



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

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### MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Sunday 9.00am

*Saturday 5pm Vigil mass and 5pm  
Sunday Spiritus mass are temporarily  
suspended until further notice*

#### ANointing MASS

First Tuesday of the Month,  
9am

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8-8.50am  
(Or by appointment)

#### BAPTISMS

10.30am, 2nd Sunday  
of the Month.

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

#### SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Lizet Sanchez

# FATIMA WEEKLY

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20TH FEBRUARY 2022

### PROPER OF THE MASS:

**First Reading:** 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; **Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:45-49  
**Gospel:** Luke 6:27-38

Hello Everyone,

With the children coming back to school, the COVID cases are still very high (5,795 new cases on Friday). The QLD Government is talking about easing the COVID restrictions by the end of this month. Fingers crossed things will be back to normal.

I'm hoping to resume some of our ministries and activities on the first week of March - in two weeks. Our first event, will be our **Awaken Prayer Evening** on Saturday 5th march, at 7pm. It has been a while since we had Awaken, and I know a lot of people are asking for us to return. It is going to be an amazing evening and a wonderful way to begin the Lenten season. If you would like to attend, please register on Eventbrite via this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/awaken-together-in-christ-tickets-266495313657>

This week about 37 young parishioners will begin their journey of preparation to celebrate their **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**. Thank you to Sr Hannah and Sr Ignatius from the Missionary of Charity Sisters for guiding these families along this journey of faith. We keep the young boys and girls in our prayers, that they may grasp and begin to fathom the invitation to live life to the full that God is offering them.

**Lent** is fast approaching and is only 1½ weeks away. Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. It is a special time for us to look at our true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.

This year **Ash Wednesday** is on 2nd March. We have two masses on this day: 9am and 6pm. Please remember it is a day of fasting and abstinence.

**Abstinence** from meat applies to everyone who has passed his or her 14<sup>th</sup> birthday. There is no upper age limit to abstinence.

**Fasting** from food applies to those who have passed their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. To fast is to eat one full meal and no more than two smaller meals. The obligation ends at the conclusion of one's 59<sup>th</sup> birthday.

*"The practice of fasting and abstinence aims at leading us to interior conversion by making us more disciplined and more charitable. We fast in order to share our time and our treasure with an attitude of love towards God and others. In addition, the practice helps us imitate the example of Jesus who fasted for 40 days in the desert."* Elizabeth Harrington

Starting from Monday 28th February at 7pm and every Monday during Lent, I'll be facilitating a **Lenten Reflection** on ZOOM. The theme for this Reflection is on Compassion. If you would like to participate, please contact Lizet, our Parish Assistant to register. Please make sure you have a Zoom account before the meeting. If you have any problem, contact Lizet for assistant.

Stay safe.  
God bless  
Fr Lam



**Check in  
No Longer  
Required**



**Masks  
remain  
mandatory  
Whilst in the Church.  
Thank you**

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Erica Valbuena and Ryan Jacob** who celebrated their Marriage on Saturday 19th February, at Our Lady of Fatima Church.



### In Transition

As a parish family we welcome

**Pierce Ambrose Sullivan**

who was baptised on 13th February at Our Lady of Fatima.

### From the Parish Assistant

As you know, the Sacramental programme for First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation is about to begin. I would like to thank the parents for enrolling their children in our program. This year we have 37 children participating in the program. If you have not provided us with your child's Baptism certificate, please do it soon. Also, we are able to receive payment (\$20) in cash or credit card.

Fr Lam is facilitating a Lenten Reflection, starting from Monday 28th February at 7pm and every Monday during lent. It is an online ZOOM event. If you would like to participate in these Zoom meetings, please register via [acaciaridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:acaciaridge@bne.catholic.net.au) or 3274 5513. If you need help with setting up a Zoom account, I am happy to assist.

Lizet Sanchez



## STATIONS of the CROSS

**Commencing Friday 4th March, and every Friday during Lent at 7pm.**

### Ash Wednesday Masses

2nd March  
(A day of fasting and abstinence)

9am and 6pm



 Join Us  
as we journey together

Online Zoom Event

Every Monday during Lent  
28 February - 6 April  
7.00pm-8.00pm

Facilitated by  
Fr Lam Vu

**LENTEN REFLECTION  
COMPASSION**

**BOOK IN NOW**  
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## ANOINTING MASS

9am, Tuesday 1st March  
First Tuesday of the Month

## AWAKEN TOGETHER IN CHRIST

"at healing (at Awaken), I felt an immense peace with myself as if God had taken all the pain off my shoulders and said, "My Son, let me take the pain away from your shoulders." I just felt so peaceful and loved."

... Michael

Praise & Worship

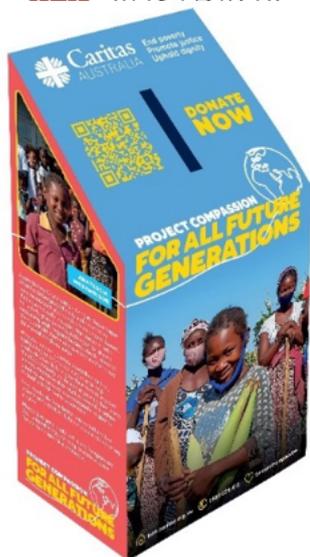
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SATURDAY  
5TH MARCH  
7.00PM

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Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all.

As St Pope John Paul II said,  
**“The future starts today, not tomorrow.”**



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 and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.



**ST JAMES COLLEGE, SPRING HILL** is a progressive multicultural Catholic Coeducational Secondary College in the tradition of Edmund Rice (EREA). Expanded campus in 2022 means additional enrolments are open in 2022 in all year levels. Students from all backgrounds and abilities welcome so they can flourish in their learning and realise their potential.  
**Attend the ENROLMENT INFORMATION EVENING on 7 March at 6pm** online or face to face.  
**ENQUIRIES to Maria Young, Enrolments Officer, [MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au](mailto:MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au), 3230 8600. Visit [www.StJamesCollege.com.au](http://www.StJamesCollege.com.au)**



### Synod on Synodality

Until 27 February 2022, all Catholics are invited to have their say about their experiences of ‘synodality’ – of walking together as a Church. All submissions received nationally will help the Australian Bishops develop a report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. This is not to be confused with the Australian Plenary Council which is running concurrently with the Synod. The Plenary Council focus is on the Church in Australia. The Synod is focussed on the Church globally. Your voice matters, and it could be as simple as getting together with family, friends or fellow parishioners and having a “Coffee Conversation”.

This short video offers encouragement on how easy it can be to have your say: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YrgZN79Kf0>  
 You can make your submission here: <https://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>



### ORDINATION OF BISHOP-ELECT TIM NORTON SVD

The Episcopal Ordination of Timothy John Norton SVD as Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Tuesday 22nd February at 10.30am. You can watch the Ordination via this link: [brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast)

Please keep Bishop-elect Tim in your prayers as he prepares for his future ministry amongst us.

### An Invitation to men and Women Discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood or Consecrated Life.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge is extending an invitation to all who may be interested in discerning a vocation to either the priesthood or consecrated life to join him for an evening meal and informal discussion.

Dinner for Men: Thursday, 28 April 2022  
 Dinner for Women: Thursday, 2 June 2022.

Contact Cosme Cham, Team Leader at Vocation Brisbane by email to [chamc@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:chamc@bne.catholic.net.au) any time prior to **Friday, 15 April**.