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(Safeguarding purposes only)

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

26th/27th June, 2021

Let's celebrate....

Recently I was talking to one of my friends with regards to the effects of Covid-19 on the faith life of parishioners regarding sacraments, especially on the participation of the Eucharist. He mentioned to me a talk by Pope Francis to pilgrims and the faithful from Italy and all over the world on December 13, 2017. The Pope reflected on the theme "Why Go to Mass on Sunday?" What do we gain by participating in a Sunday Mass?

The Sunday celebration of the Eucharist is at the centre of the life of the Church (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2177). We Christians go to Mass on Sundays to meet the Risen Lord, or rather to let ourselves be met by Him, to listen to His word, be nourished at His table, and thus become the Church, or rather His mystical living Body in the world today.

We, as a parish community, are gathering for the Sunday Eucharistic celebration to "observe the Lord's Day holy" as Jesus commanded. On the altar, we also remember and re-present the death and resurrection of Jesus by using liturgical prayers, signs and symbols, and we offer the one-time Calvary sacrifice of Jesus to our Heavenly Father for the remission of our sins.

Eucharist is the highest rank of prayer. St Peter Julian Eymard says "the Holy Eucharist is like a divine Storehouse filled with every virtue; God has placed it in the world so that everyone may draw from it". We receive many blessings during each Holy Mass by our active participation in the Eucharistic celebration. People who think that participation in the Holy Mass is a waste, fail to understand the power of the Eucharistic.

Through every Eucharistic celebration -

- 1) we praise and worship God by singing and responding to the prayers led by the priest.
- 2) we ask God's pardon and forgiveness for our sins.
- 3) we thank God for all the blessings received during the course of the past week.
- 4) we listen to God's words through the Scripture readings and in the homily.
- 5) we present our needs and petitions for the new week before God on the altar at the intercessory prayers.
- 6) we surrender and offer our lives and all our activities to God during the offertory, accepting Jesus as our personal Lord and Saviour and surrendering our lives to Him with repentant hearts.
- 7) we recharge our spiritual batteries, gain spiritual nourishment and deepen our personal relationship with Jesus by sacramentally receiving his resurrected Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

There are Christian communities that, unfortunately, cannot enjoy Mass every Sunday. We are privileged to attend the mass every Sunday. For St. John Paul II, "from the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others." Let us make it a chance to experience the power of Eucharist and share it with others.

With God's blessings, Fr Jason

Readings: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 2:25

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Mark: 6:1-6

READINGS FOR 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

1:13-15; 2:23-34

Responsorial Psalm

Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark: 5:21-24, 35-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

Parish Diary

Monday, June 28th

Mass 8:00am
St Joachim's

Wednesday, June 30th

Mass 6:00pm
St Agnes

Thursday, July 1st

Mass 9:00am
St Agnes

Friday, July 2nd

(includes Anointing of the Sick)
Mass 9:00am
St Joachim's

Saturday, July 3rd

Reconciliation 5:30pm
St Joachim's

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 3rd

Mass 6:00pm
St Joachim's

Sunday, July 4th

Mass 7:30am
St Joachim's

Mass 9:00am
St Agnes

Mass 6:00pm
St Agnes

Prayer to St Joseph

You were chosen by God to be the fosterer father of Jesus, the most pure spouse of Mary, and the head of the holy Family. We ask your intercession...
Protect our pope and all who labour for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life, and grant that all peoples of the world may follow Christ.

Protect us from every disease present in our world.

Remove all fear from our hearts. Fill us with confidence.

Dear St. Joseph, accept the offering I make to you. Be my father, protector and guide in the way of salvation.

Amen

Continuing on our faith journey during changed times; when our faith will sustain us through our challenges.

The Holland Park Mt Gravatt Catholic Parish acknowledge the Jagera people, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

PARISH NEWS

WE REMEMBER

We remember Margaret Hilton and Allan Brook. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

WE REJOICE

With the Ferney and Teitt and the Sahlqvist families as they celebrate the baptism of Virginia, Elsie and Elizabeth in the parish this weekend.

COUNTERS

Elisabeth's team

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Tuesday, June 29th at 4:00pm in the Parish Centre.

MASS OF ANOINTING AND HOSPITALITY

The mass on Friday, July 2nd will include an Anointing of the Sick. This will be followed by a hospitality which will be held at the front of the church.

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

Planned Giving can be arranged through Direct Debit, Credit Card, and by Envelopes. If you would like to contribute by internet banking our details are: BSB: 064 - 786; A/c No: 100013625 A/c Name: Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish.

The Parish Giving app has been set up specifically for parishioners to be electronically connected to their parish for regular and one off giving. Download the app at:

<https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/auth/login>



1. Open the camera app and scan the QR code at the Church entrance and follow the link to the Giving Website
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MURRI MINISTRY

(an agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane)

invites you to attend NAIDOC Mass

St Stephen's Cathedral

4th July 2021 commencing 12noon

Celebrant: Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Please support us by celebrating the opening of NAIDOC Week.

NAIDOC THEME - 'HEAL COUNTRY'

Any enquires please call

Murri Ministry Office 07 3891 1931



Weekend Mass Bookings

As of this weekend you will be able to attend mass without booking in beforehand. When you arrive at the churches you will need to use the Check in Qld app to register your attendance.



If you don't already have this app on your smartphone you will need to download it. This can be done through the google play store or the apple app store on your phone.

For those who do not have a smartphone there is still the option of using the Trybooking system as we have been doing or you can just turn up and sign in.

It is essential that everyone who attends mass must sign in – one way or the other.

If you wish to book in for mass, please use the links below:

St Joachim's Masses - <https://www.trybooking.com/BSDFW>

St Agnes' Masses - <https://www.trybooking.com/BSDEY>

If you would like assistance or any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

POSITIONS VACANT – BRISBANE PARISHES

There are currently a number of vacancies for Parish Secretaries within the Archdiocesan Parish network. If you would like more information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and go to careers.

POSITION VACANT – PASTORAL CARER TO PRISONERS

Everyday ordinary men and women in the Archdiocese of Brisbane volunteer for Centacare to go into SE Queensland prisons to provide an integral ministry to people in Correctional Centres. Prisoners are assured by a chaplain's presence that lives have value, change is possible and Christian hope can be lived, even in the direst of human circumstances.

If you would like to know more about the training to provide spiritual and pastoral care in prisons and becoming a lay prison chaplain please contact Centacare: 3324 3193 or adminpasmin@bne.catholic.net.au

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

ST IGNATIUS PARISH'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY.

St Ignatius Church, Toowong on Wednesday, July 28th commencing 6pm Dinner | 7.30pm Event. This year's speakers are Fr Richard Leonard SJ, Author and Speaker & Dr Danielle Anne Lynch, Theologian | Musician | Teacher at Marist College. This year, you will need to book to attend this event or view from the comfort of your own home by streaming the event.

Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/womens-night-of-spirituality-tickets-156038151311>

Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/RA7aR0byDsM>

All Welcome. Contact details: Allison King pw.toowong@bne.catholic.net.au | 3870 7818



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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

... for it is to such as thee that the kingdom of God belongs.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocesan Code of Ethical Behaviour and adherence to legislative imperatives of the State. This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, Students on placement and Visitors to