

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."'

Responsorial Psalm: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ - it is through grace that you have been saved - and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:
'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believed in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

[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: _____

Email Address: _____

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

Signature: _____



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Fourth Sunday Of Lent Year B - 14 Mar 21

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Parish Weekly Diary

- Monday 15 Mar
- Tuesday 16 Mar
No Mass - Sacrament of Penance for Children
- Wednesday 17 Mar
Saint Patrick (S)
9:00am Rosary at Manly
9:30am Anointing Mass -Manly
- Thursday 18 Mar
Saint Cyril of Jerusalem (OM)
- Friday 19 Mar
Saint Joseph (S)
- Saturday 20 Mar
5:00pm Manly
- Sunday 21 Mar
Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:00am Gumdale
9:30am Manly
- Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:30pm - 4:50pm
No bookings required.

LENT WITH ST. JOSEPH....

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* which means "With a Father's Heart", commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. Throughout the year we strive to honour St. Joseph as the guardian and protector of the Church and to take his virtuous life as our model for fulfilling our personal vocation to holiness especially as the Church celebrates his feast day on 19th March. St. Joseph is a great example for us of Lenten virtues that we would do well to ponder in our everyday life during this Lent.

St. Joseph first teaches us about the silence needed in Lent. He is a man of silence, whose words are not found in Sacred Scripture. It is an active listening to the God who in silence speaks, and following His way we can hear God's voice. Second, St. Joseph teaches us about the obedience Lent cultivates. It's about learning to obey as Christ obeyed. St Joseph shows us the way. In each life circumstance, Joseph obeyed immediately. He teaches us how to have Christ's obedient mindset. Third, he was a man of faith. He believed in what God was telling him through the angel and therefore did what God was directing. During this season we are called to repent and believe in the Gospel, like St. Joseph. Fourth, he was a man of humility. Lent is a season in which we humble ourselves and learn to walk humbly with our God. Joseph learned humility not only through putting himself totally at the service of God's plans for Jesus and Mary, but even in the way he exercised his leadership in the Holy Family. Lastly, St. Joseph shows us how to protect and provide for others which is love. He protected Jesus and Mary, he provided for them through his hard work. Lent is a good opportunity to examine our closest relationships. May we learn to forgive, rekindle love and help others by giving alms. Let us pray and reflect on the life of St. Joseph throughout the coming months. Let us invite St. Joseph to accompany us during Lent as we embrace the spiritual and corporal acts of mercy.

I kindly remind everyone please consider spending one hour or more before the Blessed Sacrament on 20th March from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm at Birkdale chapel.

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 .

PASTOR: Fr Dantus Thottathil MCBS (email: thottathild@bne.catholic.net.au)

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr Prem Rethnamony

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Parish Information

Quote of the Week

Happy moments, praise God.
Difficult moments, seek God.
Quiet moments, worship God.
Painful moments, trust God.
Every moment, thank God.

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: Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3:14-21

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: A0B@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:

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.

Parish and Community Announcements

Changes to Tuesday Masses

There will be no masses on Tuesday 16 March and Tuesday 23 March. This is due to the celebration of the sacramental children's First Reconciliation (16 March) and the Second Rite of Reconciliation for parishioners (23 March)

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. Our parish in week 2 raised \$303.10, this brings our overall total to \$476.10. We thank you for your generosity.

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. Please sign up on TryBooking via Birkdale Parish <https://www.trybooking.com/BPNMO>.

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". To find out more, go to <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic/>

What is RCIA?

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 the Parish Office.

Holy Week Masses

Holy Thursday

6:00pm at Manly

Good Friday

10:00am - Stations of the Cross at Manly

3:00pm - Good Friday Service at Birkdale

Easter Vigil

5:00pm at Manly

7:00pm at Birkdale

Easter Sunday

7:00am at Gumdale

8:00am at Birkdale

9:00am at Manly



Fourth Sunday of Lent

14 March 2021

Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home and was often sick due to the practice of open defecation. Through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad and his community improved hygiene and sanitation, and funded their own toilets.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.

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

