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**Tuesday - Thursday:** 8.30am - 3.30pm  
**Friday:** 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

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# Spread the Word

**Vol. 35 No. 37 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20 September 2020**

## Message from His Holiness Pope Francis for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

1 September

### 3. A Time to Rest

In his wisdom, God set aside the Sabbath so that the land and its inhabitants could rest and be renewed. These days, however, our way of life is pushing the planet beyond its limits. Our constant demand for growth and an endless cycle of production and consumption are exhausting the natural world. Forests are leached, topsoil erodes, fields fail, deserts advance, seas acidify and storms intensify. Creation is groaning!

During the Jubilee, God's people were invited to rest from their usual labour and to let the land heal and the earth repair itself, as individuals consumed less than usual. Today we need to find just and sustainable ways of living that can give the Earth the rest it requires, ways that satisfy everyone with a sufficiency, without destroying the ecosystems that sustain us.

In some ways, the current pandemic has led us to rediscover simpler and sustainable lifestyles. The crisis, in a sense, has given us a chance to develop new ways of living. Already we can see how the earth can recover if we allow it to rest: the air becomes cleaner, the waters clearer, and animals have returned to many places from where they had previously disappeared. The pandemic has brought us to a crossroads. We must use this decisive moment to end our superfluous and destructive goals and activities, and to cultivate values, connections and activities that are life-giving. We must examine our habits of energy usage, consumption, transportation, and diet. We must eliminate the superfluous and destructive aspects of our economies, and nurture life-giving ways to trade, produce, and transport goods.

*The next part of the message will be published next week.*



### Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Graces Parish

- To attend Sunday Mass please make a reservation by going to [www.carinacatholicparish.org.au](http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au) and clicking on the "Mass Bookings" image. **Bookings open each week on Monday morning.**



- Parishioners who do not have internet access may phone the parish office during office hours.
- Registration for Sunday Mass closes each Friday at 12 noon. This allows for the registration lists to be finalised and printed on Friday afternoon.
- Registration will ensure that a space is available for you and makes it easier for the marshal who is marking each person's name off at the front door.
- However, if you forget to register for Sunday Mass, experience is that Sunday 7am & 5.30pm Masses usually do not reach the capacity limit.

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Sunday 20 September

- 1.00pm Confirmation Family Activity 3 – Church
- 3.00pm Confirmation Family Activity 3 – Church

#### Monday 21 September

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

#### Tuesday 22 September

- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library
- 7.00pm Ministry Leaders Forum – Church

#### Wednesday 23 September

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group – Library

#### Thursday 24 September

- 11.00am BED Scripture Group – Library

#### Sunday 27 September

- 10.00am Baptism Preparation – Library
- 10.30am Dominican Laity – Aquinas Room

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick Sonia Mendez and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Gerald Simento, Guillermo Amante, Joseph Platt, Joe Bobbermien, Bill Cummins, Johny Maliyekkal, Ken McIntyre and the recently deceased Christine Leach, Jacqueline Johnston, Peter Huynh Van Dien, Sr Lawrence, Mark Vickers, Max Cacho, Lilia Marquez.**



2020 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

This weekend, 19-20 September, all parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help support vital works of the local church and community through the Annual Catholic Campaign.

The Campaign supports training of future priests, caring for our elderly, retired priests, helping local families in dire need of access to a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally.

Campaign brochures and envelopes are available from the back tables. You can return your envelope to either collection box. If you have not come prepared for the appeal, please take an envelope and return it when you next come to Mass or pop the envelope in the mail.

### Ministry Leaders Forum

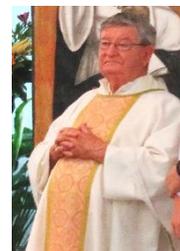
Our Ministry Leaders held a forum on Tuesday 18 August and have started discerning how Our Lady of Graces Parish can best respond to the pressures the COVID-19 situation has placed on our parish.

A draft plan has been prepared and endorsed by our Parish Pastoral Council. The Ministry Leaders will be gathering again on *Tuesday 22 September, 7pm*, to review this draft plan and take it back to their Ministries for discussion, improvement and implementation.

All Parishioners are welcome to attend. If you would like a copy of the draft plan, please contact Chris Larter in the parish office. Alternatively, you can download the draft plan from the parish website [www.carinacatholicparish.org.au](http://www.carinacatholicparish.org.au)

### Happy 90th Birthday, Fr Maurice

This coming week, Fr Maurice becomes a nonagenarian with the celebration of his 90th Birthday. In true Fr Maurice style, celebrations have already commenced with St Martin's School Staff inviting him to morning tea last Thursday.



On behalf of the parish, we pass on our warmest wishes for a happy birthday, Fr Maurice.

### Handmade Face Masks

Handmade material face masks are available for sale from the parish office for \$8 each.

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.

### 2021 - Daily Mass Book, Break Open the Word and Ordo

We are taking orders for the following annuals:

- Daily Mass Books \$22
- Break Open the Word \$22
- Ordos \$12

To order, please contact the parish office by **12.30pm, Friday 30 October.**

This allows for the ordered books to be available before the new liturgical year commencing on 29 November.



### Electrical Upgrade Work

Thank you, everyone, for your continued patience and understanding over the last week and a half while important electrical upgrade works has been happening. The work should be completed by the middle of next week, at this stage.

### Home Transport Ministry – Sunday 7am Mass

The parish has had a request from a parishioner who lives in Scrub Road, Carindale (opposite Belmont State School), for transport to and from the Sunday 7am Mass each week.

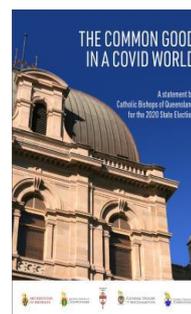
If you are able to assist, even once a fortnight or month, please contact the parish office for further information including safeguarding requirements.

### Catholic Bishops Election Statement

Queensland's Catholic bishops believe the state must discover "a new kind of solidarity" to deal with the impacts of COVID-19 and to find a way beyond the pandemic.

The bishops of Queensland's five Catholic dioceses have launched The Common Good in a COVID World – their combined statement ahead of next month's Queensland election.

To view a copy of the Statement, go to [www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/catholic-bishops-queensland-election-statement](http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/catholic-bishops-queensland-election-statement). If you would like a hard copy, contact the parish office.



**Votive Candle Stand**

The parish has purchased a votive candle stand for placing in front of Our Lady. At the time of publishing Spread the Word, the candle stand should arrive and be installed in time for this weekend. For each candle that you use, we ask that you make a gold coin donation.



**Thank You - Orange Marmalade Fundraiser**

Thank to those who purchased a bottle of homemade orange marmalade over the last couple of months. Just over \$300 was raised from these sales.

**Thank You - First Holy Communion Masses**

During this last week, we celebrated First Holy Communion Masses. Thank you to everyone who assisted with the Masses and the preparation leading up to these celebrations. *Shelly Stone*

**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.

**Vocation View**

We can never be called "generous". All that we possess we have received from God. It is our vocation to return to God all the talents God has entrusted to us.



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).

**Agnus Day – The Lectionary Comic Strip**



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**Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass**

COVID restrictions are preventing the celebration of the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass, held each year at the Cathedral of St Stephen, in the usual way. However, on Saturday 26 September at the 11.30am Mass, Archbishop Mark will celebrate Mass for the special intentions of all couples celebrating 50 years or more of marriage.

If any couple celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary are in good health and wish to attend the Mass in person, please contact the Cathedral office on 3324 3030 or register on-line via <https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au/mass--reconciliation-times.html>. The Mass will be live-streamed via the Cathedral website.

**Archdiocesan Online Multicultural Mass**

Parishioners are invited to tune in on the Archdiocese of Brisbane's live webcast of the Multicultural Mass at 2:20pm for the 2:30pm Mass start on Sunday, 27 September. The link is [archbne.org/bzw](http://archbne.org/bzw).

The Multicultural Mass is an opportunity to celebrate Australia's cultural diversity and the richness that this diversity brings to the life of the Australian church.

**Living Laudato Si'**

*How do I care for the our common home, the Earth? with Min Wullems*

Join us as we seek inner peace through meditation, prayer and spiritual conversation, discerning how we are called, individually and collectively, to live out the spirit of Laudato Si', to care for our common home, the Earth.

When: Each Friday, 2 October - 6 November

Time: 9.30am to 11am

Where: Faber Centre, Sir Samuel Griffith Dr, Bardon.

Further information: [www.faberspirituality.org.au](http://www.faberspirituality.org.au)



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Our next COVID-SAFE live-out weekend will be held from **24-25 October 2020** at Hendra (Brisbane inner suburb) from Saturday morning until Sunday afternoon (including Mass).

For bookings or details contact: Maria and David Murphy, [dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au) or (07) 3342 1456

For further information, visit [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

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