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Weekly Diary : 16th September 2024—22nd September 2024

Tuesday 17th	: 9.30am	Mass followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thursday 19th	: 9.30am	Mass followed by Rosary
Saturday 21st	: 3.30pm	Confessions
	4.00pm	Vigil Mass—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B2
	5.30pm	Mass at Our Lady of Hope, Banksia Park Hall, 27 Crescent Avenue, Hope Island
Sunday 22nd	: 7.00am	Mass—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2
	9.00am	Mass—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2
	10.00am	Baptisms

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: Anthony Ernest Eden, George Tannous Akiki, Emerson Cadayona, Sam Landsberger, Grahame Purtell, Rita Joan Bayley, Philomena Mable McMahon, Terry Bourke

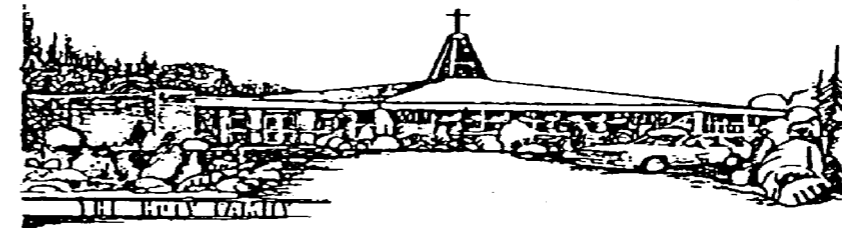
ANNIVERSARIES: Enid Marriott, Jan M’Namee, Nigel Mark Short, Glenn Winstanley, Rosie Yim, Giuseppe Cini, Luigi Zarafa, Gregorio Cadayona, Audrey Dwyer, Valerie Crowe, Esperanca & Saneng David, Vizon Family, Balasabas Family, Geraldine Kelly, Renee Nolan, Fr. Basil Nolan, Jack Lawton, Paul Lawton, Loretto Fox

SICK LIST: Dallas Blackledge, Alex Scott Jr, Jane Cooper, Ho Chun Leung, Elaine Massy, Robyn & Phillip Trevanna, Gerry Boerlage, Yvonne Collett, Lorna Avis Whitehouse, Paul Bartlett, Robyn Phillips family, Mark Prain, Mel Delmar, Elaine Jeffrey, Beverley Robinson, David Charlton, Elsie Charles, Jacques Charles, Christopher Holley, Sophie Mitchell, Elizabeth Allanson, Ann Woodman, Carter Ford, Val Hutton, Bernard Molina, Mark Devlin, Margaret Cotton, Rico C. Cadayona, Evelyn Tan, Vicky Umythy, Tessa Woodward, Angela Byron, Renee Wood, Gerard Brennan, Jan Dodds, Gabriel Cabral, Keith Murphy, Victoria Scotchford, Michael Murphy, Kayden Chong, Ruth Stretton, Peter O’Rourke, Fr. David Wilson S.M., Sasha Whelan, Marie Roberts, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Riany Chandler, Simon Stretton, Margaret Kwong, Bernie Pack

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



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B/2

Sunday 15th September 2024

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Office Hours:
Monday—Thursday
8.00am—3.00pm
Friday
8.00am-12noon

Reconciliation:
Saturdays 3.30pm

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

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isa 50:5-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

Context Connection

This Sunday’s Gospel opens with a conversation between Jesus and his most trusted disciples. Jesus asks them, “Who do people say that I am?” (8:27). Their response at first is to say what others have been saying about Jesus, that he might be John the Baptist returned from death, for John is killed in chapter 6 of the Gospel of John, or Jesus might be the prophet Elijah, who was taken into heaven in a fiery chariot and who has returned to usher in the new era of the Messiah. Then Jesus makes his question more direct: “Who do you say that I am?” (8:29). Peter, as the spokesperson for the group, responds, “You are the Messiah” (8:29). Jesus sternly forbids the disciples to tell anyone of his true identity as Messiah. The he explains to the disciples that even though he is the Messiah, he will have to suffer greatly and be killed but will rise from the dead after three days. What Jesus tells the disciples about what is going to happen is inconsistent with their understanding of what the Messiah would be. For Jews at this time, the Messiah is envisioned to be a worldly leader that will free them from any oppressive foreign government and restore the kingship of Israel. How could it be possible that Jesus, the Messiah, would have to die? Peter rebukes Jesus, for he is challenging his understanding of what the Messiah is to be. In turn, Jesus rebukes Peter by calling him Satan, which means “obstacle” or “adversary.” Peter challenges Jesus to embrace the concept of the Messiah as the world leader, which would put the key disciples in powerful positions of this world leader. Jesus is clear in letting Peter know that his understanding is incorrect and that indeed the Messiah is going to experience death but also resurrection.

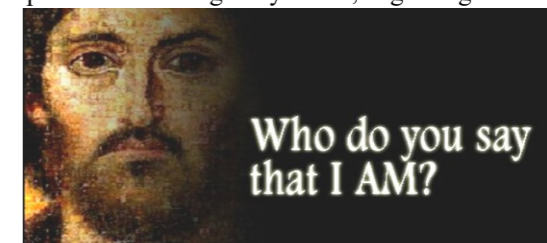
The Gospel ends with the core message of Mark’s Gospel: “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me” (8:34). Disciples of Jesus will also have to endure pain and suffering in their lives. They will not be exempt from the process. Salvation comes by embracing what the Gospel demands of a disciple, even if it means the individual will have to die for the sake of Gospel values.

Tradition Connection

As Catholics, we take the words of Mark’s Gospel to heart in our understanding of Jesus as the Messiah, not as a world leader but as a suffering servant. Peter is the herald in Mark’s Gospel, proclaiming Jesus as the Messiah, the one sent by God. But we learn in the Gospel for this Sunday that Peter does not understand that Jesus as the Messiah is not going to meet his Jewish expectations of a worldly messiah. The obstacle for Peter to overcome is to see Jesus as the suffering servant as Jesus describes himself.

For Catholic Christians, the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus is at the core of the belief that Jesus is the Son of God sent to redeem the world. This redemption was only possible through the cross.

Through faith, we believe that it was necessary for Jesus to suffer on the cross so he could bring about his glory of Resurrection, the final triumph over death of body, soul, and spirit. The historical reality is given witness to in the passion narratives of all four Gospels, which are proclaimed during Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday.



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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:5-9 **I gave my body to those who struck me.**
The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand.
Does anyone start proceedings against me?
Then let us go to court together.
Who thinks he has a case against me?
Let him approach me.
The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

RESPONSORIAL Ps 114:1-6, 8-9 **R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.**

I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. **R.**

They surrounded me, the snares of death, with anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me! **R.**

He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from tumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R.**

SECOND READING James 2:14-18 **Faith without good works is dead.**

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Galatians 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 8:27-35 **You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.**

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE - RECONCILIATION
Celebration on Wednesday 6th November 2024 (6pm)

Registrations close on 1st October 2024

Enrolment form and program dates are available on the parish website and on the table at the back of the Church :

www.holyfamilyrunawaybay.org.au

Please read the parish newsletter or visit the website for updates and information on the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation). For enquiries, don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office at 07 55374320 or email rbay@bne.catholic.net.au. We look forward to meeting you at the Information Night.

Parish Office

Parish Safeguarding Audit

On Thursday 22nd August, our Parish underwent an internal Safeguarding audit and I am pleased to share that we rated a 69% score. Audits, while they are time consuming and maybe a little stressful, are extremely necessary in maintaining compliance but also and probably more importantly transparency. We will be following up on the remaining items that are outstanding over the next few weeks. Thank you to all our ministers and volunteers for your support!

Michael Nicholson
Parish Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Liturgy Publications 2025 &

Columban Calendar

Please contact the Parish Office latest by **Friday 27th September 2024** to place your order for the following :

Daily Mass Book \$26.00. (\$22 if we receive 30 or more orders)

Ordo \$16.50; Digital Flipbook \$12.00

Columban Calendar \$11.00

Season of Creation

All are invited to the annual Season of Creation Mass at St Stephen's Cathedral.

Each year from September 1 to October 4, the Christian family unites for the Season of Creation, a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. Our wellbeing is interwoven with the wellbeing of the Earth and we rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all who share it. This year, the theme for the season is "To hope and act with Creation".

There are many other events and ways to engage with the Season of Creation and resources available. For more information contact beache@bne.catholic.net.au



For Parishes: Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary or more are warmly invited to attend this year's Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass, to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

Family and friends are also welcome, and the Cathedral car park will be available on the day.

When: Saturday 28 September, 2024 at 11:30 am

Where: The Cathedral of St Stephen

Please RSVP by **Wednesday 25 September** via email cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or by phone on 3324 3030

