

First Reading: *Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18*

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self - it is the Lord who speaks - because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.

Second Reading: *Romans 8:31-34*

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us - he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: *Mark 9:2-10*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

[Help Us Update Our Parishioner Contact Details](#)

If you wish to assist us, please fill in the slip below and place it into the parish mail box located at the back of the church. You may also like to take a copy of this form for someone in our parish community who is currently unable to attend mass, please note that the person whose details they are will need to sign the bottom of the form. The privacy of all individuals with whom we interact is very important to us and we are committed to protecting all personal information we collect and hold. We do this by handing information in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles in the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (**Privacy Act**).

Family Surname: _____

First Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

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Do you consent to being contacted by St John Vianney's Parish?
YES / NO

Signature: _____



St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

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Second Sunday Of Lent Year B - 28 Feb 21

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Parish Weekly Diary

- ⇒ **Monday 1 Mar**
- ⇒ **Tuesday 2 Mar**
6:00pm Manly
- ⇒ **Wednesday 3 Mar**
9:00am Rosary at Manly
- ⇒ 9:30am Manly
- ⇒ **Thursday 4 Mar**
- ⇒ **Friday 5 Mar**
- ⇒ **Saturday 6 Mar**
5:00pm Manly
- ⇒ **Sunday 7 Mar**
Third Sunday of Lent
- ⇒ 7:00am Gumdale
- ⇒ 9:30am Manly
- ⇒ **Reconciliation**
Saturday: 4:30pm - 4:50pm
- ⇒ No bookings required.

Lent is a time to listen...

During the second week of Lent, we have the opportunity to reflect on the choices we make while listening. As we journey through Lent toward Easter, we can renew and refresh our lives. Jesus' invitation to "repent and believe in the Gospel" rings in our ears. We are reminded that He continually calls us to rejoice in the life that has been given us and to experience the fullness of that life. Repentance or turning back to God involves all aspects of life.

During the Lenten week ahead, we have the opportunity to reflect on our "listening. We sometimes forget to listen to God's voice, especially when we are distracted living our lives. Today we might consider our "listening". The ability to hear and listen are great gifts that we have received from God. Silence is a good place to listen not to music or news or sports stories, but to the voice of the Lord. The Lord speaks in the silence of our hearts and the only way we can listen is to enter into the quiet, the time spent in silence will enable us to "listen to him." We spend our lives listening to the Lord as He speaks to us in His word and in and through the circumstances of our lives; we listen to Him as a preparation for that wonderful moment when we see Him face to face in eternity and we can finally say, 'it is wonderful to be here'. As we do so, we can hear the words of the Father over and over: "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

This weekend we are being called to listen in two directions: listen to one another; to God speaking in the world around us. Never doubt that God wants to speak to us – not only during this Lenten season but all the time. He loves to speak peace into our lives. So stop and listen today. Stop and listen and pray every day.

Blessings,
Fr. Dantus Thottathil.

Welcome to St John Vianney's Catholic Parish!

Our parish is known for being friendly and welcoming, as well as for active participation at Mass through music and prayer. There is a place here for everyone; we hope that you will join us. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact the parish office .

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Parish Information

Quote of the Week

If you can see the positive sides of everything, you'll be able to live a much richer life than others.

Facebook:

St John Vianney's Catholic Parish Manly QLD

Mass Bookings:

<https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>.

Sacramental Enquiries

sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Les Sellwood (Chair), Pam Chapman, Bruce Corrie, Helen McNamara, Paola Nunez, Maria Jones, Julia McLean and Laurent Fontaine

Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: Ex 20: 1-17

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1: 22-25

Gospel: Jn 2: 13-25

Mass celebrations at St. John Vianney's:

Mass bookings for **110** people can be made. To book please visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/sjv?embed=1>.

If you require assistance for bookings, please contact the parish office on 3131 2610 or email us at manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Mass Celebrations at St. Jude's:

We are currently able to celebrate with **40** people in attendance with social distancing in place. To book please contact: Helen McNamara via phone 0403 193 625 or e-mail: Imac11@optusnet.com.au

SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is:

Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

STOPLINE Contact: AOB@stopleveline.com.au

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Karen Booker, Michael Gibbings, Mary Schmidt, Joyce Starkey, Pat Wilson, Sandra Wilson, Madie Bell, Sr Teresa Geraghty, Mary Forrester, Sheila Petersen, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Ash Dean, Dennis Patterson, Irene Gavrila, 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, Leslee O'Connell, Katherine Pickering, Stacie Stonier, Mitchell Swee, Barbara Peet, Delia Chapman, Connie Robb

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Thomas Hutchinson

ANNIVERSARIES:

Martin Ball, Russell Barton, Robert (Bob) Bishop, Murray Bradley, Fran Brennan, Flynn Brown, George Campbell, Molly Campbell, Sr Denise Candy, Eileen Cook, Leonard Cunnington, Maria Cybulski, Ernie Erzetic, Mary Forbes, John Edward Harrison, Robert Hooper, Jamie Kaden, Ivan Katic, Fletcher McCormack, Blanche Mahoney, Peter Martin, Kai Mathie, Franklin Pankhurst, Geoffrey Peake, John Pease, Jill Pleming, Valerie Smith, Warren Smith, Mary Thornthwaite, Frederick Ward, Kathleen Wellington.

Parish and Community Announcements

Changes to Parish Electronic Account Numbers

If you currently give to the parish via direct deposit into our accounts, please contact the parish office as our electronic bank account numbers have changed. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by this,

Caritas Project Compassion 2021

Collection materials are available at the back of the church. Each week at the bottom of this page we will be sharing with you some of the ways that Caritas is assisting those in need.

Baptism

This weekend through baptism, we welcome Thomas Walsh and Aaliyah, Ariah and Frankie Halpin. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they begin their faith journey.

Sacramental Program 2021

This weekend we commence the Sacramental Program for 2021 with the sacrament of penance. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers throughout this part of their faith journey.

Monthly Anointing Masses

Monthly anointing masses will recommence on Wednesday 17 March at 9:30am. All are welcome to attend no bookings required.

12 Hours of Adoration

There will be no 40 hour adoration this year it will be replaced by 12 hours of adoration. This year this will be taking place at Birkdale in the Chapel on Saturday 20 March, beginning at 6:00am and finishing prior to the 6:15pm Mass. A sign up sheet will be placed at the back of the church for those interested.

The Call to all Catholics: What you need to know!

Towards the end of last year, Archbishop Mark wrote to you about the upcoming "Call to all Catholics"

In February and March 2021, the Archdiocese of Brisbane will be inviting all Baptised Catholics to consider their baptismal call to mission through an advertising campaign, the Call To All Catholics. The advertising will particularly be reaching out to those who are disconnected from the Church and their faith. To find out more, go to <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic/>

What is RCIA?

"Becoming Catholic involves a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of a parish community. This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. During the RCIA process you meet with others to share, reflect, pray and learn more about the Catholic faith. There are ceremonies or 'rites' at each stage to signify the steps along the way." (Extract from Brisbane Archdiocese website - Becoming Catholic.)

- Are you willing and able to share your faith with others who may be interested in becoming a Catholic?
- Do you know someone who would like to know more about the Catholic faith?

If you are you are interested in joining a small team of parishioners from Birkdale and Manly parishes who are willing to be trained in the RCIA process, meet with people enquiring about the Catholic faith, and journeying with them in an organised way, while they reflect, pray, ask questions and attend Mass, as part of their faith journey, or if you know someone interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith, please contact: Manly Parish office on 3131 2610

St John Vianney's School and Parish Welcome BBQ/Disco 2021

The school and parish will be holding a joint welcome BBQ on the school oval on Friday 5 March from 5pm -8pm. We welcome all members of the parish to attend for a relaxed social evening under the stars. BBQ, snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. All proceeds raised will be shared between the school and parish. If you are in a position to volunteer at the event, please sign up at : <https://volunteersignup.org/Q8CJK> If you have any questions or would like further information, please feel free to contact Tim Pook at 0421 770 545.

Second Sunday of Lent

28 February 2021



Margret is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands that suffered long-term water shortages and damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold. With Caritas Australia's support, Margret's school installed water tanks, repaired cyclone damage and implemented COVID-19 prevention measures, and is now planning to boost food security.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

