

Cleaning Roster for Next Week Jim Walsh



Flower Roster for Next Week Tien & Nhu

Registering as a Volunteer

All Mass volunteers will need to be registered with the Archdiocese of Brisbane as a Volunteer prior to any volunteering duties can be carried out. The registration process can extend to either a Blue Card application and/or Police Check. To get more information and details about the new online registration process, please come up to the Parish Office if you are interested in helping out.

Prayer for the Sick

Hudson Mc Hardy, Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj, Gladys Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Blake Dufty, Amanda Harding, Fr Tuong, Cor Habraken.

Anniversaries: 15th September - 21st September

Michael McMahon, John O'Connor, Bernard Carr, Maria Purcell, Frances Elmore, Roderick William Burns.



Home Visit

Anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit from a priest, please contact the parish office and a visit can be arranged.

Laudato Si (2015) 236

The Eucharist joins heaven and earth; it embraces and penetrates all creation. The world which came forth from God's hands returns to him in blessed and undivided adoration: in the bread of the Eucharist, "creation is projected towards divinization, towards the holy wedding feast, towards unification with the Creator himself". Thus, the Eucharist is also a source of light and motivation for our concerns for the environment, directing us to be stewards of all creation.

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15th September 2019 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Prodigal Son Returns

Peter followed his friend, leaving his lovely village where he grew up, to live in a big city. He knew that his father would be very upset to see him running away from home. At first, he was torn between his father's tender love and his friend's enticement, and he chose to abandon his father. What his friend had promised Peter, seemed to satisfy a life that he was hoping for – freedom. Freedom at last and free from traditional life, that he gradually pulled himself further and further away from his father. He finally found himself completely obsessed by it. At first, Peter was very much enjoying a free lifestyle. There was plenty of food and drink, loud music, dancing and partying every night. Somehow he was his own boss, and would do whatever he would like to do without having any hassle from his father. He needed more money to feed his habit, he got involved in the underworld with drug trafficking. It was easy and fast to make money. A few years later, he could work no more, because his health was deteriorated caused by the exploitation of alcohol and drug addiction. He lost his job; his friends abandoned him, and he became a homeless person.

To satisfy his bad drinking and smoking habits, he was hunting for money by whatever means he could. He first felt ashamed, nervous and uneasy because his conscience voiced in him, what he should do and what should be avoided. He remembered what his parents had taught him, what was right and what was wrong. The school had taught him what was just and unjust. The Church had taught him to do good and avoid doing evil. Peter knew all of this however his



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physical body constant demand for more alcohol and drugs, grew stronger and stronger. He turned a blind eye. He could no longer pray. The Church was the last place he would set foot in. He approached a presbytery once asking for money. He received nothing. He walked out condemning the Church for not helping the needy. He lost interest in life, and paid no attention to other people's concerns.

One night the loving image of his father awakened in him, urging him to go home. He tried to keep it aside, but it kept returning. It reminded him a sweet childhood and the image of his loving father's face was vivid in his mind. The image of the loving father kept appearing in his dream. Finally he dragged himself into returning home. When he got home, the house was empty. His father had already borne into internal life. What he received was the will. He bequeathed his property to Peter, and a letter saying how much he loved him and longed for him to return.

Running away from home, Peter lost his loving father and lost his future. He has experienced the love of his father, but it was too late to live with the one whose love was always for him. Peter has personally experienced, that he has sinned against his father and at the same token he also has personally experienced the love his father had given him. Our loving God never ceased to love us even when we sin and fail to love him.

Vudinh Tuong

Thank You Fr Pan

Please thank Fr Pan for joining the Goodna Parish and helping us celebrate the weekend Masses over the last 4 weekends. It was lovely having you. Fr Tuong will return to Mass on Saturday 21st September 5pm.

Demountables - Construction Begins

As most of you may be aware, construction on the classrooms in front of the Church has begun. There may be some disruption to parking and direct access to the Church. This inconvenience will only be for a short time. You will be able to access the Church via the main gate and side path in front of the schools Administration Building. Thank you for your understanding.

Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass.

There will be no Baptism for September 2019. The next Baptism will be held during the month of October 2019.



2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN



Last weekend our Parish held a special collection for the Annual Catholic Campaign in support of the important Catholic ministries in our Archdiocese. Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Archbishop's call for support.

If you didn't get a chance to make a gift last week, there is still time. The Campaign envelopes are still available on the tables in the Church.

Thank you again for your time and generosity.

Dates to Remember

15th Sep	Sun	Shrine Opening Ceremony	Marian Valley
For more info. please Contact ourladyofakita@outlook.com or 07 3807 1310			
17th Sep	Tue	Suicide Prevention Workshop	Ipswich
19th Sep	Thur	Suicide Prevention Workshop	Springfield Central
For more info. please Contact maria.krohn@wesleymission.org.au			
20th Sep	Fri (RSVP)	Golden Wedding Anniversary	Brisbane
To book please Contact cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or 07 3324 3030			
24th Sep	Tue	All Saint's Boonah Fundraising/Dinner	Milton
For more info. please Contact Boonah@bne.catholic.net.au or 07 5463 1057			
26th-29th	Sep	Youth Conference	Brisbane
3rd-6th	Oct	Youth Conference	Sydney
The largest Catholic Youth Conference in Australia for schoolers and young adults. To register ASAP, call Meg Brennan (Youth Worker) on 07 3217 5199.			
For more details & registration go to https://igniteyouth.com/conference19 .			

Loop System

The Church is fitted with a loop system. If you wear a hearing aid, set the control to the 'T' to obtain a better sound.



Mass Times next Week

17th Sep	-	Tues	-	9.00am	Communion Service
18th Sep	-	Wed	-	9.00am	Communion Service
19th Sep	-	Thurs	-	9.00am	Communion Service
20th Sep	-	Fri	-	9.00am	Communion Service

Saturday Reconciliation

21st Sep	-	Sat	-	4.00pm - 4.30pm	
				5.00pm	Mass

Sunday Mass

22nd Sep	-	Sun	-	7.00am & 9.00am	Mass
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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 22nd September

Amos 8:4-7; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

