



St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

embracing the worshipping communities of
Manly & Gumdale



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Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B - 9 May 21

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

1 John 4,11-16

John 15:9-17

Parish Weekly

Diary

Monday 10 May

*Saints John De Avila
(OM)*

Tuesday 11 May

6:00pm Mass at
Manly

Wednesday 12 May

*Saint Pancras (OM)
Saints Nereus and
Achilleus (OM)*

9:00am Rosary at
Manly

9:30am Mass at
Manly

Thursday 13 May

*Our Lady of Fatima
(OM)*

**Office Closed from
12:30pm**

Friday 14 May

Saturday 15 May

*Saint Joseph the
Worker (OM)*

5:00pm Mass at
Manly

Sunday 16 May

*The Ascension of the
Lord*

7:00am Mass at
Gumdale

9:30am Mass at
Manly

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30pm -
4:50pm

*No bookings
required.*

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 .

We only get out of Mass what we put into it....

The Holy Mass is the holiest thing we have here on earth. Why? Because it is the action of Christ. The main thing in the Mass is not what the priest preaches in his homily nor what the people do or sing. The main thing is what Christ does. He offers Himself for us, as He offered Himself on the Cross. He sacrifices Himself for us. This is the great fact. In each Mass, Christ is really present and renews the Sacrifice of the Cross.

Here I would like to share with you some thoughts about the blessings we receive from our active participation in a Sunday Mass. The parish community gathers for the Sunday Eucharistic celebration or Holy Mass to "Keep the Lord's Day holy" as instructed by the fourth commandment. Holy Mass is a double remembrance. We remember, celebrate and make present Jesus' Last Supper as commanded by Him "Do this in memory of me." On the altar, we also re-present the death and remember the resurrection of Jesus as St. Paul reminds us: "Every time, then, you eat this bread and drink this cup; you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes". By using liturgical prayers, signs and symbols, we offer the one-time Calvary sacrifice of Jesus to our Heavenly Father for the remission of our sins.

We achieve these goals during the Holy Mass in seven steps. 1) We praise and worship God by singing and by responding to the prayers spoken by the priest. 2) We ask God's pardon and forgiveness for our sins. 3) We thank God for all the blessings received during the course of the past week. 4) We listen to God's Word in the three Scripture readings and in the homily preached by the priest. 5) We present before God on the altar our needs and petitions for the new week at the intercessory prayers, 6) We surrender and offer our lives and all our activities to God during the offertory, accepting Jesus as our personal Lord and Saviour and surrendering our lives to Him with repentant hearts. 7) We recharge our spiritual batteries for bearing witness to Jesus in our lives, gain spiritual nourishment and deepen our personal relationship with Jesus by sacramentally receiving His Resurrected Body and Blood in Holy Communion. The structure of the Eucharistic celebration or Holy Mass is organized to achieve all these seven goals.

People who feel that they don't get anything from the Holy Mass probably forget all these blessings they receive by their active participation in the Eucharistic celebration.

A walk through the mass: a step-by-step explanation by Archbishop Mark Coleridge

As Catholics, we know that the Holy Mass is the centre of our faith and the source of Divine life. If we understand the value of the Mass, we would certainly participate in it actively and regularly. I feel that a simple explanation on each part of the Mass may help you to recognize the value of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Beginning the weekend of 22/23 May, the homily at weekend masses will include a short video which will explain in detail, the parts of the Holy mass.

Blessings,

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(email: thottathild@bne.catholic.net.au)

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Fr Prem Rethnamony

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Wed, Thurs, Fri

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Parish Information

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**Imagine a running race between
Relationship and Friendship...
Who will win...? None.
Because Friendship always
Compromises...
And Relationship always
Sacrifices....!**

Mass Bookings at St. John Vianney's:

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 Bookings at St. Jude's:

To book please contact: Helen McNamara via phone 0403 193 625 or e-mail: Imac11@optusnet.com.au

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

SAFEGUARDING AND STOPLINE

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Officer is: Les Sellwood: 0401 235 739

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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, Maddie 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, Katherine Pickering, Stacie Stonier, Barbara Peet, Delia Chapman

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:

Mitchell Swee, Connie Robb and Mary Ann Larcher

STEWARDSHIP

6th Sunday of Easter

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" - JOHN 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sr Dominic (Margaret) Burke, Margaret Bourke, Philip Bright, Sr Veronica Casey, Margaret Coughlan, John Fens, Paola Grima, Colette Hinchy, Kathleen Hodge, Kenneth Leather, Agnes Marano, Hugh Massie, Philip McCudden, John McMahan, Peggy Nunn, Sr Raphael O'Connor, Joseph O'Malley, Sr Mary-Ellen Perry, Marian Rybarczyk, Leslie Shead, June Sheppard, Florence Tarrant, Lawrence Thatcher, James Treacy, Bronislawa Wojtasik.



Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11 Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23 Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

Parish and Community Announcements

Office Closure

The parish office will be closing at 12:30pm on Thursday 13 May. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Caritas Appeal

Caritas Australia, in partnership with Caritas India, is providing support to vulnerable communities as the nation is devastated by massive increases in COVID-19 infection rates. The communities which Caritas works with are among the most vulnerable to COVID-19, with poor access to clean water and Personal Protective Equipment. We are accepting donations through our Asia Emergency Appeal which can be found here: <https://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia-emergency-appeal/>. Please consider giving generously towards this as we support these vulnerable communities now, and assist them as they start to rebuild their lives in the future.

Knights of the Southern Cross

The Wynnum Manly Branch of the Knights of the Southern Cross Silver Circle winner of \$40 for Draw 5 of 10, drawn on the 1st May 2021, is Alysa Heska with ticket 61. Congratulations to Alysa and thank you all who are supporting the charitable works of the Wynnum/Manly Branch of the Knights, through this fundraiser.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference - National Count of Attendance

Over the first four weekends in May, we will be undertaking the National Count of Attendance. To assist us in gathering as accurate as possible information we ask that those checking in to mass using the Check In Qld app, let the marshal know how many people they have checked in for. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience as we undertake this task.

Sacramental Program - First Holy Communion

The following are the dates for the sacrament of First Holy Communion:

Classes: 22/ 23 May, 29/ 30 May, 5/ 6 June, and 12/ 13 June

Celebrations: 19/ 20 June and 26/ 27 June (*during normal masses*)

We ask that you keep these children and their families in your prayers during this time.

For the Children...

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

Love each other

Jesus loves each one of us so much that he died on the cross so we could share eternal life with him. He asks us to be generous and to share his love with all humankind.

LET US PRAY

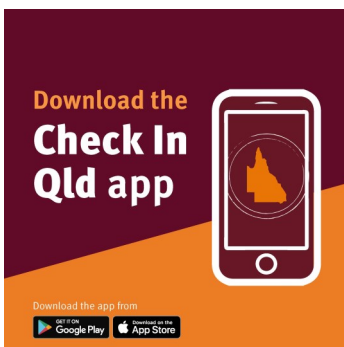
Heavenly father,

Our hearts are brimming over with your love. Help us to be generous and always ready to share this love with everyone we meet.



**Next Children's
Liturgy
SUNDAY 16th MAY**

NEW SIGN IN OPTION AVAILABLE AT ST JOHN VIANNEY'S



We're using the new Check In Qld app to help keep you COVID safe the next time you visit. All you need to do is:

- download the app
 - www.covid19.qld.gov.au/check-in-qld
- enter your details once
- open the app when you next visit us
- select 'Check in Now' and hover your smartphone over our QR code Done!

Using this digital check-in means your details are stored securely by the Queensland Government for fast COVID-19 contact tracing if needed.

First Reading: *Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48*

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up', he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading: *1 John 4,11-16*

My dear people,
since God has loved us so much,
we too should love one another.
No one has ever seen God;
but as long as we love one another
God will live in us
and his love will be complete in us.
We can know that we are living in him
and he is living in us
because he lets us share his Spirit.
We ourselves saw and we testify
that the Father sent his Son
as saviour of the world.
If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God,
God lives in him, and he in God.
We ourselves have known and put our faith in
God's love towards ourselves.
God is love
and anyone who lives in love lives in God,
and God lives in him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: *John 15:9-17*

Jesus said to his disciples:
'As the Father has loved me,
so I have loved you.
Remain in my love.
If you keep my commandments
you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and remain in his love.
I have told you this
so that my own joy may be in you
and your joy be complete.
This is my commandment:
love one another,
as I have loved you.
A man can have no greater love
than to lay down his life for his friends.
You are my friends,
if you do what I command you.
I shall not call you servants any more,
because a servant does not know
his master's business;
I call you friends,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
You did not choose me,
no, I chose you;
and I commissioned you
to go out and to bear fruit,
fruit that will last;
and then the Father will give you
anything you ask in my name.
What I command you
is to love one another.'