



# St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

embracing the worshipping communities of  
**Manly & Gumdale**



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### FUNERALS AND WEDDINGS

All enquiries regarding Funerals and  
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### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 pm or by appointment

## 5 October / 6 October 2024

### TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

### Let Us Pray:

Holy Spirit, help us to love someone who is difficult to love.

### Amen.

Those of us who are married expect to be loved by our spouses as much as we need to be loved. We assume that it's always going to be mutual. We will always be loved with the same passion as we love them.

However, most marriages enter difficulties that require supernatural love as well as supernatural persistence. That's why we need the Sacrament of Matrimony instead of just a civil ceremony at the courthouse or beach. Marriages need divine grace to endure with the permanence that God provides.

Marriage is a reflection of God's faithful union with us. Permanence in marriage is a divine gift from God so that we can reflect him well. If we don't believe in the permanence of love within marriage, how can we believe that God is always with us – including when we don't deserve it? And how can children who watch us believe?

Remember, sometimes the lover goes to the Cross for the beloved. The vocation of marriage ordains the spouses to be reflection of Christ's passion for all.

God never forces us to stay "married" to him. He loves us even when we turn away from him. Likewise, an unloved spouse is called by God to continue loving the one who abandons the marriage, even if only from afar. This is also true in any God-ordained friendships, and between priests and laity they serve, and parents with their children.

### Questions for Personal Reflection:

Have you ever quit a relationship because it was too hard?

Did you really stop loving that person? How is the way you handled it like or unlike the heart of Christ?

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### 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 on whose land we walk, live and worship.**

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

**OCTOBER**

7 Mon No Mass – parish office is closed due to public holiday  
 8 Tues 6.00 pm Mass  
 9 Wed 9.00 am Rosary  
 9.30 am Mass  
 7.30 pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM  
 10 Thurs No Mass  
 11 Fri No Mass

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME**

12 Sat 4.00 pm Reconciliation  
 5.00 pm Mass (SJV)  
 13 Sun 7.00 am Mass (St Jude’s)  
 9.30 am Mass (SJV)

**INVITATION BY ST RITA’S CATHOLIC PARISH,**  
**37 BENFER ROAD, VICTORIA POINT**

Join us for our last trip of 2024 as we visit such highlights as the Russ Hinze Dam, Natural Arch, Murwillumbah and the beautiful Kingscliff beaches. Tickets are on sale at Mass on Saturday and Sunday, 19/20 October; 26/27 October and 2/3 November. Price is \$50.00 per person and includes morning tea and two course lunch. For further information please see Marie or the parish office.

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Tanara Turvey, Catherine Hartlep (Fr Frank Jones’ sister), Noelene Costello, Angela Geraghty, Kevin Mawn, and Alice Frances Thompson.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Tyler Whitton, N.M Joseph, Noel Armanasco, Dawn Bone, Hugh Cleary, Mary Cotter, Sr Anne Doherty, Suzanne Dougherty, Paul Forrester, Kerry Greensill, Matilda Iselin, John Kenafake, Antoni Kolbuch, Charles Lewis, Mary Machin, Ester Morrison, George Plant, Noreen Roe, Nancy Sheehan, Ronald Smith, Horace Tranter, Eunice Wade, Jill Rideout Belletty, Veronica Lynch, Kevin Holzberger, Jim Holzberger, Noel Armanasco, Dawn Bone, Hugh Cleary, Mary Cotter, Sr Anne Doherty, Suzanne Dougherty, Paul Forrester, Kerry Greensill, Matilda Iselin, John Kenafake, Antoni Kolbuch, Charles Lewis, Mary Machin, Ester Morrison, George Plant, Noreen Roe, Nancy Sheehan, Ronald Smith, Horace Tranter, Eunice Wade, Jill Rideout Belletty, Veronica Lynch, Kevin Holzberger, Jim Holzberger

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Sue McDonald, Beth Craig, Chris Lee, Francis Raisch, Eric Roberts, John Cliffe, Sue Wynne-Davies, Jack & Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Irene Gavrilla, Carlos Manabat, Maureen Handcock, Leesa Scott, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters, Patrick Nofokifolau, and Brian Prove.

*To include a name in our ‘Recently Deceased’, the Privacy Act requires the permission of a close relative. For those ‘Who Are Sick’ requires the permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names of the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners are reviewed at the end of each month.*

**CATHOLIC MISSION**

**Reach out, give life.**

**Next weekend – 12 & 13 October we will be raising funds for the Catholic Mission. This year we will be supporting the mission in Mongolia.**

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
<b>Sat 5 Oct</b>	Gerardina	Laurent	Laura	Mikaela/Denise/Alison	Anjoline	AG	D
<b>Sun 6 Oct</b>	Helen	Kennedy	Carolina	Margaret / June / Carmel	Donna	Volunteer Needed	
<b>Sat 12 Oct</b>	Alison	Denise	Colleen	Mikaela/Jane/Denis	Pam	DH	E
<b>Sun 13 Oct</b>	June	Jasser	Margaret	Carolina/Donna/Adeline	Donna	Volunteer Needed	

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## WELCOME TO MAKING DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Parishioners,

Our parish, St John Vianney's, has long been a place of spiritual nourishment, community, and service. It is through your generosity that we have been able to continue providing pastoral care, celebrating the sacraments, and supporting those in need. However, to sustain and grow our parish's mission, we rely on the financial support of our community.

Your contributions help with the upkeep of our beautiful churches, fund essential ministries and services, and enable us to reach out to the wider community. Whether large or small, every donation makes a difference and ensures the future of our parish for generations to come.

For those who prefer the convenience of electronic giving, donations can also be made via direct bank transfer. Please find the parish bank details below:

**BSB:** 064-786  
**Account No:** 100002778  
**Full Account Name:** St John Vianney's Parish Manly

Please use your surname as the reference for a general donation. If the donation is for a specific purpose, please briefly indicate it, such as 'wedding', 'funeral', etc.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. Together, we can build an even stronger and more vibrant community in our Risen Lord.

May God's love and peace be with you all.

Blessings,

Fr Baiyi.

## SAFEGUARDING REVIEW

Our parish is reviewing our safeguarding practices. On 20 September Fr Baiyi sent an email to the volunteers in our system. If you have received this email and haven't yet replied to Fr Baiyi, please do so. It may have gone to your junk folder, so please check there. If you used to be a volunteer in the parish but are no longer one now, or if you are a new volunteer and your information might not be in our system, and you haven't received Fr Baiyi's email, please send him an email directly at [gongp@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gongp@bne.catholic.net.au).

In your email, please state your role(s) in the parish and whether you have a blue card and/or police check, along with their expiration dates. For all current volunteers, it would be greatly appreciated if you could visit the following volunteer portal of our archdiocese, follow the instructions, and register yourself as one of our parish volunteers:

<https://welcome.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

You still need to register even if you have done so before. This ensures that each of our current volunteers has complied with the safeguarding policy. After completing the registration, please notify Fr Baiyi via email at:

[gongp@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gongp@bne.catholic.net.au).

Thank you to everyone who has already registered their details online.

Fr Baiyi, Parish Administrator

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



# For the Children

## **TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

Jesus loved to spend time with children, enjoying their laughter, talking to them, and listening to what they had to say. They were as important to him as grownups.

### **LET US PRAY**

Think about the events of the past week.

Have you tried to be thoughtful and kind? Have you remembered to treat each person, the way Jesus would have done?



**FIRST READING:** *Genesis 2:18-24*

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: 'This at last is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 127*

**R.** May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!

May you see your children's children.

On Israel, peace! **R.**

**SECOND READING:** *Hebrews 2:9-11*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *1 John 4:12*

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,  
God will live in us in perfect love.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** *Mark 10:2-16*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.'

Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you.

But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. That is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body.

They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.'

Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them. 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
**TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME**

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 89:12-17

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 5:3

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30