



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

350 Mortimer Road,
Acacia Ridge QLD 4110

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PARISH OFFICE

Inside the Blue Hall

POSTAL ADDRESS

PO Box 12,
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9.30am to 5pm

OFFICE PHONE

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AWAKEN MINISTRY

admin@awaken.org.au
0437006264

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY

hello@risingyouthministry.org
0488220606 (Ellen)

MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am
Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am & 5pm (Spiritus)

ANOINTING MASS

First Tuesday of the Month,
9am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8-8.50am
(Or by appointment)

BAPTISMS

10.15am, 3rd Sunday
of the Month.

*(Baptism Preparation: 6pm,
second Thursday of the Month)*

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Lizet Sanchez

FATIMA NEWS

5TH & 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5TH & 12TH FEBRUARY 2023

Hello everyone.

After a small break, Awaken Ministries' first **Prayer Evening for 2023** returns this Saturday at 6pm. I know a lot of people are looking forward to come back again. I look forward to it every month as I enjoy being in the presence of God and receive the Word of God for my life. Awaken Prayer Evening is powerful. If you have never been to the evening, then I recommend you to "Come and see." You will be amazed!

'**Friends in Grace**' (FIG) also returns on Tuesday 14th February (Valentine Day). Please take note, we have moved FIG is to Tuesday, instead of Thursday. Come and join us for a cuppa after the 9am Mass in the blue hall.

The next **Rising Youth Ministry (RYM)** is on **Sunday 12th February, 2-4pm**. We are looking forward to seeing the children again. Our leaders already have some exciting activities for the children.

Our **First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation's** programme beings this coming Wednesday with an Information Evening, in OLOF Church at 6pm. If you your child is Grade 4 or above, then he or she may be enrolled into our programme. Please keep these children in your prayers.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish and Awaken Ministries together are running a **Jackpot Raffle**. The raffle has great cash prizes that will generate the much needed funds to restore our Parish which is in desperate need of maintenance and repairs, and also the ongoing cost of running the Parish.

This Jackpot raffle will run every 3 months and the prizes will increase each time. What a time to win great prizes like this when the cost of living is becoming so expensive.

Our Parish and the various ministries are expanding at a rapid rate. There are a lot of repair works that have been neglected over the years and we have a responsibility to repair and restore the facilities that are not working in our Parish. It is our job to ensure that our buildings are fit for everyone to come, enjoy, pray and being seen as clean, tidy and safe. It is official now we are a growing parish and we need to look at the infrastructure that will cater for the growth as we move into the future.

Like any parish, we need to restore and maintain our building facilities. Examples:

- * the walls and ceilings need cleaning; it is very unhygienic for us all to be breathing in the years of built up dust.
- * We have over 200 youth regularly using the Blue Hall, which needs work done to ensure it is safe.

I am asking you, please how you can help? What financial support can you give to this raffle to ensure all of God's work that needs to be done will be attended to.

Tickets are in books of 10 @ \$5 per ticket. If you are able to buy a book please do so. Our volunteers will be selling tickets after most masses or you may purchase them at the Parish office.

If you can only afford 1 or 2, that's great, please help where you can.

If you work in a company where you could sell a book of tickets in the lunch room, please take one to sell. We just need to get your details and the booklet numbers you are taking. Speak to our volunteers after Mass and they will assist you.

Thank you for your support.

God bless,

Fr Lam

In Transition

As a parish family, we welcome **Ivan Goodness Sibo, Zayne Ezya Bolangle, and Alina Antony** who will baptised on Sunday 12th February 2023. Welcome and congratulations!

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

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facebook

Dear Parishioners,

Enrolment for **First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation** is now due on Monday 6th February.

If you have children in Grade 4 or older, then they are invited to attend the First Holy Communion and Reconciliation Programme, a 5-week course.

You can download the new enrolment form from our website:

<https://www.fatimaacaciaridge.org.au/sacraments.html>

Please send the enrolment form together with the child's Baptism certificate to the office by Monday 6th February 2023.

An information evening for parents and children will be held on Wednesday 8th February 2023 at 6pm inside Our Lady of Fatima Church.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Lizet Sanchez. Parish assistant.



Jackpot Raffle

1st Prize \$300
2nd prize \$200 3rd prize \$100

\$5 per ticket

GRAND DRAW

March 5, 2023 • after 9.00am Mass
350 Mortimer Road Acacia Ridge

Winners will be notified if not present
All proceeds go to parish activities

Thank you for supporting our parish activities.



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Sunday 26th February,

6-7pm.

For High school youth,
13-17yrs old.

Join us for a night filled with

games, talks, and worship in the Blue Hall.

Info: 0488220264 or 0437006264



AFTER 9 AM MASS

COME & JOIN US!!!

TUESDAYS • FEB 14 & 28, 2023 • BLUE HALL



Rising Youth Ministry

Word of God

age related activities
FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY

Sunday
12th February

2pm - 4pm

2023

RYM is for children in Primary School Prep to Year 6

Register here:



<https://risingyouthministry.eventbrite.com.au/>

fun & games
PRAISE & WORSHIP



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHOOL HALL
350 MORTIMER RD
ACACIA RIDGE**

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2023

New Season

Awaken in Christ

4TH FEBRUARY
6.00PM

Our Lady of Fatima Church
350 Mortimer Rd
Acacia Ridge

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0488 220 606



See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up;
do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland.
Isaiah 43:19

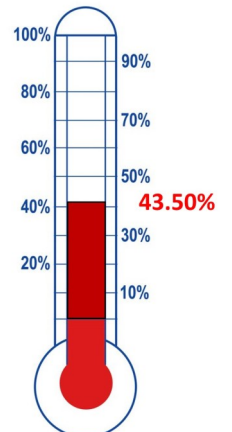
https://awaken_together_in_christ.eventbrite.com.au/

Youth Coordinator Sponsorship Programme.

With the many Youth activities in our parish, we are in need of employing a full-time Youth Coordinator. Our children are the future of our Church. Their faith and spiritual development is our utmost concern as a Parish community. We are still a long way from reaching our required fund of acquiring a full-time Youth Coordinator. We need your help. If you would like to join our sponsorship program please contact me for a direct debit form. Please consider the future of our children's faith development.

Thank you.
Fr Lam

SPONSORSHIP CHART FOR A FULLTIME YOUTH COORDINATOR POSITION



THANK YOU!

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 during this difficult time!



Anointing Mass

9am, Tuesday 7th February

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, statues, figurines and more.



Safeguarding Training for all Volunteers

In line with the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Policy, all registered volunteers must complete a Safeguarding Training every two years. All parish volunteers need to undertake a refresher training course, which is available online at:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>.

After completing the training, volunteers must submit a confirmation of completion form to register the training with the parish.

For more information, please send an email to acaci ridge@bne.catholic.net.au

Lizet Sanchez. *Safeguarding officer*



STATIONS of the CROSS

Commencing Friday 24th February, and every Friday during Lent at 7pm.

Ministry to the Sick

"Truly I tell you, Jesus said, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matt. 25:40)

The parish is in need of volunteers to take communion to the sick and elderly at these 2 nursing homes: Algester Lodge Nursing homes and Carrington Nursing Homes Parkinson.

If you are able to give of your time and presence, please contact the Parish Office 32745513. We will provide you with the necessary training and knowledge to perform your ministry with excellence. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday Masses

22nd February

(A day of fasting and abstinence)



9am and 6pm

Please bring in your blessed palms from last year for us to use for Ash Wednesday.

Support our Parish. Advertise your business here.

Contact the Parish Office for more Information.