



### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

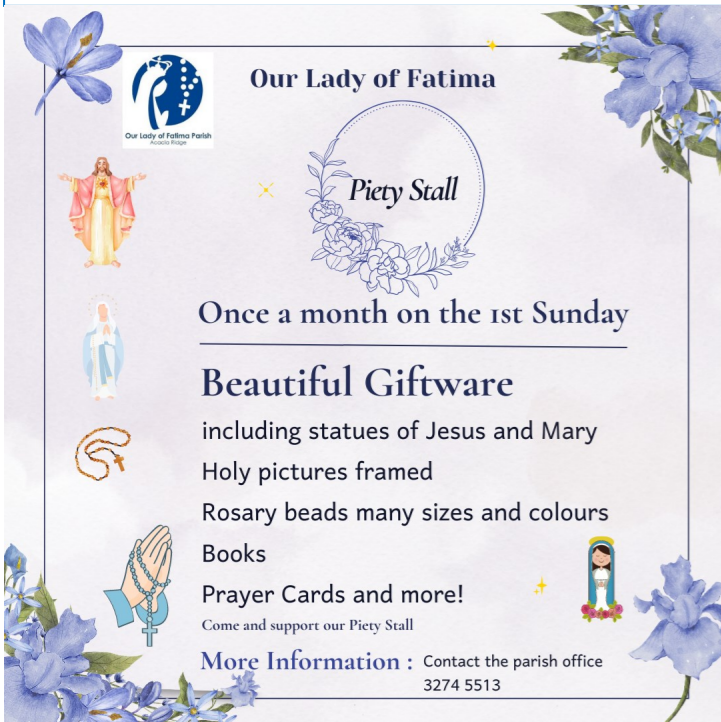
St Vincent de Paul will be holding its Winter Appeal this weekend 17/18 June.

There are significant numbers of disadvantaged families in our parish who struggle to put food on the table, pay the rent, pay school fees etc. We need your help to assist these families with food and other expenses. Acacia Ridge parishioners have been generous in the past and we look forward to your generous support. There will be envelopes in the pews for credit card donations and we will have a collectors outside the church after mass. We also need **members** to help us in assisting the poor. Can you spare a couple of hours per week? Members are trained and we always visit in pairs. please ring Noel 0423550052.

### 150th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen

The Archbishop has launched a year of celebration for the 150th anniversary of the Opening and Blessing of the Cathedral of St. Stephen. There will be a number of celebrations throughout the next twelve months.

This month of June we will be celebrating the story of Ordinations in the Cathedral. Parishioners are invited to attend **10am Mass on Wednesday, June 28th**, at the Cathedral as we celebrate and acknowledge all those who have been ordained in the Cathedral throughout its history. Archbishop Coleridge will preside and refreshments will be provided afterwards. Come along and give thanks for the gift of service of the ordained ministers of our local church. Stay tuned for news about more commemorations over the course of this year-long celebration.



**Our Lady of Fatima**

*Piety Stall*

Once a month on the 1st Sunday

**Beautiful Giftware**

including statues of Jesus and Mary  
Holy pictures framed  
Rosary beads many sizes and colours  
Books  
Prayer Cards and more!

Come and support our Piety Stall

**More Information :** Contact the parish office 3274 5513

If you are registered for our envelopes with Planned Giving, please collect your new boxes from the back of the church.

RefugeeWeek2023-OnlinePrayer Service TheAustralian-CatholicMigrantandRefugeeOfficeandtheOfficeofJustice EcologyandPeace inviteyou toanonlineprayerserviceto-commemorateRefugeeWeekfrom18to24June. ThethemeofRefugeeWeek2023isFindingFreedom. The prayer service will be broadcast live at 7pm?AESTon?20June. Pleaseregisternowathttps://bit.ly/RWPS23or scan the QR code.

For more information on Refugee Week visit <https://www.refugeeweek.org.au/refugee-week-2023-theme-finding-freedom/>



Grand Plans for Grandparents. Celebrating World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Saturday 22 July 9.15am Hanly Room Cathedral Precinct

MenAlive: Max23DateClaimer menALIVE to the MAX is the premier Australasian Catholic Gathering of men calledMAX2023. The theme this year is BEHOLD. The event venue is University of Queensland's Women's College. We desire to grow into the men we were made to be; better husbands, fathers and men of God. Register here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/MA/MAX2023BNE> JULY 14-16

**ST JAMES COLLEGE, SPRING HILL** is a progressive multicultural Catholic Coeducational Secondary College for **Years 5 - 12 in the Edmund Rice tradition.** The college reintroduced Year 5 and Year 6 in 2023 and welcomes students from all backgrounds and abilities so they can flourish in their learning and realise their potential. **Bursaries available. ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING on Wednesday 19 July at 6pm. ENQUIRIES to Maria Young, Enrolments Officer, [MYOUNG@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au](mailto:MYOUNG@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au), 3230 8600. Visit [www.jta.link/SJC](http://www.jta.link/SJC).**



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

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### MASS TIMES

Wed | Thurs | Friday 9 am  
Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 9am & 5pm

### CONFESSIONS (by appointment)

**BAPTISMS**  
3rd Sunday of the month 10.15am

### PIETY STALL

1st Sunday each month

### AWAKEN IN CHRIST MINISTRY

[admin@awaken.org.au](mailto:admin@awaken.org.au)  
0437006264

### RISING YOUTH | RISING HIGH MINISTRY

[hello@risingyouthministry.org](mailto:hello@risingyouthministry.org)  
0488220606 (Ellen)

### SCHOOLS

**Our Lady of Fatima School**  
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3275 1152  
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# FATIMA NEWS

**11th & 12th Sundays in Ordinary Time Year A**  
18th & 25th June 2023

### Ordinary Time 2023

We have left behind the colourful time of Lent with its purple shades, we have done with the white and gold of the Easter celebrations, and even the bright red of that Pentecost event. From this weekend, the 11th Sunday we enter back into Ordinary time, and cover our Church with the green of the ordinary and the everyday.

From now until the Season of Advent later in the year, when we will return to the purple and mauves of preparation time, our Church will be festooned with the vibrancy of green, with a few feast days here and there when we will return to so many different colours to mark significant feasts and celebrations that fall within our Church's year.

But for the most part our colour will be green. To highlight this sense of Ordinary Time we go GREEN, when we continue to gather and celebrate the power and presence of God at work in our world, even in our Church's Ordinary time, especially through the Gospel stories that will unfold for us in the weeks ahead.

It is perhaps interesting that this Season of Ordinary Time begins with a great sense of urgency for mission and ministry. Once again, we are called and invited to step forward, to present the gifts and talents that God has given to each of us for the sake of the message of salvation that Jesus had brought to the world during his time.

Now it is our turn to say Yes to that call of God within our own lives and be willing to continue to be active ministers of God's Kingdom in the world.

*The harvest is rich, Jesus tells us, but the labourers are few.* Jesus called and named the ones he had chosen. Their names are set out before us, First Simon, called Peter and his brother Andrew, and so many others called and commissioned to undertake that Kingdom ministry. This Kingdom of God always needs ministers. Your name could be among the ones Jesus has called? *(Insert name here!)*

Will you be one of them?

*God bless, Fr John*

Follow us on



## Enrolments open for Sacrament of Confirmation

If you have a child who is currently in grade 3 or older and you feel ready as a family to prepare with your child to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation in 2023**, please collect Enrolment form at back of church or download from Our Lady of Fatima's website and returning it to the parish office email:

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

**CONFIRMATION**

year 3 or older

**ENROLMENTS**

Now

**INFORMATION EVENING**

19th July 6pm

**CONFIRMATION DATE**

23rd August 6pm

For enquiries:  
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Parish  
350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge  
[acaciarridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:acaciarridge@bne.catholic.net.au)  
07 3274 5513

Our prayers are with those who are suffering illness at this time.  
May God's presence nourish and strengthen you.

MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

# Catechism classes

EVERY SUNDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS, SCHOOL TERM  
FROM 10 AM - 10.30 AM  
BLUE HALL  
CONTACT SISTER HANNA.

Huge thanks to all who have registered their interest in helping with our upcoming parish events. We invite more volunteers! These are exciting days. We are preparing for our Pre-Loved Market day; please contact the office if you have any items that you will like to donate. May we ask that you only donate items that are in working order and are intact, items that you; yourself will purchase and can bless someone else's home and wardrobe. Due to safety regulations we cannot accept electrical goods.

It has been a humbling process these past few months to see our parish and community come together to continue to keep our parish flourishing. If you are wondering how you can be a part of doing something wonderful for the kingdom of God, then I invite you to sow your time and love into this event. It is not just about a market day, it's about coming together as a Catholic community, living a Christian life in the body of Christ, for His honour and glory. I believe living an impactful life as a believer begins with charity and the willingness to serve our God. Let these next few months be our turn to give back to God for all he has done for us. We serve a living God who sees all things.

*"give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."* Luke 6:38

Looking forward to working alongside you all in the coming months.

Blessings,  
Steffanie Le Director of Ministries



At Rising Youth Ministry last Sunday we took the children on a journey of getting to know Jesus through the Body and Blood of Christ. We showed them the importance at mass when the priest consecrates the Eucharist and helped them develop their reverence for the Eucharist. They loved the games and dancing and were all very enthusiastic about the Jerusalem dance and they can't wait to show their moves off to everyone at the Spring Fair in October! More info to come!!

Some feedback from the children regarding RYM: *"I love the prayer, the dancing and the food"* Diene *"I love the singing and dancing, games and prizes"* Zachary  
Below are some snaps of the children having so much fun.  
Looking forward to seeing you all at RYM on 9<sup>th</sup> July.

Ellen Tran  
Youth Coordinator



**FRIENDS IN GRACE**

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA SUPPORT, PRAYER AND CARING

TUESDAYS  
9.30AM  
JUNE 13  
JUNE 27  
2023  
BLUE HALL

*Friends in Grace live life, laughter, friendship sharing the Word of God*

*BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE AND A FRIEND.....*



**FRIENDS IN GRACE:** Lots of laughter resounded through the hall on Tuesday at Friends in Grace. It was so good to catch up with other parishioners over a cuppa and share. Everyone was excited to hear the launch of our Pre Loved Markets in August and Spring Fair in October and were busy working out how they can help. If you are free every 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month, come along and join in. It is a wonderful way to build community and intercultural connections as we share, learn and grow into full maturity in the Lord and establish wonderful friendships along the way. What ever your age—everyone is welcome.

**Please Support the Parish** There are many ways to support the Acacia Ridge Parish but the most effective way is through our Planned Giving Program by direct debit  
We need your help our parish is growing! We understand that many of you may have committed your donation to other worthy causes; however, this time around we are appealing to your charitable heart to consider financially supporting our wonderful parish. We are asking in this season of growth and planning that you help the parish to continue its service to our parishioners, community, and youth. Without your "planned giving" we are met with challenges in our planning and implementing tasks that are crucial for the operations of our church, grounds, office, spiritual obligations and nourishment to all who make OLOF their place of worship and spiritual comfort.

We ask that you consider sowing into the future of Acacia Ridge OLOF. Whatever you can give is appreciated and we are deeply grateful. Its our turn now to sow into the kingdom of God through your planned giving, we stand together committed in giving OLOF the opportunity to build and prosper for the sake of Jesus Christ.  
2 Cor 9:6-8

*'The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work.'* **Direct Debit Forms available at the back of the church or the parish office**

**RISING YOUTH MINISTRY**

**SUNDAY 9 JULY 2PM - 4PM**

RYM - for children in Primary School Prep to Year 6

word of God

Praise & Worship

fun and games

Register here

Our Lady of Fatima School Hall  
350 Mortimer Rd Acacia Ridge  
Join us for mass at 5pm 0488 220 606  
hello@risingyouthministry.org

[HTTPS://RISINGYOUTHMINISTRY.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU/](https://risingyouthministry.eventbrite.com.au/)

**Sunday 25 June 6.00pm - 7.30pm 13-17 yrs old**

**Rising High**  
we're moving mountains

Come along to the next Rising High Ministry

Join us for a night filled with games, talks, worship & prayer.  
**Parish Blue Hall**  
Call 0437 006 264

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

**Pre Loved Markets**

Saturday 5 August

10.00am - 3.00pm

350 Mortimer Road Acacia Ridge  
[www.fatimaacaciardge.org.au](http://www.fatimaacaciardge.org.au)

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

**SPRING FAIR**

Food Stalls

SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER 2023  
350 Mortimer Road Acacia Ridge

10AM-3PM

Come along and join in the fun at Our Lady of Fatima's Spring Fair. A thriving parish in the heart of Acacia Ridge!

Petting Zoo

Save the Date

Rides

SAMPLE BAGS