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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

**PARISH TEAM:**

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# Spread the Word

**Vol 34****No 7****2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent****17 March 2019*****Reflection by Greg Sunter***

In all three versions of this Transfiguration event that appear in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, the context in which the event occurs is identical. That's a little unusual with these three gospel writers who like to put their own spin on events and often play with the chronology or settings of events. However, in this case, all three writers report the Transfiguration event as taking place immediately after a particular sequence of events. Jesus has asked the disciples who they think he is and Peter has made his confession of faith by declaring that Jesus is the Messiah. This declaration is followed by Jesus teaching about the demands of discipleship and then the account of the Transfiguration. Furthermore, all three versions are directly followed by an account of a man who brings his possessed son to Jesus for healing after the disciples have tried and failed to cast out the demon.

When all three of the synoptic gospels use the same story with little variation and all three retain the same context around the event then there are some pretty clear signals that this was a commonly accepted sequence of events and their sequence holds significance. The core message of this sequence of stories is about the faith of the disciples. Whilst Peter declares Jesus to be the Messiah, he and the others don't really yet know what this means. In the Transfiguration, they are given the clearest possible indication of Jesus' identity and yet they're half asleep and we're told Peter doesn't know what he's saying when he starts talking about building tents. The following failure by the disciples to cast out a demon shows that they still haven't understood fully who and what Jesus is. What a great reading for the season of Lent!

# LOOKING AHEAD

## **Saturday 16 March**

- All day Hours of Grace – Church

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## **Monday 18 March**

- 10.30am Dominican Laity - Library

- 7.00pm Italian Prayer Group – Church

## **Tuesday 19 March**

- 9.30am Playgroup – Hospitality

- 9.30am Scripture Group – Library

## **Thursday 20 March**

- 9.00am Playgroup – Hospitality

## **Saturday 23 March**

- 7.15pm AA – Library

**Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick**  
*Rex Bowan, Vilma Ghouse, Henry Bendel and Paula Bendel*  
**and those whose anniversaries occur around this time**  
*Nunzia Zappala, Michele Grasso, Jorge Asido, Pat Boyle, Mary Karl, Don (D.A.T) Reay*  
**and the recently deceased**  
*Coral Ryan, Irene Moss*

## **Sacramental Calendar 2019**

**14/3** – Confirmation enrolments due

**16 & 17/3** – Confirmation Rite of Enrolments

**17/3** – Penance Prep session 2a

**19/3** – Penance Prep session 2b

**26/3** – Confirmation Activity session 1a

**31/3** – Confirmation Activity session 1b

**+++++VOLUNTEERS NEEDED+++++**

Volunteers are needed to help run the Confirmation Activity Session, must have an active BlueCard. If anyone is interested, please contact Shelly.

## **Sunday Funday 26 May 2019**

Over the years, our Parish Community has been very supportive of our *Craft and Jam Stall* at the Sunday Funday. We are still seeking donations of home-made jams, chutneys, pickles and craft items which will go on sale in May. If you are making produce or items which you would like to donate, would you please contact the Parish Office. Many thanks to those who have already provided craft items and sugar. All contributions are much appreciated.

The pastoral effectiveness of a celebration will be greatly increased if the texts of the readings, the prayers and the liturgical chants correspond as aptly as possible to the needs, the preparation and the culture of the participants... Hence in arranging the celebration of Mass, the priest should be attentive rather to the common spiritual good of the People of God, than to his own inclinations. He should also remember that choices of this kind are to be made in harmony with those who exercise some part in the celebration, including the faithful, as regards the

# Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday of Lent starting at 7pm and will continue through to Good Friday. All are welcome to attend.

## **Easter Roster 2019**

The Easter Roster is now out on the back table, please note you can only volunteer for **ONE** ministry per mass. Thank you.

## **Palm Fronds and Cyprus Pine branches – Palm Sunday**

We are currently putting a call out for anyone who have either palm fronds (that we can tie to the pews) or small Cyprus pine cuttings. We would need them on the Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> of April but not earlier as we need them to be as lively as possible. If you are able to assist please call the parish office.



## **Easter Eggs for the Great Easter Egg Hunt!**

For the past couple of years, Our Lady of Graces have been holding the Great Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday after the 9am Mass and we are coming back again! We are seeking donations of bags of small Easter eggs, if you have any that you would like to donate, could you please bring them to the Parish Office. Also, if anyone would like to volunteer to assist on the day please contact Ashleigh in the office. Thank you in advance.



## **Easter Timetable 2019**

### **II Rite of Reconciliation**

Tuesday 9 April at 7pm

### **Individual Reconciliation:**

Wednesday 10 April at 9.30am

Good Friday 19 April at 11am & 4pm

Holy Saturday 20 April at 11am & 3pm

### **Easter Ceremonies:**

**Holy Thursday: 18 April 7pm**

**Followed by Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until 10pm**

### **Good Friday: 19 April**

Stations of the Cross at 10am

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm

Italian Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm

### **Holy Saturday: 20 April**

Vigil Mass 7pm

Italian Vigil Mass 9.30pm

### **Easter Sunday: 21 April**

Mass 7am, 9am

Italian Mass 10.30am

**There will be NO 5.30pm Mass**





### Hours of Grace

Hours of Grace will be held here at Our Lady of Graces Parish this weekend in the church. Organised by Jesus Youth, the Hours of Grace will begin with the 8am Mass on Saturday and concluding at the 5.30pm Mass on Sunday. Come along and join in Eucharistic Adoration and silent prayer, as we head into Plenary Council 2020 and listening to what the Spirit is saying.

### PROJECT COMPASSION



Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia with her husband and children. Earning an income working in a local rubber plantation, her Dayak culture has relied on the rainforest for generations. However, due to land clearing, many indigenous people are losing their land and livelihoods. Through

eco-tourism training supported by Caritas Australia, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help lift communities in Indonesia out of poverty, and give them hope to protect our common home.**

**Lives change when we all give 100%.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### Teen's Retreat 2019

Teen's Retreat is a Catholic retreat organised for Teens, which includes up-lifting talks, praise and worship and Eucharistic celebrations etc with our very own Parish Priest, Fr Alex, as a key speaker for the program. The details regarding the program are listed below:

**Date:** 05 April 2019 (7PM) till 07 April 2019 (4PM).

**Venue:** James Byrne Centre, Highfields, Toowoomba.

**Participant Age group:** 14 to 17 years

**Key Resources:** Fr. Alex Vickers & Fr. Stanley Kozhichira

**Cost:** (including food and accommodation): \$185 per participant

**For registrations, please contact:**

- Jasmin Santhosh: 0402468520
- Diana Sony: 0470545331
- Shaan Gomez: 0431310577

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### Mission trip to Flores, Indonesia with Fr. Nev Yun 24 June – 4 July 2019

By going on mission you will experience the simple life and radiant joy of the Missionaries of the Poor brothers, and assist in caring for children with disabilities. Many volunteers are inspired and moved by the loving kindness of the brothers, and time spent with the children. For more information, please feel free to watch our video at <https://vimeo.com/mopsupporters/missiontrip>

You are all invited to our Information Day on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019, commencing after 8.30am Mass, Holy Family Church, 37 Ward St, Indooroopilly.**

For more information, please contact:

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### SOMETHING FUNNY

#### Poor Olive...



### CATHOLIC LEADER

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

- Pro-life advocates to campaign against Labor abortion policy
- The Brisbane archdiocese celebrates International Women's Day on March 8
- Political parties ramping up their pledges to combat domestic violence
- Church and state coming together in the euthanasia debate – palliative care is the true form of assisted dying
- New Catholic brand recaptures the spirit of early learning
- Brisbane parish offers 'ashes to go' to commuters at Springfield
- Blind Eye invites the community to drop-in for Mass at "Home"
- Camino pilgrimage inspires priest to journey with the joy and pains of others

\* PLUS a regional focus on Northern NSW

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