

Six Ways to Support our Parish

As a Parish we are enormously grateful for the generosity of everyone in our community who helps us fund our ongoing expenses. We rely on your help to run our administration, ongoing bills, liturgical life, ministries, and maintain and repair our facilities.

There are six ways you can support the Parish's valuable pastoral activities and ongoing sustainability.

1. Planned Giving Envelopes

2. Direct Debit or Credit Card giving (Forms are available at the back of the Church)

3. Internet Transfer directly to our Bank Account.

BSB: 064 786

ACC No: 100000413

Account Name: Acacia Ridge Catholic Parish

Reference: Last Name - collections

4. Online: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>,

5. Parish Giving App using the QR Code Payment system

Just scan the QR code (sticker on the pew) with your smartphone using the inbuilt camera and follow the instructions.

6. Eftpos machine—located on the desk at the entrance of the church.

Thank you for your generous support!



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

Acacia Ridge | Algester
Calamvale | Parkinson
Larapinta | Pallara

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MASS TIMES

Tue | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat 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

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FATIMA NEWS

23rd & 24th Sundays in Ordinary Time Year A

10th & 17th September 2023

Are You Called to be a Member of the Parish Pastoral Council or Liturgy Committee?



Greetings to all,

We would like you to prayerfully consider joining the Our Lady of Fatima Parish Pastoral Council and Liturgy Committee. Volunteering your time to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council and Liturgy Committee is a generous way to serve our church community and a wonderful opportunity to grow in depth of faith as you use your gifts of leadership and prayer for God's work at OLOF.

What is the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)?

PPC is an assembly of people in the local faith community; dedicated to providing consultation, advice, decision-making help on the overall life and ministry of our faith community.

Pastoral Council seek to:

- Search out and respond to the hopes, ideas, needs and concerns of parishioners.
- Grow in knowledge and awareness of what is already happening in the parish.
- Encourage and support the good work of existing groups within the parish.
- Evaluate carefully information gathered to contribute towards the making of decisions that reflect the values of the Gospel and the teachings of the Church.
- Set long-term and short-term pastoral goals for the parish to provide opportunities for parishioners to grow in their relationship with God and with each other to develop, implement and improve parish initiatives that assist parishioners in their continuing efforts to live as effective Christians in society.

Required Commitment:

- Each member serves a 3-year term during which they act as a representative of the parish community as a whole.
- The Parish Pastoral Council meets about 5 times per year.

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

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

Uluru Statement From the Heart

FREE ONLINE DISCUSSION SERIES

Prayer, scripture reading and discussion on the Uluru Statement from the Heart in the lead up to the Voice to Parliament Referendum

Tuesdays 11:00am - 12:15pm
via Microsoft Teams

19 September, 26 September,
3 October & 10 October 2023

Register via email
beache@bne.catholic.net.au

Facilitated by:

Joni McCourt
RAP Project Manager

Emma Beach
Executive Officer for the
Catholic Justice and Peace
Commission

MULTICULTURAL MASS

"Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay"
POPE FRANCIS

24 SEPTEMBER 2023 | 2:30PM
CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN
CELEBRATED BY
ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

MASS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS AND PERFORMANCES IN THE CATHEDRAL GROUNDS

Catholic Medical Association Australia National Conference

That They May Have Life
Jn 10:10

Exploring issues of life and truth emerging in modern health care

Catholic Medical Association Australia Annual Conference - November 2023
The Catholic Medical Association Australia invites medical professionals and concerned Catholics to attend their National Conference, under the theme "That They May Have Life" (Jn 10:10), in northwest Sydney at Baulkham Hills. The conference will be exploring issues of life and truth emerging in modern health care, including VAD, transgenderism and conscientious objection in medicine. Keynotes will be delivered by Dr Maria Cigolini, Bishop Richard Umbers, Deacon Dr Michael Tan and Dr Elisabeth Taylor. A brochure is included in this edition of the Clergy and Parish Bulletin. For more information or for bookings please visit the website:
<https://catholicmedicine.org> or please call 0456 380 793

What is the Liturgy Committee?

The literal definition of "liturgy" is "work". It is the work of praising God through the *Liturgical activities, especially Eucharistic celebration*. The Liturgy Committee (LC) assists the Pastor with planning and implementing the various aspects of liturgical activities in the parish.

The meetings occur on an average of four or five times a year. Planning is done for the various liturgical seasons. There are also discussions and suggestions for special liturgies or opportunities for enrichment, prayer and worship of the parish. The committee can advise the Pastor and assist him in carrying out ideas and solving problems that are shared by the committee through feedback from parishioners.

The members involved with liturgy need to anticipate church needs in advance. They need to be aware of church seasons in the liturgical calendar and be sure that the scheduled jobs of parishioners do not conflict if an individual does more than one activity.

Both the Parish Pastoral Council and Liturgy Committee are essential in the life of our Parish. May we invite you to nominate a fellow parishioner or even yourself for consideration to the PPC or LC?

Forms to facilitate these are available at the back of the church. You can always contact the parish office by phone or email to submit your nomination. The PPC & LC must be a diverse team representing different activities in the parish. Please give prayerful consideration as you will reflect on this an important duty, and if possible, speak to the person before nominating him or her. Please return the form to the parish office no later than 30th of September 2023.

Please feel free to reach out to our parish office, with any questions at 3274 5513 or acaciaridge@bne.catholic.net.au.

God Bless,
Fr. Dang.



Please join us to participate in this wonderful event to thank our Blessed Mother Mary and to ask her guidance and protection always. You are invited 30 minutes every day from 6.00 pm during week days to pray the Holy Rosary at Our Lady of Fatima Church starting October 1st.

Each day, our parishioners from different ministries, organisations and families will lead each decade of the Holy Rosary. Prayer intentions include peace around the world, healing, strength and hope to live and die in holiness and sanctity. We also pray for our own personal intentions, programs and mission in the parish.

October 7, Saturday - Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Rosary starts at 4:00pm on Saturdays and 4:30pm on Sundays followed by Mass

October 31, Tuesday - Rosary Crusade Culmination

Procession around the church at 5:00pm, Living Rosary and Holy Mass at 6:00pm. Please bring a plate to share for fellowship after the Mass.

The Women of The Way Retreat.

Theme: "Open the eyes of My Heart, Lord"

Retreat Facilitators: Sr Therese Mills, Leader of The Missionaries of God's Love Sisters and Sr Judy Bowe, are inspirational speakers, with a passion for sharing God's love.

Where: Watson Park Convention Centre, 337 Old Gympie Rd, Dakabin.

Weekend includes Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Praise and Worship, inspirational teachings, prayer ministry and time for fellowship.

For brochure or info phone Rosa Montegrando - Mobile 0400755516
or email wowqld@gmail.com



FRIENDS IN GRACE

Thursday
14 & 28 SEP
9.30AM

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

**Tuesday & Saturday
morning Masses
at 9 am
back to regular schedule.**

**Parish Finance Council Meeting
on Thursday 14th Sept. at 6pm.**

Going Deeper
an online exploration of the Catholic faith

Going Deeper is a ten-session online series about the heart of the Catholic faith. It explores different aspects of what it means to live a Catholic life, where participants can dive beneath the teachings and practices and instead ponder, 'what is this all for?' and is open for participation in groups or for individuals.

If you would like to organise a group from your parish to take part, visit the Going Deeper website to find out more and to register: www.goingdeeper.org.au

National Child Protection Week

The National Child Protection Week campaign runs from 3 to 9 September. The campaign aims to engage, educate and empower Australians to understand the complexity of child abuse and neglect and work together to prevent it.

This year, the message that "Every child in every community needs a fair go" will be complemented with the theme "Where we start matters"

Where we start our lives in terms of where we live, the resources available to us, and the opportunities presented to us make a significant difference to our life outcomes. Of course, where we start isn't where we finish.

The Catholic Church in Australia will also mark **Safeguarding Sunday on**

September 10. We pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place that builds and supports safe communities for all people.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023



**WHERE
WE START
MATTERS**

A community is like a puzzle.
You need to have all the bits
to make it work.

- M, aged 9

**NATIONAL
CHILD
PROTECTION
WEEK**

3-9 September 2023