

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil) Sunday 9am & 5pm (Spiritus)

ANOINTING MASS
First Tuesday of the Month,
9am

Confessions (by appointment)

BAPTISMS

10.15am, 3rd Sunday of the Month. (Baptism Preparation: 6pm, second Thursday of the Month)

> SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Lizet Sanchez

FATIMA NEWS

2ND & 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT 5TH & 12TH MARCH 2023

Hello Friends

We are approaching our second week of Lent and our parishioners are entering this season with a seeking heart after the Lord. It was a wonderful Friday evening as parishioners came together for the Stations of the Cross and Adoration. Many arrived and together we worshipped and journeyed in the footstep of Jesus; following in the fourteen stations. It was a spiritual moment for all who came. We have Adoration and Stations of the Cross on every Friday during Lent, so please come and bring your children, as there were quite a few who joined in this tradition. Hoping to see you all again this Friday.

There are many activities happening throughout our parish during this Lent, so please be sure to read the newsletter for updates, latest news and to just 'stay in the know'. Our parish is growing and we thank everyone for contributing to the success. Your faithfulness and support allows the Parish to remain not only a place for worship, but also a place that bears wonderful fruits for all. Quoting a parishioner, "the Parish is alive again!"

Have a wonderful week everyone! God's blessings to you all.



Second Sunday of Lent 4 & 5 March





Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. At just 16 years old, she had to leave school after falling pregnant with her first child. A single mother struggling with homelessness, <u>Tereesa's</u> only concern was finding stability for her children.

Seeking a better future for her family, <u>Tereesa</u> joined <u>Baabayn</u> Aboriginal Corporation's Young Mums and Bubs Group, supported by Caritas Australia. <u>Baabayn</u> helped <u>Tereesa</u> access housing and psychological support. Today, <u>Tereesa</u> is studying a certificate in Community Services so that she can strengthen her skills and give back to her community.

Tereesa now works at <u>Baabayn</u>, providing support to young mothers and mentoring the next generation of young people.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <u>caritas.org.au/project-compassion</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia

In Transition

We pray for the souls of Josephine Neli, Violet Margaret Frank and Bernardo Cas Nopre who recently passed away. May their souls and all the souls of faithful departed rest in peace.

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

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What a fantastic morning we had at Friends In Grace yesterday. It is so good to share the word of God together on this journey in life encouraging us, forming us, guiding us, leading us and comforting us as men and women of God. Always a pleasure to share in the lessons, the laughter and the great food!





What a beautiful turn out it was at Adoration and Stations of the Cross last Friday night. Come along tonight at 7.00pm and join the community as we walk in the footsteps of Christ's last day on earth. You are invited to finish the evening off in Adoration until 9pm.









Jackpot Fundraising Raffle – Drawn after the 9.00am mass this Sunday

What a fantastic response we have had to the first Jackpot Raffle for our parish.

The winners will be drawn after the 9.00am mass this Sunday. Thank you for your continued generous support. You the parish community are all the winners as we have raised \$9000 (approx.) to get the ball rolling in creating a clean, safe environment for all, young and old to be in.

Bernadette Maguire

Digital Media, Communications & Ministry Development



First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation.

We, the young parishioners preparing for the reception of First Holy Communion. A joyful event in our lives. Please pray for us.



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 Monday 6 March from 6.00pm. ENQUIRIES to Maria Young, Enrolments Officer, Myoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au, 3230 8600. Visit www.jta.link/SJC.

PIETY STALL

Our Lady of Fatima's **piety store** is open after the 9am Mass on **First Sunday of the month. We have great and cheap** religious articles, gifts and items like rosaries,

medals, crosses, candles, books, leaflets, prayer cards,







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 sys-

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

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

Thank you for your generous support during this difficult time!



