

## Cleaning Roster for Next Week

Cynthia Castillo



## Flower Roster for Next Week

Samoan Community

## 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, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Marie Bonne.

## Anniversaries: 24th November - 30th November

John Jonker, Frank Breuer, Noela Harvey, Steve Tirant, Beryl Shambler, Condi Fryars, Jane Keane, Maria Giollo, Bernadette Oddie, Francis Locke, David Laird, Ian Grayson, Leona McNamara, Amalia Landaverde.

## Recently Deceased

Thomas James McCarthy, Peter John Burns, Unasa Mesi Galo Esera.

## Christmas Cards

We have Majellan Christmas cards for sale at \$10/pack (10 cards/pack). If you wish to purchase any cards, please contact the Parish Office. Get in early as we only have a limited number for sale.



## Eucharistic Prayers

### The Order of Mass of the Roman Missal

Eucharistic Prayer II has its own Preface but may be used with other Prefaces, especially those that summaries the mystery of salvation.

Eucharistic Prayer IV has an unchangeable Preface. It may be used when a Mass has no Preface of its own, for example, on weekdays in Lent and Easter and on Sundays in Ordinary Time.

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation I-II may be used when there is a theme of reconciliation. They may be used with other Prefaces which refer to conversion and penance, such as the Prefaces of Lent.

Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs and Occasions I-IV has its own Prefaces and is intended for use in Masses for Various Needs and Occasions.



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## 24th November 2019 Christ the King



## Servant King

The poor welcomed Jesus' concept servant-king, but the powerful rejected it. The poor, the underprivileged and the marginalized flocked in to hear and praise his teaching and wisdom. They wanted him to be their king, hoping he would liberate them from the

mighty power of the Roman Empire. They were certain that he was their leader and they were right. Jesus' mission was to lead them, not to liberate them from any political power but to set them free from the power of darkness and reward them with eternal life. The powerful and the learned hated Jesus out of jealousy, because he was popular among the people. They rejected his teaching and criticised those who praised him. The problem was fuelled and spread further when Jesus criticized their religious practices. The religious leaders united to eliminate him. To be sure to have an upper hand, they made up two plans: Plan A used their own power and plan B used the Roman's. For plan A, they set up traps, hoping to catch him off guard on the ground of blasphemy against God, or showing disrespect for sacred traditions. If Plan A failed, then Plan B would be more certain. They employed the power of the Romans to carry it out. They labelled Jesus as a revolutionary, promoting an uprising against the Roman Empire. Jesus would certainly be arrested and executed by the Romans.

For any earthly king, once a person was elevated to be a member of a royal family that person received a title and the title entails privileges accordingly for life

enjoyment. Jesus' concept of a servant - king was foreign for them. Jesus told his apostles that:

*'The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many' Mat 20,28.*

Jesus' opponents could not share this teaching. For them, title, power and privilege are inseparable. Different classes of people challenged Jesus to show his power by coming down from the cross for them to believe. The leaders stood from afar and mocked him. *'Let him save himself if he is the Christ of God v.35.* Under his cross were the soldiers who taunted him saying. *They mocked him and offered him vinegar.* Next to him was the criminal who abused him saying *'save yourself and save us as well'. v.39.* They all addressed him 'king' but not to share his kingship's concept. They failed to understand his teaching. Jesus didn't abandon them but prayed for them, *'Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing' Lk 23, 34.* Jesus' mission was to save. They wanted Jesus to save them, not by his way, but by their way and that was by, he himself, coming down from the cross. To reject his kingship they nailed both him and his teaching on the cross. The sign 'King of the Jews' hung above his head, said it all. Jesus demonstrated his way of saving was giving hope for the hopeless. He promised the repentant thief: *Today, you will be with me in paradise. v.43.* That is his mission - giving eternal life. After his death; his concept of servant-king unfolded when the centurion confessed, *'This was a great and good man' and the crowd went home beating their breasts. Lk 23, 48-49.*

True followers of Jesus need not be nailed on the cross, but must carry their own cross and help others in finding their purpose of life.

Vudinh Tuong

### Christmas BBQ for all Volunteers - Thank You Party

We are beginning to think about organising this years Christmas BBQ. This year the BBQ will be held on the 8th Dec at 5.00pm. To help us with catering, can you please put your name down on this list in the Sacristy or contact Michelle in the Parish Office.

### Lenten Program - 2020

Anyone wishing to register their name for a Lenten Program for Easter 2020 (12th April 2020), please contact the Parish Office.

### Dates to Remember

30th	Nov	Manger to Build	
If anyone would like to come along and help Fr Tuong build the Manger, the display construction will begin at 9.30am.			
30th	Nov	CCR End of Year Event	Northgate
The event will start at 10.00am followed by Mass at 12.00pm with a shared lunch at 1.00pm. Please call Miriam on 07 3103 2400 for more details.			
1st	Dec	Ignite Youth Summer Camp	Sunshine Coast
This summer the annual camp is over 4 days designed for high schoolers. Early bird prices closes 1st Dec. For more info please call 07 3217 5199.			
4th	Dec	30th Anniversary Dedication - Cathedral of St Stephen	
There is a 10.00am Mass on to commemorate the 30th Anniversary. Please RSVP by Friday the 29th November to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au.			
8th	Dec	Christmas BBQ for all Volunteers - Thank You	
This year the Christmas BBQ will be held on the 8th Dec at 5.00pm.			



### Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be held on 21st December 2019.

Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### 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.



### 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

26th	Nov -	Tues -	9.00am	Mass
27th	Nov -	Wed -	9.00am	Mass
28th	Nov -	Thurs -	9.00am	Mass
29th	Nov -	Fri -	9.00am	Mass

### Saturday Mass

30th	Nov -	Sat -	9.00am	Mass - St Andrew
			4.00pm	Reconciliation (till 4.30pm)
			5.00pm	Mass

### Sunday Mass

1st	Dec -	Sun -	7.00am & 9.00am	Mass
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### Advent - First Sunday of Advent 1st December

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

