

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF BUNDABERG

The widow's perseverance with the unjust judge in today's Gospel is a sign of how we are called to persevere in prayer and never lose heart.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C ~ Hours of Sunday, Te Deum ~ Psalter Week 1 ~ 16th October 2016

CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Holy Rosary Catholic Church
Corner Barolin & Woongarra Streets Bundaberg CBD

St Patrick's Catholic Church
16 Powers Street Bundaberg West

St Mary's Catholic Church
Corner Barolin & Boston Streets Bundaberg South

St James' Catholic Church
38 See Street Bargara

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Principal - Dan McMahon

FOCUS by Denise Tuzes

On the 8th October 2016, thirty-four (34) Parishioners travelled to Gladstone for an Assembly of the Southern Deanery. Altogether ninety (90) people gathered, coming from Biloela, Moura, Theodore, Monto, Gladstone and Bundaberg.

Fr Trevor Trotter did an excellent job of facilitating the morning. Bishop Michael McCarthy addressed us about our mission and the role of all members of the Church. Bishop Michael also shared with us some diocesan facts.

The number of *Active Diocesan Priests* was quite confronting. We have eight (8) Active Diocesan Priests, eight (8) Priests from overseas, five (5) Religious, and eight (8) Retired Priests. We have only one (1) Seminarian. These numbers are challenging.

Fr. Trevor asked us to form into small groups of six (6) and discuss our experiences in our Parishes, any highlights, any challenges, and how to help each faith community. All the feedback from these groups will be collated and forwarded to each Parish Council. We will then share this information with all Parishioners.

I found the Assembly a very worthwhile experience. It was good to share our experiences and knowledge with other members of our Deanery. My hope is that we will be able to support and be supported by all Parishes in the Southern Deanery.

LITURGY SPOT

THE **PREFACE** is mistakenly understood as the prelude to the Eucharistic Prayer. In fact it *begins* the Eucharistic Prayer after an introductory dialogue. It is our first great acclamation of praise and thanksgiving to God. Its purpose is to surprise, and even wake us up to, the things that God has done. The preface has many variations and options depending on the occasion, the season, or the feast.

STEWARDSHIP

This week we thank all parishioners who follow the call of our Parish Mission Statement: *"In relationship with Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we serve joyfully as people beloved, gifted and called."*

Today's theme is perseverance - Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we, too, must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

JUSTICE & SUSTAINABLY

Living Justly.....Living Sustainably ~ Anti-Poverty Week begins tomorrow and has the theme *'Moving from humiliation and exclusion to participation. Ending poverty in all its forms.'* Poverty results from many interrelated factors. In committing to overcome it and the abuse of human rights we honour the human dignity of people living in poverty and the end to discrimination, humiliation and social exclusion. (www.overcomingpoverty.org)

YOUTH GROUPS
Blaze (Grades 3 - 6)
Sunday ~ 4:00pm - 5:00PM
Echo (High School)
Sunday ~ 6:30pm - 8:30pm
at Rossolini Place, 66 Woongarra Street
(Parish Office)



Jubilee of Mercy

Merciful like the Father

Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy

Instruct the Ignorant

"Who am I to judge?" These are probably the most famous words of Pope Francis. And of course the Holy Father is right. Our Lord himself teaches: "Judge not, that you be not judged" (Mt 7:1). Even he, to whom the Father has given the authority to judge (Jn 5:22) says, "I judge no one" (Jn 8:15). And yet this spiritual work of mercy – perhaps the most delicate one – encourages us to admonish the sinner. If we see someone heading toward an open manhole in the street while distracted by reading their mobile device, we have an obligation to get their attention and warn them that they are in danger. This is true for the moral manholes of life, too. If someone we love is developing habits that are self-destructive, we would be failing in love if we did not intervene.

But how can we do this in a way that will have positive results?

First, admonishment, like charity, begins at home. The first sinner I should be cautioning is me. When speaking of not judging others, Jesus admonishes us to deal with the plank in our own eye before attempting micro-surgery to remove the speck from another's eye. We should develop the habit of examining our conscience often and receiving the Lord's forgiveness in the sacrament of reconciliation regularly. One clue to guide our self-examination may be to look at what we find wrong in others. A day of recollection and an annual retreat also offer occasions to take stock of ourselves. If we are honestly aware of our own shortcomings, we will approach another person with compassion and sympathy.

Second, fraternal correction should be truly fraternal: it is aimed at helping the other person improve, not at making me feel better because I've gotten something off my chest. The Letter of James urges us to be quick to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger, because "human anger does not work God's righteousness" (Jas 1:20). Finger-pointing and scolding do not help the other person (or ourselves, for that matter). We should only offer counsel after mature reflection, and never in the heat of anger.

Third, we should speak to our erring brother or sister about the matter, and not to anyone else. Our Lord directs us: "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and tell them their fault, between the two of you alone" (Mt 18:15). When we gossip about a person's perceived or real failings we are guilty of the sins of detraction or calumny, which, according to the Catechism, "offend against the virtues of justice and charity" (CCC 2479). There may be circumstances in which a person's behavior is so damaging to themselves and others that we might need to ask one or two others to assist us, but the right to a good reputation demands that the matter still be treated confidentially.

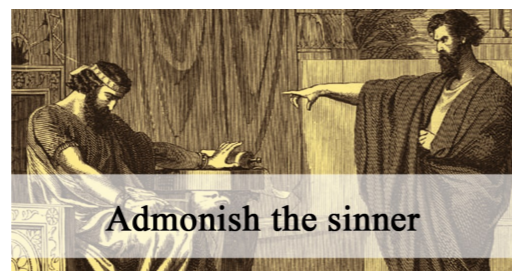
Fourth, we should make it abundantly clear that the concern we raise does not diminish our love for the other person. If even God, who is justice itself, sends rain on the just and the unjust (Mt 5:45), who are we sinners to withhold our love from another person because of their failings? God does not love us because we are good; we are good (and become better) because God loves us. Our final word of admonishment should be a word of unconditional love.

SUNDAY MASSES
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
23rd October 2016

SATURDAY
 6:00pm St Patrick's

SUNDAY
 Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19;
 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18;
 Lk 18:9-14.

7:00am St James'
 8:00am Holy Rosary
 9:00am St Mary's
 5:30pm Holy Rosary



Admonish the sinner

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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Please Note: All times marked with * are a Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Monday 17 th Oct St. Ignatius of Antioch	Tuesday 18 th Oct	Wednesday 19 th Oct	Thursday 20 th Oct	Friday 21 st Oct	Saturday 22 nd Oct
Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21.	2 Tim 4:10-17; Lk 10:1-9.	Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48.	Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53.	Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59.	Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9.
9:00am St Patrick's	9:00am St James' * 12:15pm Holy Rosary *	8:00am Shalom 5:30pm St Patrick's	6:30am St Mary's * 10:00am St Mary's	12:15pm Holy Rosary	7:30am St Mary's *

20/10/2016 : St Mary's (Anointing Mass)

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 9:00am - 10:00am at Holy Rosary Church or by Appointment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR BAPTISMS

This weekend, through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcomed **William John Cervellin; Charlotte Ann Therese Dasecke; Noah Paul Downs** and **Mila Mary McKeown**.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Catherine Roche (Rockhampton); Margaret Rose Althaus (Brisbane); Barbara McNaught (Cooroy); Mary Kavanagh (Rosewood); Quinto "Serge" De Paoli; Frances Steemson; Clem Healey; John Cawte (Brisbane); Fr Mick Skehan (Toowoomba); Sr Monica Agnes RSM; Ray Jackson; Mary Prusa (nee Barry) (USA); Col South (Kingaroy); Marj Tozer; Sr Josephine McMahon RSM (Rockhampton); Joy Lear (Fr Brian Hanifin's Sister); Stephen Little (Fr Bruce's Father); Cliff Diamond; Emanuel Borg; Alistair Langhorn; Daphne 'Jem' Ireland; Betty Charles (Bev Lever's Mother); Clare Thomsen (NSW); Florence "Flo" Grant.

DATE CLAIMERS

ANTI-POVERTY WEEK

16-22 October 2016

For information and ideas, visit the website, or email apw@antipovertyweek.org.au or call 1300 797 290 www.antipovertyweek.org.au



Pregnancy & Infant Loss Memorial Service
 For the parents of babies who died too soon before, during or after birth.

Holy Rosary Catholic Church
Monday 17th October 2016
7:00pm

For you created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mother's womb. For the wonder of who I am, I praise you safe in your hands, all creation is made new. Psalm 139

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A Family Session on "Baptism & Confirmation" will be held on Sunday, 23rd October 2016 at 10:30am **OR** on Wednesday, 26th October 2016 at 7:00pm in the Parish Office.

For more information, contact the Parish Office.

BUNDABERG ORPHEUS SINGERS PRESENTS

LIGHTER SHADES OF GOLD!

SUNDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2016

TIME: 2 PM

PERFORMING ARTS PRECINCT SHALOM COLLEGE

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$18

STUDENTS/SENIORS \$12

INCLUDES AFTERNOON TEA

RAFFLE WITH GREAT PRIZES

Come along, bring a friend and enjoy a wonderful afternoon.

Are You a Past Pupil of St Mary's School Bundaberg?

We are looking for Volunteers who are able to participate in our Year 2 History Morning.

When: Tuesday, 8th November 2016

Where: St Mary's School Library

Time: 9am (followed by Morning Tea)

What will you need to do?

All we need are people who will talk with students and answer their questions about what St Mary's School was like 'way back when' and to bring along any old photos; report cards; uniforms or other bits and pieces.

For more information, please contact Liz O'Sullivan on 4152 2167 or via email elizabeth_osullivan@rok.catholic.edu.au.



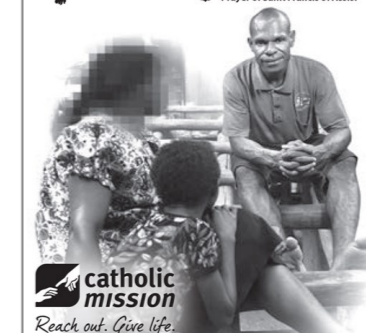
PARISH NEWS

CHRISTMAS MASS MINISTRIES

Could all Ministers who will be here for Christmas please write your name on the list at the front door of the Church? Rosters for the Christmas Masses need to be prepared now. Thank you.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace

Next weekend our Parish will hold the **Annual World Mission Appeal**.



This year we are invited to reach out & support local community leaders in Papua New Guinea to engage with their people, help them heal the wounds caused by domestic violence & broken relationships, & find peace through mercy.

Please come prepared next weekend & give generously.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/PNG

MOUNTAINS

A Place Where Heaven And Earth Meet by Fr Morgan Batt

"If you tell the mountains to move and they don't - then climb them"

Here are a few stories of my ups and downs. The humour, the horror, the sadness, the joy, the blessings and the beauty of some of the places where heaven and earth meet.

Are you a Widow? Would you like to be part of a Group where you can meet & support others in like circumstances?

Please contact Denise Tuzes at the Parish Office on 4151 6666.

Amor ~ The Joy of Love

Amor is a high-quality, colour magazine style booklet inspired by Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*.

The magazine contains thoughtful, informative reflections, inspirational articles exploring the complexity of modern family and is visually rich with striking imagery.

Amor is available at the front door of all Churches & from the Parish Office for the cost of a \$2 donation. (Limited Copies Available).