

**Annual Peter's Pence Collection
Weekend of 1st/2nd July 2023**

The Annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken up as a retiring collection at all masses on 1st and 2nd July 2023.

- ◆ It is an annual collection of the Catholic Church around the world.
- ◆ The collection allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters.

The Peter's Pence Collection gives Catholics in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See.

Weekly Diary : 26th June 2023—2nd July 2023

Tuesday 27th	: 9.30am.	Communion Service followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thursday 29th	: 9.30am.	Communion Service followed by Rosary
Saturday 1st	: 4.30pm.	Confession
	5.00pm.	: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/I
Sunday 2nd	: 7.00am. + 9.00am.	: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/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: Mary Margaret Tudor, Bernard Toohey, Colin Goldup, Frances Moira Hill

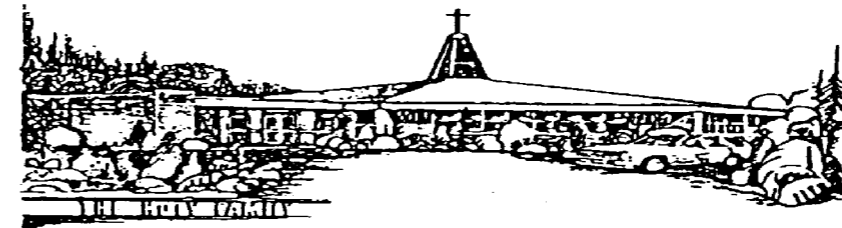
ANNIVERSARIES: Frank Levy, Sam C Quiambao, James Peter Noonan, Carol Martin, Raymond Atama, Harley Edward Kropp, Elli Fachin, Maurice & Mary Lawson, Peg Lyon

SICK LIST: Gerry Boerlage, Peter Lawson, Gay Frazer, June Molloy, Angela Byron, Renee Wood, Gerard Brennan, Jan Dodds, Gabriel Cabral, Keith Murphy, Victoria Scotchford, Michael Murphy, Ryder Forbes, Geoffrey Eaborn, Margaret Cotton, Frank Balinas, Lavinia Azucena, Marta Szyz, Riley Dodds, Kayden Chong, Ruth Stretton, Peter O'Rourke, Fr. David Wilson S.M., Sasha Whelan, Marie Roberts, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Courtney Blount, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan

Acknowledgement of Country - This is Kombumerri Country - The Traditional Custodians of this region.

We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the First People of this country. We pay our respects to the Kombumerri people, who are the traditional custodians of these sacred lands that we live and work upon. We acknowledge Elders, past and present and emerging, as they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of our Indigenous people.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/I

Sunday 25th June 2023

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Hours:

8.30am—3.00pm

Monday—Tuesday

8.30am-1.00pm

Wednesday-Thursday

(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4.30pm

Baptisms

Every 2nd/3rd/4th Sundays

after 9am Mass

Please contact the Parish Office.

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Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Matt 10:26-33

The second discourse of Matthew's Gospel occupies chapter 10. We hear it proclaimed on this Sunday and the following. In Matthew's version, the mission of the Twelve is only to the people of Israel (10:5-16) and they are to preach the nearness of kingdom not only in word but in action, by healing the sick, raising the dead, cleansing lepers, and casting out demons. Jesus warns them of the opposition they would encounter (10:17-25), before moving to today's section, which speaks of the fearlessness the apostles are to need in the face of such opposition.

'Do not be afraid', is the exhortation of Jesus to his apostles and to us. We live in a church seemingly enmeshed in endless scandal; the good news of God's love seems imprisoned in the darkness of unending failure among those of us who seek to serve God's people through leadership and ministry. Our society has lost trust in the institutional church because of such inexcusable evil. The words of Jesus today promise that even such tragedy cannot overpower the message, even though it certainly seems that way at the moment. Jesus promises that God watches over those whom the rest of the world forgets, the sparrows among us. It does seem hard to believe in a God who cares for the small and insignificant when many of the most vulnerable among us suffer at our hands instead of being cherished.

So these words of Jesus are ever more pressing as things look darkest. More than ever, Jesus' call to bear witness to him needs to be taken up by every baptised person. The Spirit has been given to us and it is the Spirit who shines in the darkness, it is the Spirit who makes Jesus come to life within us, it is the Spirit who gives us strength in our weakness. We bear witness to him by the faithfulness we show to his gospel, by the life-affirming care we lavish upon the downtrodden and destitute, the helpless and the homeless, the vulnerable and the needy.

Augustine of Hippo advises his community: 'Let us fear, in order not to fear; that is, let us fear wisely, in order not to fear groundlessly' (*Sermo 65*). We would be wise to fear denying God by a life of sin that does not bear witness to the life and love promised us. We would be wise to fear complacency, which blinds us to the demands of constant reform and conversion.

While today's gospel calls us to action, it also calls us to give thanks. We must be thankful for those who do witness to what is true and right, even if their fidelity is overshadowed by the failings of others. We must be thankful that fear is not the final word, that failure will not extinguish the good news of God's love, no matter how much that flickering light of hope seems to be about to go out. We must be thankful that the grace of God, poured into our hearts through the Spirit who makes our gifts of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ given up for our nourishment, is about to be given once again to us in this sacred meal we share.

*Text: Homily Help - Geoffrey D Dunn - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Jer 20:10-13 He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
 "Terror from every side!"
 Denounce him! Let us denounce him!
 All those who used to be my friends
 watched for my downfall,
 'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
 Then we will master him and take our revenge!'
 But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
 my opponents will stumble, mastered,
 confounded by their failure;
 everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
 But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
 who scrutinise the loins and heart,
 let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
 for I have committed my cause to you.
 Sing to the Lord,
 praise the Lord,
 for he has delivered the soul of the needy
 from the hands of evil men.

RESPONSORIAL Ps 147:12-15,19-20 : R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. **R.**

The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needs and does not spurn servants in their chains. Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures. **R.**

SECOND READING Rom 5:12-15 God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 10:26-33 Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.' 'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

Farewell Morning Tea

Sunday 30th July, 9am Mass

The Holy Family Parish would like to extend a warm invitation to all parishioners to attend mass then join in a morning tea. We will say farewell and a huge thank you to Fr. Marty for the wonderful care and dedication he has provided to our community during his time as Parish Priest. Would everyone please bring a plate to share.

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

24th and 25th June 2023

At this weekend's masses, the Holy Family Conference will conduct the annual Winter Appeal. This appeal is an important source of funding as it enables the Conference to carry out their vision of "providing a hand up not a hand out" to the people in need in our area.

If you're not at Mass this 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 and 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

**Holy Family Parish, Runaway Bay
 Sacramental Preparation Dates 2023
 (All Sacraments will be held in the Church)**

First Holy Communion (From 9 years old and child has been Confirmed)

Parent Information Night (Compulsory)	Monday 17 th July	6pm
Enrolment Mass weekend (Compulsory)	Saturday 22 nd July	5pm Mass
	Sunday 23 rd July	OR 9am Mass
Parent/child Home sessions (4 weeks)	24 th July – 21 st August 2023	
Family workshop (Compulsory)	Sunday 27 th August	10.30am
Practice session including celebration Of the Gift of God's Mercy (2 nd Rite for Reconciliation) (all candidates must attend)	Thursday 31 st August	6pm
First Holy Communion Celebration & Certificates	Saturday 9 th September	5pm Mass
	Sunday 10 th September	OR 9am Mass

Registrations close on 12th July 2023

Please visit the parish website www.holyfamilyrunawaybay.org.au for more details. The enrolment form is available on the parish website.