

MISSIONARY OF CHARITY

Catechism classes

EVERY SUNDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS, SCHOOL TERM
FROM 10 AM - 10.30 AM
BLUE HALL
CONTACT SISTER HANNA.



Our Lady of Fatima Parish One Day Retreat



Power of Prayer at beautiful Marian Valley Monday 29 May 2023

Please join us

as we unite in prayer for our community, families, nation, Pope Francis, Archbishop Mark and Church Leaders

Mass and Retreat will be followed by lunch (BYO) in the parklands of the valley.

\$30 per head includes; return bus ticket, morning and afternoon teas.
BYO lunch and drinks
Bus leaves Our Lady of Fatima Church 8am and arrives at parish by 5pm

Join our community to celebrate mass and Rite of Reconciliation with Fr Luan Le

To Book: please call Ellen 0488 220 606 or the parish office 3274 5513

Hello everyone,

It is great seeing all the ministries flourishing in the parish. I am certainly enjoying working alongside you all as the parish continues to grow. We have our One Day Parish Retreat, The Power of Prayer, at the beautiful Marian Valley on Monday 29th May. There has been a great response and we only have limited seating available on the bus. An invitation is extended to any parishioners who have not booked yet, before we open it to other parishes. Please contact Ellen 0488 220 606 or myself 0401 381 276 to reserve your seat. It is promising to be a beautiful day, a day of refreshing and full of joy as we 'get away from it all' and enter into some time with the Lord and our Blessed Mother Mary. Warmest regards, Bernadette Maguire
Digital Media, Communications & Ministry Development

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 challengers 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.

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YOUTH COORDINATOR SPONSORSHIP



Our Parish has one of the most dynamic youth programs within the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Rising Youth Ministry caters for Primary School Students in Prep to Yr 6 with fantastic age related activities based on the Word of God, fun and games, Praise and Worship and an awesome Youth Group that builds friendship and community.

Rising High Ministry is a Focus Group for high school students aged 13 -17 years of age. The focus is on a teenage level where they can connect and discuss issues they are facing in daily life. It is a time filled with fun, games, food, talks, Word of God, Praise & Worship. Free of charge. It is a safe environment for your teenager to connect with new friends as they learn and grow in the word of God. Our **Youth Coordinator** works extensively throughout the parish and schools within the parish, connecting with and identifying needs and programs for the youth. Help fund this vital work for the youth of our community - the next generation of our Catholic Identity and future leaders of our communities and nation.

Thank You

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MASS TIMES

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9 am
Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am & 5pm (Spiritus)

CONFESSIONS

FATIMA NEWS

The Ascension of the Lord & Pentecost Sunday 21st & 28th May

THE ARCHDIOCESAN SUMMIT

Now come and gone, and we await the outcomes to be presented.
The Ascension of the Lord | Priority: Implementing Integral Ecology.

So we come to this sixth priority promulgated by Archbishop Mark in concert with the Archdiocesan Summit that has now come to an end. But there is so much that is contained within the writings on this particular subject and perhaps, once again, it is worth visiting the powerful reflection that grounds this particular priority. Discipleship we are told, is at its heart and the question that no doubt can confront us all from this particular priority: What is a Disciple? Then, the second question is associated with the first. How can we make more disciples? Let' stop and listen to the wisdom of the Archdiocese.

CORPUS CHRISTI Procession

This is an early reminder, but the Archdiocese is re-establishing the Corpus Christi procession after the COVID hiatus for the past few years. This year it returns on **Sunday 11th June** commencing at St Stephen's Cathedral at 2:00pm. I would ask you to please take a flyer from the door of the Church that is promoting this special event within the life of our Church.

BOOK OF PETITION

There is a Book enclosed which parishioners can use to record prayer intentions that will be presented at the Cathedral by members of the parish to place those written petitions at the feet of the Lord. Parishioners have the next few weeks to record their prayer intentions that will be taken to the Cathedral on the Day of Corpus Christi.

Livestreaming

For those who cannot make it to the Cathedral for the Procession on the day, it will also be livestreamed via www.corpuschristibrisbane.com
God Bless, Fr John.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Six: Implementing Integral Ecology

Natural and human ecology interact in mysterious and unmistakable ways. To interfere with one is to interfere with the other; to promote the good of one is to promote the good of the other. Fratelli Tutti (a recent Papal Encyclical) focuses more upon human ecology in speaking of the radical interconnectedness of all human beings at a moment when alienation and polarisation are making disconnectedness seem the norm. The Church is called in such a moment to be a sign of contradiction, speaking in a way that rises above politics and economics so that a genuinely biblical and Christian voice can be heard.



Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

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Priority Seven: Embedding Synodal Governance

We have begun the long and complex process of moving towards a synodal mode of governance in the Church, but the process is far from complete; and there is much to be done to embed synodal governance more securely at every level in the Archdiocese... Synodality implies inclusion, and therefore we will have to keep asking how we might at every level include women in the decision-making processes of the Archdiocese. So too synodality requires transparency and accountability, and we will have to keep asking what we need to do make the Archdiocese more transparent and accountable.



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With a grateful heart to our all parish volunteers who give so much of their time to serve in this community. We are most appreciative for your support to Acacia Ridge parish.

In Transition

As a parish family, we welcome Alana Mooniu Teteiara, Taanga Taboko Tabakarawa and Immanuel Beia Toanuea who will be baptised on Sunday 21st May 2023. Welcome and congratulations!

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

Our Lady of Fatima

Feast Day



A beautiful celebration for the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima was held last Saturday at the parish. It was so good to see so many attend the Procession, Rosary, Mass and stay for hot soup afterwards. What a loving community sharing this celebration and finishing with warm soup, friendship and lots of laughter. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the event.

Prayer of Our Lady of Fatima

O God, our loving father, we praise and thank you for the light of your living Word and the power of your loving mercy. With the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are truly grateful for the manifold graces you have bestowed on each of us, on our families and communities. May your Son shower his special blessing onto our parish, Our Lady of Fatima-Acacia Ridge, as we strive to make our church community a living expression of God's presence. Bless all parishioners and families in our parish, the young and the old, the sick and the handicapped, the well-off and the underprivileged, those who come to church as well as those who have distanced themselves from the church. Bless the schools, organisations and programs in the parish which endeavour to spread and enrich the catholic faith. Bless our leaders and all volunteers, so that this parish shall thrive in the hearts and minds of all those under her care, and that in her midst, we all may see the signs of the kingdom. Send your Holy Spirit to the hearts of each one of us, so that we may have the courage and the generosity to be actively involved in the life and mission of your church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Lady Fatima, pray for us.



Bring a plate of food to share and a friend.....



We had a wonderful morning at Friends In Grace last week with a special morning tea to celebrate Mothers Day! With hot soup to warm us and Fr John in attendance, it was so good to share together and be inspired in May the month of Mary. Come along this Tuesday 23rd at 9.30am in the parish blue hall.



21 MAY Humility **Rising High** Compassion
Charity **Prayer**

May - Month of Mary

Kindness 'Among Mary's essential virtues were her total, complete and surrender to do God's will.'

Purity

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

Parish Blue Hall

6.00pm - 7.30pm
13-17 yrs old

Faith

Obedience

0488 220 606
rising@awaken.org.au

SUNDAY 11 JUNE 2PM - 4PM

RYM - for children in Primary School Prep to Year 6

word of God

Praise & Worship

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY
11 JUNE

fun & games

Our Lady of Fatima School Hall
350 Mortimer Rd Acacia Ridge
Join us for mass at 5pm
0488 220 606
hello@risingyouthministry.org
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Thank you for sharing your children with us on Sunday at RYM. We had a wonderful time teaching them how to say the rosary, helping them to understand why we do it and the benefits of setting their intentions and saying it. Below is a reflection from one of our Youth Leaders, Alysha



'It was really lovely to see all the children on Sunday! We started off the afternoon with some praise and worship - it was such a joy to see the children singing and dancing and praising the Lord.'

This month, in honour of May being the month of Mary, as well as it being Mother's Day, the children learnt about the importance and power of the rosary and how our Mother Mary can help us become closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. We prayed a decade of the rosary as a group and the children's voices could be heard loud and clear throughout the church - a truly beautiful prayer to be a part of.. Thank you to all the Mums for everything that you do and for allowing us to share some time with your children on Mother's Day to teach them about our Blessed Mother.'

Here is a testimony from one of the mothers, Vivian *'Thanks for the RYM today. Adrian suggested we all pray the rosary tonight and he loves it and said "so much fun". It was the hardest Mother's day ever for me but this was the best thing to happen! He said "I love my rosary" He even took the rosary to school today! in his zipped pocket'*

We look forward to seeing you and your children at our next RYM on the 11th June. Ellen Tran. Youth Coordinator

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Our Lady of Fatima Piety Stall

Once a month on the 1st Sunday of each month

Beautiful Giftware including statues of Jesus and Mary Holy pictures framed | Rosary beads many varieties & colours Books | Prayer Cards and more!

Come and support our Piety Stall

More Information : Contact the parish office 3274 5513