

Readings for Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year B**FIRST READING:** Ex 16:24,12-15**Ps 77: 3-4, 23-25, 54** "The Lord gave them bread from heaven."**SECOND READING:** Eph 4:17,20-24**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Matthew 4:4).** Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.**GOSPEL:** John 6:24-35**FUN FACT FOR SUNDAY August 1, 2021**

St Alphonsus de' Liguori. Born in Naples Italy 1696. He became a lawyer with a brilliant career ahead of him. One day he lost a case. This event devastated his life and he decided to join the priesthood. Despite his father's objections he was ordained 1726. With a background in law, Alphonsus soon became known for his preaching, and after two attempts founded the congregation of Redemptorists.

Wishing to gain royal approval for his congregation he signed a document without properly reading it; he had been tricked by a member of the order. The new 'Rule' of the order basically excluded Alphonsus from the order he founded. Despite all his set backs and the people deceiving him, he continued to love God and serve the people of the Italian countryside. No matter what, we can all have the courage to continue what life gives us.

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

Weekly Diary : 2nd August - 8th August 2021

Monday 2nd : 8.00 am. Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesday 4th : Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group
Thursday 5th : 9.30 am. Mass followed by Rosary

Saturday 7th : 5.00 pm. : 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I
Sunday 8th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross, virgin

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

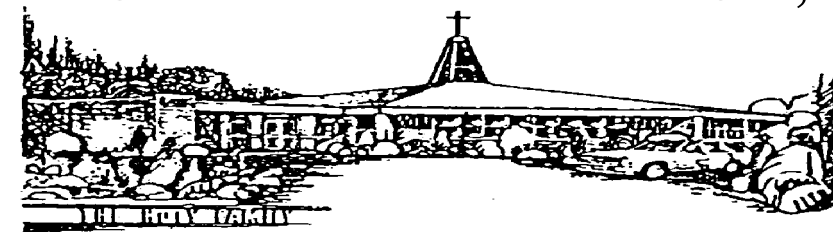
PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Frans Kilian, Kate Medina, Elizabeth Anne Nott, John Michael Joseph Lynch, Reginald John Fisher Clarke, Esther Calizo Balasabas

ANNIVERSARIES: Joan Spittle, Loretto Fox, Noel Marriott, Lesley Moreno, Jose S Quiambao

SICK LIST: Bernard Murphy, Marie Roberts, 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, 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, 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 BAY18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/ISunday 1st August 2021

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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
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Runaway Bay Holy Family



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HELLO! From Fr Marty

*God has a reason for allowing things to happen.
We may never understand God's wisdom,
yet we simply have to trust God's will.*
Ps 37:5



As a faith community, we all have our stories. Our faith story as a church has been handed down for over 2000 years. Many saints and sinners who all form up our collective history. Our story as a church is both a beacon for hope, a shining light in the darkness.

The physicist Stephen Hawking observes in the conclusion of his best seller, 'A Brief History of Time' "We find ourselves in a bewildering world. We want to make sense of what we see around us and to ask, "What is the nature of the universe, what is our place in it and where do we come from? Why is it the way it is? In an attempt to come to terms with these fundamental questions, we adopt a world picture. In other words we call upon our story to help us navigate our way through life."

At this time, when families cannot catch up with people from other states, its important to remember our story. Who are the characters in our lives, family and friends and who are those people who can be that listening ear? You may come from a different culture and that can bring a new lense to how family is shaped. What have been the times of celebration for you? What have been the highs and what have been the lows? How do we make sense of family at this time?

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And finally, something to ponder from Ron Rolheiser :

Studying Aquinas helped introduce me to myself. I was nineteen years old when I first met his thought and, although some of his insights were a bit beyond my young mind, I understood enough to find in him not just some legitimization for how I was feeling but also, more importantly, a meta-narrative within which to understand why I was feeling the way I did.

Aquinas asks: "What is the adequate object of the human mind and heart?" In other words, what would we have to experience in order to be fully satisfied? His answer: All being, everything! What would we have to experience to be fully satisfied is *everything*. We would have to know everything and be known by everybody, a human impossibility in this life, and so it shouldn't be a mystery as to why we live in perpetual disquiet and why (as French philosopher Blaise Pascal says) all the miseries of the human being come from the fact that we can't sit still in a room for one hour.

Some years later, I was introduced to the writings of Henri Nouwen and he, perhaps more than anyone else, gave me permission to feel what I feel. Nouwen was such a powerful writer because he was so honest in sharing his own neediness, restlessness, and disquiet. He had a singular talent for tracing out the restless movements within our souls. For instance, in describing his own struggles, he writes: *"I want to be a saint, but I also want to experience all the sensations that sinners experience. Small wonder, that life is a struggle."*

Some people talk about the people they would like to meet in heaven. These are some of the people who have helped me understand what it means to walk on this earth.

Safeguarding News

New laws targeting sexual offences against children

The Government has introduced new laws that target behaviour which ignores or conceals child sexual abuse. The new laws mean that all adults in Queensland now have a legal duty to:

- report sexual offending against children by other adults to the police; and
- protect children from the risk of sexual abuse by other adults in an institution (e.g. a school, church or sporting club).

The laws commenced on 5 July 2021 and carry up to 5 years imprisonment.

For more information go to: <https://www.qld.gov.au/law/crime-and-police/types-of-crime/sexual-offences-against-children/laws>

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - B



A VOCATION VIEW: "I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst". "Lord, send us priest after your own heart to give us the Food of everlasting life – Your very Self in the Eucharist". Consider a call to the priesthood of Jesus Christ.

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544 vocation@bne.catholic.net.au
vocationbrisbane.com.au

What are you grateful about today/this week?



New car. The technology inside of it is incredible. I am pretty sure this car could fly in space!



Thought for the week



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.

Please visit the Parish website for an enrolment form and more information.
www.holyfamilyparishrunawaybay.org.au

Catholic Women's League

At this point in time, the Catholic Women's League meeting will be held on Thursday 5th August 2021 after the 9.30am Mass.

For more information, please contact Jan at 0419 019 877.