

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Jim & Dan Lyon, Leesa Halverson, Esperanza David, Balasabas Family, Vizon Family

SICK LIST: John Lynch, 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'Donell, 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 Reute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time A/2

Sunday 9th 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

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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
16th August 2020

1st Reading : 56:1, 6-7
2nd Reading : Rom 11:13-15,29-32
Gospel : Mt 15:21-28

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

Things you can control

Well, hasn't it been a week to remember. Yet, not in a positive life giving way. Melbourne is locked down and the south west corridor of Brisbane was forced to close all masses for last weekend. These are difficult times, yet rapidly changing quickly too. Sometimes it is hard to believe how events change almost on a daily basis. Yet none the less, we have to be people of hope and people of love. People of God and people of faith. In this 'graphic', sometimes it is important to remember what we do have control over. Spend a little time this week just remembering that we are in control of our bodies, our mind and our actions. And leave the rest to God!

Perhaps if you know people in Melbourne, send them this newsletter to provide them with a sense of hope!

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Booking Weekend Masses

Thank you for the way you are calmly dealing with booking in each week. I know it is a chore, yet you are doing so well. As you know, there are no masses in Victoria. That must be very hard for people.

Please continue to book your mass attendance. 63 attendees is the maximum for each Mass. You can either contact Audrey in the Parish Office at 07 5537 4320 Press 2 or send her an email : rbay@bne.catholic.net.au.

Livestream Mass at 9am is now held in the Church. So, now we can have 63 attendees instead of the usual 10. You must book in your details. The following dates are available :

Sundays : 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Don't forget next Saturday 15th August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Bookings are opened for September: Saturday 4.30pm, Sunday 7am & 9am

Remember to arrive at least 15 minutes earlier before Mass to sign in.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Fr Marty

**Mass Times
10th — 16th August 2020**

Monday 10th : 8.00 am. Mass
 Thursday 13th : 9.30 am. Mass
**Saturday 15th : 8.00 am. Solemnity
 Of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 4.30 pm. Mass.**
 Sunday 16th : 7.00 am.
 9.00am. Mass

How to live the Gospel out this weekend. 

The famous Gospel story of Jesus walking on the water. Can you remember as a child being fascinated by this story? And then going straight out to the pool after mass and trying to walk on water! I know I sure did. Why we cannot walk physically on the water, we can sink or swim symbolically. Are you on the crest of a wave at the moment or struggling to keep your head above water?

TASK: 

This is where your faith is really important to cultivate. Tell God your concerns. Talk to God about the good and the bad and the ugly. Then find ways to hear God speak back to you. God does speak, God whispers. Don't doubt. Jesus says to Peter in the Gospel, "Come." Jesus asks us to do the same and he will take us by the hand, so we do not drown.

Thought for the week



What are you grateful about today/this week?



For those people who have to care for sick relatives and family. May they be blessed for their giving nature.

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 can contact the office via email (rbay@bne.catholic.net.au)

Parish Finance Committee

**FUN FACT FOR SUNDAY
9th August, 2020**



Actually, we need to go back a day to the 8th of August, which is the Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's patron saint. She was born in Melbourne and she founded the Sisters of St Joseph. Of course, as we all know, they were instrumental in giving young people an education. Priceless and impacting the lives of many young people even up to today. The gift of an education. St Mary of the Cross was beatified on 19 January, 1995 by Pope John Paul II. Mary endured hardships that would bring many of us to our knees. Yet she loved God and she loved the Sisters. She was even excommunicated. Yet she held firm and was eventually able to see the fruits of her work. We give thanks to St Mary of the Cross. Whenever we feel the lack of resolve, we turn our hearts to prayer and ask Mary to intercede to God on our behalf.

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