

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: Rita Carpenter-Morrison, Annette Temple Smith, Wilfredo Antiporda

ANNIVERSARIES: Esperanza David, Balasabas Family, Vizon Family, Noel Marriott

SICK LIST: George Docherty, Christina Ang, Colleen Waddel, Jake Bartley, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donnell, 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 Re-tute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston



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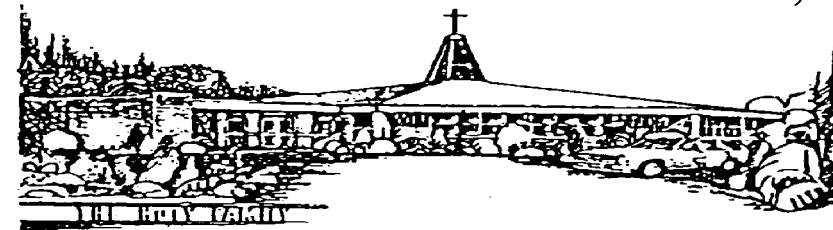
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HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time A/2

Sunday 2nd August 2020

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Hours:
8.30am—3.00pm
Monday—Tuesday
8.30am-1.00pm
Wednesday-Thursday
(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:
Please contact the Parish Office.

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

St Francis Xavier School:
Principal : Kathy Fuller

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd August 2020

1st Reading : Is 55:1-3

2nd Reading : Rom 8:35,37-39

Gospel : Mt 14:13-21

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9th August 2020

1st Reading : 1 Kg 19:9,11-13

2nd Reading : Rom 9:1-5

Gospel : Mt 14:22-23

HELLO! From Fr Marty

*"Our greatest business in life
is not to see what lies dimly at a distance,
yet to do what clearly lies at hand."*

Thomas Carlyle



You all know this speed bump at the shops here at Runaway Bay near the flower shop, 'which sells good flowers' just fyi.

Well, technically, it is not a speed bump, because it does not *do* what it is asked to do. It is so run down it does not even get the height for a slowdown. I always slow down for this speed bump. I wonder if you do????? The reason I slow down for this 'suggested' speed bump is because we should. It's literally five seconds just to pause, slow down and think about something peaceful. Even though it doesn't act like a speed bump, I slow down and just for five seconds, slow my mind down and think about something nurturing in my life.

I have been pondering whether we have really learnt anything from the lockdown we have experienced. Do you take things for granted, or do you really appreciate the good things you have in your life at the moment?

I am calling this lockdown in Victoria, the '*Shadow of Victoria*', yet it looms large in my mind. Let us continue to pray for the people, for those who have died and their families.

I am very grateful for what we have at the moment. As my quote says at the top of the page, we can only go day by day and hour by hour. Keep this in mind as we start another week together.

Holy Family Parish Runaway Bay Sacramental Preparation Dates 2020

Confirmation (Year 3)

Parent Info/Formation (Carole) Monday 10th August 6pm

Rite of Enrolment 22nd OR 23rd August Weekend Masses

(Books presented to children at Rite of Enrolment)

Presentation of Creed 29th OR 30th August Weekend Masses

Family session with Carole

Saturday 12th September 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Practice Tuesday 15th September 4.30pm-5.45pm

Celebration Rite Thursday 17th September 6pm

First Holy Communion (Year 4 and Child has been Confirmed)

Parent Info/Formation (Carole) Monday 7th September 6pm

Rite of Enrolment 12th OR 13th September Weekend Masses

(Books presented to children at Rite of Enrolment)

School Holidays 21st September – 6th October

Family session with Carole

Saturday 10th October 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Presentation of Lord's Prayer
17th OR 18th October Weekend Masses

Celebration of God's Mercy
Thursday 22nd October 6pm and Practice

Celebrations 24th/25th October Weekend Masses

And

31st October/1st November Weekend Masses

Penance Older Children (Year 5)

Invitation sent to families whose children have made First Holy Communion last year and earlier

Session 1 with Carole

Monday 16th November 5pm – 6pm (Pizza)

Session 2 with Carole

Monday 23rd November 5pm -- 6pm (Pizza)

Session 3 with Carole

Monday 30th November 5pm – 5.30pm

First Rite with Fr Marty

Monday 30th November 5.30pm – 6pm (Pizza)

Please visit the Parish website for forms and further details

www.holyfamilyrunawaybay.org.au

Enrolment forms to Parish Office by :

Confirmation —5th August 2020

Holy Communion—12th August 2020

FUN FACT FOR SUNDAY 2nd August, 2020



1983 Paul Sharp became the first person to cross the Simpson Desert alone on foot. Pilgrimages are usually done on foot. Go for a mini pilgrimage or park prayer walk today, across the deserts, to find new life.

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

Important Solemnities coming up. Please contact the Parish Office and book in.

Saturday Aug 8th at 8am

Solemnity of St. Mary of the Cross

Saturday Aug 15th at 8am

Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of Obligation



What are you grateful about today/this week?

As you know we live on the Gold Coast. We have beautiful sunshine and beautiful weather. Whether it is the rain or the brightness of day, we are so lucky to live on the Gold Coast. Sometimes we need to be reminded of that.

Thought for the week



How to live the Gospel out this week-end.



If you go to 'YouTube' and type in 'Catholic Brisbane', you will see the Archdiocese creates 2 minute homilies by priests of the Archdiocese. This weekend is my two minute homily. I think I have done 5 of them now. As you can see it took the lady 40 minutes to set up. Two takes at the homily, which I think was 2.10 mins, and then 30 minutes to pack up and put back in the car. This is why we do a simple live stream in the board room for 9am mass. This kind of technology, while amazing, is very expensive. We are talking at least \$3000 minimum. So if you have a spare '2 minutes' check out You Tube this week for my two minute homily.

Financial summary for June 2020

Dear Parishioners,

As a part of being transparent, accountable and with good communication, I have asked the finance council to give a report on the state of our income since lockdown. I'm not pushing anyone, yet it is important to let you know how we are going at this time. We pray for all the Brisbane churches who have been asked to lock down at this time. Fr Marty

*During the period January to March 2020, the average parishioner contribution was **\$13,387 per month**. It should be noted that during the Covid-19 restrictions, the average parishioner contributions for the period of April to end June was **only \$5,528 per month**. Total contribution for the six month period was only \$56,776.*

*To meet Holy Family Parish operating / running costs a contribution budget for this six month period was set at \$84,300. This means that Covid-19 restrictions contributed to a **reduction of parishioner contributions of \$27,524 in 3 months**.*

Other sources of parish income (outside school care and refunds) during this period have assisted in meeting our Holy Family Parish financial requirements.

*From a financial perspective, during the same six month period, the cost of operating / running the parish (expenses) has continued at the pre Covid-19 level of **\$15,605 per month** (total \$93,633 – which excludes church and house maintenance).*

Previously mentioned (in past Holy Family Parish weekly news letters), parishioner contribution methods have changed around Australia. Holy Family Parish will not continue with weekly contribution envelopes from mid 2021. There are a number of contribution methods that are available to parishioners, including direct debit and bank payments. If you need help to set up this recurring banking facility, please contact Audrey Ho in the Parish office for support and help.

*Additionally, to assist and support the operation of the Holy Family parish office; for general parish requirements - such as inclusion of people on lists for prayers, anniversaries or inclusion on weekly mass lists; you could **contact the office via email** (rbay@bne.catholic.net.au)*

Parish Finance Committee