

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8.30am - 12.30pm
Tuesday - Thursday: 8.30am - 3.30pm
Friday: 8.30am - 12.30pm

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Facebook: Our Lady of Graces Catholic
Parish, Carina

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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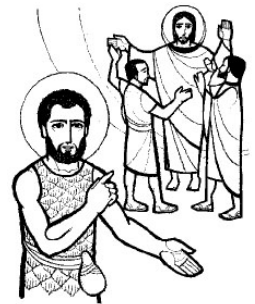
Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we consider the call to discipleship. The readings outline the various stages of this call and provide a sketch of some of the characteristics of each stage: the invitation, the discerning process and the resulting transformation.

The call is an invitation from God. It might come to us as inner sensitivity, a kind of a dream or inspiration. Our interest might be captured by a person or an event that first attracts us and then beckons us to investigate further. It can come in the innocence and naivete of childhood, in the vigour of young adulthood, or in the wisdom of years. It comes when God calls.

The second stage involves discernment. Most of us need help recognising moments of religious importance and so we seek out women and men who are practiced in the ways of God, who can help us test the spirit. They might be recognised religious leaders or prophetic guides, or they could be friends or loved ones who know us well and who are also attuned to the workings of God in their own lives.

Finally, when we respond to the call, we discover that we no longer belong solely to ourselves; as disciples, we belong to the body of Christ. We belong to the reign of God; we are now part of the mission of Christ. As disciples, we are called to proclaim to the world the justice of God. What a glorious honour this is!



Sunday Mass Bookings

Please continue to book to attend Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Graces Parish.

To book, go to www.carinacatholicparish.org.au and clicking on the "Mass Bookings" image. If you do not have internet access, call the parish during office hours on 3398 2977 to make a booking.



- Sunday 24 January
(Bookings now open & close Friday 22 January, 12 noon)
- Sunday 31 January
(Bookings open online on Sunday 17 January, 6.30pm)

Tips for Booking Online for Sunday Mass

1. Include the name of each person attending.
2. The "Address 1" field requires the house number and name of the street.
3. The "Address 2" is to be left blank.
4. The "City" field should have the suburb you live in (i.e. Carina).
5. Ensure all fields with the * (astricts) are filled in.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday 21 January

- 7.00pm RCIA Group – Library

Sunday 24 January

- 10.00am Baptism Preparation – Library

Let us remember in prayer all those who are sick and those whose anniversaries occur around this time Sean Duffy, Lyle Watson, Teresa Simento, Mary Murrinan **and the recently deceased** Cecil Jones, John Mahony, John Mooney.

Masks On in Places of Worship

The Queensland Government announced on 11 January that Churches may open for Masses, but face masks must be worn in Places of Worship by everyone in attendance (children under 12 years and people affected by a medical condition or disability are exempt) until 22 January. The priest is also required to wear a mask upon entering and exiting the Church. However, the priest may remove the mask as they begin Mass.

Handmade Face Masks

Handmade material face masks are still available for sale from the parish office for \$10 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.

Parish Office Hours, Mass Times & Reconciliation

At the time of publishing Spread the Word, the Parish Office is open and Mass Times are per the schedule on the front page of Spread the Word. If there are any sudden changes over the next week, due to restrictions, updates will be published on the parish website and Facebook page.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is currently only being celebrated via appointment by contacting the parish office.

Rosters for 2021

The rosters listed below are currently in the process of being prepared for 2021.

- Ministers of the Word (Readers)
- Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Data Projector Operators
- Music Ministry
- Washing of Purifiers

If you are involved in any of the above ministries and wish to change your commitment in any way, please advise the parish office by **12.30pm this Monday, 18 January 2021, at the very latest**. Rosters will be sent out during this week.

Australia Day Mass

Mass on Australia Day, Tuesday 26 January, will be celebrated at 8am only. The contact tracing list will be a combined 6.30am & 9.00am weekday list.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who is questioning about becoming a Catholic?

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program is starting up on *Thursday evenings, 7.00pm, in the Parish Library, from 21 January*. For further information about the RCIA program or to register for the program, contact the parish office.

Communion at Home Ministry

The parish is desperately looking for more people who would be interested in being part of the Communion at Home Ministry. The involvement would be once a month for 30 minutes. For further information or to express your interest in this ministry, contact either Suzanne Schultz on 0425 544 005 or the parish office.

Sacramental Program 2021

Penance (Year 5 / 10 years old)

The session dates handout for Penance, in February and March 2021, is available from the parish office.

Confirmation (Year 3 / 8 years old)

Enrolment forms are available from the parish office. Enrolments close on Thursday 25 February 2021.

2021 Planned Giving Envelopes

The parish office has a number of 2021 planned giving envelopes boxes which were not collected from the back of the church prior to Christmas. If you use planned giving envelopes and do not have your 2021 envelopes, please come into the parish office during office hours to collect them.

COVID-19 Outreach Initiative to Parishioners

A couple of our volunteer parishioners are ringing parish families randomly as part of a telephone outreach initiative, on behalf of the parish team, to check-in and see how you are going.



If you know of someone who would like a phone call or is in need of support, let the staff at the parish office know and they will add the person to the list of people for one of our volunteers to phone.

SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE

Are you experiencing financial hardship at this time?

Contact Vinnies on 1800 846 643.

A hand up not a hand out.

Lifeline - 13 11 14

Beyond Blue - 1800 512 348

Kids Helpline - 1800 551 800

MensLine Australia - 1300 78 99 78



Vocation View

A good Vocation prayer to say every day, from the time we are ten years old till we are ninety years old, is found in today's first Scripture Reading: 'Speak, Lord for your servant is listening.' Just try it with sincerity starting today. To talk to someone about your vocation, contact the Vocation Brisbane office on 1300 133 544, vocation@bne.catholic.net.au or visit their website www.vocationbrisbane.com.

