – Church
- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church
- 7.00pm PPC meeting – Library

Tuesday 3 September

- 9.00am Playgroup – Hospitality
- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library
- 4.00pm FHC practice – Church

Wednesday 4 September

- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

Thursday 5 September

- 9.00am Playgroup – Hospitality

Saturday 7 September

- 7.15pm AA – Library

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Colleen Rossow, Leonie O'Rundall, Alan Arundell **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Geoffery Frigniet, Tony Bibo, Francisco Papas, Zina Catalano, Domenico Pizzica, Mavis Steele, Ron Steele, Joanne DeWolf **and the recently deceased** Marge Keller, Malcolm Gomez, Genowefa Wankiewicz, Masy Cauchi, Josephine Flay and Pat Kenny.

First Holy Communion Celebrations

Next weekend over the 7th and 8th of September at all the masses, a number of children will receive their First Holy Communion. This will be a special weekend for all those children and their families as they take the next step in their relationship with God. We ask that you please keep them in your prayers this week as they prepare to receive the most Holy sacrament.



We are also **seeking volunteer parishioners** to assist with the ushering of families to their assigned seats. If you will be attending any of the masses over that weekend, can you please get in contact with Shelly by phoning 3398 2977 or send an email sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au.

500 Card Group

The 500 card group meet again on Friday 6 September in the Aquinas room. All new players are very welcome.

Lost Property

There will be an opportunity over the next two weeks to sift through the lost property box for any of your own personal possessions you think you may have left here at the church. After that, if no one has collected their belongings, they will be donated, so make you you come and check it out!



Eucharistic Fast

Those who receive holy communion are to abstain for one hour beforehand from all food and drink with the exception of water and medicine. This does not apply to the elderly, the sick and those who care for them, or to priests celebrating a second or third Mass on a given day. It is most strongly recommended that the faithful receive Holy Communion in the course of a eucharistic celebration.

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CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

Next weekend, our Church is delighted to be supporting the Annual Catholic Campaign. 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 local community. Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish. The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for elderly priests when they are no longer able to serve our parish, helping families access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our local community. You can find out more about each of these important ministries by taking one of the Campaign brochures home.

Father's Day Prayer

God our Father,
you govern and protect your people
and shepherd them with a father's love.
You place a father in a family
as a sign of your love, care,
and constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful
to the example shown in the Scriptures:
steadfast in love, forgiving
transgressions, sustaining the family,
caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers
that they may encourage and
guide their children.
Keep them healthy
so they may support a family.

Guide every father
with the Spirit of your love
that they may grow in holiness
and draw their family ever closer to you.
Amen

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National Child Protection Week 2019

This Sunday marks the beginning of National Child Protection Week across Australia. The national association organising the week has called on Australians to put children first and give parents the support they need to do the important job of raising children. The theme for 2019 is article 24 *'Children have the right to good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment so that they will stay healthy'*. For more information, see the posters outside or go to <https://www.napcan.org.au>

Social Justice Committee - WANTED

Next Tuesday 3 September 2019 the Parish Social Justice Group will meet in the Parish Library at 7pm to discuss a range of social justice issues. New volunteers who have a passion for social justice and Catholic Social Teaching are urgently wanted to support this parish ministry in educating and informing the parish community. Anyone who is interested and committed to social justice is invited to attend the meeting to see if this might be a ministry for them to participate in and serve in as a volunteer.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Volunteer Opportunities

The Cagliero Project is an initiative of the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco, providing overseas volunteer experiences for Australians who wish to work with disadvantaged young people. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2020 departure. Our volunteers placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We have multiple volunteers opportunities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste and the Solomon Islands. Cagliero volunteers commit themselves to working in the 'Salesian way'. This means that young people are the central focus in all work. The Salesian way also means approaching life in a joyful way with a loving heart. The experience as a Cagliero volunteer is not about the volunteer, but is focused on the people we go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliero volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do! Applications close October 15, 2019. For more information, or to send us an inquiry, follow this link: <http://cagliero.org.au/>
Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliero Project
Email: lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

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SOMETHING FUNNY



PLENARY COUNCIL

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today. There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.

Read more about this time at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



CATHOLIC LEADER

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

- *Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge tells the Queensland parliamentary inquiry into voluntary assisted dying that a person suffering intense pain can still love and be loved.*
- *Brisbane's Multicultural Mass draws a 1200 Catholics from almost 40 countries to St Stephen's Cathedral for a celebration of the "broad vision" of the Church.*

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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