

**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 : 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024—18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 11.00am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass—Vincent Thomas Johnson</b>
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Funeral Service—Albert (Albi) Henry Dooley</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Mass</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group-Parish Board Room</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 9.30am</b>	<b>Mass followed by Stations of the Cross with Monsignor Peter</b>
<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 4.30pm</b>	<b>Confession</b>
	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass—1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year B/2</b>
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>: 7.00am + 9.00am</b>	<b>Family Mass—1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year B/2</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Baptism</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:** Vincent Thomas Johnson, Albert (Albi) Henry Dooley, David Rosset, Mari Eileen Purcell, Christina MacLean, Hilary Joyce O’Leary

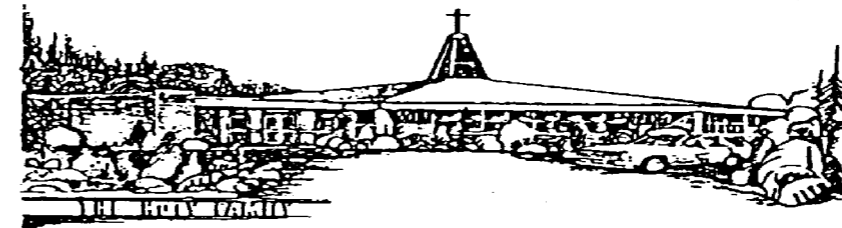
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Peter Crowe, Gregory Brian Kehoe, John Grasso, Harold & Helen Regan, Juliet Bosch, Laurence & Daniel Pope, Ernesto & Peryang Langga, Max Nunis, Henry Blake

**SICK LIST:** Elsie Charles, Jacques Charles, Christopher Holley, Charles Massy, Sophie Mitchell, Elizabeth Allanson, Ann Woodman, Vince Johnson, Carter Ford, Val Hutton, Bernard Molina, 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**



6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mark 1:40–45*

**Context Connection**

This is the fourth Sunday we have read from the first chapter of the Gospel of Mark. Mark has jam-packed his first chapter with a string of stories in which faith plays a central role. As a way to complete this event-filled chapter, Mark tells us the powerful story of Jesus’s making the leper clean. The reader can almost sense Jesus’s urgency to undertake his mission as well as his undiminished compassion for those in need of healing.

The leper seeks out Jesus. The leper completely disregards the rigid boundaries that exist in society. His actions are shocking. According to Mosaic Law, or the Law of Moses, in particular the Book of Leviticus, a leper is considered unclean and has to avoid contact with “the clean” of society. Lepers are to call out, “Unclean, unclean,” so all those who are unafflicted can avoid them (see Leviticus 13:45). The leper of this Gospel story has the gift of faith, however, and with his clear mind reacts quickly. Boldly confident in Jesus’s compassion and power, he kneels before him and asks to be made clean. He requests more than alleviation from a skin disease; he seeks re-entry into the mainstream of society. He can then be reunited with his family and live a normal life. Like the leper, Jesus also sets aside boundaries. The next move is Jesus’s, and, motivated by compassion for the man, he consciously and deliberately reaches out and touches him: “Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, ‘I do choose. Be made clean!’” (1:41). According to Mosaic Law, Jesus actually makes himself unclean by touching the man. The healing of the man’s leprosy is immediate and complete. Jesus sends the man away with two directives: “Say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest” (1:44). Once again Jesus tries to hide his identity, which Scripture scholars refer to as the messianic secret.

The second directive, “Go, show yourself to the priest,” is practical. The man has to present himself to a local priest, who alone has the power to declare him clean, which will allow him to re-enter society (see Leviticus 14:3). This directive also demonstrates Jesus’s knowledge and love for the Law. The leper, now healed and made clean, is so jubilant that he tells everyone what happened. Word spreads! Mark tells us that Jesus “stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter” (1:45). The Master, who is quite literally mobbed by those in search of healing, moves to a more remote location but can’t get away from the crowd. This passage provides an impressive conclusion to the first chapter of Mark, which introduces us to Jesus’s healing power and the role of faith in opening us up to that power.

**Tradition Connection**

The leper has faith sufficient to believe that Jesus, with his compassionate heart, will reach out, touch him, and make him clean. His faith is possible only because of the free gift of grace we recognize as the interior help of the Holy Spirit (see CCC, number 154).

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In the miracles Jesus works in his public life, he always wants those who are asking for healing to initiate the process through their profession of faith in his healing power. In the act of healing, Jesus touches the person or the person touches him. In most cases, healing is very personal. The reaching out and touching of the recipient continues in our sacraments today. The healing power of Jesus is found in this touch (see CCC, number 227).

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING** Lev 13:1-2,44-46 **As long as he is unclean, he must live alone, outside the camp.**

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

**RESPONSORIAL R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted. O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. **R.**

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. **R.**

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 **Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.**

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** Mk 1:40-45 **The leprosy left him and he was cured.**

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

### Ash Wednesday & Holy Week Roster

If you are able to assist on Ash Wednesday and Holy Week, please write your details on the roster which is placed on the back table.

### Ash Wednesday



Mass will be held next Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 9.30am and 6.00pm.

### Stations of the Cross (from 15th February)

Stations of the Cross will be led by Monsignor Peter after the 9.30am mass on Thursdays, except on the following dates :

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb : Parishioners to lead the stations

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb : with Fr. Andrew

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March : with Fr. Andrew

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March : Parishioners to lead the stations

### Project Compassion Sunday

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of envelopes and give generously this Lent. Materials will be placed at the back of the Church from this weekend.

### Parish & School Family Mass

Please join us in the family mass held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February at the 9am Mass.

### Weekday Mass

Please note the changes in weekday mass times :

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb : Communion Service

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb : 9.30am Mass with

Fr. Andrew

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb : 9.30am Mass & Stations with Fr. Andrew

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Feb : Communion Service

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March : Anointing Mass & Stations with Fr. Andrew

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March : Communion Service



### Project Compassion Sunday 10 & 11 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **for all future generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.