



Third Sunday of Lent Yr A 15th March 2020

Our Mission: We follow the words of our patron, St John Vianney, who said "He is here". We recognise Christ is in the Word, the Eucharist, and in us, His people with a special reverence for Him in the poor and marginalised. We are called to make Christ present through our prayer and charity. We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and create a community where everyone is welcome; the young and old, together to experience the loving presence of God. We believe He is here amongst us and we joyfully go out to make Him present to all.

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Celebrations of Reconciliation

Reconciliation is officially called the Sacrament of Penance. In the past, it was also called Confession. These titles are all aspects of the meaning of the Sacrament. The Sacrament of Penance is a celebration of God's love and mercy. It celebrates the call to repentance after a process of conversion of heart. This includes confessing our sins and receiving the forgiveness of God through the ministry of the priest. Through this process, a person is reconciled with the Church and continues to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

How do we celebrate reconciliation?

There are three forms of the celebration of penance.

1. Reconciliation for Individual Penitents (Rite I)

This form is celebrated by an individual person in the presence of the priest. The place where this happens is usually a Reconciliation Room (what used to be called a "Confessional"). A bible, a crucifix and candle are placed on a table in the centre of the space. The person may choose to sit facing the priest or to sit behind a screen and remain anonymous. The Rite begins with a greeting, followed by words of encouragement from the priest. After short reading from scripture, the person reflects on his/her circumstances and confesses his/her sins and seeks reconciliation. The priest offers advice and gives a penance that is meant to help in starting a new life and to remedy any weakness. The priest pronounces absolution and the rite concludes with a short thanksgiving.

2. Reconciliation for Several Penitents with individual confession and absolution (Rite II)

This form of the Rite begins with a celebration of the Word – readings from scripture, hymns, prayers, a homily and an examination of conscience, followed by a call to repentance. Private confession and reconciliation follow. The Rite concludes with a short thanksgiving, and a blessing and dismissal of the gathered assembly.

3. Reconciliation for Several Penitents with general confession and absolution (Rite III)

This form of the Rite follows the same pattern as Rite II, but does not include individual confession and reconciliation. It includes a communal prayer of confession and general absolution. The use of this form is restricted to emergencies and other special

circumstances.

When do we celebrate reconciliation?

Individual Reconciliation (Rite I) is usually celebrated at set times during the week in parishes (often on Saturday afternoon) and may be arranged at other times by appointment.

This Rite is meant to give people the opportunity for personal prayer and individual spiritual direction to enable them to 'set their lives on track'!

Communal Reconciliation (Rite II) is usually celebrated in parish communities during Advent and Lent and at other appropriate times during the year.

Who celebrates reconciliation?

Baptised members of the Roman Catholic Church who feel called to be reconciled with God and with the faith community can take part in the sacrament of penance.

This call to conversion and reconciliation occurs when one considers, judges and changes one's life in the light of God's love revealed in the person of Jesus Christ. Prayer and participating in the Eucharist are the regular means of asking for forgiveness and being reconciled with God and the community. However, there are times when the faithful need the sacrament of penance/reconciliation in their struggle to be forgiven and forgiving, to discover anew the gift of God's saving action in their lives and to be strengthened to continue living as disciples of Jesus.

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REMEMBERING JOHN BATHERSBY

The retired Archbishop of Brisbane, John Bathersby, died on Monday March 9, following a recent stroke. Archbishop John led the Archdiocese from 1991 until 2011, retiring upon reaching 75 years of age. With his passing we recall with gratitude the episcopal ministry of our sixth bishop, which was characterised by a deep desire to know and love Jesus and to share this with all. It is also a time of thanksgiving as now he is released from the debilitating illness that has been with him in these latter years. The liturgies that will usher Archbishop John into eternal life are being held at the Cathedral with a Funeral Vigil Liturgy at 5.00pm on Sunday March 15, Morning Prayer for the Dead in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Cathedral at 8 am on Monday morning, and a Solemn Funeral Mass and Rite of Committal at 11.00am on Monday (n.b no public parking available on this business weekday). A number of tributes will be offered at the Sunday night Vigil. Webcasts of the Vigil and the Mass can be watched live at www.archbne.org/bzw

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Karen Booker, Michael Gibbings, Mary Schmidt, Joyce Starkey, Pat Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Maddie Bell, Teresa Geraghty, Mary Forrester, Krystyna Kelly, Sheila Petersen, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Ash Dean, Dennis Patterson, Carmen Phairs, Irene Gavril, Rosa Maria Santos, Dawn O'Sullivan, Leon and Roz Thomas, Maura Poots, Angela Geraghty, Hugo Callan, Joan Francis, Angela de Weger, Terry Coles, Margaret Brennan, Ted Chapman, Fr Frank Jones, Leslee O'Connell, Sally Maletz, Katherine Pickering, Helena Duimpies, Stacie Stonier.

For a name to be included in the 'Prayer for our Sick' list, the Privacy Act now requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative.

ANNIVERSARIES: Victor Berger, Paul Bouton, Brian Cahill, Frances Cassell, Gina Clair, Alice Condon, Stephen Connor, Maxwell Cooper, Barry Edward Creevey, Louise DeWeger, Beatrice Fox, Keith Furner, Colin Freebody, Norman Hare, Trevor Hankins, John Harrison, Kevin Hatton, Kathleen Howard, William Jackson, Brett Ledwidge, Margaret Lawder, Mervyn Lewis, Mary Massie, Alec Mathams, Thomas Murphy, Geoffrey Peake, Bernard Peterson, Ann Riseham, Ivy Rafter, James Retchless, Valerie Smith, Patrick Tranent, Reginald Thurlow, Anastasia Tripcony, Edward Vinson, Bill Warlow, Kevin Woodgate, Anthony Wright, Wilfred (Bill) Weise.

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Les Sellwood (Chairperson) Joshua Walsh (Secretary), Bruce Corrie, Helen McNamara,

Paola Nunez, Maria Jones, Pam Chapman and Julia McLean.

This Parish is Child Safety Aware and also complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Child Safety and Protection of Vulnerable Adults policy is situated in the foyer of the church.

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer for Manly is Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

STOPLINE Contact: AOB@stopline.com.au

St John Vianney's, Manly & St Jude's, Gumdale

Entrance Anthiphon:

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

First Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Give us water to drink.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

Gospel Acclamation: Mt 17:5

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;
give me the living water, that I may never thirst again.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: John 4:5-15, 19-26, 39-42

The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life.

The Prayers of the Faithful:

For all Church leaders from pope to parish ministers, that their work be blessed and made fruitful, we pray to the Lord:
Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

For the leaders of our country and of every nation, that they work together to meet the needs of the poor, we pray to the Lord:
Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

For Archbishop John Bathersby, baptised into eternal life and ordained to witness to God's Living Word; may the Light of the Risen Christ scatter the darkness of death and raise him to the promise of Easter glory. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

For all of us who worship together, that the love of God be abundantly poured into our hearts so we may pour out that love to others, we pray to the Lord:

Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

For the ill, the aged and the dying, that their hope in God's merciful love give them comfort and peace, we pray to the Lord:

Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

COLLECTION PLATE as the Coronavirus can remain on surfaces and the plate goes through many hands, we need to mitigate the associated health risk to parishioners. Until further notice, Collectors will be positioned at the Church exits at the conclusion of Mass and **FIRST AND SECOND** collections can all be placed in the same collection plate. Thank you for your continued financial support towards the running of our Parish.

40 Hour Adoration As in previous years we will host this most precious devotion of grace by continuous silent prayer before Jesus. This year, Adoration will be at St Mary MacKillop, Birkdale. Adoration begins **Friday 27th March at 6:00pm** and continues through until **8:00am Mass on Sunday 29th March**. Please consider spending one hour over the weekend in silent prayer before Jesus. A roster for the 40 hours of continuous Adoration is on the Welcome Desk.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS the Parish is in need of volunteers at the weekend masses. If you would like to help with the following duties please let the parish office know by emailing your details to: manly@bne.catholic.net.au
Full training will be given to all interested people.

- SACRISTAN DUTIES
- READERS
- MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
- ALTAR SERVING
- CD and POWER POINT SCREEN OPERATORS
- HOSPITALITY
- COUNTERS, CHOIR AND MUSICIANS

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults. Thank you in anticipation.

Holy Week and Easter Services 2020

Holy Thursday 9th April:

7:00pm - Mass - St Mary MacKillop Parish, Birkdale

7:00pm - Mass - St John Vianney's Parish, Manly

Good Friday 10th April:

2:30pm - Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Service - St Mary MacKillop Parish, Birkdale

2:30pm - Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Service - St John

Vianney's Parish, Manly
Holy Saturday 11th April:

6:00pm - Easter Vigil - St John

Vianney's Parish, Manly
6:00pm - Easter Vigil - St Mary MacKillop Parish, Birkdale

Easter Sunday 12th April:

7:00am - Easter Sunday - St

Jude's Church, Gumdale
8:00am - Easter Sunday - St Mary MacKillop Parish, Birkdale

9:30am - Easter Sunday - St John Vianney's Parish, Manly

This weekend, through Baptism, we welcome Ava and Isla Bound, Frankie McCarthy, and Elsie Vaughan. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they begin their faith journey.

Counters Group: E

Next Week's Roster: 22nd March 2020 4th Sunday of Lent Yr A 1 Sam 16:1,6-7,10-13; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Sacristans	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Screen	Hospitality
5:00pm Ivana A.	5:00pm Martin T. Denise D.	5:00pm Jamie B Denise D.	5:00pm Connor M. Ava F.	5:00pm Denise A.	5:00pm Pat S.
9:30am Ciara O'N	9:30am Anne S Dee P	9:30am Margaret P. Colleen S.	9:30am Isla McF Iona McF	9:30am Volunteer Required	9:30am Marina S.
7:00am St Jude's Joan C	7:00am St Jude's Helen McN	7:00am St Jude's Mark R., Bernie C			

St John Vianney's Manly Mass Times

Tuesday - 6:00pm Mass
Wednesday - 9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass
(Morning tea served after Mass)
Saturday - 4:30 Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass
Sunday - 9:30am Mass
St Jude's Gumdale Sunday - 7am Mass

St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Mass Times

Thursday - 5:30pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass
Friday - 9:30am Mass
Saturday - 6:15pm Mass
Sunday - 8:00am Mass
Carmelite Monastery 7:00am Monday to Saturday

QUOTE OF THE DAY:

**Life itself is
a journey after all,
and what matters most
is not what you are getting,
but who you are becoming.**