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MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

Saturday 5pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9am & 5pm (Spiritus)

CONFESSIONS
Saturday 8-8.50am
(Or by appointment)

BAPTISMS
10.30am, 2nd Sunday
of the Month.
(Baptism Preparation: 6pm,
first Thursday of the Month)

PARISH DIARY

Rising Youth Ministry
1-3pm, Sun 21 Feb
(in OLOF School Hall)

Bible Study
7-9pm, Mon 22 Feb
(OLOF Church)

First Holy Communion Class
6pm, Wed 24 Feb
(OLOF Church)

**Stations of the Cross
& Adoration**
7-8.30pm, Fri 26 Feb
(OLOF Church)

Bible Study
7-9pm, Mon 1 March
(OLOF Church)

First Holy Communion Class
6pm, Wed 3 March
(OLOF Church)

**Stations of the Cross
& Adoration**
7-8.30pm, Fri 5 March
(OLOF Church)

Awaken Prayer Evening
7pm, Sat 6 March
(OLOF Church)



FATIMA WEEKLY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

CATHOLIC PARISH

350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge QLD 4110

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: 21ST FEBRUARY 2021

PROPER OF THE MASS

First Reading: Gen 9:8-15; **Second Reading:** 1 Pet 3:18-22;
Gospel: Mark 1:12-15.

Hello everyone,

Today (Sunday 21 Feb) from 1-3pm, our young people are gathering again for **Rising Youth Ministry** in the school hall. I invite our young people to attend; this gathering is not to be missed. We're planning a big surprise for the children. It is going to be a gathering they will not forget. Come and learn about God, have fun and be filled with God's joy. It is a perfect time for the children to have a break from school and the busyness of life.

Last Saturday, about 35 volunteers at our Parish's **Working Bee-clean up day**. I didn't expect such a wonderful turn-out. We cleaned the hall (inside and under), the church, the tower, and trimmed the trees at the back of the church. Even though it was a hot day and work was hard, we all had a wonderful day. At lunch we shared some pizzas and sausages. The Tongan community even made a refreshing mango drink... and it was so tasty. There was a beautiful sense of community spirit. For myself, I got to know some of our parishioners personally. Thank you everyone.

Last Thursday, the Missionary of Charity Sisters began the Sacramental Programme for **First Holy Communion and Reconciliation**. There are 25 children enrolled for Holy Communion and 8 children enrolled for Reconciliation. The children will meet for 5 weeks of lessons on each Wednesday. The children will receive their First Holy Communion at the Vigil Mass on Saturday 27th March. Please keep these children in your prayers.

After a few days of work and careful discernment, Priya Mathai has resigned as **Parish Secretary**. She was not used to the type of work and found it was not what she expected. We thank Priya giving it go, and we wish her the very the best for the future.

ONLINE BOOKING FOR MASS IS ESSENTIAL

Last Sunday at the 9am Mass our Mass number exceeded the church's capacity number of **170 people**. As a result some people had to sit outside the church. Unfortunately the State Government does not allow anyone to sit outside the church while mass is on. Once the total capacity of the church is reached, extra people must be turned away. Breaking this rule will result in a heavy fine for the Parish and parishioners involved. Please pre-register on our website if you wish to attend mass.

Last Monday I celebrated **St Stephen's Opening School Mass** and I was invited to bless a beautiful icon of St Stephen, painted by one the staff, Natalie Gibbs. See the photo on the left.

Have a wonderful week, and enjoy your Lenten season.
God bless,

Fr Lam



PROJECT COMPASSION
BE MORE

First Sunday of Lent
21st February 2021

 **Caritas**
AUSTRALIA

Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access to emergency food, shelter, counseling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

COME JOIN THE FUN

Play, reading & school readiness

Toddler Tuesdays

CONNECT WITH YOUR COMMUNITY
DEVELOP SKILLS FOR LEARNING

EVERY TUESDAY DURING SCHOOL TERMS

FREE
9:00 AM TO 10:30 AM
THE LIBRARY, OUR LADY OF FATIMA
350 MORTIMER ROAD, ACACIA RIDGE

BRING A HAT & WATER BOTTLE (some morning tea provided)

CONTACT US TO FIND OUT MORE

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STATIONS of the CROSS
and Adoration

Every Friday, 7-8.30pm
Our Lady of Fatima, Acacia Ridge

Training of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Saturday 27th February 9.30am at OLOF.

For New and Old Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Please come for a refresher class and update on how to give communion during COVID-19, at Mass and at Nursing homes.

BIBLE STUDY

Jesus said:
"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."
—John 8:31-32

FEBRUARY 08TH MONDAY 7PM – 9PM
Our Lady of Fatima
350 Mortimer Rd, Acacia Ridge
RSVP – Ellen Tran 0488 22 0606

In transition

As a parish family we welcome into the church Luca Summer N. Abad who was baptised last Saturday. Congratulations!

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY

1-3PM, SUNDAY 21ST MARCH
OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHOOL HALL
350 Mortimer Road, Acacia Ridge
Register: hello@risingyouthministry.org

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING
27 FEBRUARY 2021

"WAKE UP, O SLEEPER, RISE FROM THE DEAD, AND CHRIST WILL SHINE ON YOU."
EPHESIANS 5:14

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING

LED BY INDIGENOUS CHRISTIAN LEADERS

SATURDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2021

This will be our ten-year celebration. The theme for 2021 is to "Awake to Christ." The scriptural theme is found in Ephesians 5:14, "Wake up sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

There is great power in unified prayer. Psalm 133 says "When brethren dwell together in unity... there the Lord commands a blessing even life for evermore." Church leaders Promo: <https://youtu.be/rIH427DYxhI>

The primary goal of the National Day of Prayer & Fasting (NDOPF) is to Glorify God!

"I Felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in a massive way. Overwhelming sense of peace and love" Emily.

"I felt being held and loved by Jesus" Margaret.

7PM, SATURDAY 6TH MARCH.
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Praise & Worship Talks & Healing
Facilitated by Steffanie Le & Fr Lam Vu



Photos from the Working Bee

Saturday 13th February 2021

