



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

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

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:**  
Lizet Sanchez

# FATIMA WEEKLY

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 20TH MARCH 2022

### PROPER OF THE MASS:

**First Reading:** Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15. **Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians: 10:1-6, 10-12.  
**Gospel:** Luke 13:1-9.

Hello Everyone,

After nearly a year of not having Awaken, because of Covid-19, it was great to finally come back again. You could sense the anticipation and excitement of everyone in a packed Church. The Holy Spirit did not disappoint us. He came to us in a powerful way and His presence was felt by everyone.



Steffanie was just phenomenal. The Word of God came alive through her teaching. Her sharing from the book of Isaiah was remarkable and inspirational. She gave us great insights into how God relates to us and the 'Servant-God' relationship was insightful. This is something I have never thought about before. It was amazing to see how the Holy Spirit revealed these insights to Steffanie. These teachings can only come from the Holy Spirit. Steffanie's talk encouraged me not to skim through the Bible and look at it lightly, but read it with careful reflection and prayer.

Not only did the Holy Spirit come to us in the teaching of Steffanie but also in healing. The healing session was incredible. The Holy Spirit was at work through Steffanie in a tangible and powerful way. I witnessed so many people receive healings, blessings and words from God. Many tears of joy were shed as they felt God's presence. It was so moving to see how so many people lined up and waited patiently for a chance to be touched by God. Many times, I was moved to tears in seeing how desperate and thirsty people were for God. God is so good to us. We are all in need of His love and mercy. It was a powerful night.

Here's a testimony that was shared to me:

A teenage boy has been suffering with bipolar disorder and has been in the hospital. He hasn't slept for awhile. His mother has been worrying about him. They came to Awaken last Saturday, and Steffanie prayed over both of them. A few days later, they told me that he's now sleeping very well and is feeling much better. He is more relaxed and at peace. And he's getting discharged on Tuesday. His mother is now very happy and is grateful they came to Awaken.

We are so blessed to have had the Holy Spirit among us that night. Thank you Lord. We give thanks to Steffanie for her dedication and service to us all. Thank you also to the wonderful Awaken team.

The next Awaken will be on Saturday 2nd April, 7pm. Please register on Eventbrite in the parish website.

This Sunday also we will have the **Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens**, which is a crucial threshold for our 5 candidates who are seeking to know God. The signing with the Cross expresses their initial yes to God's call as they promise to live out the teachings of the Gospel and to follow in the path of Christ. This promise, if taken seriously, is the response to discipleship - a journey which leads to the Cross. Please continue to keep our Catechumens in your prayers.

We have the **Seniors group** is coming Thursday 24th March, 9.30am. Everyone is welcome.

Next Saturday 26th March, at the 9am and 4.30pm Masses, we will have two **Car Wash fundraising** sessions to raise money for the poor children in Africa and building our community centre. The young people from Rising High and our volunteers will be washing cars. A Car Wash for a standard car is \$20 and \$30 for a large car. This wonderful initiative is from the Awaken Ministry. Thank you to the Awaken.

God bless  
Fr Lam

# AWAKEN TOGETHER IN CHRIST



## Praise & Worship

FACILITATOR  
STEFFANIE LE

2ND APRIL 2022  
7.00PM



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and  
0488 220 606

Our Lady of Fatima Church  
350 Mortimer Rd  
Acacia Ridge



# RIISING YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday  
March 20th  
2pm - 4pm



## we're back

Arts & Crafts  
Fun

Word of God



Praise & Food  
Worship  
Dancing

Our Lady of Fatima  
School Hall

350 Mortimer Rd - Acacia Ridge  
Join us for mass at 5pm

RSVP ESSENTIAL

Please register to:

hello@risingyouthministry.org  
0437 006 264



### From the Parish Assistant

Fr Lam facilitates a Lenten Reflection Via an online Zoom meeting every Monday during Lent. For reflection and sharing we listen to the homily of Bishop Robert Barron, from Word on Fire. If you would like to participate in these zoom meetings, please register via [acaciarridge@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:acaciarridge@bne.catholic.net.au) or 3274 5513.

AS you know, we are going to have an Awaken Market sometime in May. It is a fundraising event to raise money for the poor children in Africa and building our community centre. If you would like to donate clothes, sporting goods or toys (must be in good condition) could please bring them to Parish Office, in the blue hall. Please avoid any rusty or discoloured items, as these will not sell.

We had an enjoyable time at the Seniors Group last week. It is now on every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. The next gathering will be on Thursday 24th March, 9.30am. If you wish to help us set up, please let me know. Hope to see you all. Thank you for being so supportive.  
Lizet Sanchez

### First Holy Communion. Pray for us.

We, the Young Parishioners preparing for the reception of First Holy Communion will be having our Sacrament of Reconciliation for



the first time on Wednesday 16th March, 2022. A joyful event in our lives. Please continue praying for us. With your prayers, God's wisdom will be upon us. Thank you.

### FUNDRAISING FOR AWAKEN OUTREACH



Come along



## CAR WASH SATURDAY 26 March

During the  
9am Mass &  
4.30pm Vigil

Book your car In  
[admin@awaken.org.au](mailto:admin@awaken.org.au)  
0437 006 264

# SENIORS GROUP IS BACK

Every 2nd  
and 4th  
Thursday of  
the month

Resumes on Thursday  
10th March 2022  
9:30 am - 10:30 am  
Parish Hall



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JOIN NOW

### In Transition

We pray for **Maria Quy Thi Nguyen** whose funeral was on Saturday 19th March. We also pray for **Corazon Melchor** who died on Tuesday. May their souls and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners Rest in Peace.

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## Stations of the Cross



Commencing Friday 4th March,  
and every Friday during Lent  
at 7:00 pm

## Walk with me The Sorrowful way of the Cross



Above: Awaken Prayer Evening  
Below: Seniors Group



8 ways we're making Our Lady of Fatima Parish safer for vulnerable people

**Volunteer registration** – Names and contact details for all parish volunteers are registered with the Archdiocese  
**Training** – All registered volunteers undertake Safeguarding Induction training, identifying undesirable behaviour and what to do if it occurs; Volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults receive additional Applied Safeguarding training; All training is required to be refreshed every three years to keep volunteers up to date with changes

**Commitment** – Volunteers sign a Statutory Declaration, Code of Conduct, declaration of Prior Conduct and other documentation as a commitment to abide by the Archdiocese Safeguarding guidelines

**Background checks** – Volunteers interacting with children must have a Blue Card, indicating they are approved to work with children; volunteers working with vulnerable adults or in a position where they have access to parish funds or assets undertake an independent Police Check

**Local contact points** – Each church community has a local Safeguarding Coordinator who can be the first point of contact for any questions or issues; The Local Safeguarding Representative and Parish Priest are also available by email or through the parish office

**Resources** – All parishioners have access to wider resources provided by the Archdiocese; information about these resources can be found in each church or meeting area and on the Jubilee parish and Archdiocese websites

**Risk assessments** – Parish activities involving children or vulnerable people undertake a risk assessment, prepared by the person responsible for the activity, briefed to any co-workers and signed by the Parish Priest

**COVID safety** – Volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults must provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19

*Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you see any instances in the parish where the well-being of children or vulnerable adults is compromised, please report it. Lizet Sanchez, Local Safeguarding Representative*



Above: 2022 Catechumens and Candidates



### Acacia Ridge March 2022 Intake

Multicap is excited to offer training for a Certificate III in Individual Support (CHC33015) with the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) AMC Training and Consulting (32129). This training is proudly funded by the Queensland Government through its Skilling Queenslanders for Work Initiative.

Upon successfully completing the training, you will have:

- Completed 120 hours of work experience at disability and aged care provider
- Received your nationally recognised Certificate III in Individual Support
- Gained employment opportunities in this fast-growing, highly rewarding industry

#### Next Course Intake Information:



You must reside in the Brisbane Metro region



Course starts Tuesday, 8 March 2022  
ONGOING ENROLMENTS AVAILABLE



Ongoing information sessions  
ENQUIRE TODAY TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST



Contact: Natalie Wylie  
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#### Eligibility requirements:

- Be aged 18 years or over
- Reside in the Brisbane Metro region.
- Face disadvantage due to:
  - Being ineligible for Australian Government employment services or assistance; or
  - Requiring complementary services because you face significant barriers to learning and employment; or
  - Accessing Australian Government unemployment services and remained unemployed for 6+ months.
- Proof of flu vaccination (when available), and fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Registrations are **essential**. To register your interest please contact Natalie Wylie or submit your details at <https://www.multicap.org.au/sqw/>.



### Queenslanders affected by disaster urgently need your help



#### Food and essentials

When a family loses everything, they urgently need the basics. Your gift will purchase emergency food, toiletries and essential household items for a disaster-affected family.



#### Emergency Housing

Rebuilding can take months, even years. When a family's home is flooded, they need a temporary place to live. Your kindness will help provide basic furniture to stabilise their family, pay rent and get them back on their feet.



#### Clothing

If a family evacuate their home in a natural disaster, they often leave with nothing but the clothes on their backs. Your gift can provide the immediate comfort and relief of a fresh set of clothing with they have nothing.