# FIRST READING: 2 KINGS 4:8-11, 14-16

A reading from the second book of the Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 88:2-3, 16-19

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. R.

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. R.

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. R

### SECOND READING: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** 1 PETER 2:9

Alleluia. alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 10:37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14 Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

# Thank you Fr David

It is with sincere appreciation that we thank Fr David Willis for celebrating the weekend Masses at St Jude's in Gumdale and St John Vinney's in Manly while Fr George has been on leave. We also thank Fr David for celebrating all the Baptisms that were scheduled in St John Vianney's Parish during the month of June.



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FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS

All enquires regarding Funerals and Weddings, please contact the parish office manly@bne.catholic.net.au

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4.30pm or by appointment

#### **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

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 the 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.

> We acknowledge and pay respect to Traditional Custodians - the Quandamooka and Jagera Peoples on whose land we walk, live and worship.

Let Us Pray: Beloved Father: In the name of Jesus, give me the courage to do good all the time. May my prejudices not prevent me from being an instrument of Your love towards others. Amen.

# What matters most to you?

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus emphasizes the importance of keeping our eyes on him and always making him our top priority. Nothing else matters as much as our relationship with God. This means following Jesus wherever he leads, doing everything his way, all the way, every day, giving him our 100% (no excuses for being mediocre in our faith), laying down our lives in service to others like he did.

Laying down our lives means making sacrifices, such as giving our cup of cold water to someone who's thirsty. It means receiving someone into our busy schedules and listening for the prophet in him; for example: What is God saying to us through this person?

When we refuse to lay down our lives for others, we reject the Cross of Christ and his sufferings, which he submitted to for our sake. This does not mean, however, that we can never say no to others. Jesus wants to lead us away from the harm of abuse or demands that are sinful or the enabling of unhealthy behaviors. Saying no in such cases is yet another Way of the Cross.

When we truly follow Christ, we can receive all that he is and all that he has for us. When we let go of our fears and personal goals, letting Jesus lead us into new places and new ways of handling problems, we discover new life in Christ. His ways are always far better than what we had feared would happen.

St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

## 01/02 July 2023

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

This is the difference between a mediocre faith and a life in Christ that is full of adventures, miracles, surprising solutions, healing, victories, and realizing how very precious and important we are to God.

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# FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY							
03 Mon	No Mass						
04 Tues	6:00pm Mass						
05 Wed	9:00am Rosary						
	9:30am Mass						
06 Thurs	No Mass						
07 Fri	9.30am Mass at Janoah Gardens						
08 Sat	9.30am Baptism - GABBOTT, MAXFIELD						
	10.30am Baptism - Снаlк						
	4:30pm Reconciliation						
	14th Sunday Ordinary Time						
	5.00pm Mass (Manly)						
	Admission to Candidacy						
	LAURENT FONTAINE						
09 Sun	7:00am Mass (Gumdale)						
	9.30am Mass (Manly)						

9:30am Mass (Manly) 10.30am Baptism - HARKINS

# A new life in Christ... Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 2 July 2023

Each year. Catholics from all corners of Australia gather on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday to celebrate the unique gifts and contributions of Australia's First People's. This year's theme, "A New Life in Christ" reflects the hope and promise of a brighter future, rooted in unity and shared commitment to positive change. As we commemorate this special day on the

Liturgical Calendar, we are invited to listen to the voices of Australia's First People's and walk alongside them on a journey toward progress

### **OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

ANNIVERSARIES: Albert Blackwood, James Dwan, Leonard Bourke, Oswald Copley, Isabella Devlin, Nancy Gleeson, Anne Henderson, Mervyn Iselin, Anne Keegan, Elizabeth Kinley, Sr Rose Lanigan, Rita Lloyd-Jones, Mildred (Matie) Mattinson, Maureen Malone, Lesley McGregor, Irene Milsom, Terry Morrison, Harold Nelson, John O'Donnell, Br Hilary (Chris) Peterson, Baby Darcy Smith, Shirley Sibley, Merle Skinner, Joseph Sorpassa, John Ryan, Monica Southern, Vittorio Stangherlin, Jack Still, Valma Tranter, Margaret Turpin, Mary Weis and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Dan Ransom, Ian Lennon, Emma Walters, Peter Smyth-Kirk, David Schilling, Anne Dixon, Maureen Handcock, Jocelyn Barron, Barry Smith, Irene Gavrilla, Pat Ellis, Richard Pook, Natasha Skitmore, Emily de Looze, Dell Chapman, Jack & Mary Beard and Rose-Marie Dickson.

To include a name in our 'Of Your Charity' list, the Privacy Act requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names on the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners lists are reviewed at the end of each month.

# **KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS** SILVER CIRCLE RAFFLE TICKETS - \$20 EACH **AVAILABLE TODAY**

Silver Circle Raffle tickets will be available before and after ALL Masses THIS WEEKEND. Monies raised will allow the Knights to continue assisting those in need in the local community.

First Draw will be on Saturday 22 July 23 Final Draw will be on Saturday 23 September 23. The prize for the first **9 weekly** draws will be **\$40**. On the **10th** draw **1st Prize** will be**\$200, 2nd Prize** \$100 and 3rd Prize \$50.

Tickets may be purchased by CASH or CARD

Should you require tickets outside Mass times, please contact Branch Secretary (Arend de Weger) on Mob 0405 527 574.

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Counter		
Sat 1 July	Gerardina R	Denise D	твс	Mikalea A	Anjoline	A		
Sun 2 July	Margaret P	June M	Kennedy C	Trish E	Donna			
Sat 8 July (Choir)	Jen B	Colleen S	Laura F	Denise, Mikaela, Denis	Anjoline	р		
Sun 9 July	Donna R	ТВС	Katherine M	Jasser, Margaret, Nola	Emma	В		

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# Enrol TODAY!

Fabulous holiday program for primary school aged children. "Gold Coin Donation" 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> July from 9am-12pm Wynnum Christian Community Church 161 Preston Rd, Manly West To enrol contact Nola Smith sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au or 0412 345 752

PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING **TEA IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER** THE 9.30AM MASS TODAY



# PETERS PENCE RETIRING COLLECTION TODAY

Peter's Pence is the name for the financial help offered by the faithful to the Holy Father in support of his apostolic and charitable mission in favour of the universal Church and the entire world. Each donation, small or large, also has a powerful symbolic value - it is a concrete sign of communion with the Holy Father.

The collection is held on or near the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.



# Make Jesus welcome

Imagine if you met Jesus today. If he suddenly arrived at your house and rang the doorbell. When you realised who this "stranger" really was, what would you do and say to welcome him? Jesus wants us to treat everyone as we would treat him. LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us to love and care for everyone, by remembering that each person we meet has the spirit of God living inside them. Help us to welcome others knowing that we are really welcoming vou.

# **ADMISSION TO CANDIDACY FOR ORDINATION AS DEACON** - LAURENT FONTAINE -**5PM SATURDAY 9 JULY**

We welcome Bishop Tim Norton as the celebrant of our 5pm Vigil Mass next Saturday 8th July. Bishop Tim will celebrate the Rite of Admission of Laurent Fontaine as a candidate for the deaconate in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. We congratulate Laurent and wish him well as he continues his preparation for ordination as a Deacon.



Thank you for supporting the Romero Centre and the work they do with asylum seekers. Your ongoing generosity is appreciated.

 Go Cards, Coles / Woolworths gift cards (\$20 or \$25) Multi shop gift cards (small denominations) or Cash donations.

Please place cards or cash in the first collection, in a sealed envelope marked The Romero Centre.

### **BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

In collaboration with Guardian Angels Parish, we are excited to present the opportunity for St John Vianney parishioners to join a Bible Study Group.

The Book of Exodus Thursday 27 July 10am-12noon or 7pm-9pm

12 week duration Includes prayer, discussion and a "cuppa" with a little bit of reading homework.

Cost: \$40 (for purchase of study guide) Numbers are limited so please add your name to the Sign-up Sheet in the church foyer.

