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Parish News

OFFICIAL PARISH HANDOVER took place on Friday 26/07/2019: Fr. John welcomed Fr. Larsen and introduced to him all members of the Parish Pastoral Council, the School Principal, the Parish Finance Committee, and the Parish secretary.

After the opening prayer, Fr, John handed to Fr. Larsen the Parish Checklist, copies of the Inventory of the church, the office and presbytery and the Parish Balance Sheet Detail. He said to Fr. Larsen: "Fr. Marty, you are blessed! I hand over to you two healthy and well committed groups of helpers: Parish Pastoral and Finance Committee, a well structured and devout Parish—School community, backed-up by a good financial condition. There was not such "a thing" at all when I came here six years ago: No handover! No Parish Pastoral Council. The financial situation at this point in time—May 2013—stood at a total of \$63,334.47. After 6 years, we now sit on a grand total of \$395,147.19 as at 30 June 2019, after the expense of 8 new chalices and ciboria, 2 tabernacles, the tiling of the sanctuary, the laying of the new carpet, the installation of 8 units of air-conditioners, the repainting of the church. The most awesome—rarely-seen—inheritance I pass on to you is the beauty of a close relationship between Parish and School and the love of the children for the Eucharist. May God bless you in your ministry."

Father Larsen conducted a blessing for Fr John, and thanked him for all he had achieved both financially and his pastoral care throughout his 6 year tenure as our parish priest. Then he shared his vision for the parish in the future. Day off to be Fridays after Mass and not available until Saturday evening. Mass times will be decided when Father Larsen establishes himself within the parish.

Meeting closed 11-20 am for morning tea.

Weekly Diary: 05th —10th August 2019

Monday 05th : 08.00 am. Mass followed by Novena

Thursday 08th : 09.30 am. Mass Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross, virgin, followed by Rosary

Saturday 10th : 5.30 pm. : 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Sunday 11th : 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. : 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

11.00 am. Baptisms

We welcome Fr. Peter Dillon, the Dean and Canonical Administrator of Holy Family Parish.

We also welcome Fr Stephen Gronow, who will kindly assist with Daily Masses on Mondays at 8am and Thursdays at 9.30am. Please read the newsletter for weekly updates.

Both Fr. Peter and Fr Stephen will work closely on a roster basis to celebrate the weekend Masses and baptisms in Runaway Bay with little disruption as possible.

Their assistance to the Parish is greatly appreciated.

Mass Duty Roster: 10th/11th August 2019 **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** Mass Co-ordinator Lectors Servers Helen Topham, June Molloy, Jean Di Benedetto 5.30pm Rachelle Broughton Mia & Tyler Julie Dakin, Rachelle Broughton, Clive Broughton Monique Labutte Clive Broughton 7.00am Michael Nicholson Bernadette Swindley, Rose Hessen, Antona Brown Brianna & Danielle Carter, Michael Nicholson Ashley Michael Nicholson John Carter 9.00am Rose Lopez Pam Nelson, Yvette Valdez Robrigado, Rose Lopez Naomi & Michael Laidler Gina Abra Josephien Vaise, Joe Dorego, Averil Doreg Amber

Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 1 (05/08/2019)

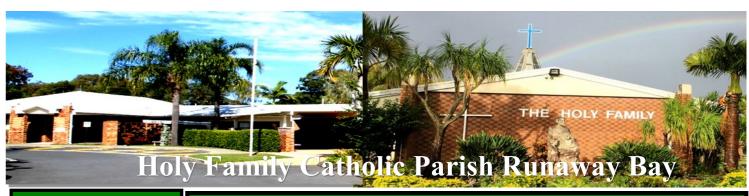
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If we are generous in our giving, and if all of us are prepared to share the load, then together we can help our Parish to move forward. (Fr. John Khoai)







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Reconciliation at 4.00pm 1st Saturday of the month.

Baptism Preparation at 7pm 1st Thurs of the month

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ALL THINGS ARE VANITY

Jesus is instructing his disciples on how to be ready for the coming judgment. He reminds them that it is not persecution they should fear but the judgment that is coming for all who do not acknowledge the Son of Man.

Suddenly a man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus offers the man no help. Instead he uses the question to teach what, in light of the coming judgment, life really consists of. The message in Luke 12:13-21 is this: A person's life does not consist of possessions.

Jesus tells the crowd a parable. The lands of a rich man have yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share all the extra food with others but to wonder how he can possibly store it all. He has what he thinks is a brilliant idea: to tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

"You fool" is God's response to this man because that very night his life will be taken away. To whom will everything belong then, God asks. The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" as the First Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes 1:2. 2:21-23 says. Now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now?

Jesus states the moral of the story. This is how it will be for everyone who stores up treasure for himself or herself but is not rich in what matters to God. We better hear Jesus' voice, harden not our hearts as the Responsorial Psalm 95:1-2. 6-9 invites us.

Centuries later St. Gregory the Great taught that when we care for the needs of the poor, we are giving them what is theirs, not ours. We are not just performing works of mercy; we are paying a debt of justice.

Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing what we possess with others. The goods of the earth have been given to everyone. In the Kingdom of Jesus as the Second Reading Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11 says "There is neither Greek nor Jew, but Christ is all in all."

Fr. John Khoái

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2.21-23 What do mortals gain from a life of toil and strain?

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. Sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 90:3-17 R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals." For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. **R**.

So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Turn, O Lord! How long? Have compassion on your servants! R.

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands. **R**.

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Seek the things that are above, where Christ reigns.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Matthew 5:3 Alleluia, Alleluia. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 12:13-21 All these things you have prepared, whose will they be?

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But Jesus said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And Jesus said to the crowd, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

Then Jesus told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What

should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 102:2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.



EPTPOS facility is now available for all transactions with the Parish, such as donations, church collections, contributions towards sacraments' reception, purchase from Piety Store. This facility will be available at Parish Office working hours and at all Weekend Masses via Piety Store/Sacristy.

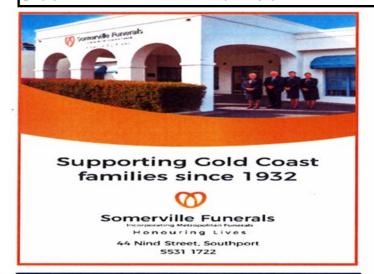
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

RECENTLY DECEASED: Robert James Green, Frank John Levy

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: Leesa Halverson, Jim & Dan Lyon, Chris McAloon, Paul Lawton, Jack Lawton, Norma Nichols, Mavis Harth, Kevin Harth, Noel Marriott

SICK LIST: Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Colin Munsie, Irene Warde, Pam Hopsick, Ron Sincock, Ralph D'Agostino, Val Mai McErlean, Theresa Pinto, Bill Walker, Aaron Murphy, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Val Wolfenden, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Robert Duff, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

<u>PRAYER</u>: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)



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