

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal, 3rd & 4th July 2021

At the weekend masses on 3rd & 4th July 2021 Holy Family Conference will be conducting our annual Winter Appeal. This appeal is an important source of funding for the conference as it enables us to carry out our vision of “providing a hand up not a hand out” to the people in need in our area.

If you are not attending Mass that weekend and would like to donate, you can do so in the following ways :

- ◆ Pick up an Appeal Envelope from the Church or the Parish Office and return it with your donation to the office or put it on any of the collections at Mass. *If required, please include details for the receipt.*
- ◆ Direct Debit to the Conference Bank Account :
BSB : 064-786 Account Number : 100025973
Account Name : SVDP Holy Family Runaway Bay
Reference : Winter Appeal/Your Name
If you require a receipt, please email your details to our conference email
HF4216@svdpqld.org.au

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you.

Peter Fox
President

Weekly Diary : 28th June - 4th July 2021

- Monday 28th : No Mass
- Wednesday 30th : Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group will resume on 14th July 2021
- Thursday 1st : No Mass
- Saturday 3rd : 5.00 pm. : 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I
- Sunday 4th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I

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)

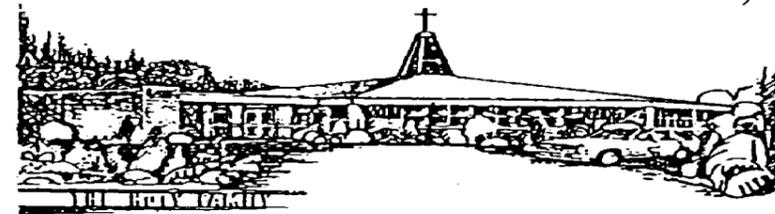
Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Esther Calizo Balasabas, Lucy Pardoe, George Moriers, Emmanuel 'Noel' B Cadayona, Leonie Angeline Ta'ake, Pete Pape, Fermina C. de Luna, Reginald Joseph Cox, Ian (Tom) Gibb Edgar

ANNIVERSARIES: Carol Martin, David Chapman, Raymond Atama, Maree Ross, Ivy Elizabeth Finn, Marinel Santos, Eric Crowe

SICK LIST: Guellermo Garing, Romulo Salilig, Elise Squillari, Peter Pape, Beverly Holley, Lilly Clancey, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Len Crowe, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, Zaldy F Cadayona, John Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, 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, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Frans & Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I

Sunday 27th June 2021

PARISH PRIEST
Fr. Marty Larsen

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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
Tel: 5537 2633

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I
27th June 2021

1st Reading : Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24
2nd Reading : 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15
Gospel : Mk 5:21-43

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I
4th July 2021

1st Reading : Ezek 2:2-5
2nd Reading : 2 Cor 12:7-10
Gospel : Mk 6:1-6

HELLO! From Fr Marty

Today is actually my seventh year as a priest, ordained on this date!

I used this article last year, yet it may be good to go back and reflect upon it in light of being a part of your community for the last two years.



I wanted to give a small insight into what it means to be a celibate Catholic priest in the context of celebrating Eucharist.

Fr Marty: In short: It is a demanding privilege. *(I am also mindful that as I write this, there are many people who live in a celibate state.)*

There are aspects of celibacy that sit comfortably with me. Firstly, if you were to see the state of my room, you might consider living with me somewhat challenging. The floor (in my mind) is a perfectly acceptable place to store clothes and books. In fact any space which is clean, spare chair, table, washing machine is a perfect place to leave clothes.

There are times when I am happy to be by myself and to be comfortable with my 'alone time'. Netflix is a great time to be alone. Not lonely. Yet to be comfortable in my alone time. It took me ages, yet, I am now comfortable to go to the movies by myself. I still haven't mastered that with restaurants yet. I still like the idea of actually sharing a meal with someone.

There are other times, especially major feast times like Christmas and Easter where it can be very lonely. Not only am I working on these big days, I am a long way from family. I had a big fight with mum over the fact that I would be missing these family moments. Mum of course was right. Mums are always right. Conversely, there is something extremely wonderful to celebrate with big crowds and to celebrate Eucharist with them. Christmas and Easter still mean so much to people. So it is a great privilege to be able to lead these celebrations.

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One of the liberating aspects of celibacy is that I have been invited into some of the most precious moments of people's lives. Whether it is baptizing a child, marrying two people to each other or anointing a sick person, these are privileged moments of human encounter. I simply cannot give you words which express the intimacy of a moment like this. Being open to these moments, allows me to be completely free in offering my time. So this aspect of being celibate is really powerful. Being free for others in their time and place.

Society places a lot of importance on human intimacy and the need for people to be together. I couldn't agree more, yet at the same time, relationships for all their good, can be problematic, demanding and heart breaking for people. At times I feel I have been spared the intricate web of emotions that come with being committed (solely) to another person. I can still walk past a couple having a night out and kind of go, 'I wish I could do that'. However, when I am tempted to complain about something trivial in my life, like I forgot to put washing on this week, I hold my tongue. There is always someone doing it worse off than I am. For example; families can be way more demanding with their issues- than my little needs.

With celebrating Mass; there is an intimacy in celebrating Eucharist and this is very hard to explain. It couldn't be any more deeply personal yet also deeply communal. When I was ordained a priest, when you celebrate Eucharist for the first time, your whole body is buzzing with this great privilege. I don't want to make it a me against you, rather, *a harmonizing of what is the body of Christ*. A collective, 'yes', we agree that what I do, and what you do, is right in this space. As we say in the Eucharistic prayer: "It is truly right and just." There is a shared collectiveness that making Jesus present is the right thing to do for the community. It's a win- win. So there is something profound in giving up intimacy with another, for the sake of being able to break bread and offer this to our community- for all your needs.

Celibacy is both a demand, yet also a privilege. Like anything, it requires commitment, 'honesty' and most importantly, a trust that God will bless my body, mind and soul, so that I can be authentic in my life. Through Eucharist, I am able to do all of this and more. With the grace of God firmly in my hands and in my heart, when I say "The Lord be with you," you can confidently say, "And with your Spirit", my body, mind and soul.

Fr Marty

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - B



A VOCATION VIEW: Jesus said, "Do not fear, only believe." Do we believe that God will answer our prayers for more priests and consecrated religious for our Church? Pray, believing that your prayers will be answered. To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544

vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

vocationbrisbane.com.au

Holy Family Parish Sacramental Preparation Dates 2021

(All Sacraments will be held in the Church- using social distancing)

Confirmation (Grade 3 or age 8)

Parent Information/Work booklets	Monday 9 th August	6pm
Practise & work booklets due	Saturday 4 th September	3pm
Celebration Rite	Tuesday 7 th September	6pm
	Wednesday 8 th September	6pm
	Thursday 9 th September	6pm

18 candidates per celebration. 3 family members allowed.

First Holy Communion (Grade 4 and child has been Confirmed)

Parent Information/Work booklets	Monday 13 th September	6pm
Practise & work booklets due	Saturday 16 th October	3pm
Celebrations	Monday 18 th October	6pm
	Tuesday 19 th October	6pm
	Thursday 21 st October	6pm
	Friday 22 nd October	6pm
	Monday 25 th October	6pm

10 candidates per celebration. 7 family members allowed.

Please visit the Parish website for an enrolment form and further information:

www.holyfamilyparishrunawaybay.org.au

Parish Safeguarding News

We encourage volunteers to complete the online training on the Safeguarding Training webpage : www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/

◇ Level 1 & Level 2 Safeguarding training for volunteers

Volunteers can also access information and resources on the webpage.

Should you require further information or assistance, please contact the Parish Office at 07 5537 4320 Press 2.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0-18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a zero tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.