

## PARISH CONTACTS

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## MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

Saturday 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9am & 5pm (Spiritus)

**CONFESSIONS**  
Saturday 8-8.50am  
(Or by appointment)

**BAPTISMS**  
10.30am, 2nd Sunday  
of the Month.  
(Baptism Preparation: 6pm,  
first Thursday of the Month)

## PARISH DIARY

**Bapt. Preparation**  
6pm, Thursday 4th Feb.  
(OLOF Church)

**Awaken Prayer Ministry**  
7-9pm, Sat 6 Feb  
(OLOF Church)

**Bible Study**  
7-9pm, Mon 8 Feb  
(Parish Hall)

**First Holy Communion  
Information Evening**  
6pm, Wed 10 Feb  
(OLOF Church)

**Baptism**  
Sun 14 Feb, 10.30am

**Bible Study**  
7-9pm, Mon 15 Feb  
(Parish Hall)

**Rising Youth Ministry**  
1-3pm, Sun 21 Feb



# FATIMA WEEKLY

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA

### CATHOLIC PARISH

350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge QLD 4110

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — 31ST JANUARY 2021

### PROPER OF THE MASS

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20; **Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 7:32-35;  
**Gospel:** Mark 1:21-28.

### Hello everyone

If you would like to experience Pentecost like the first disciples did in the Upper room, then I recommend you to attend the Awaken's Prayer Evening this coming Saturday at 7pm, in Our Lady of Fatima Church. "You will receive the power of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 1:8), awaken in your faith, renew in your relationship with God, and receive an outpouring of God's grace.

Awaken Ministry meets every first Saturday of the month, from 7-9pm, to worship and praise God as a community. The Community seeks to unite people with Our Lord, who consequently awakens their faith and love of Him. It is a lay ministry that desires to renew Parish life and respond to the call of the New Evangelisation, which Pope Francis and our Archbishop have spoken a lot about.

Awaken Community has brought so many people back to God through their powerful ministry. You have to attend to believe it. We are so blessed to have the Awaken Ministry in our Parish. If you would like more information about Awaken Ministry, please contact Di-  
anne on 0437006264.

The **5pm Spiritus Mass** will begin this Sunday, 31st January. This Mass is called Spiritus to denote that it is celebrated in the charism of the Holy Spirit. If you have never been to a Mass like this before then I invite you to attend. You will be amazed by the presence of the Holy Spirit. The Mass is in collaboration with the Awaken Community.

The painting of the **new Parish Office and hall has finished**. The next task is to set up the Parish Office with tables, chairs, connecting phone lines and internet.

On Saturday 13th February at 10am, we will have a '**working bee**' to clean the hall both inside and under the hall. If you are free then please come and help us.

For those who are seeking Baptism for their babies during February and March, please attend the **Baptism Preparation** on Thursday 4th February, at 6pm in Our Lady of Fatima Church. Please let us know if you are attending.

Our Church needs a good clean. If you are available next Saturday, at 9.30am, we will have a working bee to clean the Church.

Thank you everyone. Have a wonderful week.  
God bless  
Fr Lam

PLEASE EMAIL THE PARISH OFFICE  
IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE OUR eNEWSLETTER .

## PARISH PLAN GIVING — We Need Your Support

Now, more than ever, your support is needed to help our parish to continue our valuable pastoral activities and to provide ongoing sustainability. You can now give via the following methods:

**1. Direct Debit or Credit Card giving**

**2. Internet Transfer directly to our Bank Account.**

BSB: 064 786 ACC No: 100000413  
Account Name: Acacia Ridge Catholic Parish  
Reference: Last Name - collections

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

**4. 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.



## LITURGICAL CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

(Fourth Week in Ordinary Time)

**Monday 1st February**

**Tuesday 2nd February**

The Presentation of the Lord (Feast)

**Wednesday 3rd February**

St Blaise (Memorial)

*with a blessing of the throat at Mass*

**Thursday 4th February**

**Friday 5th February**

St Agatha (Memorial)

**Saturday 30th January**

St Paul Miki and companions (Memorial)



### Ash Wednesday Masses

17th February

7am and 6pm

9am (School Mass)

Please book online if you wish to attend.

### Blessing of Throats on the Feast of St. Blaise. Wednesday 2nd February

The blessing of throats traces back to the 8th century. This blessing is from the 1964 Roman Ritual translated by Philip T. Weller. The candles used needed this blessing preceding the blessing of the throats.

This is one of the most popular blessings from the Ritual. St. Blaise was bishop of Sebaste in Cappadocia, and was martyred by beheading about A.D. 316. Not much more can be affirmed of him with any degree of historical accuracy, but legends about him are numerous. One day--so goes the legend--Blaise met a poor woman whose only pig had been snatched up in the fangs of a wolf but at the command of the bishop the wolf restored the pig alive to its owner. The woman did not forget the favor, for later, when the bishop was languishing in prison, she brought him tapers to dispel the darkness and gloom. To this story may be attributed the practice of using lighted candles in bestowing the blessing of St. Blaise. While in prison he performed a wonderful cure on a boy who had a fishbone lodged in his throat and who was in danger of choking to death. From this account we have the longtime custom of invoking the Saint for all kinds of throat trouble.

### In Transition

As a parish family, we welcome into the Church **Truc Le** who was baptised and confirmed last Friday. Welcome Truc!

We pray for **Pamela Mitchell** (89 yrs old) who passed away on Saturday 23 January. Pamela and her husband Trevor were long time parishioners of OLOF. Her funeral service will be held at Mt Gravatt Cemetery, on Monday 1st Feb, at 10.30am.

WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED;

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

### Holy Communion to the Sick

We have a number of dedicated Eucharistic Ministers who bring communion to the sick and housebound parishioners either in their homes or in a nursing home. Bringing Holy Communion to the sick person links them with the parish community and nourishes them with the body of Christ. There are 5 nursing homes in our Parish boundary, and we are in need of new Ministers. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry or would like more information please contact the Parish Office.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME FOR First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation

Families with children in Grade 4 or who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, are invited to enrol in the Preparation for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation. Registration closes on Friday 5th Feb.

For more information email the parish [acaciardge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:acaciardge@bne.catholic.net.au).

Parents Information Evening at 6pm, Wednesday 10th February, at OLOF.



### BIBLE STUDY

Jesus said:  
"If you abide in my word,  
you are truly my  
disciples, and you will  
know the truth, and the  
truth will set you free."  
--John 8:31-32



**FEBRUARY 08<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY 7PM – 9PM**

Our Lady of Fatima

350 Mortimer Rd, Acacia Ridge

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### RIISING YOUTH MINISTRY

1-3pm,  
Sunday 21st February

OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
SCHOOL HALL  
350 Mortimer Road,  
Acacia Ridge

Register:  
[hello@risingyouthministry.org](mailto:hello@risingyouthministry.org)

"That evening,  
after sunset,  
they brought to

**JESUS**

all who were sick...  
The whole town  
came crowding  
round the door,  
and He cured many  
who were suffering  
from diseases of one  
kind or another ..."

Mark 1:32-34.



### PRAISE & WORSHIP TALKS & HEALING

FACILITATED BY STEFFANIE LE  
& FR LAM VU

"I feel better  
physically,  
emotionally  
& spiritually.  
I feel so  
alive now"  
Jay.

7PM, SATURDAY 6TH FEB.

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