

**Emergency Evacuation Procedure**

Parishioners are advised that the Holy Family Church has an EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE, a FIRE BELL and EXIT POINTS. In the case of an alert, parishioners should remain calm and look for the nearest EXIT sign in GREEN. Everyone should move in an orderly fashion to the FIRE ASSEMBLY AREA outside the Church carpark and along Simbai Street.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLANS are located on the walls throughout the Church. They have been modified due to changes on the school grounds.

**Weekly Diary : 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024—28<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group-Parish Board Room</b>
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Mass Feast of The Conversion of St Paul, apostle followed by Rosary</b>
	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass—Mari Eileen Purcell</b>
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 4.30pm.</b>	<b>Confession</b>
	<b>5.00pm.</b>	<b>Vigil Mass—4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2</b>
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 7.00am. + 9.00am</b>	<b>Mass—4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2</b>

***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:** Mari Eileen Purcell, Christina MacLean, Hilary Joyce O'Leary, Lesley Goltman

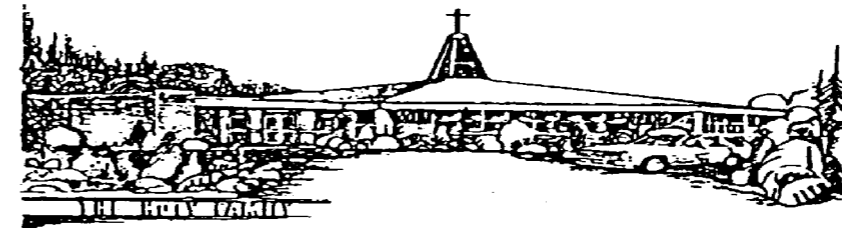
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Henry Blake, Silvestra C. Quiambao, Margaret Paterson, Margaret Conwell, Graham Paterson

**SICK LIST:** Elizabeth Allanson, Ann Woodman, Vince Johnson, Carter Ford, Val Hutton, Bernard Molina, Mari Purcell, Sharon Harris, Mark Devlin, Margaret Cotton, Rico C. Cadayona, Evelyn Tan, Vicky Umythy, Tessa Woodward, Gerry Boerlage, Gay Frazer, 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 Szysz, 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), Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, 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**



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024

**PARISH PRIEST**  
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**Hours:**  
8.30am—3.00pm  
**Monday—Thursday**  
**(closed FRIDAY)**

**Reconciliation:**  
Saturdays 4.30pm

**Baptisms**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
after 9am Mass  
**Please contact the Parish Office.**

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**Parish Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)**  
Michael Nicholson

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Mark 1:14–20*

**Context Connection**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Mark offers his version of Jesus's seeking out and inviting ordinary people to follow him, to become his disciples. According to Mark, Jesus begins preaching the Good News after John the Baptist is arrested by Herod. John, it seems, completes his role in the story of our salvation, which causes Jesus's role to become more vocal and active. From Galilee, Jesus proclaims his radical message, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near" (1:15). He is telling people that the way they relate to themselves, to others, and to God is about to change. In Greek, the language in which the Gospel of Mark was written, we find two words for time: *chronos* and *kairos*. *Chronos* refers to ordinary time, a moment in the day, and *kairos* refers to extraordinary time, a moment in the history of humankind. When Jesus says, "The time is fulfilled," the word he uses for time is *kairos*, or God's time. It is now God's time for the Good News to be preached. God's Kingdom has begun, and in the Gospel of Mark, Jesus, through his ministry and public life, announces and sets into motion the Kingdom of God. Those who wish to follow Jesus must fulfill a two-part requirement: "Repent, and believe in the good news" (1:15). This call for repentance involves a change of heart, a *metanoia*, which is a Greek word meaning to think over or rethink the way one goes about doing things. This change of heart manifests itself as adopting a way of relating to the world that is consistent with the Good News. In the Bible, in general, belief involves not only intellectual conviction but also trust and personal commitment.

The setting is the area around the Sea of Galilee, which is heavily populated because of its extensive fishing industry. Fishing is very profitable. The first disciples Jesus calls are Simon and Andrew, who are fishing with their father: "Follow me and I will make you fish for people" (1:17). The Gospel tells us that they immediately follow him. Perhaps they sense that they are now living in an extraordinary time, in *kairos*, which helps them think more clearly. Next, Jesus calls James and John, the sons of Zebedee, and they too leave everything and follow him. Those who are wise know that this is indeed God's time and act without hesitation.

**Tradition Connection**

Mark emphasizes that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a call to repentance, or conversion. Jesus's call to follow him, should we answer it, will result in our undertaking a journey of conversion. As Catholics, we believe conversion is not a one-time event but an ongoing process of growing in holiness. For us, Baptism is the point of initiation, the point at which we begin proclaiming our belief in the Good News, which involves continually renouncing evil and embracing holiness.

The Church provides the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation so that we can further the ongoing conversion in our lives. In the sacrament, the individual is asked to have a contrite heart and the resolve to sin no more. The repentant asks for the mercy of God for the forgiveness of past transgressions as well as the grace to be able to live more completely the values and virtues of the Gospel. Through the mercy of God, we know we are loved by God; this

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realization makes it possible to approach God and seek forgiveness (see CCC, number 1428).

Peter, the first disciple whom Jesus calls in the Gospel of Mark, is a premier example of one who trusts in the mercy of God and places one's trust and confidence in the ongoing process of conversion. After Peter denies Jesus three times, Jesus gives Peter an opportunity to express his love for him after the Resurrection in the form of a threefold affirmation. The Scriptures and the lives of the saints abound in examples of conversion—conversion of water, Baptism, and conversion of tears, Penance and Reconciliation.

#### Wisdom Connection

Mark shows us that Jesus's call to follow him can be powerful and direct. Regardless of the nature of that call, we are still forced to make a choice between Gospel values and our own, which are often the values of the dominant culture, the values of corporate media. "Buy, buy, buy" or "Me, me, me" are not Gospel values espoused by the followers of Jesus Christ. Receiving a call from Jesus to follow him will more than likely mean that attitudes, values, and priorities will change. This transformation makes it possible for us to become fishers of people. Fishers of fish are focused on the material, and fishers of people are focused on the spiritual. To fish for people is to create opportunities to share the Good News with others.

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**The Little Lenten Book** Spend time with God each day of Lent. The Little Lenten Book consists of 6-minute meditations on the Passion according to Luke. The reading begins on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (the Sunday before Ash Wednesday) and spend 3 days getting ready for Lent. The book costs \$5 each. They are on sale at the Parish Office AND before and after each weekday and weekend mass.

#### Parish News

**Anointing Mass** An Anointing Mass will be held on Tuesday 6th February 2024 at 9.30am.

The Sacrament of the Sick is offered during the mass to those present that day who are sick and also those in need of spiritual healing.

**Ash Wednesday on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024** : Mass Times : 9.30am and 6.00pm.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING Jonah 3:1-5,10 **The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.**

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

#### RESPONSORIAL R. **Teach me your ways, O Lord.**

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me : for you are God my saviour. **R.**

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

#### SECOND READING 1 Cor 7:29-31 **The world as we know it is passing away.**

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near : believe the Good News! Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL Mk 1:14—20 **Repent, and believe the Good News.**

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets, he called them at once, and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.