



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Cycle II

23 June 2024



Overwhelming Storms

It is no joke to be caught in the midst of a storm at sea. One's mind swims with the prospect of dying as the waves swamp the boat.

Thus, we cannot blame the disciples for being terrified while Jesus seems not to care. But Jesus' challenge to them is, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" This is meant to make the disciples realise that with Jesus in their company, they have someone to count on, even in the darkest of nights. Surely, Jesus understands their fear, but he challenges them to a deeper realisation that he is with them and therefore they have nothing to be afraid of.

In life we must confront many "storms," some of them overwhelming. And it is a miracle how we manage to weather them! Most likely, in those times of need, we have called on Jesus. For we believe that Jesus alone can help us overcome them. Jesus is Lord of nature; he is Lord of everything, even of the fiercest of storms.

365 Days with the Lord Fr Gil Alinsangan SSP

St Vinnie's Winter Appeal Thanks

The Annual Vinnies Winter Appeal was held last weekend. Thank you to all who donated! If you missed the Appeal you can still donate through envelopes placed in the collection boxes in the Church, by phoning 131 812, or online at vinnies.org.au

The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the many good works of the Society. Winter is the hardest time of year for all those struggling to keep warm and to put food on the table. Your generosity is essential to the continuing help and support offered by St Vinnies volunteers to those most in need.





Feast Days
this Week

The Nativity
of St John
the Baptist
24 June

St Iranaeus
28 June

Sts Peter & Paul
Apostles
29 June



Nursing Home
Mass

Mass and
Anointing will be
held at Bupa
Bateau Bay on
Tuesday at 10am.



Low Gluten
Hosts

Please see one
of the Priests
before Mass
if you are
a coeliac.

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Quote
for the Week

*The nation
doesn't simply
need what we
have. It needs
what we are.*

- St Teresa
Benedicta
(Edith Stein)

We're in the Same Boat

How true it is! We turn to God mostly when we are in trouble. But how sad it is that most of us do so only when we are in trouble. The disciples turned to Jesus for help when the storm arose. The panicky disciples in the storm-tossed boat call up Jesus who was sleeping peacefully in the same boat. Obviously they believed that Jesus could handle the storm and save their lives. And he did calm the sea, but chided them for their lack of faith. Having the Lord in their company they had no reason to panic about the powers of nature. But they did. How often we too get upset, anxious and worried despite knowing that Jesus is ever present with us, that he is travelling with us in the same boat.

God's Word Fr Ronald Tellis

Unwavering

The readings for the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time invite us to reflect on the theme of trust and faith in God, even in the face of adversity. In the First Reading from the book of Job, we encounter Job's profound suffering and his unwavering trust in God's justice and wisdom. This challenges us to maintain our faith in God's goodness, even when confronted with difficulties and uncertainties in life.

The Second Reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians reinforces the message of enduring faith. Paul speaks about the importance of living our lives for the Lord and being guided by faith rather than sight. This encourages us to remain steadfast in our trust in God's plan, even when we cannot fully comprehend it.

In the Gospel reading from Mark, we witness Jesus calming the storm at sea, demonstrating his authority over the forces of nature. This miracle serves as a powerful reminder that we can find peace and security in entrusting ourselves to Jesus, especially during life's tumultuous moments.

Overall, the readings for this Sunday call us to embrace unwavering faith and trust in God, even when faced with challenges and uncertainties. They encourage us to turn to God in times of trouble and to believe in his power to bring calm and serenity to the storms of our lives. May these readings inspire us to deepen our trust in God and find solace in his unwavering presence.

Colleen Smith *Pastoral Associate*

Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist

The greatness of John, his pivotal place in the history of salvation, is seen in the great emphasis given to the announcement of his birth and the event itself - both made prominently parallel to the same occurrences in the life of Jesus.

John attracted countless people to the banks of the Jordan, and it occurred to some people that he might be the Messiah. But he constantly deferred to Jesus, even to sending away some of his followers to become the first disciples of Jesus. John himself also would share in the pattern of messianic suffering, losing his life to the revenge of Herodias.

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The Importance of our Volunteer Catechists

I want to express my gratitude to our volunteer Catechists (SRE Teachers) who dedicate their time to teach scripture in our state schools each week. Although you may not see the immediate impact of your work, I want to affirm the tremendous job you are doing by teaching Catholic (and sometimes non-Catholic) students about Jesus, our Gospel values, and the Catholic faith.

In our Sacramental Programme, we recently prepared 85 children for their First Holy Communion, with 30 of these children coming from our state schools. Many of these families acknowledged their child's Catechist for educating them about God's love. Among these 30 children, 8 recently completed the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIC) to become Catholic. Once again, it was their attendance and teaching from the Catholic Special Religious Education (Scripture) classes in their state school that contributed to this milestone.

The role of our volunteer Catechists in the lives of Catholic children in our state schools cannot be overemphasised. Not all families are able to send their children to a Catholic School, so our volunteer Catechists fill the gap by bringing Gospel values to these children once a week.

We often refer to the Catechist ministry as the 'Silent Ministry' because it occurs in our state schools and is often not widely recognised within the parish. In our parish, we have 4 state schools within our boundary: The Entrance Public School, Bateau Bay Public School, Brooke Avenue Public School, and Killarney Vale Public School. Teaching days are Wednesdays and Thursdays during the school term.

We welcome and invite anyone interested in becoming a Catechist or Helper to contact Leanne in the parish office or email her at leanne@ourladyoftherosary.org.au

Currently, we have 14 catechists and we would love to have more people join them in teaching our Catholic faith to children in our state schools. You will need to obtain a Working With Children Check number and complete some free training, which is also a great way to connect with other like-minded people. All resources will be provided, and we only ask for about 1-2 hours of your time each week.

Without these wonderful volunteers, 30 children may have missed the opportunity to welcome Jesus into their hearts.



Save the Date

We are celebrating Fr John Hill's 60th Anniversary of Ordination Sunday 14 July at the 9:30am Mass with morning tea to follow in the Parish Hall



Offertory Procession

Children are encouraged to take part in the Offertory Procession. Come to the Offertory Table when invited by the Acolytes.



Year of Prayer Christian Meditations

A Video Series with Very Rev Dr David Ranson. Watch at www.bbcatholic.org.au/mission/year-of-prayer or on the DBB YouTube channel.

The Catholic Weekly

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Now on sale on the Church tables. \$2 to the poor box please.

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Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court, Bias Ave Bateau Bay)
Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am
Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm
Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am
Cenacle Prayer Group Wednesday 9:30am **Christian Meditation** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

12th Sunday

Job 38:1, 8-11

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

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

Communion Antiphon: The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

Keep Us In Your Prayers *There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel*

Recently Deceased: Leo Lamont, Nick Sirolli, Marie Lintott, Ilario Senno, Bernard McRae, Gorge Caruana, Greg Moran, David Searle.

Funerals: The funerals of Leo Lamont and Nick Sirolli were held during the week. Please pray for them and their families.

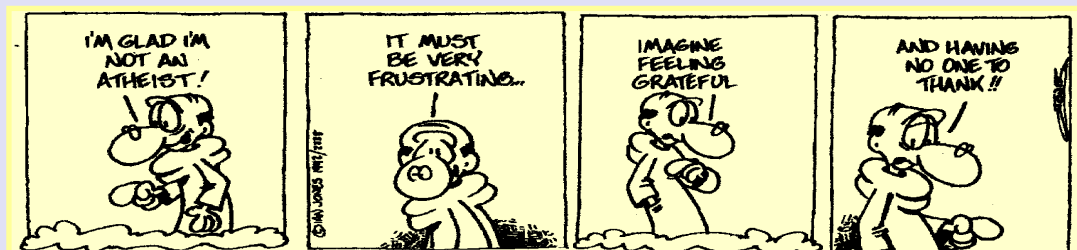
Anniversaries: Peter Laretic (1st), Margaret Foley, Mavis Dalton, Dallis McDonald (birthday).

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, Terry Howard, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Daniel Heggarty, Betty O'Neill, Ron Myers, Rob & Mollie Amor, Barry Milwain, Marie O'Brien, and all the Holy Souls.

Sick: Michael Drinan, Bill Mahoney, Anne Clancy, Antonio Palagiano, Glenda Way, Joshua McCarroll, Christopher Malone, Margaret Falzon, Phil Pannell, Susan Simmons, Jenny Balacco, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

Welcome Newly Baptised: Ronan, Lincoln, Finn & Lila Doherty, Rafferty Gray.

Pearly Gates Revisited



Our Lady of the Rosary

GIFT
CENTRE

For all your devotional needs...

Everyone Welcome!

The Gift Centre is open each weekend before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays, and before and after the 9:30am Mass on Sundays.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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