



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time -Year C – 10th Jul y 2022

This Week's Readings: Deuteronomy 30:10-14, Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37, 16, 20, Paul 1:15-20, Luke 10:25-37
Next Week—16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Genesis 18:1-10, Ps 14:2-5, Paul 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

"THE ROAD TO JERICHO"

In his first inaugural address, President George W. Bush used the metaphor of the road to Jericho in pledging the United States of America to a goal of personal responsibility for the welfare of all. We would not cross to the side of the road to avoid getting involved in our neighbour's suffering. Americans would not be guilty bystanders, unwilling to risk the dirty, messy business of human compassion. This speech made some people uncomfortable. Not everyone wants to invest in human misery just because it's there. If only being a Good Samaritan were always as simple and sanitary as making a donation!

But the Samaritan in the parable does a lot more than pick up the tab for a stranger's misfortune. He ministers to him personally, investing time and care and human feeling into someone who happens to be an enemy of his people. The business of compassion smears the neat categories of responsibility. It leads where we may not expect or want to go.

Is there someone who may need your compassion at this time?
How may you have to go across "enemy lines" to help?

Pray for the courage to get your hands dirty when you encounter human suffering.

"The word is right here and now - as near as the tongue is your mouth, as near as the heart on your chest. Just do it!"

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WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 11 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
9:30am Pro Life Rosary—Chapel

Tuesday 12 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
7:00pm Prayer & Praise—Chapel

Wednesday 13 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Healing Mass—St Rita's Church
10:00am Art Group—Ruby Room
4:00pm Choir - St Rita's Church
6:00pm Confirmation Parent Information Night—St Rita's Church

Thursday 14 July

Friday 15 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—St Rita's Church

Saturday 16 July

4:30pm Reconciliation—St Rita's Church
5:00pm Vigil Mass—St Rita's Church

Sunday 17 July

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
8:00am Mass—Macleay Island - Church of the Holy Spirit
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

READERS REMINDER

5th Sunday this month is being Looked after by 3rd Sunday Reading Team

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially Pauline Walker, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, Benjamin Sloane, Daphne and Phil Dwiar, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Doherty, Kay Grieve, Jela Cicak, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently **deceased**.

We pray for all those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Jim Sheppard and Trevor Stagg.



If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the Parish Newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of the church. Mass Cards are available from the Piety Stall.

Be an Eternal Guardian of Your Faith

Do you want to ensure that the mission of the Catholic Church and your local parish continues well in to the future?

We need your support to sustain our faith and continue to provide parish facilities, programs and services for generations to come. Your gift, of any amount, will help carry forward the Gospel message to future generations.

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**Pope's Prayer Intention
July 2022**

Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

A Notice from Fr Ladu

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all the people who put their names down for liturgy, readers, ministry to the sick or home bound.

I would like to meet with you all Tuesday 12th July 2022
12:00pm in The Ruby Room next to the Parish Office.

God Bless,
Fr Ladu

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

Account Name: Parish Donation

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

Collections and donations for the weekend of **26 June 2022: \$2 694.35**

Collections and donations for the weekend of **3 July 2022: \$2 810.00**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES: replaced swivel nozzle in OSHC kitchen sink.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE: high-pressure water-blast pathways around Presbytery, high-pressure water-blast pathway leading to church, fix downlight in chapel, paint altar alcove wall, cleaning of carpets in Parish Office, polishing vinyl flooring in church, paint 3 doors at front of church, paint handrail at ramp entrance to church.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING: replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), repaint inside walls of presbytery, replace rusted-out gutter at chapel end of church building.



Sacramental News

Confirmation

18th July - 8-9am Confirmation Enrolment
(The Ruby Room/Parish Office)

18th July - 5-6pm Confirmation Enrolment
(The Ruby Room/Parish Office)

HEALING MASS

9am WEDNESDAY

12th July 2022

St Rita's Church



A CALL FOR HELP!

a member of the parish family is required for the specific task of regularly trimming the hedges that run alongside the pathway into the church (the person currently doing this job will be unable to do so going forward).

If a member of the parish family cannot be found to do this job, then the hedges will be permanently removed.

Please contact the parish office or Fr Ladu if you can help!



SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation is a special time of the year set aside for us to reflect on the gift of creation and our responsibility to care for it. It runs from September 1, the World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation, to October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Promoting participation in the Season of Creation is one of the actions identified in the Archdiocese of Brisbane Laudato Si' Action Plan. Why not organise a Season of Creation service in your parish, school or office during this time? This year's theme is . Resources are now available to help you to get involved. Take a look at the resources, which include a celebration guide, at the Season of Creation web site:

<https://www.seasonofcreation.org/>

The Queensland Churches Environmental Network (QCEN) will hold an ecumenical service for the Season of Creation on 1 September at 7:30 PM at the Albert Street Uniting Church, 319 Albert Street, Brisbane City. All are welcome.



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

"Do not fear .. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you will walk through fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you a blaze." Isaiah 43:2

All are welcome to join our Catholic Charismatic Group, which meets for praise and worship at St Rita Parish, chapel, every Tuesday night from 7:00pm till 9:00pm

Please bring your bible.

Please call MAY RICHARDSON 0435212787 or EJ POLOTAN 0403658827

NAIDOC WEEK (3-10 JULY 2022)



EVERY YEAR, CATHOLICS COME TOGETHER ACROSS AUSTRALIA TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND CELEBRATE THE GIFTS OF AUSTRALIA'S FIRST PEOPLES IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.



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STAND UP!
SHOW UP!**
3-10 JULY 2022

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