

THE BULLETIN

ST THERESA'S PARISH

26-27 JUNE 2021

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

MISSION STATEMENT

St Theresa's Catholic Parish is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community committed to living and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Under our baptismal mission and inspired by the Spirit, we are bread for one another and nourished we reach out to make a difference in the world.

Subverting the Social Order

This is a story of subversion, subversion of the social order turned upside down by the healing presence of Jesus.

Jesus is approached by one of the local elite: a male, with a name [Jairus], prestige, an advocate for his twelve year old daughter, and he knows the correct procedure, adopting a deferential posture. Jesus hears his request to heal his daughter and sets off.

Jesus' progress is stopped in its tracks by a contrary figure: a woman, with no name, voiceless, because of her haemorrhaging blood ostracised from social and religious contacts, and she adopted the utterly wrong approach. She touched Jesus, or at least his clothing, which risked contaminating him with her 'uncleanness'.

But she was immediately healed. This voiceless, marginalised woman was healed at every level of her person: physical, social and religious. She could now mix with people and attend the synagogue.

All the woman needed to do was get close and have faith that Jesus would restore her to a life worthy of a human being. By the way, that is the best way to approach confession. You or I should come into the confessional conscious of whatever is making one ill-at-ease with God because of something one has done or failed to do. Bring that dis-ease into close proximity to Jesus as the Divine Physician. The confessional is 'the hem of his cloak'.

But to return to the Gospel. Jesus stops and looks around: 'Who touched me?' The disciples are unreconstructed supporters of the social status quo. They regard stopping to find out who touched Jesus as an unfortunate and rather misguided interruption to the important task of continuing on to the house of the local leader, the male at the top of the social scale who had so properly pleaded on behalf of his daughter.

But, Jesus does stop and one of the most beautiful moments in the Gospel ensues.

The woman gets her voice back, tells Jesus it was she who had broken all the taboos and touched him. He turns to her and says:

'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease.'

He, Our Lord Jesus Christ, calls the outcast who had endured social isolation for twelve years, 'Daughter'. This woman heard this term of relationship, this term of affection and care, 'Daughter', from the lips of Jesus. Can you imagine the liberating and joyful effect of hearing that title of honour and love from Our Lord?

Yes, Jesus went on to heal the little girl. But unlike the disciples he did not regard stopping as an interruption. It was a priority which totally subverted the expectations and the power structures of that society.

We are not Hindus. A caste system within the church is utterly at odds with this gospel.

The Church is distorted if power, prestige, pedigree or wealth give one special status.

The saving and healing presence of Jesus must always be allowed to be radically egalitarian.

This is good for you and for me when we need the presence of Jesus, the Divine Physician. You and I are a priority when we need that healing presence.

I want you to close your eyes for a moment. Bring to mind whatever it is that is making you ill-at-ease with God. Something you have done or failed to do you now experience as a dis-ease in part of your personality.

Then say with the woman of today's gospel: 'I will touch the outer garment of my Lord and Saviour. I believe he will forgive me and heal me.' Say it with her profound confidence in divine power.

Keep your eyes closed and hear Him say to you:

'My son [or] my daughter, my son [or] my daughter

your faith has made you well;

go in peace and be healed of your dis-ease.'

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RECENTLY DECEASED

Kathleen Manns

HEALING FOR THE SICK

Parishioners:

Marie AhSee

Anne Thomas

Brian Carter

Len Pauli

Margaret Barry (past parishioner)

Friends and Family

Evelyn Wilson (David Wilson's mother)

Jenny Menso (Aileen Collins' friend)

Will Wildig (Meg Hicks' Brother in Law)

Geoff Doyle (Mary Otto's brother)

Tony Rosenthal

(Friend of John & Thérèse Erbs)

Anna O'Toole (Maryanne Long's friend)

Madeline (Sally) Gray

(Kathy Sternes' Mother)

Stella Artuso (Paul & Kathryn

Marangelli's Niece)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette

Whisson's friend)

Kim Ireland (Kathy Sternes' friend)

Kate Sturgeon (Rita Sturgeon's

Granddaughter)

Kathleen le Gras (Sister of Sr Una)

Shona Kraayvanger

(Gabrielle Adam's daughter)

Joe Short (Powell family group)

Indiana Harman

(Ray & Madeline Taylor's

Granddaughter)

Louis Gandini (Lina Pervan's brother)

Connie Bangart (Lina Pervan's friend)

Peter Dillon (Vivienne Price's father)

Patricia Jenkins (Thel Jelley's cousin)

Simon Riethmuller (Shirley's son)

Max Shearer (Grandson - Judy Shearer)

John Mullen (Helen McNaught's nephew)

Rev. Brian Sparksman

Fr Peter McGrath .CP

John Morgan (Kathy Sternes' Uncle)

Molly Schmidt (Aileen Collins' friend)

ANNIVERSARIES

Peg Jones

Eric Copas

Aileen Stacey

Roger Ahern

Terry Ahern

Rhonda Greensill

Margaret Rowland

Sestelia Ruffini

Robert McNaught

Joseph Seeber

Kathleen Luck

Dorrie Kretchmann

Bob Brunner

Sheila Strickland

John Ganzer

Carolyn Wilson

Rose Ahern

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MASSES		READINGS	NOTICES
MON	NO MASS	<p>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B</p> <p>First Reading: <i>Wisdom 1: 13 - 24</i> It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.</p> <p>Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 29: 4-6, 11-13 I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.</p> <p>Second Reading: <i>2 Corinthians 8: 7 - 15</i> Your abundance should supply their want.</p> <p>Gospel Acclamation: <i>cf 2 Timothy 1 - 10</i> Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!</p> <p>Gospel: <i>Mark 5: 21 - 43</i> Young girl, I say to you, arise.</p> <p>Next week's readings. The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B <i>Ezekiel 2: 2 - 5</i> <i>2 Corinthians 12: 7 - 10</i> <i>Mark 6: 1 - 6</i></p>	<p>BAPTISM</p> <p>This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome into our parish</p> <p><i>Winnie Violet Briskey & Oliver William Boyce</i></p>  <p>Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30am or after Mass at 11.00am.</p> 
TUE	NO MASS		
WED	9 AM MASS		
THU	NO MASS		
FRI	9 AM MASS		
SAT	6 PM MASS		
SUN	9.30AM MASS		
<p>If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.</p>			

PETERS PENCE COLLECTION

St Theresa's will be having the Peter's Pence Collection on the weekend of 26-27 June this year. The Peters Pence Collection is traditionally taken up either on 29 June, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, or on the Sunday closest to this Solemnity. The proceeds enable Pope Francis to assist the most disadvantaged in emergency situations including victims of war, oppression, and disasters.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in our parish in August. Children who are baptised Catholic, in Year 3 or older are welcome to participate in the program in preparation for the sacrament. An information night for parents/ carers will be held on Thursday 15th July 2021 at 6pm in the Parish Centre.

Only parent/parents are need to attend the information night.

Information letters and enrolment forms are available through the parish office.

If you have any queries, please contact Monica Brennan at the parish office or ph 4639 4688 or email: monica@sttheresas.org.au

CARE AND CONCERN

There will be a Care and Concern Team meeting as usual on the first Tuesday of the month, 6th July, starting at 9.30am in the Parish Office meeting room.

Since the team cannot undertake visits due to Covid restrictions, members will be writing cards instead. Also on the agenda will be discussion of details for a Healing Mass proposed for later this year.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

St Vincent De Paul winter appeal is now open. Donation envelopes are available in the parish foyer.



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new Planned Giving envelopes are available in the foyer. If you are able to help by delivering a box to another parishioner, it would be greatly appreciated and will save the Parish postage.

If you would like to be involved in the Planned Giving program, you are able to do this by direct debit or the envelope system please contact the office on 46394688.

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Excerpts from the Apostolic letter – 'Patris Corde' from Pope Francis

The Polish writer Jan Dobraczynski, in his book *The Shadow of the Father (Cien Ojca, Warsaw 1977)*, tells the story of Saint Joseph's life in the form of a novel. He uses the evocative image of a shadow to define Joseph. In his relationship to Jesus, Joseph was the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father: he watched over him and protected him, never leaving him to go his own way. We can think of Moses' words to Israel: "In the wilderness...you saw how the Lord your God carried you, just as one carries a child, all the way that you travelled" (Deut 1:31). In a similar way, Joseph acted as a father for his whole life.



MASSES AT ST THERESA'S PARISH

Weekend Masses—booking required. Bookings close 12noon on Saturday

Bookings online from the **Trybooking** website, by right clicking on the link or double-clicking on the link provided <https://www.trybooking.com/BKLBW> and choose open link command **OR** contact the parish by phone 46394688 to register for your preferred mass.

St Theresa's is using the new **Check In Qld app** to help keep you COVID safe. The **Check In Qld app** has been developed to help the Queensland Government with contact tracing in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak. St Theresa's is adopting the app to help us collect your details quickly, easily and electronically as you arrive. When you next visit, you'll have the option to register your details using the **Check In Qld app**.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SYCHAR HOUSE OF PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY



Contemplative Walk - Beginning Locally

Date: 17/7/21 Saturday: **Time:** 9:00am

This is an opportunity to spend some reflective time walking in silence within Nature.

The walk is a contemplative experience allowing time to stop take in the beauty of Creation and to become aware of God speaking to us through nature. See flyer in foyer for further details.

An Invitation to Explore the Possibility of Establishing a Contemplative Living Group

Date: Starting from 22/7/21

Time: 10:00am to 11:30am

You are invited to explore the possibility of enriching your spiritual journey through sharing with others in a contemplative living group by participating in any or all of three stand-alone sessions from "Bridges to Contemplative Living" with Thomas Merton. See flyer in foyer for further details.

Awakening to the Giftedness of Male Spirituality

Date: 22/7-26/8/21

Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Register via TryBooking

Men who are interested in sharing their journey together through prayerful reflection and personal sharing assisted and stimulated by insights presented by Richard Rohr in his book "From Wild Man: Reflections on Male Spirituality". Sessions facilitated by Robie Jayawardhana and Jason Obst. See flyer in foyer for further details.



ST URSULA'S COLLEGE

Apply now for Year 7, 2022 & 2023 Enrolment
Arrange a personal College tour ahead of Orientation on 14 September 2021
enrolment@st-ursula.qld.edu.au



RESOURCE: MAJELLAN MEDIA APP

Majellan Media has launched a free App to help families with their faith and relationship issues. The App has all Majellan media content in the one convenient place and includes the latest podcasts from Majellan's Figuring out Families series, the latest news, and articles providing sound advice and spiritual nourishment to help families thrive. Further details are available at www.majellan.media

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE BRISBANE REUNION

Date: 16/10/21 Saturday

Where: Lourdes Hill College, Brisbane

All students who attended Lourdes hill College in 1966 – Year 8, 1967 – Year 9, 1968 – Year 10, 1969 – Year 11 and 1970 – Year 12 are invited to attend the Reunion of the 1966-1970 Cohort on Saturday 16 October at Lourdes Hill College. For enquiries, please contact Maree Foley (Stanton) maree_foley@hotmail.com or events@lhc.qld.edu.au or phone Mary at LHC on 3399 0411.

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Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Brian Noonan, Tim Burgess, Bernadatte Zimbwa,
 Gailene Jurgs, Matt Boyd, David Wilson, Trish Kennedy-
 Lee, Kathy Doherty, Monica Brennan.

Finance Committee

Fr. Brian Noonan, Pat Morton, Warren Dredge,
 Ray Taylor, Shane Blakeley, Brian Wilson,
 Pat Richardson, Alfia Ginardi.

Liturgy Team

Fr. Brian Noonan, Jan Mayo, Peter Kenny, Monica
 Brennan, Gay Jorgensen, Suzanne Cavanagh,
 Elizabeth Stewart.

Musicians

Norma Kenny, Kathy Sternes, Elizabeth Stewart,
 Libby Rosentreter.

Baptism Team:

Cath Kelly, Jenny Ryan, Tracy George, Bernadette Hede,
 Alison Daniel, Anne Anderson, Jan Watkins, Angela
 Irvine, Jane Burgess, Catherine Cooper.

Sacramental Team:

Monica Brennan, Kathy Doherty, David Wilson,
 Gay Jorgensen.

Consolation Team:

Fr Brian Noonan, Lyn McRae, Peter Kenny,
 Bette Flamsted, Pam Merritt, Josephine Nolan,
 Liz Phelan, Monica Brennan

Welcome & Hospitality Team:

Paul & Kathryn Marangelli,
 Maureen Burke.

Family Groups:

Contact Parish Office 4639 4688

Care & Concern Team

Coordinator:

RCIA

Coordinator: David Wilson



NOTICE



DATES TO REMEMBER FOR JUNE/JULY

Sat - Sun	26-27 June Peter's Pence Collection
Sunday	4 July Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday
Friday	4 - 10 July NAIDOC Week
Sunday	11 July Apostleship of the Sea
Monday	12 July School Term 3 Starts
	12 July 6pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting. Parish office meeting room.
Thursday	15 July 6pm First Reconciliation Parent Information night
Sunday	25 July Bible Sunday World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Friday	30 July Bishop's Inservice Day Toowoomba (St Joseph's College) Mater Dei pupil free day

RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES

Masks - it is no longer mandatory to wear masks in the church.

We are now allowed to celebrate:

Baptisms- baptisms with 200 people attending can now be celebrated in the Church

Weddings – can be celebrated with up to 200 people attending

Funerals – can be celebrated with a maximum of 200 people attending. All church services will need to comply with the requirements of the parish CovidSafe Plan.



Second & Fourth Tuesdays /month

St Vincent de Paul St Theresa's
 Conference, 4pm, Contact 0408 808 437



First Wednesday /month

Parish morning tea at 9.45am, Cobb & Co Museum

Second Sunday

Mad Toowoomba Group from 7.00pm at St Anthony's.
 Parish Centre.
 (Grade 7-12 people) PH: 4636 0461