Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – 29th September 2024

Unauthorised Goodness (Mark 9: 38 - 48)

John spoke up, "Teacher, we saw a man using your name to expel demons and we stopped him because he wasn't in our group." Jesus wasn't pleased. "Don't stop him. No one can use my name to do something good and powerful, and in the next breath cut me down. If he's not an enemy, he's an ally. Why, anyone by just giving you a cup of water in my name is on our side. Count on it that God will notice." (Mark 9: 38 - 41)

Like the good citizens around Moses, the disciples around Jesus are jealous for the copyright to goodness. Anyone who teaches the ignorant, heals the sick, or feeds the poor without joining their Master's guild has got to be from the devil. Obviously it escapes the disciples that this is precisely the charge that's been levelled at Jesus by the religious leaders of the Temple. Righteousness is private property. Unauthorised goodness is strictly forbidden.

It may be natural to feel a twinge when, say, the Hare Krishnas open a soup kitchen in our parish, beating up the good witness. We feel embarrassed that it's come to this. But right is right, not matter what the source is. The proper response is to praise God, grow in humility, and persevere in our own attempt to support the cause of righteousness.

Where might you become a source of "unauthorised goodness" for others?

VOLUNTEER THANK YOU MASS

Thank You Mass will be held at St Rita's Church Saturday 26 October 2024 at 9am.

Following the Mass there will be a morning tea supplied to say Thank You to all the Volunteers of the Parish.

Todays Readings: Numbers 11:25-29, St James 5:1-6, Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 Response to the Psalm: The precepts of the Lord give joy, joy to the heart . Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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 policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites. For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698 <u>sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au</u> <u>https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report</u> <u>https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report</u> <u>https://tinyurl.com/New-Protecting-Children-Laws</u>

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

(Liturgy of the Word with

Communion - every other

Saturday at 11am)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Sept 8, 18 & 22 - 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion every other Sundays at 9am)

RUSSELL ISLAND

Sept 1, 15 & 29- 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion every other Sundays at 2pm)

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary - 8.30am

Mass - 9.00am

Rosary Crusade Pro Life -9.30am

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary - 8.30am Mass - 9.00am Praise & Prayer - 7.00pm

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary - 8.30am Mass - 9.00am Art Group - 10.00am Choir – 3.30pm THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

Priest Day Off --- NO MASSES

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary - 8.30am Mass & Benediction – 9.00am

MAREBELLO

1st Wed – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed Mass - 9.00am



Meetings held Sept 2nd & 16th, Oct 7th & 21st, Nov 4th & 18th and Dec 3rd

Tues 1st

Wed. 2nd

Fri 4th St

ST RITA'S MEN'S GROUP St Rita's Men's Social group is meeting on Thursday 3rd Oct in the Ruby Room for morning tea and an 'enlightenment' session via a podcast about Queen Isabella of Castile. In the 1400s, Christians, Jews and Muslims all existed reasonably peacefully in religious diversity across the Iberian Peninsula. Come and find out how all that changed. Please advise Mike Duggan if you are attending for catering purposes. REQUIEM FOR MASS Margaret S 12pm Friday 4th October 2024 St Rita's Catholic Church ST RITA'S PARISH - VICTORIA POINT





Sat 5th St Faustina Kowalska Sun 6th MISSION SUNDAY Mon 7th Our Lady of the Rosary Wed 9th St Denis & Companions St John Leonardi Fri 11th St John XXIII, Pope Mon 14th St Callistus I, Pope Tues 15th St Teresa of Jesus Wed 16th St Margaret Mary Alacoque St Ignatius of Antioch St Luke, Evangelist St Paul of the Cross Sts John de Brébeuf. & Isaac Jogues & Companions St John Paul II, Pope St John of Capistrano St Anthony Mary Claret

HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 7pm St Rita's Church

In this, the fifth and final week of the Season of Creation. let us remember:

ACTION IS A SIGN OF THE FIRST-FRUITS OF HOPE

You don't see hope. It's like a seed; you have to be patient and nurture it with water to make it grow. If you don't include hope, the seed might not grow.

We know sometimes the seed might die, but hope reminds us to keep [nurturing and] planting other seeds.

The first-fruits of hope can be seen when we think and work collectively, when we recognize how we depend on Creation, when we listen to the cries of the Earth and the cries of the poor, when we listen to the voices of our global neighbours impacted by climate change, when we listen to the prophetic voices of indigenous sisters and brothers, when we listen to the different creatures that are going extinct and the ones still striving to live, when we listen to the voices of young people and children, when we learn from the slow and powerful cycles of life of different species, ecosystems, and biomes, [and] when we work together with Creation and all creatures for a better future.

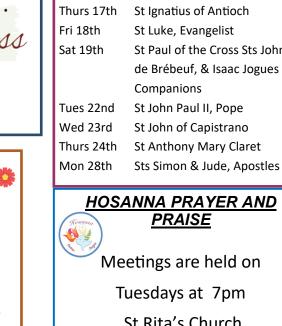
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FEASTS for OCTOBER

Francis of Assisi

St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

The Holy Guardian Angels

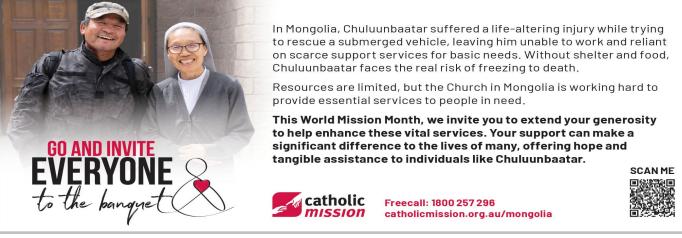


PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Nicola Hardaker, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Annette Doherty, Lucas Bernal, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Margaret Bierton, Nan McLennan and Michael McLennan.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased, especially Margaret Ross and Bill Mellor.



SALT MASSES

Weekend Masses on 2nd and 3rd November at St Rita's Church will be Salt Masses.

Parishioners will be able to bring salt, water, and other sacramental items to be blessed by the Priest at each of the Masses.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH Our faith will sustain us through challenging times.

Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 100027374 Acc

Account Name: Parish Donation

Kindly <u>reference</u> your deposit with your <u>surname</u> and your <u>planned giving number/envelope</u> number if you have one. Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – treatment of white ant mound discovered in garden bed next to church entrance.

<u>CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE</u> – replace rotted out timber planking in OSHC verandah (scheduled Saturday 13 Oct), replace rotted/damaged fence palings after Vinnie bins removed from carpark, replace twisted/split church gate, complete the painting of OSHC verandah wall, removal of mould and sanding/ painting of presbytery window sills doors and door frames (scheduled for 2024), repair/ replace damaged fence panel in church carpark (on hold), painting of presbytery gutters and eaves (on hold), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval).

If any parishioner observes any task on the Maintenance To-do List which they can carry-out or help in, please contact Mike Duggan

