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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

31st Aug\1st Sept 2019

The Season of Creation

The Season of Creation has a special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation or Creation Time is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

Pope Francis on Caring for Our Common Home:

“We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family.”

“The Earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth. In many parts of the planet, the elderly lament that once beautiful landscapes are now covered with rubbish. Never have we so hurt and mistreated our common home as we have in the last 200 years. We are not God. The Earth was here before us and was given to us.”

“The idea of infinite or unlimited growth, which proves so attractive to economists, financiers and experts in technology ... is based on the lie that there is an infinite supply of the earth's goods, and this leads to the planet being squeezed dry at every limit.”

“Yet all is not lost. Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.”

A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,

help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,

that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution
and destruction.

Touch the hearts

of those who look only for gain

at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to
recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your
infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Readings: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9:13-18

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Luke 14:25-33

WE REMEMBER

We remember Eileen de Groot, Annakutty Mathew, Devasia Thomas and Mary Sebastian. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

WE REJOICE

With the Ranieri families as they celebrated the baptism of Enzo in the parish last weekend.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

COUNTERS

Tony's team.

UNLOCKING YOUR PARISH

7 parishioners watched the third Alpha film last week. It was a knockout. We are back again this week Tuesday 7pm. Also the Springfield parish has invited all Brisbane parishes to visit them on Saturday, September 21 for a full day's explanation of how they have moved from a maintenance parish to a missionary parish. All parishioners are welcome to join those of us going to Springfield. Contact Dot in the office or Paul at mass if you are interested.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Wednesday, September 4th commencing 4:30pm in the Parish Centre.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

A baptism preparation evening for families who are having their child baptised in the parish will be held on Wednesday, September 4th commencing 7:00pm in the Parish Centre.

MASS OF ANOINTING AND HOSPITALITY

The mass on Friday, September 6th will include an Anointing of the Sick. This will be followed by a hospitality which will be held at the front of the church.

Parish Diary

Monday, September 2nd

Mass 8:00am
St Joachim's

Wednesday, September 4th

Benediction 5:30pm
St Agnes'

Mass 6:00pm
St Agnes'

Thursday, September 5th

Mass 9:00am
St Agnes'

Friday, September 6th

Mass 9:00am
St Joachim's

Includes Anointing of the Sick

Funeral Mass- Peter Weightman

10:30am St Agnes'

Saturday, September 7th

Reconciliation 5:30pm
St Joachim's

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 7th

Mass 6:00pm
St Joachim's

Sunday, September 8th

Mass 7:30am
St Joachim's

Mass 9:00am
St Agnes

Mass 6:00pm
St Agnes'



Come and Celebrate Spring

The Parish Pastoral Council

invites parishioners

to come and celebrate the arrival of Spring

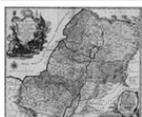
Saturday, September 14th

6:00pm Mass at S Joachim's Church

Following Mass there will be marshmallows for the little ones

Mulled wine for parents and parishioners

All are welcome - Invite your friends



Have you ever thought about taking a trip to the Holy Land? Would you consider joining a group from our parish?

I would like to organize a combined trip to the Holy Land +

India in September 2020. If anyone is interested please feel free to talk to me. Fr Joson

Bloom



Is 35:1

Bloom is a collection of Christian books for our parish

4 reading and reflection

available from next weekend in both churches

Look out for me.....

FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The feedback from the First Phase of the Plenary Council which asked the question, *What is God asking of us in Australia today*, revealed that over 222,000 people participated. There were 17,457 submissions sent in from 4,699 groups and 12,758 individuals.

Six main topics emerged. The desire for a Church that is:

- Missionary and evangelising
- Inclusive, participatory and synodal
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
- Humble, healing and merciful
- Open to conversion, renewal and reform
- A Joyful, hope-filled and servant community

These six topics form the basis of the **Second Phase of the Plenary Council**, where we continue to listen to the Spirit but move from Listening and Dialogue to Listening and Discernment. We will try to discern how God is calling us to be a Christ centred Church that is: Missionary and evangelising; Inclusive, participatory and synodal; Prayerful and Eucharistic; Humble, healing and merciful; A joyful, hope-filled and servant community; Open to conversion, renewal and reform.

We have until March 2020 to engage in this phase and there are a number of ways we can be involved:

- Carole Danby from Evangelization Brisbane will facilitate a parish group on **Sunday, September 29th after the 9:00am mass beginning 10:30am in the Parish Centre**. The duration of the meeting is about 2 hours.
- The Archdiocese has sessions at the Cathedral Precinct with each being offered at two different times on the given day:

Option 1: 2:00pm–4:00pm

Sept 19th Humble, Healing and Merciful

Nov 14th Prayerful and Eucharistic

Option 2: 6:30pm–9:00pm

Oct 31st Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal

TBA 2020

Open to Conversation, Renewal and Reform

Joyful, Hope-filled and Servant Community

Numbers are limited and registration is essential. The Parish Office will then register your attendance.

Finally, to see details of reports, videos and suggestions for the way ahead, the website is:

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>



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COMMUNITY

An Evening of Taize Prayer, to celebrate the start of the Season of Creation, will be hosted by Upper Mt Gravatt Parish on Monday, September 2nd from 7:00 – 8:30pm in St Bernard's Church, Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt. Followed by supper.

Moorooka-Salisbury Parish Knitting Group would like to invite parishioners to join their new Parish Knitting Group to create Comfort Shawls to donate to the PA Hospital Pastoral Care Unit. The group currently meets at Garden City Shopping Centre (upstairs Food Court near McDonalds) on the first and third Tuesday's of each month at 10am. We gather for an hour to an hour and a half of knitting, prayer and social interaction. Beginners are very welcome.

The Little King's Movement for the Handicapped is holding its annual fete on Sunday, September 8th from 9:00am – 1:30pm at their premises, 33 O'Keefe Street, Buranda. All the usual attractions of a fete.

The Catholic Leader Cost: \$2.00

- Archbishop tells the inquiry into voluntary assisted dying that a person suffering intense pain can still love and be loved.
- Down-to-earth politician and long-time ambassador to the Holy See Tim Fischer dies aged 73.
- Australian Catholic University McAuley Campus launches a new entry pathway scheme for student military veterans to help them ease the transition from military to civilian life.



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