

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED


**Extraordinary Communion Ministers
to visit local Aged care or nursing home**




Training provided

To receive the Parish's eNewsletter please email to
acaciaidge@bne.catholic.net.au

If you are registered for our envelopes with
Planned Giving, please collect your new
envelope boxes (2023-2024) from the back
of the church. Thank you :)

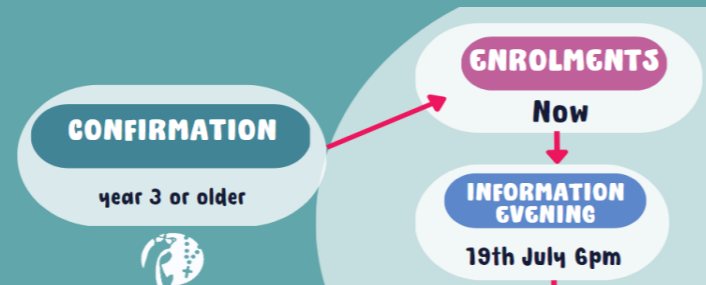
 Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information, visit: www.stellamarisaustralia.org

 The third "A Morning's Prayer" for 2023 will take place on Saturday July 29th from 9am to 12pm. The morning will be facilitated by Shane Dwyer, Associate Director for Adult Faith at Evangelisation Brisbane, and held at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre in Ormiston. The Catholic experience can be about liturgy, sacraments and responding to Church teaching. As valuable as these elements of our faith are, A Morning's Prayer is about locating something that sits underneath all that-the profound engagement with God-Father, Son and Holy Spirit-who loves us and desires to walk with us in our lives as they are. When: 9am-12pm, Saturday 29 July Where: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston) Cost: \$25

Are you interested in learning more about the priesthood as a vocation in an environment that will equip and inspire a deeper understanding of your calling? The annual Quo Vadis for Men Weekend is alive-in retreat at Holy Spirit Seminary where you'll enjoy dynamic talks, small group discussions and prayer experiences while spending quality time with those on the same journey of discernment around good food, conversation and sporting activities. Feel empowered to actively decide to follow Jesus with the Quo Vadis for Men Weekend. Men who are single and open to Priesthood aged 18-35 welcome. Both day and overnight experiences are available. When: 5pm, Friday 4th August to 3pm, Sunday 6th August Where: Holy Spirit Seminary, 487 Earnshaw Rd, Banyo Cost: \$100 RSVP by 24th July via email to: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au



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:
acaciaidge@bne.catholic.net.au



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

Attention all volunteers:
Requirements are changing for "church participant roles" Readers, Eucharistic Ministers at Mass are not longer required to have a Blue card. We will contact all volunteers to notify changes. If you have any queries, please contact parish office.


Taster Day Experiences
Tailored to students across all year levels
Friday, 28 July 2023
Come along and experience what it's like being a St James College student!
To book your child in to one of our upcoming Taster Days, please contact Maria Young, Enrolments Officer on **3230 8600** or email: myoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

Acacia Ridge | Algester
Calamvale | Parkinson
| Larapinta | Pallara

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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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

0437006264

RISING YOUTH | RISING HIGH MINISTRY

hello@risingyouthministry.org

0488220606 (Ellen)

SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Fatima School

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www.ourladyoffatima.qld.edu.au

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FATIMA NEWS

13th & 14th Sundays in Ordinary Time Year A
2nd & 9th July 2023

Ministry Matters

Earlier in the week, I received correspondence from the Office of the Archbishop, informing me that with the endorsement of the College of Consultors, Archbishop Mark has decided to appoint Fr Dang Ngoc Hai Nguyen (OSA) as Administrator of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Acacia Ridge from the 14th July.

Fr Dang has been working with Fr Gerry Kalinowski at Jubilee Parish during his time here in the Archdiocese and has now been appointed to undertake this new ministry in the midst of the people of Acacia Ridge.



I have no doubt that Father Dang will bring his own energy and enthusiasm to this new role within the Church of Brisbane. I am sure that with the support and co-operation of the parishioners of Our Lady of Fatima, Fr Dang will find his place in this community that will welcome him as it had welcomed me a few months ago.

Through this appointment, it will bring a whole new beginning for the parish and the many areas of ministry that bring such life and energy through the many people who give of their time and their energy to bring the Kingdom of God to life for all who benefit from the commitment of so many who share their gifts and their talents for the sake of the parish.

Fr Dang will find a lively vibrant community just waiting for the direction that he will be able to bring to the parish. I wish him well in the endeavours that will be ahead for all.

So, as my time as temporary administrator comes to an end in a few short weeks, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the people of the parish who have welcomed me so openly during my time here, especially to the parish staff who have been so energetic and enthusiastic in their endeavours to keep the parish going in such challenging circumstances.

I pray that God will continue to bless and guide the parish of Our Lady of Fatima and its people as you all embark upon a new venture under the leadership, guidance and service of Fr Dang. May God bless you all.

Fr John Conway

ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE NAIDOC SUNDAY 2023 MESSAGE

Ahead of NAIDOC Week (July 2-9), and especially on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. As we approach the Indigenous Voice to Parliament, it has never been more important for Catholics to come together and listen to Australia's First Peoples.

Archbishop Mark has pre-recorded a message in which he once again states his endorsement of the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

"My prayer is that we can journey together in a respectful and peaceful spirit, so that the whole nation can become stronger as a result of this process of reconciliation."

Watch the message in full context by scanning the QR Code at right



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

The Holy Spirit can be the greatest disruptor, He destroys and creates; new growth is only possible after the destruction. These are in essence the profound words of comfort and assurance from Archbishop Mark Coleridge in his address at The Summit Conference in June this year.

We certainly have had our fair share of disruptions and I believe the challenging and difficult times are behind us. This means we are entering a new season of hope, new growth, and new beginnings. Whenever there is new beginnings there are endings, generally those endings can bring chaos, challenges and at times heartbreak and disappointments.

However, together we can do all things in him who strengthens us. I am reminded in these times to lift our eyes; to firmly set our sights on Him. Let's rejoice in the great comfort of knowing that God's love will never forsake us.

'I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.' Psalm 121:1-2

The birth of a new parish life is immanent as we eagerly welcome in our new Administrator Father Dang Nguyen. With joyful hearts, let's prepare ourselves for seasons of peace and progress.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Father John Conway for his presence during these transitional months. It was wonderful to be able to have Father John celebrate the Eucharistic mass with us. We are all blessed and encouraged by his awesome homilies. Thank you Father John for keeping the lights on during these dark times. We are grateful for your commitment, guidance, and insights. May the Spirit of the Lord continue to be upon you always.

There are many events and activities happening in the next few months. Please take the time to read through the newsletter and support our Parish! God bless us all.

Blessings
Steffanie Le,
Director of Ministry

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR
MORNING TEA AT FRIENDS IN GRACE EVERY
2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**Next get together
Tuesday
11 JULY AND 25 JULY
9.30AM
Parish blue hall**



Friends In Grace

BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO SHARE AND A FRIEND



FRIENDS IN GRACE:
Thank you to all who came for Friends in Grace on Tuesday morning, we had a wonderful time together, sharing, hearing about how God is moving through the youth ministry and eating amazing cakes!! We invite everyone to come along to the next get together on Tuesday 11 July. The morning truly is a blessing to each and every one that comes along. All ages are welcome, come along and be a part of a great community.

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**

FUNDRAISER!

**IS IT TIME TO CLEAR
OUT THOSE
WARDROBES?**




**ALL DONATIONS OF
GOOD QUALITY PRE-LOVED GEAR
GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!**

**BRING THEM ALONG TO THE PARISH
AND BE A PART OF BLESSING OTHERS
THROUGH THE PRE-LOVED MARKETS!**

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/)

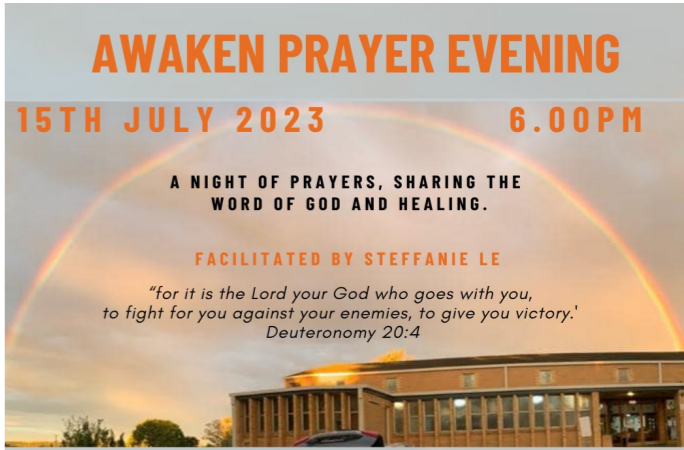
AWAKEN PRAYER EVENING

15TH JULY 2023 6.00PM

A NIGHT OF PRAYERS, SHARING THE
WORD OF GOD AND HEALING.

FACILITATED BY STEFFANIE LE

*"for it is the Lord your God who goes with you,
to fight for you against your enemies, to give you victory,"
Deuteronomy 20:4*



'I experienced peace and unmeasurable happiness' Virginia

Our Lady of Fatima Church
350 Mortimer Rd
Acacia Ridge

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Rising High Ministry

Join us for a night
filled with games,
talks, worship
& prayer.



**Sunday 23 July
6.00pm - 7.30pm
13-17 yrs old
Parish Blue Hall
Call 0488 220 606**

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Pre-loved Markets



Saturday 5 August

10.00am - 3.00pm






350 Mortimer Road
Acacia Ridge

www.fatimaacaciardidge.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

