

**FIRST READING: ZECHARIAH 9:9-10**  
*A reading from the prophet Zechariah*  
The Lord says this:  
'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!  
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!  
See now, your king comes to you;  
he is victorious, he is triumphant,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
He will banish chariots from Ephraim  
and horses from Jerusalem;  
the bow of war will be banished.  
He will proclaim peace for the nations.  
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,  
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14**  
**R. I will praise your name forever, my king and my God**

I will give you glory, O God my King,  
I will bless your name for ever.  
I will bless you day after day  
and praise your name for ever. R.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. R.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
and declare your might, O God. R.

The Lord is faithful in all his words  
and loving in all his deeds.  
The Lord supports all who fall  
and raises all who are bowed down. R.

**SECOND READING: Romans 8:9, 11-13**  
*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*  
Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual

lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 11:25**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones  
the mysteries of the kingdom.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11:25-30**  
*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*  
Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.  
'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 64:10-14  
Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23  
Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23



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All enquires regarding Funerals and  
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**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.

**08/09 July 2023**  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

**Let Us Pray:**  
*Thank You, my Lord, for taking all those burdens that I cannot carry alone. Grant me the grace to recognise and surrender to You those wounds hidden from my eyes. Amen.*

**How to make burdens feel light**  
Does the yoke of Jesus weigh you down or does it feel light? His yoke -- according to what he exemplified with his life -- is servanthood, a ministry that cares for others, a love that makes sacrifices.  
We feel weighed down by personal struggles; we have so many of our own crosses to carry and so many people need our attention that we're exhausted from it all. We need a vacation, an escape, time out! So why does Jesus tell us that his yoke is easy? Why does he say that the burdens of servanthood are light?  
How can sharing in the ministry of Jesus be restful?  
When the burdens of life wear us down and tire us out, it's usually because we've taken on more responsibility than God has actually given to us.  
Or else it's because we're expending energy trying to get rid of a cross after Jesus has yoked us to it. If the burden leads to burn-out, God lets us get tired, because he's warning us: "Slow down! Simplify your life! Make a change! Spend more time in prayer!"  
If it leads to anger and resentment, God is showing us that our selfish desire for an easier life is, in reality, making our lives more difficult.  
In other words, when we strain and pull against the yoke -- against our union with Christ -- we suffer from our own mistaken ideas of what we should be doing. It is when we remember that we're yoked to Someone who is infinitely stronger and wiser than we are that the burden becomes light. The yoke becomes a source of joy.  
Jesus offers us everything we need for ploughing the fields that God assigns to us. When we cooperate with him, the burden is indeed light. We find rest in Jesus, and we benefit from his strength. Our anger and resentment and weariness disappear. We experience holy pleasure in our tasks because we're yoked to the goodness and the energy of Jesus himself.

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**FOR YOUR DIARY  
JULY**

10 Mon No Mass  
 11 Tues 6:00pm Mass  
 12 Wed 9:00am Rosary  
 9:30am Mass  
 13 Thurs No Mass  
 14 Fri No Mass  
 15 Sat 10.30am Baptism - HAWGOOD  
 4:30pm Reconciliation  
**15TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**  
 5.00pm Mass (Manly)  
 16 Sun 7:00am Mass (Gumdale)  
 9:30am Mass (Manly)

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Please note the return of the following  
 Weekday Masses:  
**6.00pm Tuesday evening**  
**9.30am Wednesday morning**

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING  
 6PM THURSDAY 20 JULY  
 PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

**MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY  
 TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST**

The artwork with this invitation is very special...



It was created by Lily, a year five student at St Joseph's School in Nundah. It demonstrates how much St Mary MacKillop cared for others. When creating her artwork, Lily wanted to include tongues of fire, representing the Holy Spirit, as well as the Cross to represent the Resurrection.

This is such a wonderful demonstration of how St Mary of the Cross MacKillop still impacts Catholic education in Australia today.

To honour St Mary MacKillop's legacy and seek her intercession, Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to join him for Mass on Tues 8 August at 10am at the Cathedral of St Stephen.

**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, Sue Wynne-Davies 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.*

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD**



Distribution of the Precious Blood will soon resume in our parish. Consumption of the Precious Blood is optional but we are not to dip the host in the chalice.

**Save the date!  
 International Morning Tea  
 Sunday 22nd October**



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



	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Counter
<b>Sat 8 July (Choir)</b>	Jen B	Colleen S	Laura F	Denise D, Nola S	Anjoline	B
<b>Sun 9 July</b>	Donna R	Robert A	Katherine M	Jasser N, Margaret H	Emma	
<b>Sat 15 July</b>	Nola S	FHC1	FHC2	Allison G, Jen B	Anjoline	C
<b>Sun 16 July</b>	June M	Margaret P	Trish E	Carmel S, Mark E	Emma	

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**WELCOME AND  
 CONGRATULATIONS**

We congratulate and welcome the families of the following children who were Baptised in our Parish this weekend:

**Poppy & Hallie Maxfield,  
 Callum Gabbott,  
 Luella & Gus Chalk**

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The monthly PPC meeting was held on Wednesday 28 June. A summarised version of the minutes is available for parishioners to view on the noticeboards at St John Vianney's and at St Jude's.

**FATHER JAMES SPENCE - RETIREMENT**

Father James Spence has worked for the Brisbane diocese for 55 years and is retiring from pastoral work with the Italian community. A farewell Mass will be held at 9.15am on Sunday 16 July at the Italian Catholic Centre, St Thomas More Church, Petrie Terrace. Light refreshments will follow.



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY  
 SUNDAY 16 JULY**

**CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST JOHN VIANNEY  
 PARISH MORNING TEA  
 SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST**

The Feast of St John Vianney is on 4th August. We will hold a special morning tea in honour of his feast following the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 6th August. Please bring a plate to share. For catering purposes a Sign-Up sheet will be in the foyer.



**ADMISSION TO CANDIDACY FOR  
 ORDINATION AS DEACON  
 - LAURENT FONTAINE -  
 5PM SATURDAY 8 JULY**

We welcome Bishop Tim Norton as the celebrant of our 5pm Vigil Mass this Saturday 8th July. Bishop Tim will celebrate the Rite of Admission of Laurent Fontaine as a candidate for the diaconate 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.**

**For the Children**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

**Be like children**

Sometimes grownups seem very clever, as if they know all the answers. Today, Jesus tells us that it wasn't always the clever people who first understood him. Often it was those who had childlike hearts.

**LET US PRAY**

Listen to me little ones and you will please God. If your lives are to be filled with happiness and joy, turn away from wickedness and lies; surround yourselves with goodness and try with all your hearts to share the peace of God with others. (Psalm 34:12-15)

