

St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish Camp Hill



No. 1

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — YEAR B

21st January 2024

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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

PARISH TEAM:

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"The kingdom of God
is close at hand.
Repent, and believe
the Good News."

Mark 1:15

How do we respond to God's call? ...

A visitor was passing by the church when there were three men busily breaking stones and neatly polishing them. "What are you doing?" he asked the first. He replied that he was breaking stones. He asked the same question to the second and he responded that he was trying to earn a living to take care of his family. He asked the same question to the third worker breaking stones. He responded with a proud smile that he was building a Cathedral. Same work, similar profession but all three had different attitudes, so they responded to their call differently.

How Do I Respond to God's Call? God gave us certain talents and He wants us to do something for Him that nobody else can do. Realize also that it will make all the difference in the world how we respond to this plan. As members of the church, we are called to be disciples, followers of our Lord Jesus Christ. This has great implications as Jesus does not call us as nameless people rather He calls each one of us individually by name. The response of the disciples in this weekend's Gospel was immediate, total and wholehearted, without reservation. Jesus called them to be with Him and they simply said yes and went with Him. Their future was uncertain but theirs was indeed a complete act of trust and a total surrender of themselves to Jesus. Actually, they may not have had any idea where they were going and for what purpose. This was the extent of their great trust in this man who came out of nowhere into their lives and challenged them to leave behind their security and follow Him.

The mission Jesus gave to His disciples is the same instruction given to us every Sunday when we are dismissed, sent forth, from Mass. Jesus received His mission from the Father and set out to fulfil it after His baptism by John. At our sacramental baptism, each of us was anointed "priest, prophet, and king." By our baptism, we are summoned and given our mission to be bearers of the Good News - to preach repentance and mercy. We may not be traveling to nearby towns or distant shores in missionary work. Perhaps our own mission area is our family, our workplace, our school, or our neighbourhood. But each of us has the opportunity to respond to our baptismal call, on a daily basis.

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, Megan Bowden, Carmel Horn, Fr Ian Wren, Lynn Toon, Judith Angela, Alex Stegman, Kui Liu, Eileen MacDermott, Lorraine O'Leary, Shirley Mead, Don Cattnach, Rod Grove, Sr Belen, Trish Buckle, Elizabeth Rejmer, Trevor Farley & Evelyn Neave & Jan Effiney.

Recently Deceased: June Colch, Barry Ahern,

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Desmond Neave, Norma Lucas, Mervyn Scanlan, Pauline De Leacy, James Brown, Margaret Jones, Ellen Clarke, Mervyn Dean, Dorothy O'Brien, Florence Harris, Kevin Gee, Leo Burton, Vivian Aguila, Kenneth Russell, Norm White, Andrew Fleming, Maud Shannon, Olive Dean, Charlotte Gordon, Evelina Puntill, Thomas Mackenzie, Lea Trainor, Glen Carter, John Barker, Leo Ryan, Dennis Scott, Catherine Goodwin, Filippa Zammit, Russell Fitzpatrick, Ernest Swan, Ronald Henry, Ronald Ellis, Victoria Mercie, Tim O'Neil, William 'Bill' Spamm, Mary Hall, Myra Dickson, Teresa Simento, Josephine Podesta, Bruce McCormack, Joan Smith.



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.

St Thomas' Safeguarding Representatives:

Name: David & Veronica Colch

Contact: lsr.stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au

Please contact David or Veronica, if you have any questions or concerns regarding Child Safety in our parish. If you are not comfortable speaking to someone in the parish, or wish to make an anonymous disclosure, PLEASE

CONTACT **STOPLINE** on 1300 304 550,

aob@stopline.com.au; or

www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com an external service

The Week Ahead

Sun -21st January	Mass @ 8.30am & 5.30pm
Mon—22nd January	Mass @ 7am
Tue - 23rd January	Mass @ 7am
Wed -24th January	Mass @ 9am Memorial of St Francis de Sales
Thu -25th January	Mass @ 9am Feast of The Conversion of St Paul
Fri - 26th January	Australia Day Mass @ 9am
Sat - 27th January	Devotion of the Holy Rosary@ 7.30am— Church Mass @ 5.30pm
Sun -28th January	Mass @ 8.30am & 5.30pm

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

Baptisms

We welcome...

Edward Horwill son of

Lauren & James Horwill 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.**



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

8.30AM MASS EVERY SUNDAY

During School Term only.

PLAYGROUP

ST THOMAS PLAYGROUP



Come along and join our St Thomas mums & bubs every Monday (during School Term) in the Parish Hall from 9.30am to 11.00am.

For any enquiries, please email Amanda Bidston at amanda.bidston@outlook.com.

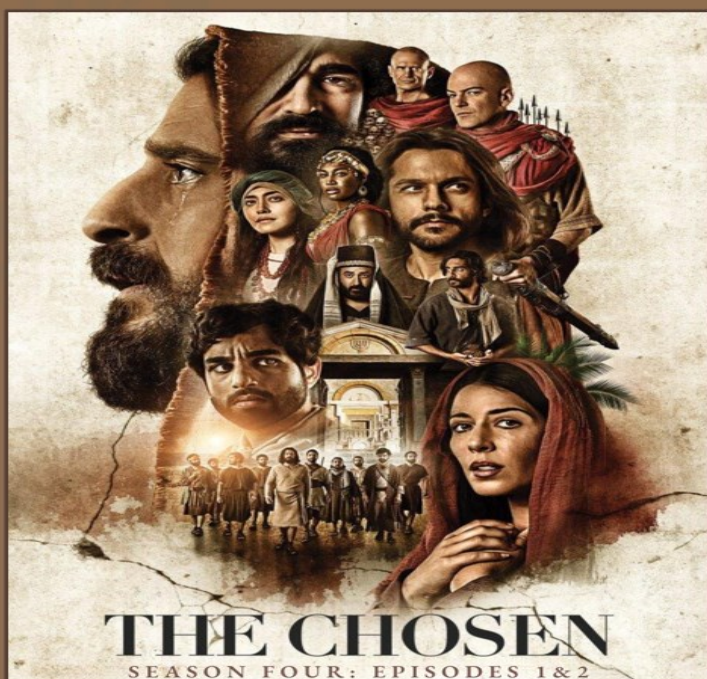
Quote of the week

Life never seems to be the way we want it, but we live in the best way we can.

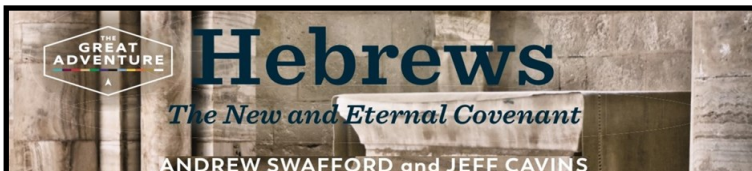
There is no perfect life But we can fill it with perfect moments....

**PLEASE!!
NOTE**

Australia Day Mass on Australia Day, this Friday 26 January, will be celebrated at **9am only**. The Parish Office will also be closed for the Public Holiday. Thank you.



Come join St Thomas Chosen fans at Garden City Cinemas to watch the start of Season 4!!
Sunday 4th Feb at 1pm
We'll gather in the foyer at 12.50pm



Brisbane East Deanery Scripture Group The Brisbane East Deanery will begin Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant, an 8-week study by Dr Andrew Swofford and Jeff Cavins, in the week starting Monday 22 January with daytime sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays and evening sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays. The course will finish in the week ending Friday 22 March. This study will highlight the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants and give participants an appreciation of the riches God has given them in the New Covenant. For more information or to register your interest, please contact Louise Simento on 0456 700 040.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane - Healing of the Family Mass

Where: St John's Church, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate.
When: 11.00am, Saturday 3 February Prayer Support Teams available after Mass, followed by BYO Lunch.

Enrolment in the Brown Scapular Saturday 3rd February at 8am

Is God calling you to a closer relationship with Him?

All grace comes to us through our Blessed Mother.

Become devoted to her and she will bring you closer to her Son Jesus.



Mother Mary promised St. Simon Stock (a Prior of the Carmelites) that all who are wearing the scapular at the hour of death, will be preserved from the eternal flames. The scapular is a sign of our devotion to her and a pledge of Mother Mary's protection.

All those who wish to be enrolled, please join us for the Rosary at 7.30am and Fr Dantus will begin the Blessing and Imposition with the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 8am.

Hope to see you there!

Sacramental Preparation 2024



First Reconciliation

Enrolment/Commitment and
Session 1 – 3/4 Feb
Session 2 – 10/11 Feb
Session 3 – 17/18 Feb
Session 4 – 24/25 Feb

Actual Celebration: Sat 2 March @3.30pm

Confirmation Preparation:

Parents Information Session – Wednesday 6 March @ 6.30pm

Enrolment/Commitment and
Session 1 – 9/10 March
Session 2 – 16/17 March
Session 3 – 23/24 March
Session 4 – 20/21 April

Rehearsal: Monday 29 April during school hours for St Thomas' children.

Actual Celebration: Wednesday 15 May @ 5pm and 7pm

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First Reading: (Jonah 3:1-5. 10)

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 7:29-31)

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News!
Alleluia!

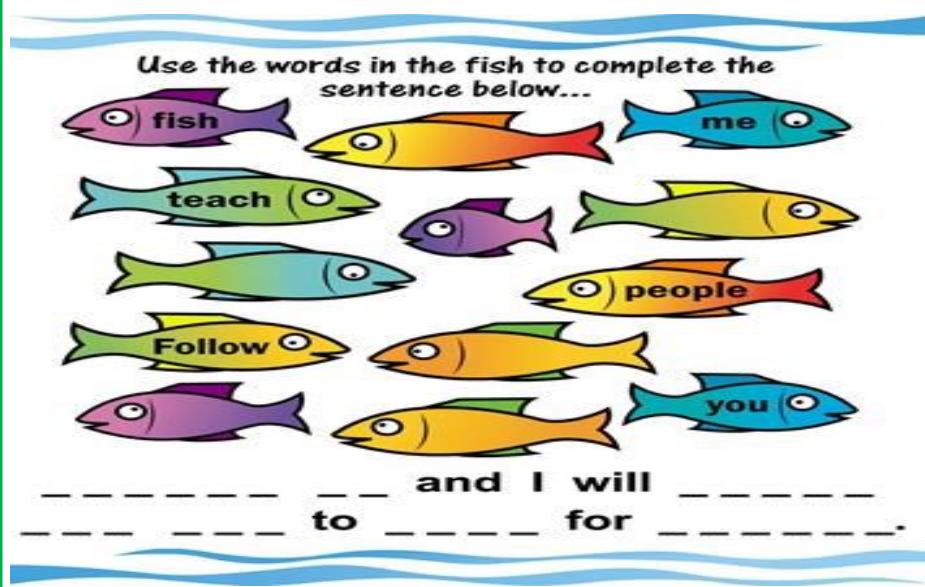
Gospel: (Mark 1:14-20)

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

For the Children...



Readings for Next Sunday

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.