

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 a few ways you can support the Parish's valuable pastoral activities and ongoing sustainability.

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

-Internet Transfer directly to our Bank Account.

BSB: 064 786

ACC No: 100000413

Account Name: Acacia Ridge Catholic Parish

Reference: Last Name - collections

-Eftpos machine—located on the desk at the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generous support!



MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

Catechism classes

every Sunday
after 9 am Mass, School term
from 10 am - 10.30 am

for more info, contact sister Hanna.



Rising Youth Ministry

Sunday 8th October

2pm - 4pm

For children in Primary School,
(Prep to year 6)

Our Lady of Fatima School Hall
Join us for Mass at 5pm

0488 220 606
hello@risingyouthministry.org



Souths Sports Club

BRISBANE RACING CLUB
Community Venues

CHRISTMAS FUNDAY and FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER, 2023
FROM 4PM TO 8.30PM

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL THE LOCAL COMMUNITY TO ENJOY THE START OF THE
Holiday Season

LOTS OF FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL

FREE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
FUN INFLATABLES • ARTS AND CRAFTS
CHRISTMAS CAROLS • VISIT FROM SANTA
MASSIVE FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT 8.30PM

FOOD AND REFRESHMENT CONCESSIONS ALSO ON SITE

Women of The Way Retreat

13-15th October Ladies would you like to take time out to Reflect and Recharge? Treat yourself to some quality time with God. BOOK NOW for 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

Parishioners, family and friends are invited to OUR LADY OF LOURDES ART SALE & WINE AND CHEESE EVENING

When: Friday October 20th @ 6pm

Where: Avocado Room of the Paloma Centre, 121 Mains Rd, Sunnybank

Join us for some socialising and check out what we have discovered hidden away. Original artworks and other treasures on offer. All proceeds will go towards our church loan.

What an opportunity to share in a little of Our Lady of Lourdes history by purchasing one (or more) of these artworks.

For a sneak peek at some of artworks on offer visit the Our Lady of Lourdes Facebook page!



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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RISING YOUTH | RISING HIGH MINISTRY

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FATIMA NEWS

27th & 28th Sundays in Ordinary Time Year A

8th & 15th October 2023

Greetings to all,

Today's gospel reading is largely a story of rejection, with Jesus speaking about the wicked tenants. The vineyard owner sends two groups of servants to collect the vineyard's produce, but they are rejected and some of them are killed. He sent his son with the full expectation that the tenants would respect him, but he was also killed.

Jesus was referring to his own experience of rejection by many of his contemporaries, which would eventually end with his crucifixion. He is the stone rejected by the builders that Jesus mentions in the gospel reading.

Yet, rejection does not have the last word. As Jesus says, quoting one of the Psalms, the stone rejected by the builders became the keystone. God raised his rejected Son from the dead and made him the foundation or the keystone of the church.

Any little experience of rejection can leave us deflated; we can be tempted to give up. The parable suggests that God is not like that. In the face of rejection, God just keeps working away; he takes the experience of rejection, the rejected stone, and builds something new upon it. We are being reminded that God is always at work, even in the most unpromising of situations. The God of Jesus Christ is the God of life who works in a life-giving way even in situations of death. Our refusal to receive the Lord's coming, the Lord's presence, does not in any way diminish his energy to work among us for the coming of God's kingdom.

Good Bless
Fr. Dang.



In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale.

This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.

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

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facebook

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

Converting from Presbytery to our parish office update:

The project of converting the presbytery to our parish office is coming to final stage. The cost of this project is about \$ 7000 which include :

- Install 2 new door locks disability compliant with exit function to entry door and first office on the RHS of entry.
- Install two new doors with glass panel to office at RHS of entry.
- Taking the storeroom door of and installing to block of the kitchen doorway.
- Install rubber ramp to lip at front door.
- Frame up ope between void in kitchen and living area, sheet in FC ,add insulation and trim.
- Paint new works.

Plumbing

- Cut hole below existing sink and locate hot and cold pipe.
- Join on to Pipes and run new hot water and cold water supply pipes to sink location.
- Supply and install new single bowl kitchen sink stainless steel, new kitchen mixer tap, plug and waste and run new pvc pipe to sewer gully outside.
- Complete notifiable works forms
- Leave site clean and tidy.



With Parish Financial Council's approval, this project can commence on 23rd of this month.

LITURGY NOTES: UNDERSTANDING OF THE EUCHARIST CELEBRATION

The Liturgy of the Word at Mass

The Liturgy of the Word is the first of the two central parts of the Mass. This quote from *Lectionary for Mass: Introduction* expresses beautifully the role of scripture in worship:

The Church is nourished spiritually at the table of God's word and at the table of the Eucharist: from the one it grows in wisdom and from the other in holiness.

The structure of the Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass is: First Reading, Responsorial Psalm, Second Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Gospel, Homily, Profession of Faith (Creed), Prayer of the Faithful.

The first reading is taken from the Old Testament, except in Easter Time when it comes from Acts. The psalm is a scriptural response to the first reading. The second reading comes from one of the New Testament epistles (letters).



The gospel reading is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, so the assembly stands and acclaim Christ's presence by singing an acclamation.

The homily unfolds the mysteries of faith contained in the readings and relates it to our lives today. A short silence should follow the homily. The pattern of the Liturgy of the Word is one of dialogue - between reader and listener, between God and us. We participate in this dialogue by listening carefully to the reader and preacher, by being attentive to what God is saying to us during the readings and the homily, and by joining in the assembly's responses.

Elizabeth Harrington

To be Continue...



You are invited to pray the **Holy Rosary at Our Lady of Fatima Church during October month.**

Each day, our parishioners from different ministries, organisations and families will lead each decade of the Holy Rosary.

Monday to Friday – 6:00pm
Saturdays – 3:50 pm followed by 4:30pm Vigil Mass
Sundays – 4:20pm followed by 5:00pm Mass

**October 7, Saturday –
Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**

Toowoomba Diocese Jubilee Mass

October 11, 2023 Bishop Ken Howell and the Toowoomba Council of Priests cordially invite you to the Jubilee Celebration of Ordinations of 60 Years Father Terry Hickling and 50 Years Bishop Robert McGuckin on Wednesday 11 October 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral, for an 11.00am Mass followed by lunch from 12.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral Centre, Neil Street, Toowoomba.

Please reply by Friday, 6 October 2023 For catering purposes.

Please phone the Cathedral Office: **4637 1500** or email to: **admin@stpats.org.au**



**Thursday
19TH
OCTOBER
9.30AM**



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




On October 18, Catholics and other Christians around the world will celebrate the **Feast of St. Luke**, the physician and companion of St. Paul whose gospel preserved the most extensive biography of Jesus Christ.

St. Luke wrote a greater volume of the New Testament than any other single author, including the earliest history of the Church. Ancient traditions also acknowledge Luke as the founder of Christian iconography, making him a patron of artists as well as doctors and other medical caregivers.

Luke came from the large metropolitan city of Antioch, a part of modern-day Turkey. In Luke's lifetime, his native city emerged as an important center of early Christianity.

Some traditions hold that Luke became a direct disciple of Jesus before his ascension, while others hold that he became a believer only afterward. After St. Paul's conversion, Luke accompanied him as his personal physician-- and, in effect, as a kind of biographer, since the journeys of Paul on which Luke accompanied him occupy a large portion of the Acts of the Apostles. Luke probably wrote this text, the final narrative portion of the New Testament, in the city of Rome where the account ends. Source: <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/st-luke-the-evangelist-23>

HIGHWAYS & BYWAYS



**JOHN WALLIS MEMORIAL LECTURE
TOOWOOMBA**

REV TIM COSTELLO AO

Date: 22 October, 2023 Sunday
Time: 1:30pm for 2:00pm start
Where: St Theresa's Parish Centre
Cost: \$25, children under 14 free

Rev Tim Costello has been invited to deliver this memorial lecture by the Missionary Sisters of Service and their mission entity "Highways and Byways".

WHERE: St Theresa's Parish Centre Cnr Campbell & Curzon Streets Toowoomba

WHEN: Sunday October 22 1.30pm for a 2.00pm start

COST: \$25 afternoon tea included. Children 14 and under free. Scan the code to book.

Bookings & Payment by Thursday October 12 using the following Try Booking link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1082911>

This event is sponsored by the Missionary Sisters of Service and their mission entity "Highways and Byways" which continues the work of the Sisters.

