

St Thomas the Apostle Parish Camp Hill



No. 8

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

23 February 2020

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8:30 am - 1:30pm
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
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 19th March 2020 @
9.30am

PARISH TEAM:

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What is Lent?

The season of Lent is a season of preparation for Easter. Lent encompasses forty days of fasting, prayer and penitence starting on Ash Wednesday and ending at sundown on Holy Thursday.

It is believed Ash Wednesday dates from at least the fourth century. At that time, penitents looking for forgiveness and re-entry into the community would dress in sackcloth and sprinkle ashes to show their repentance. It's widely accepted that the modern custom of distributing ashes on Ash Wednesday came from imitation of the practice of wearing ashes by public penitents.

The word Lent derives from the Old English word 'lencten', meaning springtime – the time of lengthening days. The penitential season in the Church always fell during the springtime in Europe and over the centuries the word "Lent" became synonymous with the liturgical period.

During Lent, neither the Gloria nor the Alleluia are sung. Purple (violet) is the liturgical colour for Lent and has a twofold significance. Purple is widely recognised as the colour of mourning, alluding to the impending suffering of Christ's crucifixion, yet it is also associated with royalty and heralds Christ's resurrection and sovereignty.

The penitential character of Lent is reflected through traditional practices such as fasting, prayer and almsgiving. Each week we will share some ideas for families to live Lent in their everyday lives. See the back page for our Family Calendar for Lent.

For Your Calendar:



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at St Thomas' on each Friday evening of Lent at 6.30pm, from Friday 28th February. All are welcome to join us.

The Second Rite of Reconciliation during Lent will be celebrated on the last Friday in Lent - Friday 3rd April - following the Stations of the Cross.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO JOIN OUR LENTEN GROUP

"Be Opened ~ A Journey to New Life" Lenten Program

The group will meet **Fridays after 9am Mass**,
in the **Parish Office Meeting Room**, commencing **Friday 28th February**

The group will run over 6 weeks. Please **RSVP** to the Parish Office ASAP

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: Leviticus 19: 17-18 *You must love your neighbour, as yourself.*

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 *All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.*

Gospel: Matthew 5: 38-48 *Love your Enemies*



We remember in our prayers

The sick: Betty Bendel, Jim Paterson, Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Matilda Elisabeth Swain, Joan Burlew, Betty Smith, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Olive Kiely, Sue Douglas, Jim Clifford, Tom Grant and Lauren Balcombe, Lola Radford & Sonia Mendez

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Marie Roberts, John (Jack) Cannon, Patrick O'Gorman, John McGovern, Theresa Poole, William Simson, Eileen Crowley, Maureen Sheridan, Kevin Eickenloff, Thelma Bradshaw, Dean Bonke, Barbara Woodroffe, Cecilia Buskey, Mona Costa, Joseph 'Gerard' Cremin, Anne-Maree Denaro, Grace Dalziel, Terry Cooney, Anastasia Forster, Rosemary McDonald, Peggy Cannon, John Roborgh



Project Compassion Sunday 23rd February 2020



Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed **"Go Further Together"**. Your generosity will assist some of the world's most vulnerable communities to lift themselves out of poverty. When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by phoning 1800 024 413 or visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.



86 YEARS

MSC Ministry in
Camp Hill Parish
1927 - 2013



FOR SALE - LIMITED NUMBER OF COPIES STILL AVAILABLE

Fr Jim Littleton MSC has written a book detailing the 86 year history of the MSC Ministry at Camp Hill Parish. It is an interesting read covering the early years of our church, the many priests who ministered at Camp Hill and parish memories.

Copies available for \$10 from the Parish Office.

Please contact Lisa if you would like a copy.

The Iona Passion Play is looking for ... potential apostles, Pharisees, crowd members and a Roman army!

United in our mission to spread the message of Easter, the Play is a family experience with children, parents and grandparents involved.



Performed around Australia for over 60 years this year we will be at Iona College Performing Arts Complex on the 4th and 10th of April.

We are currently seeking new cast and crew (all ages welcome – no experience necessary). **General Rehearsals are held on Sundays from 12:30pm-4:00pm** in Oblate Hall at Iona College, 85 North Rd, Lindum (Wynnum West). Come and join us!

Please visit our website www.passionplay.org.au for further information or contact us at info@ipp.org.au



FREE

Please take a copy of the Autumn Edition of Australian Catholics Magazine. This issue focuses on leadership and discerning a way forward for the church. It is, as always, a very interesting read.

Copies are available at the newsletter stands.

CLAIRVAUX MACKILLOP COLLEGE - TOUR

Friday, 6th March 2020: 9.00am – 11.00am

Presentation in the Auditorium followed by a College tour with our Student Mentors.

To book a space, please visit the College website www.cvxmck.edu.au via the Enrolments tab.

Any questions please call our Enrolment Secretary
Ph. 3347 9223

or email: enrolments@cvxmck.edu.au

Baptisms

We welcome...

Harry Charles Paine,
son of Jodie & Lee

being baptised in our Church this weekend.

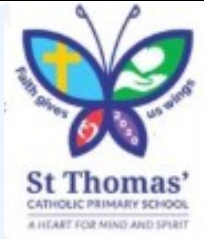


*May Jesus, who loves all children,
bless your precious child with His love and peace
on this special day and always*

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Parish News & Notices

In 2020 St Thomas' School have committed to explore the value of **Faith** through their beautiful new theme - '**FAITH GIVES YOU WINGS**'. The theme is represented by this image of a butterfly and offers various symbols which we will share with you over the coming weeks.



The **BUTTERFLY** is often seen as a symbol of transformation and hope because of its impressive process of metamorphosis. Observing the butterfly and learning her symbolic meanings offers us an opportunity to apply her movements to our own lives. As Christians, we can relate the butterfly's stages of life to our own life-phases...often **vulnerable** as we struggle with the stages of growth necessary for moments of miraculous expansion. Her unwavering acceptance of her metamorphosis is symbolic of faith. The butterfly beckons us to **keep our faith** as we undergo transitions in our lives. She understands that **toiling, struggle and vulnerability are part of the tide of nature** - she asks us to recognise the same.

This year, the symbol of the butterfly reminds us that **FAITH GIVES US WINGS**, as we encounter the struggles and challenges that accompany the transitions in our lives.

WE ARE DEFINED BY OUR ACTIONS
TOWARD OTHERS.
NOT OTHERS' ACTIONS
TOWARD US.

~ Unknown ~

harvest
journeys



Harvest Pilgrimage Company and Fr Leo Burke have joined together to arrange a 15 day pilgrimage to:

⇒ **Rome (2 nights) , Medjugorje (6 nights) and Oberammergau for the famous Passion Play (2 nights) which is only held every tenth year.**

Leaving Brisbane Sunday July 12th and returning Sunday 26th July. The return ticket is valid for 12 months.

Only 24 places will be offered on this trip of a lifetime.
Cost: \$7,590 per person, twin share. Single supplement \$1150. Incl airfares, accommodation, breakfast and dinner daily, touring & transportation.

Brochures available at the Parish Office or online at:
<http://www.harvestjourneys.com/pv6620>



World Day of Prayer

March 2020

Pray for Zimbabwe

Date: **MARCH 6**



Location of local service: **REGINA CAELI**
81 Waverley Camp Hill
Time of local service: **10am**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

The Week Ahead

Sun - Feb 23	Baptisms @ 8.30am Mass
Mon - Feb 24	Playgroup - 9am
Tue - Feb 25	Shrove Tuesday
Wed - Feb 26	Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9am & 7pm
Thur - Feb 27	STYPS Rehearsal - 8am
Fri - Feb 28	Mahjong - 9.30am
Sat - Feb 29	
Sun - March 1	First Sunday in Lent

Liturgy Roster

7 & 8 March	Saturday Vigil	Sunday Morning	Sunday Night
Mass Organisers	-	Moyra Walls	Kay Owen
Altar Servers	Gigi Duncan	Harrison Chong Eleanor Chong	-
Readers	Brian Kilmartin Caitie Duncan	Irene Poh Os Cotta Indy Forster	Caroline Sarra John Mackie
Communion	Paul Duncan Ray Jessop	Lyn Kasatchenko Ann Kelleher Andrea Keogh	Steve Kelly Kathryn Flint
AV Operators	-	David Colch	-

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR LENT 2020

Lent is about Becoming, Doing and Changing whatever it is that is blocking the fullness of life in us right now.
Joan Chittister, OSB

Tuesday 25th February	Shrove Tuesday Investigate why Shrove Tuesday is so important to Christians
Wednesday 26th February	Ash Wednesday Go to Mass and wear the cross of ashes
Thursday 27th February	With your family, say a prayer of thanks before each meal during Lent
Friday 28th February	Abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent
Saturday 29th February	Create a sacred space as your family focus for Lent
Sunday 1st March	First Sunday of Lent As a family, read Matthew 4: 1-11



Looking for a way to be involved?

Do you have some spare time and would love to connect with our community?

*We always welcome new volunteers and at the moment are especially in need of people to **help clean our beautiful church**. Our Church Cleaners work as a part of a team so you are welcome to bring a friend - many hands make light work as the saying goes! We will work with you regarding your commitment.*

If you would like to find out what's involved please contact the Parish Office on 3398 1154 or stthomas@bne.catholic.net.au

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Grab your copy this week for \$2

In this edition:

- Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge heads to Rome for high-level Vatican talks on the Plenary Council 2020, Cardinal George Pell and the Holy See's response to Royal Commission.
- Four young men cast their nets out into the deep, entering Brisbane's vocational discernment house this year.
- Laws in Victoria requiring priests to report child abuse to authorities even if heard in the confessional will affect the seal of confession – the Queensland Government planning a similar legislation.
- St Therese of Lisieux and her saintly parents impart lessons in holiness and faith during their 'visit from Heaven' in Brisbane last week.
- Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation on the pan-Amazonian synod surprised many church workers who live in the region, and elicited a range of reactions.
- Vincentian from Albany Creek parish Don Gore is determined to break the cycle of violence, offering Vinnies housing and special-works programs to support vulnerable people.

Complete the Text Maze:

"Forgive others and God will forgive you."

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*CAN YOU FIND THE SIX HIDDEN WORDS FROM THIS WEEKS GOSPEL READING? FINISH