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**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

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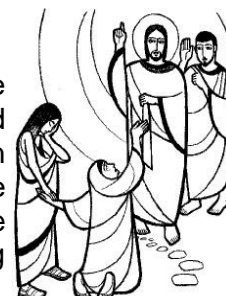
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# Spread the Word

**Vol. 35 No. 32****20th Sunday in Ordinary Time****16 August 2020****Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA**

The overarching theme derived from today's readings is the question of insider-outsider. We see here that the divisions and barriers that emerge out of human experience have been shattered by the graciousness of God. Jesus' openness to 'the other' finds a precedent in the prophetic tradition. Isaiah spoke of a time when outsiders would join insiders in worshipping God, thus dissolving the categories of insider and outsider.

He was, of course, referring to the age of eschatological fulfilment. This age dawned with the coming of Jesus. Jesus himself moved out of the constraints of his own cultural worldview, and he directs us to do the same. People are either excluded because of gender, culture or religious perspective, or included only because they are able and willing to conform to discriminatory standards. In the reign of God, this should not be the case. People are accepted along with their own cultural profiles. God's embrace first enclosed even those who rejected Jesus, and then God's plan of salvation unfolded in a new way. An invitation to enter the kingdom was issued to the Gentiles, those who had been considered outsiders. If outsiders are now insiders, what has happened to the former insiders? Paul insists that they are still insiders. God has not simply shifted the identifying boundaries; God has dissolved them. In the interim between the dawning of the eschatological age and the end of time, the invitation to be included remains open to all.

**Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Graces Parish**

- Book online via the home page of [www.carinacatholicparish.org.au](http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au). **Bookings open each week on Monday morning.**
- Parishioners who do not have internet access may contact the parish office to make a booking.
- Registration for Sunday Mass closes each Friday at 12 noon. This allows for the registration lists to be finalised and printed on Friday afternoon.
- The front door of the church is opened 30 minutes prior to Mass.
- We ask parishioners to book a seat each week for Sunday Mass. Please do not rely on space being available and just turn up at Mass. Registration will ensure that a space is available for you.
- Parishioners may need to be flexible, in that their preferred Mass Time might already be full with 100 people attending.
- Experience is that Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9am Masses reach the booking limit of 100 people each week. The Sunday 7am & 5.30pm Masses usually do not reach the booking limit of 100 people.
- *Note: All Catholics remain dispensed from their Sunday obligation.*

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Sunday 16 August

- 3.00pm 1st Holy Communion Session 2 – Church

#### Monday 17 August

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

#### Tuesday 18 August

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality Area

- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library

- 3.30pm 1st Holy Communion Session 2 – Church

- 7.00pm COVID-19 Connectedness Mtg. – Church

#### Wednesday 19 August

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group – Library

#### Thursday 20 August

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality Area

- 9.30am Two Hearts Prayer Group – Church

- 11.00am BED Scripture Group – Library

- 3.30pm Confirmation Family Activity 2 – Church

- 7.00pm RCIA – Library

#### Saturday 22 August

- 10.00am Baptism – Church

#### Sunday 23 August

- 10.00am Baptism Preparation – Library

- 1.00pm Confirmation Family Activity 2 – Church

- 3.00pm Confirmation Family Activity 2 – Church

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Olivia Joses and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Anna Maria D'Souza, Jo-Anne de Wolf, Ron & Mavis Steele, Harry Kirkman and the recently deceased Paul Kinh Le, Pat Schatz, Pat Zemek, Timothy Owen, Marie Jones, Norma Shanks, Patricia O'Connor, Richard Schmiede.**

### How Can We Better Serve Our Parish?

The Parish Pastoral Council are looking at ways to maintain connectedness during this COVID-19 crisis and into the future. On *Tuesday 18 August, 7pm, in the church*, there will be a meeting for ministry leaders and interested parishioners. This meeting is to consider how we can better serve and reach out to other parishioners. All are welcome to attend.

### OLOG Diners Invitation

A few parishioners and OLOG Diners have mentioned that it might be good to meet up again. It has also been suggested that, during this COVID time, meeting for lunch when it is quieter rather than dinner at night is another option. If meeting at the Carina Leagues Club, there would be socially distancing and sitting at tables of 8.

All parishioners are most welcome and if you are interested in meeting either for lunch or dinner, please contact Josephine Coyne 0418 153 053.

### Wall of Remembrance

In 1998, a Wall of Remembrance was established behind the church as a way for parishioners to have a permanent memorial for their loved ones. Spaces cost \$70 and basic plaques are currently \$75 (*subject to normal cost increases*). For further information, please contact the parish office.



### Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation currently is only being celebrated by appointment. Please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

### Private Prayer in the Church

The church is open during parish office hours for private prayer. Entry into the church is via the office.

### Current COVID-19 Restrictions

Based on the current restrictions of one person per 4 square metres rule, 100 people can gather in Our Lady of Graces Church at one time.

As part of our COVID Safe Plan, we need to comply with the following:

- Stay at home if you are vulnerable or unwell.
- Appropriate physical distancing of 1.5 metres.
- Record the contact details of those who attend for contact tracing. These are kept confidentially and securely for 56 days and then destroyed.
- Cleaning protocols after each gathering.

### Temporary Changes due to COVID-19

- Holy water fonts remain empty.
- No passing around of the collection boxes. There are two boxes located inside the church for you to place your offerings.
- The Sign of Peace should be limited to saying "Peace be with you" with a nod or bow; no hand-shaking or hand-holding should occur here or at the Our Father.
- No Communion on the tongue or from the chalice

### Monday-Saturday Morning Masses

- The front door is opened 20 minutes before Mass
- We have an attendees list of parishioners who regularly attend Daily Mass.
- Contact details for once off attendance are collected at the door when you arrive for Mass.

### Vocation View

It's so easy to push people out of our lives. But the Lord knows no boundaries or races or colours. Spread the Good News that we are all God's people.



To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Brisbane office on 1300 133 544, [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au) or visit their website [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com).

### Handmade Face Masks

A teacher at St Martin's School is making handmade material face masks. These face masks are washable and have an insert for a replaceable filter. This filter can be a cut out piece from your old environmental shopping bag, a piece of paper towel or a coffee filter.

We have a limited number of face masks for sale at the parish office for \$5 each.





## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference national Men's Gathering 2020

The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is being offered as a free event for registered participants. This modified program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length, available from Saturday 15th August 2020.

Registration will be free and will be available from Monday 29th June. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with a response and questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program offers flexibility so that you may participate individually or gather with others from your parish/diocese or men's ministry group.

As an initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops, the aim of the ACBC National Men's Gathering is to inspire and encourage men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. The online program hopes to reinforce that it is important to gather as men in the faith environment of the Church and be challenged to ensure the Gospel is alive in our homes, parishes/dioceses and our communities.

Registration:

<https://agora.catholic.org.au/l/576423/2020-06-22/mq26g>

Program: Available from Saturday 15th August, 2020

**Catholic Justice & Peace Commission and St James Coorparoo Social Justice** invites you to a discussion on the Australian Bishops Social Justice Statement. Launch by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Theme: Mental Health

When: Wednesday 19 August, 7pm for 7.30pm

Where: St James Hall, 92 Kirkland Ave, Coorparoo

RSVP: Monday 17 August to 3397 1671 or book online via [www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au](http://www.stjames-coorparoo.org.au)

Donation on Entry. Current Covid-19 protocols apply.

### All Hallows' School Virtual Open Day

We warmly invite you and your family to discover the difference an All Hallows' School education will make in your daughter's life at our virtual open day, premiering at 10:30am, Sunday 30 August. Register now at [www.ahs.qld.edu.au/virtualopenday](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au/virtualopenday)

### Caritas Australia Provides Support for Beirut Following Devastating Explosion

Caritas Australia has today provided an initial \$50,000 in crucial emergency relief as part of its Middle East Regional Appeal.



"Today Lebanon is reeling from the effects of the explosion in Beirut on Tuesday. Caritas Lebanon is already on the ground working to assist the most vulnerable - a huge undertaking with the sheer scale of people impacted. The most urgent needs are food, health and shelter", said Kirsty Robertson, Caritas Australia's CEO.

Hygiene kits, already essential to combat COVID-19, are even more needed to protect people from the toxicity dispersed into air from the 2,750 tons of ammonium nitrate. Medications are needed with many supplies and hospitals directly impacted in the blast, coupled with the high number of injuries experienced. Material for clean-up and renovation is critical.

"The situation is dire. Caritas Lebanon has told us that hundreds of thousands of families were affected, many of whom have slept in shattered homes and in the streets during a deadly pandemic. The economy is in free fall and parts of Beirut are uninhabitable", Ms Robertson said.

"Through its in-country staff and partners in Lebanon, the wider Caritas network is working to deliver emergency food and water, hygiene kits including masks and soap, material for shelter repairs and the clean-up of debris and medication and other health services", she said.

Caritas Australia continues to monitor the situation and is in regular contact with partners on the ground in Beirut.

According to Ms Robertson, "We pray for the people of Beirut, wider Lebanon and the Lebanese community here in Australia at this time of enormous heartbreak and loss".

Donations to Caritas Australia's Middle East Regional Appeal can be made at [www.caritas.org.au/lebanon](http://www.caritas.org.au/lebanon) or calling 1800 024 413.



### For the Kids ...

- What happened when the woman in today's gospel first called out to Jesus for help?
- Why do you think the disciples tried to turn her away?
- How did Jesus reward her faith?
- Have you ever heard of or seen people in need who have been turned away?
- How should we treat people who are in need or different to us?

The Canaanite woman persisted because of her strong belief that Jesus would cure her daughter. Use the words below to find out what Jesus said.



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