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MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

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

ANOINTING MASS
First Tuesday of the Month ,
9am

CONFESIONS
Saturday 8-8.50am
(Or by appointment)

BAPTISMS
10.30am, 2nd Sunday
of the Month.

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

PROPER OF THE MASS

First Reading:
Genesis 2:18-24

Second Reading:
Hebrews 2:9-11

Gospel:
Mark 10:2-16

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love."

1 John 4:12



FATIMA WEEKLY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

CATHOLIC PARISH

350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge QLD 4110

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 3RD OCTOBER 2021

We acknowledge the traditional owners of country where we are gathering today. As a Catholic Parish we recognise their continuing connection to the country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Hello Everyone,

I thought i give you an update of what's happening with our ministries in Parish during this COVID period.

Awaken Prayer Evening Gathering: It's been awhile since we last gathered, and we understand many people are missing Awaken Prayer Evening Gathering and have been asking for it to return. Like you, we are missing it too and are missing seeing everyone. With the current COVID restrictions and the uncertainty of COVID cases, it is too unpredictable to return and too hard to sing with mask on during Praise and Worship. However, we are praying and hoping to return on **Saturday 4th December, 7pm**. Hopefully things will settle down and restrictions eased when more people will be vaccinated. Let's pray it will happen. So pencil this date in your dairy and tell your friends.

The Spiritus Mass: every Sunday at 5pm, at Our Lady of Fatima Church. We called the Mass 'Spiritus' because we celebrate it in the charism of the Holy Spirit. Led by the Holy Spirit, the Awaken Community leads the congregation in prayers and Praise and Worship at this Mass. Join us.

Seniors Fellowship Group: From Tuesday 5th October, and every Tuesday onwards, the Awaken Community will commence a new ministry for the Seniors, after the 9am Mass, from 9.45am-12 noon, inside Our Lady of Fatima hall (blue building). It is an initiative of the Awaken Community in order to connect with the seniors and to bring those who have been in isolation because of COVID, back into the Parish Community. It's a social gathering for the seniors but everyone is welcome to join.

Rising Youth Ministry (RYM): RYM will return on 17th October, 2-4pm. So many young people and their parents have been asking for the return of RYM. Our children are missing our gatherings. This is wonderful to see – our young people are hungry for God. This ministry is for children from 5-17yrs old. Please let your children know about this coming event. After RYM, our young people usually join us at the Spiritus Mass.

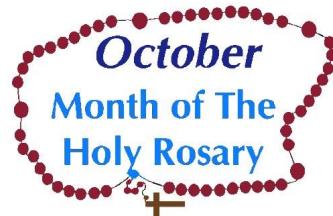
Rising High: From Sunday 3rd October, we will launch a new Awaken's Youth Group, an offshoot of RYM, which we called "Rising High". This group is for High School students. We will meet every Sunday for the Spiritus Mass at 5pm, then followed by fellowship and refreshment in the blue hall.

Notice, we now have a ministry for every age group? I'm amazed at how the Holy Spirit has moved the Awaken Community to minister and reaching out to all age groups, which the Parish of Acacia Ridge has benefit so much. I would like to thank you Steffanie and the Awaken team for their selfless contribution. If anyone would like to help or volunteer in these ministries, please let us know. You are most welcome to join us in these ministries.

The month of October is the **month of the Rosary**. I was told previously the Parish had a tradition of gathering every evening during the month of October to pray the rosary. Because of COVID the Parish had to cancel the gathering last year and instead had the rosary online. Unfortunately we are unable to continue the gathering again this year. However, you are encouraged to join us to pray the rosary before the 9am mass, Monday to Saturday, at 8.30am.

Stay safe everyone.

God bless
Fr Lam





New COVID Restrictions

Due to new COVID cases in the community, the QLD Government has announced that new restrictions will be put in place effective from 30 September at 4:00pm for two weeks. We are now back to Stage 2 restrictions. Church gathering is back to 1 person per 4 square meters, which means we can only have 95 people at mass. Face masks must be worn at all the time inside the Church; Clergy and readers must keep their mask but may remove the mask when they are 1.5 metres away from others. Choirs and all cantors will be required to keep their masks on at all times.

Australia's First Assembly of Plenary Council

October 3-10, the first in Australia in 84 years.



Assembly One: October 2021

The purpose of the Plenary Council is to discern what God is asking of the Church in Australia. More than 280 people from across the country will be involved in an online format. At the end of this long period of listening to the Holy Spirit speaking through the voices of the faithful, Australia's bishops will vote on any future directions for the Church in our country.

The best way to stay in touch with events is by the Plenary Council website, either via: The homepage: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>
First Assembly Page: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1/>
Plenary Council YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPKFmOZcjfMQ9SfcotyZJg>

Please keep the Plenary Council deliberations in your prayers - May the Spirit lead us and inspire us.

ANOINTING MASS
9am, First Tuesday of the Month

Beginning from Tuesday 5th October, at 9am
All are invited. Those who are ill, elderly, or undergoing surgery in the near future will be anointed during the Mass, followed by fellowship in the hall.

SENIORS GROUP



EVERY TUESDAY 9.45am-12noon



Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC VIEW ON VACCINATION?

Pope Francis's recent encouragement to all to get vaccinated with approved Covid-19 vaccines in the link below. Pope Francis referred to it as 'an act of love.' <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-08/pope-francis-appeal-covid-19-vaccines-act-of-love.html>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane supports COVID-19 vaccination except for those people with a valid medical exemption from their health professional.

We do recognise that some Catholics have concerns about the origins of the cell-line associated with the development of the AstraZeneca vaccine. If this is a concern for you then the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines provide two alternatives that avoid this issue.

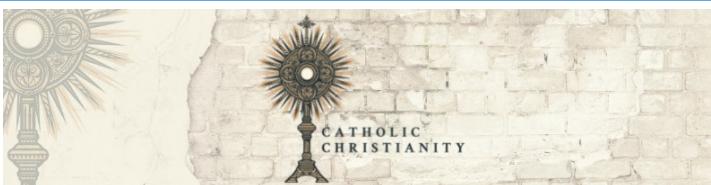


INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or want to explore more about Catholic faith? Do you know someone who has shown an interest in becoming a Catholic?

Becoming Catholic involves a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of a parish community. This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. During the RCIA process you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith.

Every Thursday at 7pm, inside Our Lady of Fatima Church. For more information, please contact the Parish Office (acaciaridge@bne.catholic.net.au or 32745513). Cost: free! All are welcome!



CATHOLIC CHRISTIANITY PODCAST

Can science disprove God?

Is it valid to say that it's true for you but not true for me? Is there more to the human experience than what science can measure?

Find out in episode one of the Catholic Christianity podcast, Season One: Reasons to Believe. Subscribe on your preferred podcast platform or watch on YouTube by searching 'Catholic Christianity'. Find out more at www.catholicchristianity.org.

Rising Youth Ministry

We're back!

Hooray!
Yippee!
Finally!



2-4 pm, Sunday 17th October

Join us for Mass at 5pm

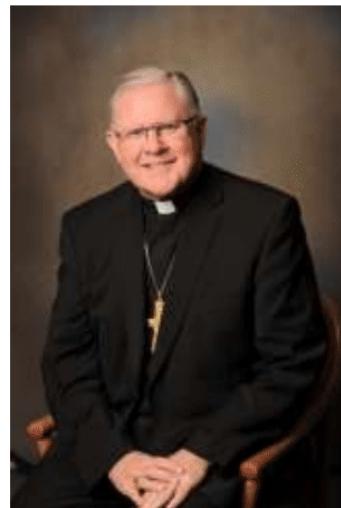
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MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE ON THE START OF THE PLENARY COUNCIL FIRST ASSEMBLY



Assembly One: October 2021



After five years of preparation and consultation we're finally arrived at the moment of the first assembly of the two assemblies of the Plenary Council in Australia; the first Plenary Council celebrated in Australia since 1937.

Because of COVID-19 we've had to postpone this first assembly for twelve months. We're still in the grip of COVID-19 but we decided to go ahead even though now the first assembly will be completely online.

But here in Brisbane, unless we have a lockdown, we will gather as a group of about fifteen in Cathedral House behind me each day. So there will be some face to face, but most of it will be face to screen.

Now, not everybody can be a member of the Plenary Council. There will be about 300 of us online as members and expert advisors and helpers of various kinds, so that 300 will be online.

But in fact the Plenary Council is for the entire community of faith, all catholic people whoever you are, it's for you the Plenary Council.

So you may not be online as a member of the Plenary Council, but you are very much part of the journey of this week and that's why I write to you now.

If you're not online there are other ways in which you can take part; you can follow the live stream sessions each day, not all the sessions will be live streamed, but some will be and you are very much invited to join the live stream sessions*.

Then you can each day follow the updates that will be provided at the end of each day.

So again I invite you, I urge you to read the updates but most of all, to surround the assembly with your prayer; that this is a deep and real and powerful way of you sharing in the experience of this first assembly.

So the call is to all of us members or not the fact is you've been baptised and therefore you are very much part of the journey.

So let's take the road together and may God, who has begun the good work in us with the Plenary Council, bring it to fulfilment.

* A google search for "Plenary Council" will find us at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>