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Greetings to all,

OUR LADY OF

FATIMA PARISH

Last Sunday's Gospel reading, we listened to the story of Jesus sent the twelve apostles in pairs, preaching repentance and healing the sick. This Sunday, the story continues as now the twelve return to Jesus and He sees that they need to rest. He invites them to join him in travelling to a lonely place and rest.

It is interesting to note that Jesus's invitation to his disciples is more than just a chance for them to catch up on some sleep or a simply physical resting. It is more than that, when Jesus calls the Twelve to join him in a lonely place this is not just a rest, it is something absolutely vital for the Disciple, he is calling them away to spend time with him, to rest in Him, to rest in the presence of the Lord. As they spend time with Him, they can reflect on the meaning of all that they have experienced, and so that they can, by spending time in his presence, learn to see the world as he sees it.

As followers of Christ, we are all invited to find rest in the presence of the Lord, to spend time with Him in prayers. By spending time with the Lord in prayers, we take on some of his way of living and in particular we learn to see the world as he sees it.

When we say our prayers in the morning, one of the things that we are doing is resting in his presence so that, as we run through in our minds all that the day ahead holds, we can begin to see the activities and encounters that lie ahead as Christ might see them. All of those encounters, those meetings and the appointments do not, then, creep up on us unexpectedly, but we come to them equipped with a new and different view, the view of Christ.

And when, at the end of the day, we review all that we have done and the people that we have met, we do so in the presence of Christ, so that we can look at them with him beside us, and begin to learn to see the world as he sees it.

Resting is good, and we all need it; but we all need to rest in the Lord's presence, too, so that we can begin to see the world, and most especially see the people in it and the hopes and fears, the joys and sorrows, that fill their lives, as God sees them.

Have a blessed weekend,

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Fr Dang
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LITURGY CORNER: The numbering of Psalms

The psalm for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time is listed as "Psalm 22 R. The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want". This is one of the best-known of all the psalms but most people know it as the 23rd Psalm and it is listed under Psalm 23 in many bibles.

Those who look up words for psalms for hymn sheets, etc will have noticed that the numbering of the psalms in the Catholic Lectionary and in Catholic missals is not always the same as used by other Churches. Why are these numbers sometimes different?

The problem comes about because, since the promulgation of the Latin Bible (Vulgate) in the 6th century, the Roman Catholic Church has followed the numbering of the psalms used by the Greek translation of the Scriptures (the Septuagint) whereas the scriptures used by other Christian traditions follow the numbering in the Hebrew text.

Psalms 9 and 10 in the Hebrew text were combined into one psalm in the Greek Bible, so from Psalm 9 onwards, the Roman Catholic psalm numbers are one less than those in other versions. Because Psalm 147 of the Jewish psalms is split into two separate psalms in the Septuagint, the total number of psalms in both finishes up being the same - 150. However, only the first 8 and the last 3 psalms agree in number-



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.

Ministers of the Liturgical Environment

Another group of 'behind-the scenes' liturgical ministers are those known as Ministers of the Liturgical Environment. The role of these people is to decorate the worship space and make it attractive.

Ministers of the Liturgical Environment understand that all art and environment must serve the liturgy. In practice, this means that: Visual objects such as flowers, banners and statues never draw attention away from the sacred action of the assembly.

The primary liturgical symbols of altar, font and lectern are noble and worthy pieces of art and they do not need to be decorated because they are central symbols in their own right.

Special care is taken to decorate appropriately the approaches to the church, the gathering spaces and the area where the assembly is seated for worship to highlight the fact that it is the entire assembly that celebrates the liturgy, not just the presider.

Ministers of the Liturgical Environment are aware that, when people worship in a liturgical environment that enhances the ritual actions and primary symbols of the liturgy, they are brought into 'full, conscious and active participation' and experience the beauty of the transcendent. -Elizabeth Harrington

Flower Arrangement Volunteers

The Pastoral Finance Committee members at their meeting 11 July discussed the beautiful flower arrangements around the alter and the statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The flowers are always fresh and exquisitely displayed week in and week out without fail.

The Committee members, whilst recognizing the valuable contribution of all church volunteers, felt that a special mention should be made as regards the good people who organise and arrange the flowers. A **big thank you** to the volunteers who provide a most attractive setting in which to worship and pray.

LAY COMMUNION MINISTERS

Lay people who help distribute Holy Communion at Mass and to the sick are called Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The word 'extraordinary' indicates that they are not the ordinary or usual ministers of communion - the ordained clergy.

The ministry was first established by Pope Paul VI in 1973. Because more people were now coming to Communion at Mass and it was being offered under both kinds, the distribution of Communion had become difficult for the clergy to manage alone. Also, when priests and deacons are unable to take Communion frequently to the sick and aged, lay ministers are needed to take on this ministry.

The role of special ministers is to serve the assembly by distributing the elements during the Communion Rite, so they are Ministers of Communion not 'ministers of the Eucharist' or 'eucharistic ministers'.

Communion ministers are carefully selected and commissioned by the parish. They are required to undertake liturgical and spiritual formation as well as practical training.

Qualities required of lay Communion Ministers include respect for the Mass and for all people, and ease in making contact with people with eyes, words and hands. Above all they need the capacity to be truly present to the other in that special moment of communion together as members of "The Body of Christ". - Elizabeth Harrington





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Once again thanks for your support which raised \$2,450 so far. Please remember you can still donate via the poor boxes in the church.

God bless , Noel Sweeney



A vocation View : Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

When the apostles were trying to reflect on their ministry, Jesus asked them to "come by yourselves to an out-of-theway place". Listening to God in guiet prayer is very important in vocational discernment. Listen to God's voice in an out-ofthe-way place. Please pray for Vocations. To find out more call 1300 133 544 or Follow us at @vocationbrisbane

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CONFIRMATION CEREMONY 6PM WEDNESDAY 28TH AUGUST



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