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Saturday: 6pm Vigil
Sunday: 7am, 9am and 5.30pm
Italian Mass: 10.30am

Weekday: 6.30am & 9am
Monday to Friday
8am Saturday
& Public Holidays

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Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am
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Spread the Word

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

1 September

4. A Time to Restore

A Jubilee is a time to restore the original harmony of creation and to heal strained human relationships. It invites us to re-establish equitable societal relationships, restoring their freedom and goods to all and forgiving one another's debts. We should not forget the historic exploitation of the global South that

has created an enormous ecological debt, due mainly to resource plundering and excessive use of common environmental space for waste disposal. It is a time for restorative justice. In this context, I repeat my call for the cancellation of the debt of the most vulnerable countries, in recognition of the severe impacts of the medical, social and economic crises they face as a result of Covid-19. We also need to ensure that the recovery packages being developed and deployed at global, regional and national levels must be regeneration packages. Policy, legislation and investment must be focused on the common good and guarantee that global social and environmental goals are met.

We also need to restore the land. Climate restoration is of utmost importance, since we are in the midst of a climate emergency. We are running out of time, as our children and young people have reminded us. We need to do everything in our capacity to limit global average temperature rise under the threshold of 1.5°C enshrined in the Paris Climate Agreement, for going beyond that will prove catastrophic, especially for poor communities around the world. We need to stand up for intra-generational and inter-generational solidarity at this critical moment. I invite all nations to adopt more ambitious national targets to reduce emissions, in preparation for the important Climate Summit (COP 26) in Glasgow in the United Kingdom.

Biodiversity restoration is also crucially important in the context of unprecedented loss of species and degradation of ecosystems. We need to support the U.N. call to safeguard 30% of the earth as protected habitats by 2030 in order to stem the alarming rate of biodiversity loss. I urge the international community to work together to guarantee that the Summit on Biodiversity (COP 15) in Kunming, China becomes a turning point in restoring the earth to be a home of life in abundance, as willed by the Creator. We must restore with justice in mind, ensuring that those who have lived on the land for generations can regain control over its usage. Indigenous communities must be protected from companies, particularly multinational companies, that "operate in less developed countries in ways they could never do at home" (LS, 51), through the destructive extraction of fossil fuels, minerals, timber and agroindustrial products. This corporate misconduct is a "new version of colonialism" (SAINT JOHN PAUL II, [Address to the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, 27 April 2001](#), cited in [Querida Amazonia](#), 14), one that shamefully exploits poorer countries and communities desperately seeking economic development. We need to strengthen national and international legislation to regulate the activities of extractive companies and ensure access to justice for those affected.

The final part of the message will be next week.



PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 27 September

- 10.00am Baptism Preparation – Library
- 10.30am Dominican Laity – Aquinas Room
- 12.30pm Baptisms – Church

Monday 28 September

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

Tuesday 29 September

- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library
- 10.30am Funeral – Church

Wednesday 30 September

- 10.30am BED Scripture Group – Library

Thursday 1 October

- 11.00am BED Scripture Group – Library
- 3.30pm Confirmation Family Activity 3 – Church

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* **and the recently deceased** *Mary Bourke, Julia Creed, Onelia Salvetti, Zofia Tuck, Christine Leach, Jacqueline Johnston.*

106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Today, Sunday 27 September, is 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis has chosen '*Forced like Jesus Christ to flee*' as the theme of this special annual event. The Pope's reflection is grounded on the experience of Jesus Christ and his parents as displaced persons and refugees. With this message, Pope Francis encourages all to focus on pastoral care for internally displaced people around the world.

The theme is developed in six sub-themes:

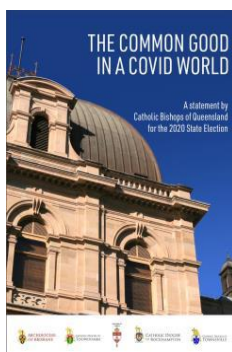
1. to know in order to understand;
2. to be close in order to serve;
3. to listen in order to be reconciled;
4. to share and thus to grow;
5. to involve in order to promote; and finally,
6. to collaborate and therefore to build.

The text of Pope Francis' message for 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees can be found at: www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/papa-francesco_20200513_world-migrants-day-2020.html

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. If you would like a hard copy, contact the parish office.

Electrical Upgrade Work

Thank you, everyone, for your continued patience and understanding while important electrical upgrade works is happening.

From the Parish Finance Council

Thank you for your ongoing financial support. Recently we have had some sizable costs with the repairs to the roof and electrical system. Your regular contributions have been a great help in covering these cost.

If at any time you would like to change from envelopes to direct debit, please contact the Parish Office who will be able to assist you.

Votive Candle Stand

The parish has purchased a votive candle stand for in front of Our Lady. For each candle that you use, we ask that you make a gold coin donation.



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 commences on 29 November.



Annual Catholic Campaign

Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Annual Catholic Campaign last weekend.

If you were unable to make a gift last weekend, envelopes are available from the back tables. You can return your envelope to either collection box or pop it in the mail.

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.

Public Holiday: Monday 5 October

Please note that *Monday 5 October* is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. Therefore, on this day, Mass will be only at 8am & the Parish Office will be closed.

SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE

Are you experiencing financial hardship at this time?

Contact Vinnies on 1800 846 643.

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MensLine Australia - 1300 78 99 78

From the Social Justice Committee

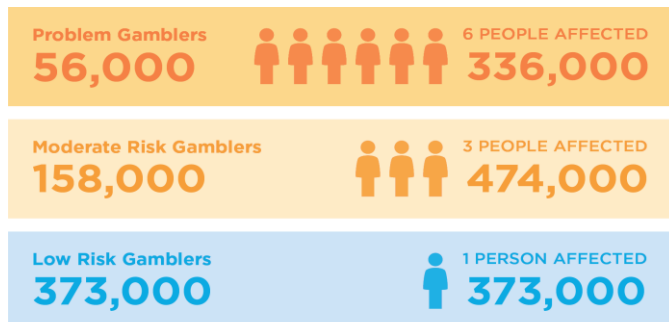
Did you know that Australia has a serious gambling problem?

Australians are the world's most prolific gamblers, based on per capita spending.

Charles Livingstone, a senior lecturer in the School of Public Health and Preventative Medicine at Melbourne's Monash University says in Australia, "we have pokie machines on almost every street corner". Pokies are "really good at getting people hooked: each (bet) provides a dopamine release, similar to a drug like cocaine, in your brain," explains Livingstone. "They target people who are often under stress, offer a euphoric sensation, then take all their money off them."



Problem gambling not only affects the individual's own mental and physical health but it also detrimentally affects those around the gambler – and the community. People with gambling problems can experience harm as a result of gambling. Gambling harm can relate to financial, health, relationships, education and employment, social and psychological well-being. **It is estimated that for every person considered a problem gambler, six people are affected.**



Source: NSW Gambling Survey 2019 and Goodwin et al 2017

If you or someone you know is being controlled by gambling – please seek help.

Free, confidential support 24/7 on 1800 858 858.

Spending more on the pokies than you wanted?

Free, confidential, 24/7 support & counselling on 1800 858 858 gamblinghelponline.org.au

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Belinda C. Goodwin, Matthew Browne, Matthew Rockloff & Judy Rose (2017) A typical problem gambler affects six others, International Gambling Studies, 17:2, 276-289

Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Graces Parish

- To attend Sunday Mass please make a reservation by going to the parish website 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. Therefore, you can usually walk-in and register at the door for Sunday 7am & 5.30pm Masses.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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.

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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 or (07) 3342 1456

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