

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF BUNDABERG

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, we know that if we want to experience the mercy of God, then we have to be merciful ourselves. We cannot set ourselves up in judgement of others.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C ~ Hours of Sunday, Te Deum ~ Psalter Week 2 ~ 23rd October 2016

CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Holy Rosary Catholic Church Comer Barolin & Woongarra Streets Bundaberg CBD

St Patrick's Catholic Church 16 Powers Street Bundaberg West

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

St James' Catholic Church 38 See Street Bargara

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The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg Bundaberg NET Team

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Principal - Madonna Davitt

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - (07) 4152 1380 www.saintpatricks.qld.edu.au Principal - Mark Fox

Shalom College - (07) 4155 8111 www.shalomcollege.com Principal - Dan McMahon

FOCUS by Fr John Daly

This weekend we celebrate Mission Sunday. Each of us is called to Mission. The identity of the Church is to be missionary. Mission happens locally in our Parish and also overseas. This weekend we are asked to support those on Mission in other countries by being generous with this Annual Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal.

Below are just a couple of thoughts on Mission from Pope Francis.

My mission of being in the heart of the people is not just a part of my life or a badge I can take off; it is not an "extra" or just another moment in life. Instead, it is something I cannot uproot from my being without destroying my very self. I am a mission on this earth; that is the reason why I am here in this world.

Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (No. 273)

The word of God constantly shows us how God challenges those who believe in him "to go forth".

In our day Jesus' command to "go and make disciples" echoes in the changing scenarios and ever new challenges to the Church's mission of evangelisation, and all of us are called to take part in this new missionary "going forth". Each Christian and every community must discern the path that the Lord points out, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the "peripheries" in need of the light of the Gospel.

Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (No. 20)

LITURGY SPOT

THE DISMISSAL RITES, which conclude the Mass, are simple and brief. "If they are necessary" (GIRM 90) brief announcements are given, followed by the blessing and words of dismissal. We have four new options for the words of dismissal. They each begin with the same word "Go", and have the same message: make a difference in the world this week. "Thanks be to God" is a statement of thanks for what we have celebrated and for the ability to go as Eucharistic people to be missionary disciples.

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."

Both the first reading and today's psalm say clearly that the Lord hears the cry of the poor. Have I been given the gifts - of time or money or abilities - to be the means by which God answers their need?

JUSTICE & SUSTAINABLY

Living Justly.....Living Sustainably ~ Pope Francis reminds us that 'care for nature is part of a lifestyle which includes the capacity for living together and communion...we need one another...we have a shared responsibility for others and the world.' Laudato Si 228,229

We can all reflect on how we live out our responsibility to others and the world.



Jubilee of Mercy Merciful like the Father

Corporal & Spíritual Works of Mercy Comfort the Sorrowful

It is said that friendship doubles our joy and divides our grief. That's true: good news becomes better when we can share it, and the burden of sorrow is lighter when there is more than one person to carry it. This is the straightforward counsel of St. Paul: "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep" (Rom 12:15). Most of us feel pretty inadequate in the face of another's suffering. We are afraid we might say the wrong thing or attempt to get out of the awkward situation by mouthing some platitude like, "I know how you feel." As daunting as this work of mercy appears, however, in one way it is the easiest to perform because often the best comfort we can provide comes from doing and saying nothing, but just by being there with our grieving friend. There are no magic words that make the pain vanish, but there are the looks and touches that say, "You're not alone."

As with other works of mercy, this one calls for delicacy. People grieve in different ways, so there is no simple formula for giving comfort. One very practical suggestion is, when a loved one experiences some kind of shock or loss, turn a few pages in your calendar and jot a note to get in touch in a month or so to see how they are doing. There is often a flurry of sympathy when tragedy strikes, but after a few weeks the afflicted person finds that people have moved on to other concerns. Sorrows don't space themselves out, and it is understandable that subsequent events distract people. If we make a note to get in touch from time to time, our small doses of sympathy will be more effective – like those "time release" capsules that provide medicine over a period of time. Our comfort can take practical forms, too. Especially in the aftermath of a death or some other catastrophic event, the suffering person not only has to deal with their grief, but there may be concerns that now have become their responsibility - taking care of business, managing the house, looking after children. An occasional helping hand can bring great comfort.

A time of sorrow can be, even with its difficulties, a unique time of grace. St. Paul knew this. He suffered many things because of his fidelity to Christ, but he also knew a tremendous inner peace that came from God. At the beginning of his Second Letter to the Corinthians he gave thanks for this: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God" (2 Cor 1:3-4).

If in our own times of sorrow we tap into the divine consolation that comes to us from "the God of all comfort", we will be able to extend more than our own human sympathy to those who are suffering. We can bring them the sympathy of Jesus himself who, even though he was about to raise Lazarus from the dead, wept at his tomb and mingled his sorrow with that of the dead man's two sisters. Our God is a God of compassion, who shares our suffering, and a God of comfort, who shares his strength. His appeal to us, as to the prophet of old, is: "Comfort, comfort my people, says your God"(Is 49:14).

SUNDAY MASSES

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th October 2016

> **SATURDAY** 6:00pm St Patrick's

> > SUNDAY

Wis 11:22 - 12:2; 2Thess 1:11 - 2:2; Lk 19:1-10.

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



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

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

| Monday 24th Oct | Tuesday 25th Oct | Wednesday 26th Oct | Thursday 27th Oct | Friday 28th Oct Sts Simon & Jude | Saturday 29th Oct |
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| Eph 4:32 - 5:8; Lk 13:10-17. | Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21. | Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30. | Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35. | Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19. | Phil 1:18-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11. |
| 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 * |

24/10/2016 : Mater (Cancelled) | 24/10/2016 : 2:00pm Meilene (Anointing) | 25/10/2016 : Gracehaven (Cancelled) 27/10/2016 : 9:30am Carinity (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 Monica Bonolo Chloe Jele; Daniel Jacob Martin; Elaina Marli Van Niiekerk; and Lilliana Belle White.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Carmela Cavallaro: Gina Gonzales (Philipines): Catherine Roche (Rockhampton); Margaret 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 (Bey Lever's Mother); Clare Thomsen (NSW); Florence "Flo" Grant.

DATE CLAIMERS

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 Anne Sheehan at the Parish Office.

BUNDABERG ORPHEUS SINGERS



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?

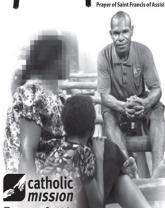
All we need are people who will talk with students and answer their questions about what St Mary's School was like 'way back when' and to bring along any old photos; report cards; uniforms or other bits and pieces.

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

PARISH NEWS

Lord, make me an instrument of

Through its partnership with Mercy Works, Catholic Mission supports community lead at 11



supports community leaders like Steven Dude in Papua New Guinea to engage with their communities and be instrument of peace, so they can find consolation, understanding and love, and heal the wounds caused by domestic violence and broken relationships. By supporting the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal today, or by partnering with us through your monthly gift, you are helping community leaders in Papua New Guinea receive training so they can advocate for their communities and allow them to find peace through mercy.

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

THANK-YOU!

This week a cheque for \$24,296.21 was forwarded to the St Brigid's Drought-Relief Committee in Longreach. This was made up of \$14,296.21 raised by menALIVE through fund-raising activities this year.

Fr John Daly and the Parish Finance Council added another \$10,000.00 from the Parish.

Special thanks to all Parishioners for their generous contribution this year!

Joe McCorley men

(Co-ordinator of menALIVE Parish Ministry)

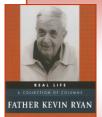
The November Edition of the Word Amona Us is now available for collection from the Parish Office.

RENEWAL NOTICE

Please contact the Parish Office by Friday, 4th November 2016 to either confirm or subscribe to the 2017 Word Among Daily Meditations. Thank you.

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.



REAL LIFE A COLLECTION OF COLUMNS by FR. KEVIN RYAN

From 1994 to 2011, Fr Kevin Ryan wrote columns for *The Catholic Leader*.

As a tribute to the memory of this much loved Priest, this book is the 4th of a Series that will form a compendium of all his written pieces.

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WORLD NEWS

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The Journey Catholic Radio Program: www.jcr.org.au Year of Mercy Daily Inspiration: www.LiveMercy.org