

ONLINE WEBINAR

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE, 2024
TIME: 6.30PM

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"HEAL ME LORD SO THAT I SHALL BE HEALED" Jeremiah 17:14

Inner Healing Retreat and Thanksgiving Mass

with Fr. Roni George VC, Director of Divine Retreat Centre, Somersby

Prayerful wishes to Fr. Roni as he moves to DRC Toronto, Canada. The Lord invites you to get into an intimate relationship with him. The Lord says, when we abide in him and he in us, we will bear much fruit. A fruitful relationship with the Lord brings Peace, joy, Love and ultimately brings healing to our mind, soul and body.

Come, live a life worthy of the Lord!

Saturday, 8th June, 2024
(9.30am to 3.30pm)
Holy Cross Church
110 Nottingham St, Kippa Ring, QLD, 4021

• Admission is FREE • No registrations needed • BYO food
For any further inquiries please contact: 0432833439

When in Sydney, please visit

MASTERCLASS JUNE 8
YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDAMENTALS

Formation & development for Youth Leaders

JUNE 15
WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

Everyone has a right to respect, dignity and safety.

Let's start a conversation

Download the QLD WEAAD Resource and Activity Toolkit at www.cotsqld.org.au/weaad

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ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) is a marriage preparation weekend that facilitates a deeper and constructive dialogue for engaged couples. Active in over 300 dioceses around the world, CEE is an internationally recognized Marriage Preparation Course within the Catholic Church.

For additional information contact us:
0481 307 821 ee@brisbane.catholic.net.au
www.engagedencounter.org.au

GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet

His Eminence Cardinal Giorgio Marengo IMC

Catholic Mission invites you to a dialogue on Mission in Action as we hear Cardinal Giorgio Marengo share how we can help support the work of the church in Mongolia.

Cardinal Marengo, who first went to Mongolia in 2003, is a strong believer in interfaith dialogue. It is through the grace of God he continues his ministry in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

Donations are welcome and will support the work of the church in Mongolia.

Monday 24th June 2024

Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Venue: Hanly Room - St Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte St, Brisbane

Register via Trybooking www.trybooking.com/c0TQF or QR Code

YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR – POSITION AVAILABLE

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Kenmore - Moggill is seeking applications for the position of Youth Ministry Coordinator. This is a short term contract position through to December 2024 working 10 hours per week, commencing late June 2024.

To apply for this role please submit your cover letter and resume including two (2) referees, (one of which preferably should be a Parish Priest, particularly if you are not currently an active parishioner of OLR Kenmore-Moggill Parish), to the Parish Manager finchm@bne.catholic.net.au The successful candidate will have, or be able to obtain, national criminal history/police check and Working with Children Blue Card prior to commencement and will be required to sign a Prior Conduct Declaration and fulfil all other Archdiocesan safeguarding requirements. For a copy of the position description or any other enquires please email the Parish Manager finchm@bne.catholic.net.au. **Applications close on Friday 14 June '24**

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN:

THE WHY AND HOW OF ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

SATURDAY 13 JULY
9:30AM – 12PM

HANLY ROOM, FRANCIS RUSH CENTRE, 196 CHARLOTTE ST, BRISBANE

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

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marriage encounter

Reminder

YOU OWE IT TO YOUR SPOUSE TO BOOK YOURSELF ON A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

21 - 23 June, 2024

The Hub, 58 Opperman Drive, Springfield Lakes

For more information, contact:
Leisha Razario & Joseph Deasmen
Phone: 0481 307 821
Email: qldbookings@wwme.org.au

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

Acacia Ridge | Algerger
Calamvale | Parkinson
|Larapinta | Pallara

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Fr Dang Nguyen
Administrator
nguyend@bne.catholic.net.au

Virginia Sharpe
Acting Parish Assistant (Volunteer)

Efren Altez
Liturgy/Newsletter (Volunteer)

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MASS TIMES

Tue: 5:30pm—Holy Mass
6:00pm Eucharist Adoration

Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat 9 am
Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am & 5pm

CONFESSIONS

Tues: 6:00pm to 6:30pm
(or by appointment)

BAPTISMS
3rd Sunday of the month 10.15am

PIETY STALL
1st Sunday each month

SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Fatima School
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pacaciaridge@bne.catholic.edu.au

St Stephens School Algerger
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FATIMA NEWS ORDINARY TIME

10th & 11th Sundays - 9 June 2024

Greetings to all,

Many images have been used for the church in the course of the church's history. The most authentic images are those that are drawn from the Scriptures, such as the church as the bride of Christ or the people of God or St Paul's famous image of the church as the body of Christ. For St Paul, each of us is a member of that body through baptism and as members we are dependent on one another's gifts given by the Holy Spirit.

The gospel reading this Sunday provides us with another beautiful image for the church as a family. Jesus looks around at his disciples sitting around him in a circle, listening to him speaking. He identifies them as his mother, his brother and his sister. Here we have the nucleus of the church, the first disciples of Jesus, and Jesus identifies them as his family. He attaches more importance to this new family than to his blood family who are standing outside the house in which he is speaking insisting that he come home with them.

The church can helpfully be understood as a family. Because of our baptism we are brothers and sisters of Jesus. The letter to the Hebrews says that Jesus is not ashamed to call us brothers and sisters and declares that the one who sanctifies, Jesus, and those who are sanctified, ourselves, all have one Father. The church is a family under God as Father; we are all brothers and sisters of one another and of the Lord.

This image of church suggests a church in which everyone is equally cherished and no one is more important than anyone else. Within this family we are all spiritual siblings, called to give support to other members of the family and to receive support from other members of the family.

The image of the family, like that of the body, suggests our interconnectedness and our interdependence. When Pope Francis came to the window of Saint Peter's after being elected Pope, he gave expression of this vision of church when he asked everyone in the Square to pray for him, before he gave them his blessing. One of the important ways we give expression to our interconnectedness is by praying for one another.

God bless, Fr Dang

<p>10th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>First Reading: Gen 3:9-15 I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.</p> <p>Second Reading: 2 Cor 4:13-5:1 We believe, and therefore we speak.</p> <p>Gospel: Mark 3:20-35 It is the end of Satan.</p>	<p>11th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</p> <p>First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24 I have made the small tree great.</p> <p>Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord</p> <p>Gospel: Mark 4:26-31 The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all</p>
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Parish Update—Parish Office Restructuring

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your faith and commitment to our parish. You may be aware that many parishes, including ours, face ongoing financial sustainability challenges. In light of these financial challenges, the Parish Finance Council and I have recently had to make some difficult decisions. It is with regret that I inform you that the Parish Finance Council and I have decided to restructure the Parish Office.

Effective June 6th, the Parish Office will transition from full time employment to voluntary roles. This tough decision is not a reflection of the team's performance rather it is due to the fact that the Parish can no longer financially sustain the current office structure. I understand that this is difficult news to hear and may be distressing to some of you.

We've had discussions with the four team members regarding the required changes and Steffanie Le (Director of Ministries), Bernadette Maguire (Digital Media Communications & Ministry Development), Ellen Tran (Youth and Pastoral Coordinator) and Lizet Sanchez (Parish Assistant) have decided to discontinue their employment but will continue to volunteer and support the Parish where they are needed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Steffanie, Bernadette, Ellen and Lizet for their tireless contribution and the joy they brought to our parish, especially in light of a very challenging past 18 months. I am grateful for their generosity in serving our community and administration of the parish and pray that the God of Peace will richly bless them in their future endeavours.

While we are in challenging times, the Parish Finance Council and I are confident that this change will help fiscally strengthen our parish and position it for a sustainable future.

Please join me in thanking Steffanie, Bernadette, Ellen and Lizet for all of their efforts and wishing them well for the future.

If you have any questions, please contact myself. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Dang Nguyen



**WINTER
APPEAL**

The poor need your help. Cost of living increases are stretching disadvantaged people to the limit and they need your assistance.

When you arrive at mass next Saturday/Sunday you will see envelopes on the seats for donations to the winter appeal. You may complete the envelopes and, after mass, place them in the retiring collections baskets or you can simply donate cash. If you don't have funds available on the day please take an envelope and return it with your donation the following week and place it in the collection basket.

Donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible. If you require a receipt please ask or indicate on the envelope.

St Vincent de Paul said that "serving the poor is serving Jesus"

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal explains that in the Rite of Peace "the Church entreats peace and unity for herself and for the whole human family, and the faithful express to each other their ecclesial communion and mutual charity before communicating in the Sacrament".

It goes on to say that "In the dioceses of Australia the most common form of the gesture of peace is the handshake. It is appropriate that each person offer the sign of peace only to those who are nearest and in a sober manner. While the Sign of Peace is being given, it is permissible to say *The peace of the Lord be with you always*, to which the reply is *Amen*".

The Sign of Peace should not occupy more time than other more important elements of the celebration. It is not a time for shaking hands and saying *Hello* to as many people as possible in the available time. True hospitality is practised as people arrive for Mass, not when it is almost over.

The Sign of Peace is a symbolic gesture, so we do it deliberately and sincerely with just those around us, imparting to them the blessing of Christ's peace.

The Sound of Silence

What some people miss from the days of the old Latin Mass is the hushed atmosphere and prayerful silence which gave them a sense of the presence of God.

At times it seems that at liturgy, as in life, every moment is taken up with sound and action. The Vatican documents however make it clear that being silent together at Mass is an aspect of our active participation.

The Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass says: "Short intervals of silence give worshippers an opportunity to take the word of God to heart and to prepare a response in prayer." (#28)

The rubrics (instructions written in red) of the Order of Mass indicate where silence should be observed:

- after the "Let us pray" of the Collect (opening prayer)
- before and after the readings from scripture
- after the homily
- after each petition of the Prayer of the Faithful, so that people can pray for that intention
- after Communion

The collective silence of the assembly at worship is a deliberate, conscious activity, not just a space where nothing is happening. It can be very powerful and also help us to learn, or rediscover, the art of reflection and meditation.



Greetings to all from Liturgy Brisbane! The latest edition of LitEd explores the topic of Liturgy and Community. Liturgy is, by its very nature, a communal action and has its foundation in the existence of a community. The word liturgy (leitourgia) in fact means "the work of the people".

Liturgical celebrations are not constituted by a group of isolated individuals turned inwards, but rather by an assembled community of the Body of Christ gathered together to unify their voices in spoken and sung prayer.

How different is our experience of the liturgical event if we feel a sense of connection to the people with whom we offer praise to God! Building a community requires some degree of intentionality.

Ultimately, these efforts are invaluable as they foster a sense of belonging and create opportunities to draw people into the life of the community.

In this edition: 16 Tips to Improving Your Parish Hospitality. The Five Systems of a Fruitful Parish | Hospitality is Biblical – And It's Not Optional | How to Create a Sense of Community in Your Parish. **The current edition is now ready to view at <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com>**



Within your parish community, do your ministries collaborate with each other or do they compete against each other? Do your parish ministries work for the greater glory of God or do they work for the glory of the people running them? The primary goal of parish ministry is not to increase Mass attendance, increase the number of volunteers or increase offertory. The primary goal is to be one with the Body of Christ that helps people take one step closer to Jesus.

"If it's not doing that, it's not worth doing."



In Loving Memory of
Damian Francis Gambley
26th February 1976 – 27th May 2024

Family, friends, the OLOF and OLOL communities and everyone who knew Damian are invited to celebrate Damian's life at
Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge,
at 10:30am on Wednesday 12th June 2024.

In honour of Damian's wish, we invite everyone attending to wear a Hawaiian shirt.

We will then say our final farewells to Damian at Mt Gravatt Cemetery, followed by refreshments at Sunnybank Community and Sports Club, 470 McCullough Street, Sunnybank.

Join us for a Morning Tea on Thursday, 13th June, 9:30am at Parish Office/Presbytery. Bring a plate of food to share and a friend.



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Catechism Class

Dear parents,
An ongoing catechism class every Sunday during school Term for 30 minutes after the 9 am Mass at Our Lady of Fatima parish in Acacia Ridge. For more information, please contact Sr. Hanna MC. Ph: (07) 3252 4441 if interested.



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