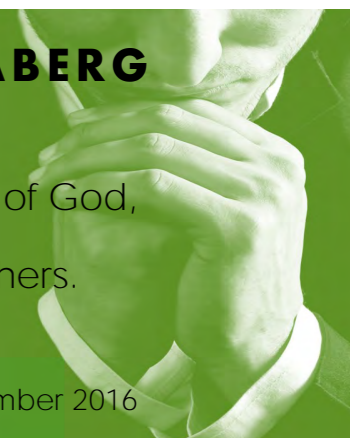


# HYMNS, READINGS, RESPONSES & ACCLAMATIONS



## 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.



32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year C ~ Hours of Sunday, Te Deum ~ Psalter Week 4 ~ 6<sup>th</sup> November 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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*Associate Pastor* - Fr Andrew Hogan  
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*Stewardship & Adult Faith Co-ordinator* - Nadia Fregonese  
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*Principal* - Kaye Beston

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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 Denise Tuzes

Our parish has completed 4 sessions on Understanding Dementia. This was very well attended with over 60 people at each session. It was an indicator that many of our parishioners are wanting more knowledge on dementia, what it is, and what we can do for sufferers and carers. At our first session we watched a movie called Still Alice which may be borrowed from our parish office if you would like to view it.

Our second session was presented by Denise Hodder, dementia advisor from Ozcare. Denise's session was well received and very informative. She spoke to us about what is dementia, and how to access knowledge, advice and assistance. For the last 40 minutes Denise took questions from the floor and her knowledge was very evident.

At our third session Vince and Lorrae O'Rourke spoke about the carer's retreat they run from their home in Nambour, and Vince talked on caring for his wife who had early age onset dementia. Vince kept a daily diary, from which he wrote a book called "I wish I was a Leper". It is a very realistic book which graphically portrays what happens to a dementia sufferer and how a carer tries to cope with the situation. We have a copy of this book at our office and you are welcome to borrow it.

At our final session, Laura Batt a counsellor from Centacare, spoke to us on the importance of caring for the carer. We then discussed two questions (1) Having listened to the sessions what are some of the main things that you have heard? (2) What would you like to see the church community put in place for people with dementia and their carers? We collated all the feedback. A small committee will now be formed to see how our parish can better care for dementia sufferers and their carers.

How can you help? Be alert and observant as to how fellow parishioners, who may have dementia, or are caring for someone, are coping. Ask if they would like a visit and if so let me know.

### LITURGY SPOT

THE MASS consists in some sense of two parts, namely the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, these being so closely interconnected that they form but one single act of worship. For in the Mass is spread the table both of God's Word and of the Body of Christ, and from it the faithful are to be instructed and refreshed. *GIRM 28*

### STEWARDSHIP

*In today's second reading, St. Paul prays that the Thessalonians may be strengthened "in every good deed and word." May we too, be strengthened and empowered to use our time and talents for the good of others.*

### JUSTICE & SUSTAINABLY

#### Living Justly.....Living Sustainably

Today begins the International Week for Science and Peace which renews the commitment to science for peace and development, for the benefit of society. Pope Francis says in Laudato Si when science is well directed it can 'produce important means of improving the quality of life'. *It is our responsibility to speak out when this is not so.*



# Jubilee of Mercy

Merciful like the Father

## Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy Comfort the Sorrowful

This is probably the hardest work of mercy on the list. In every other work, we are called to share what we have, but when it comes to forgiveness, we might find that our hearts are shut tight. And yet forgiveness is God's primary concern, and he wants it to become ours too. We are celebrating a Jubilee year, which in the Old Testament was a time when all debts were written off. It is not easy for us to tear up the IOU for past offenses we wave in the face of our debtors. But we must tear up that IOU. Our Lord states categorically: "If you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive yours" (Mt 6:15). Jesus is very precise in what he demands. How often should we forgive? Peter thought he was generous in suggesting seven times, but Jesus responded, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven" (Mt 18:22). Can we "forgive but not forget"? Jesus says the Father will punish those who do not forgive from the heart (Mt 18:35). The stumbling block for many of us in this work of mercy comes in the adverb: forgive offenses *willingly*.

In the prayer that Jesus taught us, we ask God to forgive us our trespasses "as we forgive those who trespass against us." That is probably a prayer we would not want answered literally: so often we bestow forgiveness begrudgingly, with gritted teeth. Our starting point should not be the forgiveness we are willing to extend, but the forgiveness we have received. St. Paul exhorted the Ephesians to be kind to one another, "forgiving one another as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph 4:32). Every time we look at a Crucifix we see how God has forgiven us in Christ – with a love that bears all things, endures all things, without coming to an end. God forgives generously, down to the last breath of his Son's body. The Fathers of the Church were fond of saying that God's forgiveness of our sins was an even greater miracle than creation, because it came at such a high price.

So we can start on the path of forgiving others by opening our hearts to God's mercy ourselves. When, by regular celebration of the sacrament of reconciliation, I have experienced the healing and liberating grace of divine mercy, then I will be freed up to let go of past hurts and be as willing to forgive as I am to receive forgiveness. And my gesture of forgiveness plays its part in the Church's mission of reconciliation: to be sure, if someone who has offended me repents and goes to confession, their sin is forgiven. Christ and his Church act through the priest to absolve the sin, but my forgiveness should be at work there, too, even if neither the priest nor the penitent is conscious of it. We know that we are called to be stewards of creation; how marvellous that we are also called to be stewards of God's greater gift of mercy

What if the person who offended us does not ask for forgiveness? Here we can learn from the behavior of the father in the parable of the Prodigal Son. On the one hand, he allowed the son to "come to himself" in his own time; on the other, the fact that he ran out to meet his wayward son as soon as he spied him on the horizon shows that he had long since forgiven him. The young man never even got to finish his carefully rehearsed apology. The older brother refused to forgive his wayward sibling, and Jesus ends the story with a question mark: does the older brother heed his father's appeal to rejoice because his brother was dead and is now alive? The question mark stands over us, too. Are we willing to rejoice in God's limitless mercy toward others? St. Thomas called forgiveness "the perfection of charity." This work of mercy calls us to imitate our heavenly Father.

### SUNDAY MASSES

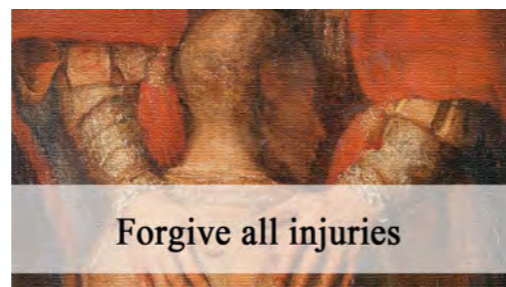
33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

13<sup>th</sup> November 2016

SATURDAY  
6:00pm St Patrick's

SUNDAY  
Mal 3:19-20;  
2 Thess 3:7-12;  
Lk 21:5-19.

7:00am St James'  
8:00am Holy Rosary  
9:00am St Mary's  
11:00am Carinity  
5:30pm Holy Rosary



Forgive all injuries

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### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

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

Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov St Leo the Great	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov St Martin of Tours	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov St Josaphat
Titus 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6.	Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10.	Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Jn 2:13-22.	Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25.	2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37.	3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8.
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	12:15pm Holy Rosary 5:30pm Holy Rosary	7:30am St Mary's*

09/11/2016 : Millbank (Cancelled)  
11/11/2016 : 2:30pm Pioneer South (Anointing Mass)

### RECONCILIATION

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

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Terry WHITWORTH; Hubert John CLASSEN; John BESTON (Redbank); Barry RAXWORTHY (Sydney); Jocelyn CONNOLLY (Brisbane); Carmela CAVALLARO; Gina GONZALES (Philippines); Catherine ROCHE (Rockhampton); Margaret ALTHAUS (Brisbane); Barbara McNAUGHT (Cooroy); Mary KAVANAGH (Rosewood); Quinto "Serge" DE PAOLI; Frances STEEMSON; Clem HEALEY.

### DATE CLAIMERS

The Chaplaincy Academy Brisbane will be running a Chaplaincy Course next year. Students will do 2 blocks of 10 training classes and 2 blocks of supervised Pastoral visiting of 80 hours. This Course would require travelling to the Sunshine Coast for classes. Anyone interested in completing a Chaplaincy Course please contact Denise at the Parish Office 41516666.

### The Pageant of Lights Parade Thursday 01 December

Each year the Catholic Parish of Bundaberg takes part in the Pageant of Lights Parade on the first Thursday in December. We witness to the true meaning of Christmas with a glowing nativity scene complemented by *Twilight*, the donkey, wise men, shepherds, angels and a team of parishioners proclaiming the Christ-child as their light, holding their (battery-powered) candles high. It is a joyful event and a wonderful opportunity to witness to the Good News – God's kingdom come among us. Alleluia!

### CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT Friday 09 December 2016 Bundaberg Recreational Precinct

**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, 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:elizabeth_osullivan@rok.catholic.edu.au).

**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.

## PARISH NEWS

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM



Next session for parents and children will be this Sunday 06 November 10.30am, or Wednesday 09 November 7.00pm in the Parish Office

### Farewell NET Team

Sadly the NET Team's time with us is coming to an end.

To give Praise & Thanks to God for them & their good work a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 5:30pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November in Holy Rosary Church. This will be followed by a Parish BBQ.

If you'd like to bring a plate of nibbles or dessert to share it will be gratefully received.

### The Bundaberg CWL Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2016  
Leprechaun Room, Brothers Club  
6:00pm (6:30pm start)

Cost of the Dinner is \$25 & to be paid at the Parish Office no later than 12noon, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Please RSVP by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to the Parish Office if attending - 41516666.

**Don't forget a gift for Secret Santa.** Contact Maureen ~ 4152 1263 for more information.

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Family and friends of our recently dearly departed are invited to a Memorial Service which will be held on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 at 7:00pm in the Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

Please RSVP by Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to the Parish Office if attending ~ Ph. 4151 6666.

~ All Welcome ~

### THANK YOU:

Sincere thanks to all from Shirley Pitts and Ted Carey for everyone's kindness in visiting them, praying for them, and offering support, during both their recent times of hospitalisation.

Many thanks also from the families of Clem Healey and Betty Williams for the kindness and compassion extended to them during their recent times of sorrow. The prayers, expressions of sympathy and Mass cards were a source of great comfort and very much appreciated during these difficult times.

### WORLD NEWS

**Pope Francis' Daily Homily :** [www.radiovaticana.va](http://www.radiovaticana.va)  
National Catholic Reporter : [www.ncronline.org](http://www.ncronline.org)  
National Jesuits News : [www.jesuit.org](http://www.jesuit.org)  
UCAN : [www.ucanews.com](http://www.ucanews.com)  
The Journey Catholic Radio Program : [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au)  
Year of Mercy Daily Inspiration : [www.LiveMercy.org](http://www.LiveMercy.org)