

Readings for 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/I**FIRST READING:** Deut 4:1-2,6-8**Ps 14:2-5** "The just will live in the presence of the Lord."**SECOND READING:** James 1:17-18,21-22,27**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (James 1:18).** Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!**GOSPEL:** Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23**FUN FACT FOR SUNDAY 29th August 2021**

The Feast of the beheading of John the Baptist. John was a prophet and heralded the coming of Christ. After lashing out and challenging King Herod's morals, the Baptist loses his head for speaking his mind and conscious. He is the patron of those who speak fearlessly against the moral injustices of our times. A day to reflect on our times of self-protective silence. With this feast day in mind, we also acknowledge the opening of the Sydney Harbour tunnel 1992. What are we undermining instead of bridging?

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

Weekly Diary : 30th August - 5th September 2021

Monday 30th	: 8.00 am.	Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
	: 10.30 am.	Funeral Service—Christine Anne Lawless
Wednesday 1st	: 9.30 am.	Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group — Parish Meeting Room
Thursday 2nd	: 9.30 am.	Mass followed by Rosary
	: 10.00 am.	Catholic Women's League Meeting—Parish Meeting Room
Saturday 4th	: 3.00 pm.	Confirmation Practise in the Church
	: 5.00 pm.	: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/1
Sunday 5th	: 7.00 am. + 9.00 am.	: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/1

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

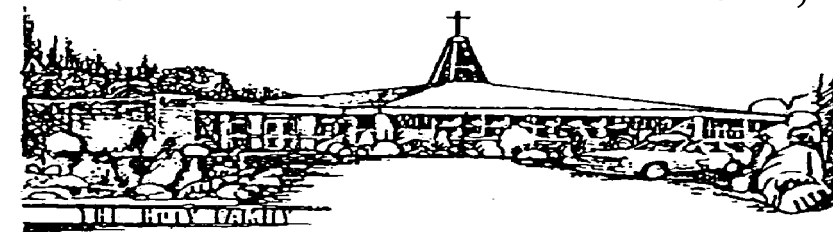
PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: Joselito S Juan, Christine Anne Lawless, Sr. Elizabeth Prendergast, Don Menardo, Frans Kilian, Kate Medina, Elizabeth Anne Nott, John Michael Joseph Lynch, Reginald John Fisher Clarke, Esther Calizo Balasabas

ANNIVERSARIES: Robert Nichols, Clare Finlay, Mary Stephens, Philomena Sleba, Barbara Bousamura, Fred Betros, Sue Jackson, Mary T Maloney, Frank John Levy, Joan Spittle

SICK LIST: Ann Daly, 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, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/ISunday 29th August 2021**PARISH PRIEST**

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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.

BaptismsEvery 2nd & 4th

Saturday & Sunday at 11am.

Please contact the Parish Office.

St Francis Xavier School:**Principal : Kathy Fuller****Tel: 5537 2633****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



All seems well at the time of writing this newsletter. We are very blessed in Queensland with the lack of restrictions we face compared to other states. We continue to pray for your family and friends who are locked down in Sydney and Melbourne.

At this stage, we will still need to wear masks. Perhaps in another week things might change. Yet, as you know, you do need to wash your masks, or use the disposable one's as we are having to wear them for more than a couple of hours in the day.

We remember Don Menardo and his family, who we bury on Saturday. And then Christine Lawless, who we bury on Monday. May they rest in the peace and the compassion of Christ. Holy Family Parish prays for you at the time.

There was a wonderful story from ABC radio from Monday where a man had come to a shop at Coolangatta and had a meal. All good. He tipped the business \$500.00 to help them during these crazy times. There are still plenty of good people out there!!!!!!

The Tokyo Paralympics are under way. I find the competition even more engaging as it is people who have struggled with their bodies to become great athletes. So we wish them success in their respective sports.

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Catholic Parish Runaway Bay

Runaway Bay Holy Family



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How to live the Gospel out this weekend.



(Laurie Woods, 2021). Here is another exchange between Jesus and the Pharisees. Some Pharisees and scribes (lawyers) took issue with those disciples of Jesus who failed to wash their hands before eating. This was in breach of one of the traditions of clean and unclean that the Pharisees in particular paid great attention to. Codes of kosher food and ritual cleanness were taken to an almost fanatical degree by the Pharisees. Mark adds his editorial comment here to inform his largely non- Jewish community of these codes and Jewish practices.

In response, Jesus fired a salvo calling his critics hypocrites for placing merely human traditions above the commandments of God – basically for deceiving themselves with mixed-up priorities. Here is another instance where Jesus demonstrates the importance of getting our priorities in the right order. It takes us back to the second reading of James who prioritised action over words. It's easy to talk the talk, but it takes integrity to walk the walk with a spirituality of the heart. I'm reminded of the dictum attributed to Socrates: *The unexamined life is not worth living.*

Thought for the week



If there were cellphones at the Red Sea



One of the sacristans bought flowers for the Feast of the Assumption from August 14. They are still going 12 days later!!!! There is something in that!

Catholic Women's League

At this point in time, the Catholic Women's League meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd September 2021 after the 9.30am Mass.

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

What are you grateful about today/this week?



This is not so much for me, but people who have moved to the Gold Coast from Sydney and Melbourne are loving this 'fresh' weather at the moment. I'm not really a cold person.

Holy Family Parish

Sacramental Preparation Dates 2021

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

Confirmation (Grade 3 or age 8)

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 Office Phone lines are down



The Parish Office phone lines are still down.

For **emergencies** only, contact 0413 605 015. Otherwise, you can email the Parish Office at :

rbay@bne.catholic.net.au

Thank you for your patience.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The children will be having their Confirmation practice next weekend 4th September at 3pm.

Thereafter, **54 children** will be confirmed at the following celebration nights at 6pm :

Tuesday 7th September

Wednesday 8th September

Thursday 9th September

We ask that the parish community pray that the children will experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit.