

St Thomas the Apostle Parish Camp Hill



No. 4

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 January 2019

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

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 21st March 2019

PARISH TEAM:

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This week marks the beginning of the liturgical use of the gospel of Luke that will feature throughout this year. The choice of passage to begin our journey with Luke is most appropriate. We have the first four verses of the gospel in which the writer makes his purpose clear. We then skip over all the infancy narrative and pick up again in chapter 4 of the gospel where Jesus makes his first public appearance.

Jesus returns to the synagogue in which he has worshipped all his life. He is given the scroll of Isaiah to read and reads the first two verses of Isaiah, chapter 61. But in the middle of this passage he flips back to chapter 58 of Isaiah and reads an additional line, 'to set the downtrodden (oppressed) free'. This event in Nazareth is sometimes referred to as Jesus' inauguration or declaration of mission. The inclusion of the additional verse from Isaiah signals very clearly the way in which Jesus will be portrayed throughout this particular gospel. The gospel of Luke is characterised by the focus of Jesus' mission on the outcast; the oppressed; the downtrodden.

The gospel of Luke is often described as a gospel of compassion. Throughout the gospel we see Jesus enact the verses from Isaiah – bringing good news to the lowliest of society; inviting the least to share in the reign of God. In fact, having read from the scripture, Jesus' very simple homily on the text is 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'. Jesus declares himself to be acting out and fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. This short extract from Isaiah that Jesus adopted as his own 'mission statement' is indeed a mission statement for all Christian people. This is what we too are called to do.

**THANK YOU
VERY MUCH**

This Saturday evening, 26th January, will be Fr Pan's last Mass with us. Once again, we thank Fr Pan for his time, his discernment and wisdom and the passion he brings to our Parish. We wish him every blessing in 2019 and hope to welcome him back soon.

Fr Christopher will return to celebrate Mass with us next weekend, 2/3 February.

We also thank our retired priests, Fr Ian Wren, Fr Leo Burke and Fr Pat Dowd who are always very generous in giving their time to celebrate weekday Masses for us in Fr Christopher's absence.



St Thomas' Parish Youth Group

The Youth Group will be meeting for the first time in 2019 on
Saturday 2nd of February.

As always, we will meet in the Parish Office immediately after evening Mass.

All high school students and early school-leavers are welcome to attend.

We also invite parishioners to like our new **Facebook page St Thomas' Parish Youth Group** (search @StThomasYouthCampHill) for updates about meetings, events and activities throughout the year.



We remember in our prayers

The sick: Betty Bendel, Henry Bendel, Jim Paterson, Jan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Matilda Elisabeth Swain, Aidan Hunt, Jan Burlew, Betty Smith, Jblanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Olive Kiely, Sue Douglas, Mary O'Leary and James Clifford

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, Mary Hall, Myra Dickson, Teresa Smento, William 'Bill' Spamm, Josephine Podesta and Bruce McCormack.



Mass Schedule Masses will be celebrated as follows over the next week:

Saturday 26th January

9am Australia Day Mass Fr Leo Burke
5.30pm Mass - Fr Pancras Jordan

Sunday 27th January

8.30am and 5.30pm Mass - Fr Leo Burke

Monday 28th January (Public Holiday)

9am Mass - Fr Leo Burke

Tuesday 29th January

6.30am - Fr Ian Wren

Wednesday 30th January

6.30am - Fr Ian Wren

Date Claimer: Missionaries of God's Love

Sunday 24th February 2019

Retreat Day and Prayers for Healing with Fr Ken Barker, commencing with Mass at 11am, followed by a book launch by Bishop Brian Finnigan of Fr Ken's most recent book "Go Set The World on Fire" Day finishing 3.30pm; Experience the dynamic words and spiritual wisdom of Order founder and author.

St Thomas' Catholic Church Camp Hill, BYO lunch, drinks provided. All welcome.

For information contact Paul Bertini 0417 104 460

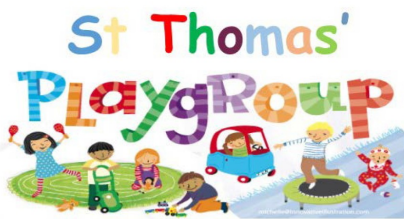


Annual Little Kings Movement Collection – 9/10 February 2019

The annual collection for the Little King Movement for the Disabled will take place on the weekend of **9/10 February**. Little Kings provides spiritual, social and cultural assistance for people with disabilities and their families and depends entirely on donations – no Government subsidies are received and no fees are charged.

All workers in the Movement are unpaid volunteers. St Thomas' parish and school has loyally supported this Movement for over 30 years and we again urge you to dig deep for this most worthy cause by supporting the collections which will be taken at Mass.

For information or to make a donation please contact Paul and Kay Bertini 3398 2963 or 0417 104 460.



PLAYGROUP RETURNS FOR 2019

on **Monday 4th February at 9am** in the Parish Hall.

Playgroup offers a chance for a relaxed weekly get together during term time for mums, dads, grandparents, carers, children and babies.

St Thomas' Playgroup is for children aged 0-5 years.

If you are interested in attending, or would like to know more, please contact

Kat McMains on 0403 970 773

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10 They read from the book of Law and they understood what was read.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-14, 27 Together you are Christ's body, but each of you is a different part of it.

Luke 1:1-4. 4:14-21 The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.



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NEW PARISHIONER'S REGISTRATION

If you are new to the area we invite you to complete a Parish Registration Form, found at the main entrance to the church, and place it in the mailbox above the table.



Parish News & Notices



FOOTPRINTS OF JESUS

Trace the journey of Jesus from the land of his birth to the way he carried his cross and gave the eternal sacrifice in this 14-day Holy Land pilgrimage to Jordan & Israel. This pilgrimage features places from the Old & New Testament including Petra, Bethlehem, Jericho, Sea of Galilee and Jerusalem for all-inclusive price of \$5690. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Meals + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides.

For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300721561 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au.

Available Departures Dates: Fr. Sebastian (24 March 19), Fr. Kenneth (26 May 19), Fr. Colin (31 May 19) and Fr. Richard (2 June 19), Fr Amal (8 Sep 19), Fr. Peter (16 Sept), Catholic Priest (11 Nov)

GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT 2019

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. An Australian retreat will be held from May 26th to May 31st 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftograceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241.

For more information visit www.griefftograce.org

WORDS OF WISDOM

Life is beautiful;
It is a gift even when it is lived
in difficult circumstances.
It is always a gift.

~ Pope Benedict XVI ~

Christian Healing Ministries Level 1 Prayer Training 2019

CCR Brisbane Healing Prayer Centre will be offering training on Healing Prayer **Level 1 at CCR Brisbane Centre, 688 Nudgee Road, Northgate (in the grounds of St. John's Catholic Church).**

This level 1 course will be completed over 3 Saturdays and participants are expected to attend all 3 days -

Saturday 23 March 9.30am - 5.00pm

Saturday 27 April 9.30am - 5.00pm

Saturday 25 May 9.30am - 5.00pm

This Level 1 Course is **open** to all.

For more details, fees and registration, please go to : http://www.ccrbrisbane.org.au/News/PrayerTrainingLevel1_2019Notice.pdf

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Grab your copy this week for only \$2 - available at the main entrance to the Church.

In this week's issue:

- Royal Commission into the quality and safety of aged care opens on Friday (January 18)
 - One group of Brisbane Catholics show off the richness of Samoan culture at Panama World Youth Day 2019
 - ACU enters debate about Labor's push to increase entry requirements into education degrees at university
 - Next generation of youth leaders tested their mettle at this year's Summer Camp, run by Ignite Youth
 - Mater Group chooses veteran doctor Peter Steer as their next CEO
 - 1 in 9 Christians around the world are persecuted for their faith, Open Doors reports
 - The Vatican announced its plans to create its very own sports association – Vatican Athletic
- PLUS:** A regional focus on Townsville

Liturgy Roster

The Week Ahead

Sun - Jan 27	
Mon - Jan 28	Australia Day Public Holiday - Mass at 9am
Tue - Jan 29	
Wed - Jan 30	School Resumes
Thur - Jan 31	
Fri - Feb 01	
Sat - Feb 02	
Sun - Feb 03	

2/3 February	Saturday Vigil	Sunday Morning	Sunday Night
Altar Servers	Francis Duncan Gigi Duncan	Max Green William Green Joseph Forster	-
Communion	Paul Duncan Ray Jessop	Lyn Kasatchenko Ann Kelleher Andrea Keogh	Steve Kelly Kathryn Flint
Readers	Louise Power Brian Kilmartin Caitie Duncan	Irene Poh Melissa Zulpo Lara Zulpo	Caroline Sarra John Mackie
AV Operators	Finbarr Power Alice Power	David Colch	-

Sacramental Preparation



St Thomas' Parish - 2019 Sacramental Program

The 2018 Sacramental Program will commence shortly.
Key upcoming dates are as follows:

First Holy Communion (Grade 4)

- **Parents Information Session:** After mass 9/10 February 2019
- **Enrolment Weekend:** At Mass 16/17 February 2019
- **Commitment Weekend:** Receive card at Mass - 23/24 February 2019
- *Children will be asked to attend Mass regularly during the preparation period.*
- **Celebration of First Communion:** At Mass 30/31 March 2019
(5.30pm Saturday, 8.30am and 5.30pm Sunday)

Forms will be sent home with students early in Term 1.

Students in Grade 3, 2019 will celebrate their Confirmation later this year.
Dates will be provided shortly.

Students in Grade 4 will also celebrate their First Reconciliation later in the year.

**Please contact Sr Analissa at the Parish Office with any questions:
3398 1154 or cmc.stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au.**

DECODE THE PROPHECY

Use the code below to decipher the prophet's message

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