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Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time—Year C — 14th August 2022

This Week's Readings: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10, Ps 39:2-4, 18, Hebrews 12:1-4, Luke 12:49-53

Next Week—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Isaiah 66:18-21, Ps 116, Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-134, Luke 13:22-30

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

“SETTING THE WORLD ON FIRE”

Was Jesus a troublemaker? You betcha. Today Christianity is invoked as the flagship of the armada of Family Values, Patriotism, and other political bulwarks. History might sound a cough of protest. The Jesus people were originally deemed a threat to social mores. Romans saw Christianity as subversive of civic responsibility. Christians caused a tremor in established hierarchies, divisions, and alliances in the culture. Christian leaders worked hard to dispel such charges, even including Hellenistic household codes in Paul's letters to assure people that “wives would be dutiful to their husbands,” as children would be to parents, and slaves to owners.

Yet Jesus says plainly that his message causes division and dissension. His gospel leads to shattered families, as each member chooses for or against his way. Marriages will end. Different generations may find a chasm of meaning yawn between them. The Christian community redefines home, family, and social responsibility for those who believe. Those who take Jesus seriously, and those who don't, still find Jesus to be trouble.

Do you think church and government should be allied? How might that partnership affect the church's mission?

Reflect on the source of your passions: family, work, creative endeavours, or other pursuits.
Find ways to **make your passions work together for God's purposes.**

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WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 15 August

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Tuesday 16 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am NO MASS
6:00pm Confirmation Family Session #1— St Rita's Church
7:00pm Prayer & Praise—Chapel

Wednesday 17 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am NO MASS
10:00am Art Group—Ruby Room
4:00pm Choir - St Rita's Church

Thursday 18 August

Friday 19 August

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

Saturday 20 August

11:00am Mass—Coochiemudlo Island Community Centre
4:30pm Reconciliation—St Rita's Church
5:00pm Vigil Mass—St Rita's Church

Sunday 21 August

21st 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

Please visit
<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

for information regarding the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia



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. To find out how you can be an Eternal Guardian of your faith, please contact us on 07 3324 3632 or visit www.catholicfoundation.org.au

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.

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“We acknowledge the Quandamooka People, Traditional Custodians of the lands, waters and seas where we stand today. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and future.”

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially Charlie D'Allura, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, 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 John Clarke, Raymond Robertson and Paul Litfin.

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.



A Notice from Fr Ladu

Greetings,

I and the clergy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane will be on clergy convocation at the Brisbane Convention Centre on Tuesday 16th August and Wednesday 17th August.

Therefore, there will be NO MASS on Tuesday or Wednesday at our Parish.

Thank you.

God Bless,
Fr Ladu



Pope's Prayer Intention August 2022



Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Meeting Monday 15th August
at 10am in The Ruby Room.

All are welcome!

Primary School Class Masses

Every Tuesday, Father Ladu welcomes a different class to attend a Buddy Class Mass at 9am with St Rita's Primary.

**There will not be a Mass
16th August 2022**



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 **7 August 2022: TBA**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES: replaced faulty stove switch cover in OSHC.

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, remove rotting timber on ground beside OSHC building.

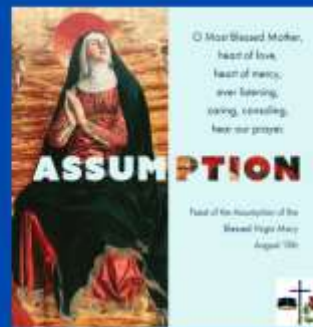
POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING: replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), repaint inside walls of presbytery, replace rusted-out gutter at chapel end of church building.



Sacramental News

Confirmation

- 16th Aug - 6pm Family Session #1 (The Church)
- 30th Aug - 6pm Family Session #2 (The Church)
- 10th Sept - 10am Renewal of Baptismal Promises (The Church)



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass
 Monday 15th August
 9am
 St Rita's Church, Victoria Point



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

"for you, there should be no unnecessary adornment of the hair, or surrounding with gold, or the wearing of ornate clothing. Instead, you should be a hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptibility of a quiet and meek spirit, rich in the sight of God" 1 Peter 3:3-4

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

Teaching video on Tuesday.

Please call MAY RICHARSON 0435212787 OR EJ POLOTAN 0403658827

Annual Catholic Campaign 2022

Next weekend the 21st August, we will be asking that you donate to the campaign in the envelopes provided and return to the Parish Office.

THE PRIESTS FOUNDATION
 Your gift ensures our elderly priests have the support they need to retire with dignity, knowing they have a community of the faithful invested in their wellbeing.

21st August 2022 catholiccampaign.com.au

National Vocations Awareness Week



AUGUST 7 - 14, 2022

CELEBRATING NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK
 National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated August 7-14 2022 is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in Australia dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life and married life through prayer and education. It is also a time to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

Blessing of the Bikes

7am - Saturday 27th August
 Cathedral of St Stephen
 By Bishop Tim Norfan SVD

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2022-23
Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse
 STATEMENT & RESOURCES AVAILABLE: bit.ly/3GJ23-23

Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse points out that the roots of domestic and family violence "lie in the abuse of power to control and dominate others" and that "this stands in contrast to the relationships to which God calls us". Our relationships should be "marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control". We know that most often those who suffer violence and abuse in homes and families, in workplaces, and in communities, are women and children while the perpetrators are most often men. We support women in calling for respect in relationships; their lives and those of their children are sacred.

Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse focuses in a special way on the problem of spiritual violence and abuse. It discusses how religious teachings – including our own – may be manipulated by perpetrators to excuse violence or to exert control over others. Cultural factors in the Church and in society often also play an important role in the violence and abuse suffered in families, households, communities, and workplaces. This behaviour is sinful. We believe that respect, dignity and justice, transformation and hope are possible. The Statement affirms the work being done by faith communities and organisations to support those who experience domestic and family violence and abuse, and to address the drivers and enablers of violence. It points to further ways in which we can all respond to spiritual violence.

Finally, it calls for faith communities to support and believe those going through domestic and family violence and abuse, to hold perpetrators to account and work towards individual and social transformation. Resources such as the full statement, liturgy notes, videos, and promotional material are now available at www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

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