

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10.14

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

PRAYER: 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)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ainsley Rodrigues, Tatay Tommy, Catherine Bean, Felise Dimatulac, George Walker

ANNIVERSARIES: Sol Betros, Rebecca Betro, Anthony Abood, Lily Wee, Paul O'Connor, Ernesto, Susan, Nelson, Roy Bryan Dimatulac, Bernard Stretton, Peter Michael Donellan, Peter Crowe

SICK LIST: Patricia Fox, Jake Bartley, Sofia Bean, Susan Ann Randell, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Sophia Ding, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Irene Warde, Ron Sincock, Val Mai McErlean, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, 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

Weekly Diary : 9th March—15th March 2020

Monday 9th	: 8.00 am. Mass followed by Novena
Wednesday 11th	: 9.30 am. Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group — Parish Meeting Room
Thursday 12th	: 9.30 am. Mass followed by Rosary
Friday 13th	: 5.30 pm. Stations of the Cross
Saturday 14th	: 5.30 pm. : 3rd Sunday of Lent Year A/2
Sunday 15th	: 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 3rd Sunday of Lent Year A/2

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY2nd Sunday of Lent — Year A/2Sunday 8th March 2020

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Hours: 8.30am—3.00pm
Monday—Thursday
(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:
4.50pm on Saturday

Baptisms
Every 2nd & 4th
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.
Please contact the Parish Office.

St Francis Xavier School:
Principal : Kathy Fuller
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**2nd Sunday of Lent Year A/2
8th March 2020**

1st Reading : Gen 12:1-4

2nd Reading : 2 Tim 1:8-10

Gospel : Mt 17:1-9

**3rd Sunday of Lent Year A/2
15th March 2020**

1st Reading : Ex 17:3-7

2nd Reading : Rom 5:1-2,5-8

Gospel : Jn 4:5-42

HELLO! From Fr Marty**SHOUT OUT!**

Shout out to the Year 2's who are going to celebrate Mass with us this weekend (9am) for Family Mass! Shout out to the parents and caregivers of Year 2 as well.

LENT 2

How is your 40 days of penance going?

Lent is a journey, where we let go of what is comfortable and familiar, in the hope for what is promised in Jesus. Symbolically we stand in the darkness, yet there is a glimmer of HOPE and through that HOPE we rise up into the promise of a resurrected Jesus. I hope you can really engage in this time of penance. It will make you see the world anew.

Fr Richard Leonard in his book '*Preaching to the Converted*' (Paulist Press, 2006) states, "The main reason why we deny ourselves anything or commit ourselves to actions of service for these 40 days is to grow more deeply and closer to God..." who is the beginning and the end of the Christian story. Penance is not meant to attack our self esteem, it is to cast out the darkness and to draw us deeper into the mystery which is God.

Archbishop Mark in his book '*Words from the Wound*' (St Paul's, 2014) states "The real God specializes in the impossible." If you can find a way to give with that complete emptiness for no thought of reward in return, you may encounter the God of the impossible in your lives. I am already hearing people who have not been able to start LENT yet because they keep on failing. Take it one day at a time. One hour at a time. Perhaps instead of eating chips (which is my greatest weakness) drink water. Find ways to cleanse on the inside and you will benefit when we walk from the darkness into the light of Easter.

Like the dead tree branch in the church, when you break your promise; Start again. *God bless you all at this time.*

Last weekend's collection	
1st Collection	: \$1274.75
2nd Collection	: \$1786.65
Piety Stall	: \$4.00
St. Anthony	: \$89.85
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!	
Next week's counting Team : No.2(09/03/2020)	

Your Generosity:

If you would like to join our planned giving program or if your circumstances have changed, please contact **Audrey Ho at the Parish Office 55374320 Press 2 (Weekdays except Fridays)**. Thank you for your generous support.

**What are you grateful about today/this week?**

I am grateful for the many and varied career changes I have had in my life. Waiter, Chef, security guard, worked for the SES, high school teacher for ten years and a now a priest for 5 years. These have all been wonderful experiences to work with people and do it with a sense of service and hospitality. What jobs have you had in your life and what jobs still await you? Regardless of how big or small they are!!!!!!

Thought for the week.

Just a little reminder for LENT!

**FAITH IT
TILL YOU
MAKE IT**

BLESSINGS!!!!!!

I love to bless homes, cars, boats, religious objects, bibles, anything which is holy for you.

**Stations of the Cross
Every Friday at 5.30pm**

Stations of the Cross is held in the Church every Friday through Lent at 5.30pm.

Come and walk with Jesus for just half an hour.

All are welcome.

**FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY FOR
THE PARISH**

As mentioned last week, it makes good sense to have a defibrillator in our Church. Sudden cardiac arrest can happen to anyone, anywhere and immediate treatment is vital.

So, for a month, we will try and raise the funds to purchase a defibrillator.

We've been very blessed to have already raised \$579.00 from generous parishioners. Thank you for your generosity.

MISSA PRO POPULO

(The mass for the people.)



As Parish Priest, one mass on the weekend is to be said solely for the people of the parish. **This mass is the 7am.**

Mass Duty Roster : 14th/15th March 2020

<u>Mass Co-ordinator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5.30pm Chantal Jacquier	Monique Labutte Rita Bonivento	Helen Topham, Chantal Jacquier, Paul Donovan Joelle Braun, Glecia de Luna, Monique Labutte	Monique
7.00am Danielle Carter	John Carter Bernadette Swindley	Michael Nicholson, Celine Lobb, Rose Hessen Antona Brown, Danielle Carter, Bernadette Swindley	Brianna & Ashley
9.00am Michael Laidler	Gina Abra Kathy Fuller	Pam Nelson, Kathy Fuller, Michael Laidler Ramon Lopez, Chona Lopez	Amber, Naomi & Jamili

If you are a Parish Volunteer or working in the parish the onus is on you to comply with all Archdiocesan policies. Safeguarding training and registration is available online - www.safeguardingaob.com.au . If you see any unsafe practice or reportable occurrence please contact the Parish Office or STOPlne Service - 1300 304 550; AOB@stopline.com.au; necatholic.stopline.com

**ROSTER
EASTER CEREMONIES**

READERS, COMMUNION MINISTERS,
and ALTAR SERVERS

The Volunteer list is for

HOLY THURSDAY,

GOOD FRIDAY

THE EASTER VIGIL,

EASTER SUNDAY 7 & 9 AM MASSES

are ready for you to fill in. The list is placed on the back table near the main entrance of the Church.

Thank you very much.

**FACT FOR
SUNDAY 8TH MARCH, 2020**

On this day in 1973, 15 people were killed in the Nightclub **Whiskey A Go Go** in Brisbane.

Acknowledgement to Fr Morgan Batt in his book, "Up the Beaten Track", Copyright 2003

Fr Marty's reflection on this fact

This goes to show how much we need to *not* take our lives for granted. Since then there have been so many terrible stories of death where young men and women have gone out all across the world to celebrate and to have fun, and yet they have never returned to their homes and their families. We pray for all young men and women who have lost their lives in tragic circumstances, and for the families who never truly recover. May they all, across the world, rest in the loving embrace of God.

**How to live the Gospel out
this weekend.**

When we read a Gospel text, we always need to be reminded there is CONTEXT to it. Which Gospel writer was writing? Which audience is hearing the story? What was the first century Jewish world like and how does this relate and nourish us today?

Matthew's community of writers and the Jewish converts would know the stories of Abram and Moses and Elijah very well. These are the great men from the Hebrew Scriptures.

They can well relate to mountains. Moses and Abram went up mountains, and they both had moments where God spoke to them. So when Jesus is transfigured, the disciples know full well, this is a special moment.

Peter, the first disciple, suggests to Jesus that they should stay on top of the mountain and recall past great men of ancient times. Yet Jesus is beginning to understand his mission. He must descend back to Jerusalem and face what will be his destiny. This is what makes this Gospel intriguing to ponder.

TASK:

Two things. We cannot glory in the past, no matter how amazing it has been. We journey with God, on the journey forward. As we all know, change is change, and we change daily. Secondly, how do you integrate this beautiful story about God announcing his Son, and how do you allow your faith to make sense of this?