

**FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:9, 11-13**

*A reading from the first book of Kings*

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 84:9-14**

**Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace.

His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. R.

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.

Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. R.

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit.

Justice shall march before him

and peace shall follow his steps. R.

**SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5**

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

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 17:5**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I hope in the Lord,

I trust in his word

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:22-33**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28



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All enquires regarding Funerals and Weddings, please contact **the parish office**

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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.

**12/13 August 2023**

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

**Let Us Pray:**

Lord Jesus, grant me the grace to recognize You when You come to me in an unexpected way. Give me light, strength, and trust to turn to You in the midst of my anguish. Amen.

**How to achieve a well-balanced faith**

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday, Jesus finishes with the miracle of multiplying a few loaves and fish to feed thousands of people, and then he goes off by himself to pray.

When you host a large dinner party or complete a big project or overcome difficult obstacles, do you give yourself time to recuperate and let God minister to you?

After spending time alone with his Father, Jesus was so uplifted by the experience that he walked on water!

Jesus frequently spent time in prayer. He probably went off by himself to pray a lot more often than what is written in scripture. So why did Matthew mention it here? What was significant about this particular prayer time?

Through Matthew, God is showing us how to achieve a well-balanced faith.

We need periods of prayer-filled solitude to restore our energies and renew our vision of what God is inspiring us to do. We all have work to do for God in our families, in our workplaces, in social gatherings, in our parishes and in every problem that arises. Giving of ourselves to others will always drain us; to thrive and grow in our usefulness to God, we must allow him to replenish us often.

Prayer helps us to prepare for whatever lies ahead, even when we don't know what we're walking into. What we gain from the Lord in our time alone with him is a gift designed for our benefit *and* for responding to the needs of others. It strengthens our faith, teaches us how to walk on water, and sends us to the next shore where people who need God's help are waiting. God wants to minister to them through us. Are you prayed up and ready?

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### FOR YOUR DIARY AUGUST

14 Mon	No Mass
15 Tues	6:00pm Mass— The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)
16 Wed	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass
17 Thurs	No Mass
18 Fri	10:30am Mass at Lota House
19 Sat	4:30pm Reconciliation
<b>20TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b>	
	5.00pm Mass (Manly) Choir Sings
20 Sun	7:00am Mass (Gumdale) 9:30am Mass (Manly)



I would like to thank everyone who contributed to our wonderful celebration of the Feast Day of our Patron, St John Vianney. The members of the Hospitality and Special Events Teams are to be congratulated on the preparation of the hall and a big shout out to everyone who brought a plate to share. WOW! What a fabulous feast we had! We're all looking forward to our next event, the **International Morning Tea** on Sunday 29 October.

*Fr George*

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING 6PM WEDNESDAY 23 AUGUST



The SJV Youth Choir which will sing monthly at the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass. If you would like to join the choir either as a singer or a musician please contact Zoe in the Parish Office on 3131 2610 or by email at: [manly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:manly@bne.catholic.net.au)

### OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** John Vianney Foster

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Cyril Bashford, Catherine Biltoft, John Bozoky, Daphne Brian, Matthew Lyle Briggs, Anthony Cassell, Sr Christina Corcoran, John Dickson, John Featherstone, Ellen Fleggerbein, Annie Johns, Gary Harding, John Kneeshaw, Jane Lacey, Sr Ella Evelyn Lloyd, Sebastiano Marano, Colin McIntosh, Eugenie (Gene) Massie, Phyllis Morahan, Adrian Moran, Ellen Morrison, Alma Mulherin, Albert (Jack) Muller, Margaret Murphy, Sr Clare Ellen (Evangelist) Murtagh, Delia Nelson, Eileen Normyle, Eddie Nunn, Elsie O'Connor, Lorna Pankhurst, Joan Pitman, Mary Plant, Gwen Pook, Paulene Power, Jean Reading, James Roe, Mace Reid, Merle Skinner, Gary Tointon, Myrtle Thompson, Dick Wells, Douglas Ziebarth and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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

*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.*

### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

Thank you to our generous parishioners who are participating in our Planned Giving Program. Envelopes are now available for collection in the church foyer. Please contact the parish office if the following **envelope numbers** have been assigned to you: **003, 008** and **018**.

If your circumstances have changed and you are no longer using our **Direct Debit** facilities, please inform Zoe in the Parish Office so we may update our records accordingly.

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Sat 12 Aug	Colleen S	Laurent F	Laura F	Jen B	Pam	G
Sun 13 Aug	Steve P	June M	Margaret H	Jasser N	Donna	
Sat 19 Aug (CH)	Jane O	Alison G	Denise D	Colleen S	Anjoline	A
Sun 20 Aug	Helen C	Jasser N	Kennedy C	Donna R	Nola	

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### WITH LAMPS ABLAZE Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023

#### The Third Apostolic Priority is: BRINGING CULTURAL COMMUNITIES TO THE CENTRE

The face of the Church around the world is changing as the centre of gravity shifts from places like Europe and North America (and Australia) to Africa, Asia and Latin America. What is true globally is also true here, at least in the bigger cities. Certainly in the Archdiocese the presence of people who have come from overseas – from India, Vietnam, the Philippines, the Pacific islands, Africa, Sri Lanka, Latin America – is growing stronger. You only have to look at the congregations in the cathedral. For instance, if you were to remove from one of the larger Sunday congregations, people of Asian background, there would be few left. These cultural communities have for a long time been regarded – and perhaps have regarded themselves – as exotic satellites in a largely Anglo-Celtic Church. But that is no longer the case. These large and growing communities have gifts for the whole Church, and increasingly the centre of gravity in the Church here is moving in their direction. Therefore, they have to be brought more to centre-stage in the life and mission of the Archdiocese, since much of the real spiritual energy in the Church here is found among them. This again will involve significant cultural change for the whole Church in this part of the world.

### Save the date! International Morning Tea Sunday 29th October



## For the Children

### 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

#### Have faith

Time and time again, Jesus shows us that when our faith and belief in him are strong, then anything is possible, even walking on water.

#### LET US PRAY

Lord, give us the courage and faith of peter, whose belief was so strong that he could walk toward Jesus across the lake. In times of weakness, reach out your hand to us and rescue us from our doubts.



### ENROL NOW IN OUR CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Please email [sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au) for an Enrolment Form.

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

7/8 October Parent Information Meeting  
14/15 October Confirmation Classes Begin  
**Sat 18 November Confirmation Ceremony**

#### SAINT JOHN VIANNEY PRAYER

In recognition of our Patron, Saint John Vianney from here on at all Masses, we will recite his prayer following the Prayer of the Faithful.

#### KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS SILVER CIRCLE DRAW 3 OF 10

The winner of Draw 3 in the current Knights Silver Circle with **ticket #98** is **Vala TROTTER!**  
Congratulations Vala and thank you to those supporting the charitable works of the Knights through this fundraising Silver Circle.

## THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Keeping Faith with You

The August edition of The Catholic Leader is now available in the church foyer for **ONLY \$4** per copy. Feature articles include:

- Ordination of 3 new priests in Brisbane
- Australian World Youth Day Pilgrims
- Installation of Bishop Ken at Toowoomba
- Catholic Education Week
- Mary MacKillop Today!



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST