

St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish Camp Hill



No. 32

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

13th August 2023

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Office hours

8:30 am - 1:30pm: M/T/Th/F

MASS TIMES:

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8.30am & 5.30pm

Weekday Eucharist

Monday & Tuesday: 7.00am

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday &

Public Holiday: 9.00am

Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00pm-5.20pm

Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday After 9am Mass

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I HOPE IN THE LORD, I TRUST IN HIS WORD

FIGHT FEAR WITH FAITH.... A businessman was late for his flight. He reached the boarding gate just before it closed. Sweating and out of breath, he scanned his boarding pass at the counter and quickly made his way to the plane. Arriving at his seat, he greeted his companions including a little girl at the window side. After the flight took off, he began a conversation with the little girl. The little girl appeared to be about the same age as his daughter and was busy with her colouring book. He asked her a few of the usual questions, and he found it strange that such a young girl would be traveling alone.

About an hour into the flight, the plane suddenly began experiencing extreme turbulence. The pilot announced that everyone should fasten their seat belts and remain calm, as they had encountered rough weather. Some people began crying and the man was sweating and clenching his seat as tightly as he could, and exclaim Oh my God! with each increasingly violent shake of the plane. Meanwhile, the little girl was sitting quietly beside him in her seat. Incredibly, she didn't seem worried at all.

The pilot came on a few minutes later to apologize for the uncomfortable ride and to announce that they would be landing soon. As the plane began its descent, the man said to the little girl, "You are just a little girl, but I have never met a braver person in all my life! Tell me, dear, how is it that you remained so calm while all of us adults were so afraid?" Looking him in the eye, she said, "My father is the Pilot, and he is taking me home."

Let us approach Jesus with the same strong faith in His ability and desire to calm the storms in our life. It is the presence of Jesus which gives us peace even in the worst situations: times of sorrow, doubt, tension and uncertainty, when we are overwhelmed with anxiety and dread, filled with anger and despair, or struggling with temptations. Storms reveal to us our weakness, or inability to save ourselves and lead us to rely on the infinite ability of God to rescue us. When we draw closer to Jesus in our turbulent times, we find that we gain strength to do the seemingly impossible. Therefore, through His grace, we acknowledge God's presence in our lives. As we become more aware, we step out and share that presence, even in surprising places.

Blessings,
Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

We at St Thomas' Parish acknowledge the Yuggera people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we gather. We pay our respects to elders - past, present and emerging, who have walked and cared for this land for thousands of years.

Parish News & Notices

We remember in our prayers

The sick: Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Sue Douglas, Tom Grant, Lauren Balcombe, Lola Radford, Sonia Mendez, Fr Ron Mollison, Sue Lamb, Megan Bowden, Carmel Horn, Fr Ian Wren, Lynn Toon, June Colch, Judith Angela, Alex Stegman, Kui Liu, Eileen MacDermott, Lorraine O'Leary, Shirley Mead, Don Cattnach, Barry Ahern, Rod Grove, Sr Belen, Trish Buckle & Annette Bongiorno.

Recently Deceased: Joan Theresa Matthews & Elvira Suter.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joan Dennis, Jack Glockner, Mary Ellis, Hilda Burke, Elizabeth Ives, Corliss Newman, Terence Sullivan, Dorothy Traynor, Maureen Morrissey, Eulalie Patterson, John Seppanen, Graham Underwood, John Proudfoot, Eileen Dendle, Athol Wild, Lee Hunt, Ted Hanns, Bill O'Brien, Helen Bemrose, Fay Gee, Lurlene Kent, Annie Buckley, John Ashwell, Dermott Casey, Margaret Moffat, Peter Riley, Alice Pacey, Lynette Buesel, Diana Calvisi, Lance Fry, Betty Watt, Dot Kelly, Daphne Waller, Shirley Tessman and Hilary Petrie.



Our parish has a Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) who is dedicated to promoting safeguarding messages and practices, and available to assist with any questions, concerns, disclosures, incidents or complaints. **Our LSR is David Colch at lsr.stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au.** If you wish to remain anonymous, please contact **STOPLINE** on 1300 304 550, aob@stopline.com.au or www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please consider giving to our Planned Giving Program. Your continued support for our Parish is much appreciated.

Collections & Planned Giving: BSB:064-786
Acc: 100012966

Baptisms/Sacrament Programs/ Donations/
All other deposits:- Name: Camp Hill Parish
BSB:064-786 Acc: 100005597

* We also have Tap n Go facility in the Church premises.
Thank you for your generosity.

The Week Ahead

Sun - 13th August	Mass @ 8.30am & 5.30pm
Mon - 14th August	Mass @ 7am Memorial of St Maximilian Kolbe
Tue - 15th August	Mass @ 9am The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed - 16th August	Mass @ 9am
Thu - 17th August	Mass @ 9am
Fri - 18th August	Mass @ 9am
Sat - 19th August	Mass @ 5.30pm
Sun - 20th August	Mass @ 8.30am & 5.30pm

Baptisms

We welcome...

Carmen Ruiz Bat-



stone daughter of Ramon Ruiz & Catherine Batstone, **Emily Husband** daughter of Anthony & Bernice Husband, **Lucas Edgar** son of Thomas & Lucy Edgar and **Carter & Grace Lonerganson** and daughter of Michael & Kate Lonergan *being baptised in our Church this weekend. May Jesus, who loves all children, bless your precious child with love and peace on this special day and always.*

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you are new to the Parish or have recently moved into this area, we warmly welcome you and your family. We invite you to join our Parish. Please contact the Parish Office on 33981154 or email : stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC PARISH

STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 TO 2027

Find out more about our Strategic Plan. To access the Booklet, please visit the Parish website for an electronic copy.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

The Weekly Round-Up

The August issue is now available in the church for **just \$4 per copy**, or **subscribe to the weekly email**. Please use only the Poor Box at the back of the church for coin donations to St Vincent de Paul and the box on the wall near the hall side entrance to the church to pay for the Leader. Thank you.

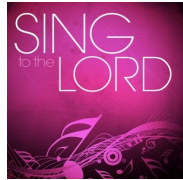
Quote of the week

One of the happiest moments of life is when you find the courage to let go things you cannot control.



**PLEASE TAKE
NOTE:-
15th of August
(Tuesday)**

Feast of Assumption
Mass will be celebrated at **9.00am** instead of 7.00am. Thank you.
Parish Office.



MUSICIANS & SINGERS

Our Parish Music Ministry needs your help! We're calling all musicians and singers to help us raise our hearts and minds in song during mass. No experience in leading the congregation is necessary, we will teach you that part. Any parishioners who know how to play keyboard, piano, organ or guitar or can hold a tune (all singers) please call or text Melissa Chong (Music Coordinator) on 0467220461.



Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

Becoming Catholic! A Journey of Faith RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith? Welcome! The Catholic Church's mission is to offer people of all ages and backgrounds the opportunity to deepen their understanding and relationship with Jesus Christ. Becoming Catholic involves a journey of faith accompanied by the support of a parish community. This process is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). During the RCIA process, you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith. Ceremonies or 'rites' at each stage signify the steps along the way. If you or someone you know would like to know more about becoming Catholic or learning more about their Catholic faith as an adult, please contact: 3398 1154 Email: stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au.



QUEENSLAND 2023-2024 SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

**Official Launch of the Australian Catholic
Bishops Social Justice Statement**

**LISTEN, LEARN, LOVE:
A NEW ENGAGEMENT WITH ABORIGINAL
& TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES**

**Brother Damien Price will speak in
response to the Statement. Bishop Tim
Norton will be in attendance.**

DATE: Wednesday 23 August, 2023

7pm refreshments for 7.30pm start

**VENUE: St James Parish Hall
92 Kirkland Ave. Coorparoo**

PARKING: School and Church grounds

RSVP: app.tickets.org.au/eb/sjsstatement_2023

Entry via gold coin donation- Proceeds to St V de P Society

**Hosted by St. James
Coorparoo Social
Justice Ministry on
behalf of Bne East
Deanery & Bne Catholic
Justice, and Peace
Commission.**

**Save the date as we
would love to see you
there!**



Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

Enrolment/Commitment Weekend: 12/13 August - Saturday at 5.30pm mass and Sunday at 8.30am mass

Preparation Sessions:

**4 weekends commencing on
19 Aug until 10 Sept 2023**

**Saturday at 4.15pm – 5.15pm & Sunday at
9.30am -10.30am**

**Actual Celebration: Tuesday 12 September
2023 at 5.30pm**

National Vocation Awareness Week— National Vocation Awareness Week, which will be observed from 6 to 13 August, 2023 -Jesus calls us all to follow him – but where might he be leading me? Discover practical ways to discern your vocation. Hear from others how God has worked in their lives by drawing them to marriage, priesthood or religious life. The Vocations Awareness Week pamphlets are available at the Church doors this weekend. Please take a copy home. For the following Video link (Why be a Priest?), please click on the youtube link here: <https://youtu.be/FsbaZ9jkuUU>

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First Reading: (1 Kings 19:9.11-13)

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 84:9-14

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading: (Romans 9:1-5)

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.
Alleluia!

Gospel: (Matthew 14:22-33)

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

For the Children...

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Have faith

Time and time again, Jesus shows us that when our faith and belief in him are strong, then anything is possible, even walking on water.

LET US PRAY

Lord, give us the courage and faith of peter, whose belief was so strong that he could walk toward Jesus across the lake. In times of weakness, reach out your hand to us and rescue us from our doubts.



Readings for Next Sunday

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First Reading: Isaiah 56:1.6-7

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28
Woman, you have great faith.