

St Thomas the Apostle Parish Camp Hill



No. 27

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS TIMES:

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday	5.30pm
Sunday	8.30am
Sunday	5.30pm

Weekday Eucharist

Monday	6.30am
Tuesday	6.30am
Wednesday	6.30am
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	9.00am
Public Holiday	9.00am

Reconciliation

Friday	6.00pm
Saturday	5.00pm

Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday After 9am Mass

Anointing of the Sick during Mass

Thursday 27th June 2019

PARISH TEAM:

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Gospel Reflection by Richard Leonard

A man was in his dinghy on a lake when a large yacht rammed him and his dinghy sank. As the man began to drown, the crew of the yacht threw him a life jacket, but the man yelled back, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Straight away another boat pulled up beside the man to haul him aboard, but he refused to go saying, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Just then, the Air & Sea helicopter flew overhead and dropped a ladder, but the man pushed it away yelling out, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.' And with that the man drowns.

He meets God and angrily enquires, 'Where were you when I needed you most? I kept believing you would save me and I've ended up here.'

'Don't blame me for your tragic death' replied God, 'I sent you a lifejacket, a boat and a helicopter.'

Traditionally, this Gospel has been used to talk about vocations to the priestly and religious life. While it can apply to these specific roles of service in the Church, to exclusively read the labourers in the harvest as priests and religious undermines the power of Jesus' message. His commission of the 70 disciples must be read over and against his commissions to the twelve. The seventy are called to be evangelisers, to go and prepare the way for Jesus to visit the surrounding villages and towns. This commission is for the whole community. It is the priesthood of all believers. The twelve are later commissioned to serve as leaders of the community.

Through baptism we have all been commissioned to go out to live and proclaim the Good News of Christ, to keep journeying on to all our sisters and brothers and prepare the way for Christ to come into their lives. The number of labourers for this harvest has never been greater. We have never had more Christians in the world than we have right now. If all of us who have been baptised in Christ were living out the Gospel and bringing it to bear in our personal, family, social and national life, then the world would be transformed. As Gandhi once said, 'I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.' We seem to have lost our courage, our nerve for the task at hand. We have been consumed by sheepishness and daunted by the wolves.

Jesus reminds us that to live out this commission we need to depend on each other for support, hospitality and kindness. He challenges us to travel light and stick together.

So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are putting in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith and gratitude for the privilege of the commission. Let us also pray that all baptised people will live out their faith in such a manner that it prepares the way for the Christ to come in every village and town. And let us ask for eyes to see the extraordinary flowering of vocations throughout the Church and celebrate how grace comes in many shapes and sizes, even as a life jacket, a boat & a helicopter.

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1st reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 *I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.*

2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18 *The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.*

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12. 17-20 *Your peace will rest upon him.*



We remember in our prayers

The sick: Betty Bendel, Henry Bendel, Jim Paterson, Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Matilda Elisabeth Swain, Aidan Hunt, Joan Burlew, Betty Smith, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Olive Kiely, Sue Douglas, Mary O'Leary, Jim Clifford, Tom Grant, Lorna Dagwell and Lauren Balcombe

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Dorothy Thomsen, Joseph Walsh, John Condon, Doris Carey, Elsie Smollen, Edward Welsh, Coronato Said, Sam Said, Beverley Croning, May Andrews, Jack Ballinger, Marie Welsh, Cecily Murray, Imelda Kitchen, Margaret McArdle, Maree Wynn, Brian McNamara, Ronald Dendle, Josephine Beh, Karen Daley, Eric Johnston, Joseph Shannon, Anton Swajczak, Helena Swajczak, Fr Tom Hegarty, James Montgomery, Rosemary Dugdale, Mary James, Daniel (Don) Buckley, Florence McKenna, Noel Tessman, Brian McKee, Mark Moloney, Ivy Fanning, Thelma Mitchell, Neville Stewart, Mary Smith & Moira Cremin

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults - Volunteer Update

Thank you to our volunteers who have registered on the Welcome Portal, or through the office, and finished the volunteer paperwork. We really appreciate your support in getting this done. St Thomas' is leading the Archdiocese in number of volunteers registering online which is great to see!

If you have not yet had the chance to complete your registration, can we ask that you do it **ASAP**. The online Portal can be accessed at <http://archbne.org/welcome>. It should take approximately 45 minutes of your time (including a 30 minute training video). A reminder email will be sent out in the coming days with a link.

All volunteers are required to register.

We were hoping to have our registrations completed by the end of May and we have certainly made great progress however there is still a way to go. All parishes in the Archdiocese are subject to an external audit which could happen at anytime so we are keen to finalise this part of the process. We understand that the paperwork involved may seem excessive, however the aim of the Archdiocesan policy is to ensure that we are all engaging in best practice solutions to safeguard our children and vulnerable adults. We are happy to do whatever we can to make this as easy as possible for you. Safeguarding really is everybody's business!

I will be away for the next three weeks but please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions or need help with the portal. Thank you for your cooperation and patience in getting this done.

David Colch, Local Safeguarding Representative



2019 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday - 7th July

This Sunday is Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. St Thomas' Catholic Parish acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land

for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation

Prayer for Reconciliation

God of all creation,
as we journey together in this Great Southern Land,
we pray for healing, forgiveness and unity,
creating a path of good will, with justice and compassion.
Jesus, through the power of your love,
you have given us the courage, wisdom and strength
to share our gifts and talents in humility.
In peace and understanding we reconcile with each other.
Creator Spirit, we come together in prayer & thanksgiving
for the many blessings we have received.
Allow your Spirit to wash over us and give us strength
to walk together as one.

THIS WEEKEND: Annual Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend we will take the Peter's Pence collection, which is an annual collection of the Catholic Church around the world. It allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters.

Please consider giving to this cause.

Baptisms

We welcome...

Benjamin Michael West,
son of Adam & Laura

being baptised in our Church this weekend.

*May Jesus, who loves all children,
bless your precious child with His love and peace
on this special day and always*





Circles of Life 2019 Women's Forum "Women of Influence"

When: Sunday 11 August, 1pm-4pm
Where: Lourdes Hill College
Tickets: \$35.00—purchase at charitydos.com.au/do/33783, email circlesoflifeqld@gmail.com or call 0408 735 720

There will be tables of 10 people. Arrange your own table or buy a ticket and join a table. Tickets include grazing board, drinks available to purchase.

Guest speakers include QLD's first female Police Commissioner, **Katarina Carroll**, and local friend **Donna Thistlethwaite**, who will share her amazing journey "Floundering to Flourishing" with us.

Join us for an afternoon of storytelling, sharing, community and fun.

*Faith is love in action
 and love in action is service.
 By transforming that faith
 into living acts of love,
 we put ourselves in contact
 with God himself,
 with Jesus our Lord.*

~ Mother Teresa ~



Dear St Thomas' Families

Do you have connections with our school?
 We know many of you in our community went to school at St Thomas', or your parents did!

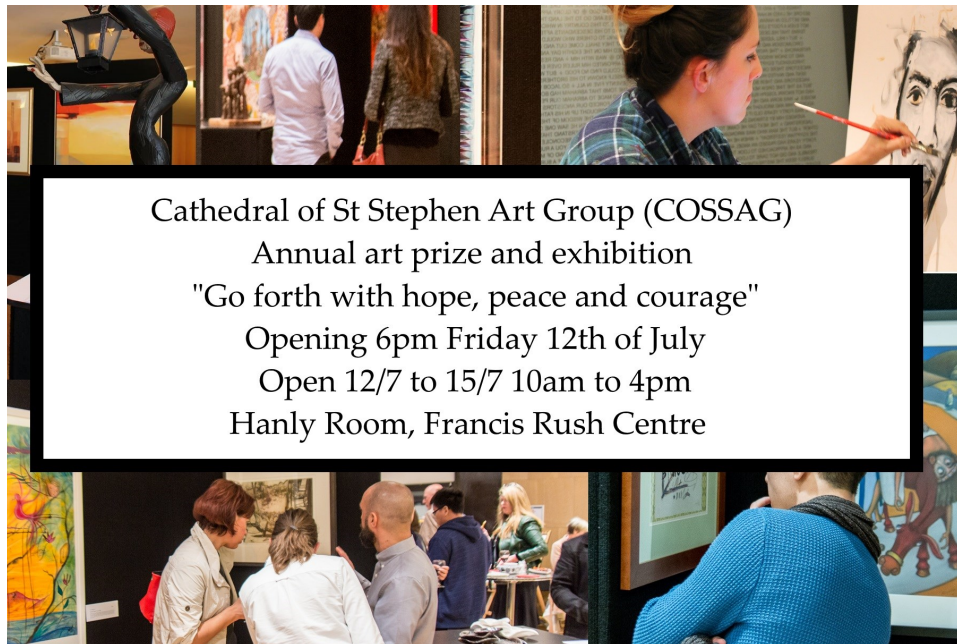
In this, our 90th celebration year, we'd love to recognise these long standing connections with photos of our families demonstrating their history with our school.

This can take any format -

- your old school photo alongside your children's.
- a family shot with Grandparents/other relatives here

Whatever the connection - we would love to know about it. Please include names and dates of family members who were involved at our school. Photos or photocopies can be dropped at the school office from the beginning of Term 3, or the Parish Office in the meantime.

Thank you for supporting this momentous occasion.



Cathedral of St Stephen Art Group (COSSAG)
 Annual art prize and exhibition
 "Go forth with hope, peace and courage"
 Opening 6pm Friday 12th of July
 Open 12/7 to 15/7 10am to 4pm
 Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre

The Week Ahead

Sun - July 7	Annual Peter's Pence Collection Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday Baptism 10am
Mon - July 8	
Tue - July 9	
Wed - July 10	
Thur - July 11	
Fri - July 12	
Sat - July 13	
Sun - July 14	Baptisms - 10am

Liturgy Roster

13 & 14 July	Saturday Vigil	Sunday Morning	Sunday Night
Mass Organisers	Moyra Walls	Amanda Sheridan	Tim Stephens
Altar Servers	Emily Ames Audrey Harland Scarlett Presley	Fionn Rossi Hugo Rossi William Robinson	-
Communion	Brian Percy Diane Ames	Amanda Sheridan Neal Dallas Ethan Lam	Hannah Elder Tim Stehens A Oostenbroek
Readers	Lisa Moroney Caitie Duncan Stella Harland	Mary Shearer Nicola Roborgh Violet Barras	A Oostenbroek Honnie Oostenbroek
AV Operators	Lisa Moroney	Henry Barras	-

GOLDEN JUBILEE

Former St Thomas' Parish Priest, Fr Peter Casey, celebrated the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his Ordination on Saturday 29th June with Mass, followed by a small celebration.

Fr Tom Zaranski was celebrating his first year of Ordination, and was there to concelebrate the Mass with Fr Peter. Some representatives from St Thomas' parish were able to be there to celebrate with them and pass on the best wishes of our community.

We thank Fr Peter for his many years of service and wish him happiness on his continuing retirement. We wish Fr Tom many fruitful years of service ahead.

May the Lord bless them with abundant joy, just as they have blessed so many through their ministry.



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WORD PLAY Everyone will know the Lord is with you

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