



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Cycle II

21 July 2024



Rest for a While

Jesus' invitation to his weary apostles: "Come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while," is addressed to all of us. In this hectic world of ours where everyone is racing against the clock, some leisure is not a luxury but a necessity. Today Jesus reminds us of that. Our Lord is concerned not only with our soul, but he is interested in the whole person. Jesus teaches us that the watchful care of our health is a primary religious duty.

But the place of rest Jesus and his apostles chose, was no more a quiet place. As they reached the shore, a crowd was waiting for him! And Jesus gave up his plans of rest to attend to the people. May Jesus help us to accept that the needs of others can upset our own plans and projects.

God's Word Fr Joseph Thena SSP

Fr Hill's 60th Anniversary Celebrations

Last Sunday we celebrated Fr Hill's gift of 60 Years of Priesthood, with Mass and morning tea. Congratulations again Fr Hill!





**Feast Days
this Week**

**St Mary
Magdalene**

22 July

**St James,
Apostle**

25 July

**Sts Joachim
& Anne**

26 July



Multicultural
NSW

**Security Fencing
Completed**

Huge thanks to
Multicultural NSW
for the grant to
have our fencing
completed under
the Safe Places for
Faith Communities
Programme.



**Nursing Home
Mass**

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



**Quote
for the Week**

*The first degree
of humility
is prompt
obedience.*
St Benedict

Contradictory Creatures

There are many times in the Gospels where Jesus is referred to as the 'Good Shepherd'. But to think of ourselves as woolly and cuddly sheep, obedient to the shepherd, would be a mistake. Sheep are renowned as being silly, contradictory creatures, always starting off in the wrong direction, getting themselves into tangles and difficulties.

In the Holy Land they are scraggy beasts, pastured on rocky and often dangerous ground, amid boulders and rock cliffs, threatened by wild animals and marauders. It was not simply a matter of the shepherd sitting on a rock and idly playing his pipe. He needed to be on the alert to save the sheep from hurting themselves.

So Jesus as the Good Shepherd is kept well occupied by our foibles, our stubbornness, our mistakes and our fears. And there is the reassurance of a close relationship with the Father. Jesus knows us intimately, just as he knows the Father.

It is questionable whether in real life a shepherd should lay down his life for his sheep: what would happen to the remainder of the flock? But it is an expression of his whole-hearted devotion to the sheep, as in Jesus' case of giving his life for us on the Cross.

Word on Fire Bishop Robert Barron

Sacrament of Confirmation

Attention all parents and carers of students in Year 3 and above who are interested in having their child receive the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Please carefully read the following information and feel free to contact the parish office if you have any questions on 4332 2216.

- Please complete the Expression of Interest Form if you are considering the Sacrament of Confirmation for your child. It's important to note that completing this form does NOT enrol your child into the Sacrament.
- The purpose of the Expression of Interest Form is to help us assist families who wish for their child/ren to receive the Sacrament and to ensure their eligibility. It is also to identify those families who are not able to attend our Confirmation ceremony at 7pm on Friday 15 November. Our ceremony is the last one for the year in the Diocese, so if your child is not available for this date they may need to wait until next year or be Confirmed in a different parish. This form will also help us determine the number of children to be prepared for Confirmation and ensure that we have sufficient resources for the increased numbers in our programme.
- To enrol your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation you will be required to attend the Information and Enrolment evening, 7pm Tuesday 6 August at the Parish Hall, 239-243 The Entrance Road, The Entrance. If you are not able to attend this evening, please contact the parish office on 4332 2216 to make an appointment during office hours to meet with a member of the Sacramental Team. (Please allow at least 40 minutes for this appointment).

• Please use the QR code or the web address to complete the Expression of Interest Form: <https://forms.office.com/r/jqgtrFitFV>



Diaconate Ordination for Rosan Mathew

We are happy to let you know that Bishop Anthony Randazzo has announced that he intends to Ordain our seminarian, Rosan Mathew, to the Diaconate here at OLR on Saturday 21 September at the 5pm Vigil Mass.

This is a great honour for the parish as we have never had an Ordination here in the 77 years of the parish history. Please keep Rosan, who has just returned from holidays in India, in your prayers as we prepare for this important event for him and our parish community.

Fr Brian

Thinking about Becoming Catholic?

If you or someone you know has been thinking about becoming Catholic or has questions about taking the next step, we want you to know that you're not alone. Life events, family and friends, joys and sorrows can all draw a person to respond to God in faith, and we understand that this can be a significant decision. There are many paths that lead people to consider the Catholic faith, and the evening of Tuesday 30 July at 6pm in the Parish Hall will provide a calm and supportive environment to learn about the steps to becoming Catholic and the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). We're here to support you. Enquiries: 4332 2216.

Older Children Wanting to Become Catholic

Our Right of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC) programme is also beginning in August. This programme is for older children 9-14 years who wish to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. They will then be ready to join the Sacramental Programme for Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist. It will be run over 12 sessions between August and December from 4-5pm in the Parish Centre. For a complete list of dates or any enquiries please speak to Colleen on 4332 2216.

KidsClub

It's time for KidsClub again! Join us on Saturday 27 July in the Reynolds Room from 3-4:45pm for lots of fun, activities, games and snacks! KidsClub is for children 5-12 years (younger must be accompanied by an adult). No need to RSVP - just turn up! And then you are welcome to join us afterwards for the 5pm Vigil Mass.

Please Note

St Joseph's Spirituality Centre Gathering

The NSW Josephite Companions will be holding a gathering at St Joseph's Spirituality & Education Centre, 8 Humphreys Road, Kincumber South from 10-12pm on the 5 August. All those interested in getting to know about the charism of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods are most welcome to attend. Morning Tea will be provided. RSVP 8741 2335 or nsw.companions@sosj.org.au by the 29 July for catering purposes.



Welcome
to the
Broadhouse,
Naylor & O'Brien
Families
for the Reception
of their children
for the Sacrament
of Baptism.



**Vinnies
Thanks
OLR School
Children**

A big thank you
to the children
from OLR School
who contributed
hampers and
gift cards to the
Vinnies Winter
Appeal. Well
done all!



MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group
Join us for lunch
and a yarn.
Wednesday 24
July 12 noon at
Diggers Club.
Enquiries: Lui
4388 9510.
(Postponed from
last week.)



**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 ENTRANCE PARISH DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

A beacon of Faith, Hope and Love

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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

16th Sunday

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Ephesians 2:13-18

Mark 6:30-34

Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

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

Recently Deceased: Bishop Kevin Manning (2nd Bishop of Parramatta), June Calkin, Leonie Hatton, Ena Richards, Peter Sivright, Susan Simmons, Andrew Horvat, Erica Walls.

Funerals: The funeral of Susan Simmons was held during the week. Please pray for Susan, Deacon Paul and family.

Anniversaries: John Dwyer, Bernard Malone, Bartolo Lucchese, John Donohue, Margaret Foley.

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, Terry Howard, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Peter Laretic, David Drinan, Marie Lintott, June Maher, Anto, Jozo, Jakov, Marko, Frano, Mladen, Simon Butcher and all the Holy Souls.

Families: Moore & Langley.

Sick: Sadie Fletcher, Frano Stitic, Jonah Langley, Michael Drinan, Bill Mahony, Anne Clancy, Antonio Palagiano, Glenda Way, Joshua McCarroll, Margaret Falzon, Phil Pannell, Jenny Balacco, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

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!

Enquiries 4332 2216