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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  
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# Spread the Word

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## Reflection by Greg Sunter



Today's gospel is one of the stories unique to the gospel of Luke. At the same time, it is a commonly known story that is often cited to demonstrate the value of saying thank you. However, as usual, there's more to this story than initially meets the eye. One of the recurrent themes of the gospel is at play here: the message of salvation that Jesus brings is available to all, not just the Jews.

The first reading is an interesting link with the gospel of Luke. In chapter 4 of the gospel, when Jesus visits Nazareth and preaches in the synagogue, he later tells a story about the prophets Elijah and Elisha responding to the needs of Gentiles rather than Jews. He tells the story to make the point that the message of salvation is not reserved exclusively for the Jews. The incident involving Elisha that Jesus refers to in chapter 4 is the one we hear in today's first reading.

Whilst both the first reading and the gospel tell stories about the healing of those with skin diseases, the common factor is actually about their expressions of gratitude and conversion of heart. In the gospel, all ten men are healed but it is only the stranger; the foreigner; the Samaritan, who comes back to give thanks and to praise God. The others – Jewish men, presumably – are only concerned about themselves and have no time to acknowledge the graciousness of God that they have experienced. The gospel writer has Jesus emphasise the point that it is the Samaritan – the outsider – who has recognised God's activity in his cure and come back to give praise and thanks. It is only he who has experienced the change of heart; the conversion of faith.

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Monday 14 October

- 11.00am Funeral – Church
- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church
- 7.30pm PFC meeting – Library

#### Tuesday 15 October

- 9.00am Playgroup – Hospitality
- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library
- 7.00pm Social Justice Meeting – Library

#### Wednesday 16 October

- 11.00am BED Scripture group – Library
- 6.30pm Legion of Mary – Library

#### Thursday 17 October

- 9.00am Playgroup – Hospitality
- 11.00am BED Scripture group – Library

#### Saturday 19 October

- 6.00pm Multicultural Mass – Church
- 6.45pm Multicultural celebration - Courtyard
- 7.15pm AA – Library

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick and those whose anniversaries occur around this time** Annamaria Pizzica, Reginald Chapman, Grace Ng, **and the recently deceased** Fr Anthony Van Dyke O.P., Greg Miller, Jocelyn Villanueva, Mary Joseph and Leonie Arundle.

### Daily Mass, Break Open the Word and Ordo 2020

Daily Mass books and Ordo 2020 are now available for purchase. Daily Mass Books and Break Open the Word are \$22.00 and Ordos are \$12.00. If you would like a copy, please contact the parish office on 3398 2977 to order and pay before 15 November 2019.

### RCIA - Interested in becoming a Catholic?

*Do you have burning questions about your faith? Do you have a desire to seek the truth? Have you questioned yourself about becoming a Catholic?* Ask yourself these questions no more and register your interest in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults by calling the office on 33982977 or email us at [sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au). More news about the RCIA program will be released soon so stay tuned.

### Multicultural Mass – EOI

On Saturday 19th October we will be celebrating the many diverse cultures of our Parish and Australia. We have many different nationalities here at Our Lady of Graces and so it would be great to celebrate all that we are and bring to our community. The celebration will be at the 6pm Mass on the Saturday followed by festivities. We invite everyone to bring in a small dish of food from your nation to share with everyone as we come together.



### SVDP Raffle

For all those who previously purchased a raffle ticket for the 2 large raffle prizes for SVDP, the raffle will be drawn at the Italian Fundraiser for SVDP in November.

### San Gerard Majella

In occasion of the feast of San Gerard Majella, we have organised a bus for Marian Valley on Saturday the 19th October 2019, leaving from "Our Lady of Graces" Church at 8:00am. If anyone is interested to come please contact Vito Di Stasi 0413 633895 or 3398 5738.



### Associazione Lucania Del Queensland Christmas Lunch Invitation

As the festive season approaches, the Associazione Lucania del Queensland Inc. would like to invite you, your family and friends to celebrate Christmas with us with a traditional Italian three course meal and great music from "Dominic Taraborelli"

**When:** Sunday 10th November 2019 at 12:30pm

**Where:** Brisbane Abruzzo Club

150 Fursden Road, Carina

**Cost:** \$45.00 members; \$50.00 non-members; \$20.00 children

All profits from the day will be donated to the "National Breast Cancer Foudation". We look forward to celebrating Christmas with you!

### Sacramental Information Evening 2020

The Sacramental overview evening for 2020 will be held on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of November 2019 at 7.00pm in the church. This is open to all parents who have children of the age of 8 as of 2020 and upward and for those who have children currently in the Sacramental Program (First Holy Communion and Penance). Enrolment forms for the new candidates for 2020 will be distributed on the night. If you have any questions, please contact Shelly Stone on 3398 2977 or you can email her at [sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au).



### 2019 Columban Art Calendar



**Do you lose track of your favourite pet's birthday or when each church season starts?**

Why not purchase the 2019 Columban calendar? It has all of the church seasons as well as what each Sunday is e.g. this weekend is the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time! Not only that but it leaves some rooms to write down your pet's birthday! Available for \$10 at the Piety Store in the church.



2020 Columban Art Calendar



## THINKING AHEAD

### 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings for next week give us guidance in our approach to prayer, citing the importance of patience, persistence and trust in God.

When our prayers aren't answered in a short time, we can become despondent and feel God isn't listening. If we recall St Monica's life, her prayers for her wayward son, Augustine, seemed for many years to go unanswered, but she persisted. Her prayers required more than offering up words to God. They required a demonstration of faith, played out through her life and actions. Monica had to trust that God knew all she felt and that her prayers would be answered. She needed to be patient with both God and Augustine while she waited. While the wait was long, Augustine not only became a member of God's faith family, but rose to be one of its Bishops and Saints.

Prayer is connected to relationships of faith and love. We pray to the one who loves us, for those we love. As in all relationships, patience and persistence is required. In the waiting period, prayer signifies our faith; that God hears, that he knows and will answer our prayers. Whatever his response, he will be there for us.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Talk on "How to understand and refute relativistic thinking".

Presenter: Karlo Broussard, a Catholic Apologetic. He will also answer questions on topics concerning the Catholic Faith.

When: 14 Oct 2019 (Monday) at 6:30pm

Venue: Norman Hotel, 102 Ipswich Rd., Woolloongabba

Fee: FREE. Donations much appreciated to cover costs

Register: [www.parousiamedia.com](http://www.parousiamedia.com)



## JOB OPPORTUNITES

### Kenmore Parish

Casual position of Administration Assistant  
Estimated 2 days a week, specific responsibilities include: The office reception duties, general office responsibilities, publish weekly newsletter, liturgical booklets, database entry, routine correspondence, maintaining parish registers, safeguarding administration, photocopying and filing.

Additional information, including a position description can be obtained from Seamus Baldwin on 3324 3229 or email [hroffice@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:hroffice@bne.catholic.net.au). Applications close on 18 October 2019.

## SOMETHING FUNNY



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## CATHOLIC LEADER

**Catholic leaders are available on the tables at the back of the church.**

**The Catholic Leaders are \$2 each. We ask that you please pay for them by putting the \$2 in the small wooden boxes provided. Thank you**

- *Brisbane Assembly brings hundreds of Catholics together to listen to the voice of God on October 4 and 5.*
- *Bishop Anthony Randazzo named shepherd of Broken Bay diocese.*
- *A senior professional in the death-care industry says Queensland's laws are "failing dismally" to protect bereaved families and workers.*
- *Brisbane Catholic Sally Hood opens up about her experience with endometriosis.*
- *Red Frogs is 'Red-y' for Schoolies 2019, where they minister to young people across Australia.*
- *Nominate your Catholic hero for The Community Leader Awards 2019 – visit [www.theleaders.com.au](http://www.theleaders.com.au) to nominate online. Nominations close October 20.*
- *Capuchin Father Thomas McFadden loves being a Capuchin Franciscan Friar and wants to inspire young people to live the Gospel.*
- *Catch the Seniors Week Guide in this week's edition of The Catholic Leader.*
- *Darwin Bishop Charles Gauci shares his story about his first year leading and ministering to Catholics in the Top End.*



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