

**Twenty – Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time
Year B**

SUNDAY September 2 2012

Christian conversion is promoted by conversation

“The heart is deceitful above all others things.” Jer 17:9

I recently had dealings with a woman who had made a mess of her life - seriously. I heard some of her story. How accurate was the telling, I don't know but she had some things right: she had stuffed up and it was largely her fault. How Jesus must love that honesty. When she is ready to change, the solid foundation is there.

But what about us whose lives are built around religious practice? We, in the pews, need to ask ourselves how well our own consciences have been formed and could we respond with such honesty. Or do we too suffer some form of amnesia?

It seems to me that religious practice can be a distraction from the struggle with the evil in our hearts which Jesus presents as an integral aspect of belief in God. Interestingly in the Gospel, while Jesus practised as a Jew, he was not fussed about observances. In fact, he himself offered very few practices to his disciples, for example, the Our Father as a prayer and the celebration of Eucharist about which very few clear directions actually were given.

When Jesus describes the criteria for judgment on the Last Day, theology and practice don't get a mention. But clearly in this Sunday's Gospel, we are directed to a major concern in living our faith: the state of our heart. Jesus presents a list of formidable evils lurking there. Dealing with them will force us to be honest... and truly dependent on God for our salvation. “What God is concerned with is the human heart. If that is far from God, all the religious practices in the world are only lip-service.”

This is the first week-end of Spring in Queensland. Perhaps it is an opportune time for some 'spring-cleaning' in our lives. Perhaps we could ask ourselves how well have our consciences been formed? Are we living with some form of amnesia in our spiritual lives? Perhaps as we begin this wonderful season of growth and new life and do some 'spring-cleaning' we will become more honest and faith-filled people.

Sr Helen White - A reflection from the Benedictine Monastery Yeppoon

(Each week www.prayasyoucan.com.au offers reflections on Sunday's Readings)

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**St Joseph the Worker
Church**

44 Imperial Parade,
Labrador

Sunday Mass

7.00 am
8:30 am

Weekday Mass

Monday—7.00am
Wednesday—7.00am

**Guardian Angels'
Church**

99 Scarborough St
Southport

Saturday

6.00pm

Sunday Mass

7.00 am
10.00 am

Weekday Mass

Friday - 12.30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday - 4.30pm

**Mary Immaculate
Church**

31 Edmund Rice Drive
Ashmore

Sunday Mass

8:30 am & 6.00pm

Korean Mass

Sunday - 3.00pm.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - 9.00am
Thursday - 5.30pm



The Rite of Christian Initiation

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Do you know someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Church? We are about to begin this year's series of talks and discussions, so if you know anyone who would be interested, please contact Sr Lis at the Parish Office (5510 2222) or email: lis@scp.org.au

Parish Ministry Sign-up – Stewardship Month

Thank-you to the 38 parishioners who have thus far signed up for a ministry. Some have chosen a ministry for the first time, some have decided to take on an additional ministry, and some have decided to make a change and try something new! If you took a **Parish Ministry Commitment** form home with you, please place it on the collection plates this weekend. Due to the extremely positive response to certain areas of parish ministry we will seek to prioritise where ministries are in greatest need (i.e. which church/which mass). If you have chosen more than one ministry area, we will endeavour to accommodate you in at least one of these. Thank-you again for the wonderful way all parishioners have engaged with this Stewardship journey! Fr. Jason

Child Protection week

3-9th September 2012

Next Sunday, **9th September**, parishes throughout Australia will participate in Child Protection Sunday. Every Catholic is invited to be part of making the future safer for all children. Every family can be involved in building this safer future for children and young people. What could you do? How could your family help to make the future safer for all children?

Mary Immaculate St Vincent de Paul Conference

Thank you, Parishioners, for your continued generous support for our work. More than \$9000 was raised for our Conference from the Winter Appeal and Bunnings BarBQ – an absolutely inspiring effort! Thank so much for continuing to give to the Poor Box and to the Food Hamper collection bins in Labrador and Ashmore churches. Your gifts of basic foods – a can of tuna, beans or tomatoes, a pack of noodles, pasta or rice – reduce our hamper costs and free up funds to give that extra “hand up” in other areas.

During June and July our Conference made 61 home visits and spent 54 hours on the road. We assisted 156 people (50% children) using \$3,817 (mostly food; some clothes, furniture and medication). For families who cannot pay their electricity bills we assist them in dealing with their supplier to access the emergency assistance, hardship and energy saver schemes. In October our members will undertake basic budgeting training so that we can help families identify “money leaks” and better manage their spending.

The recently formed St Vincent de Paul Aquinas College Conference has the full support of our Conference. The students are keen to take up social justice activities, living their faith and prayer through working hard to help those in need. They ran the school Winter Appeal resulting in several big bins of non-perishable food and large bags of warm clothes and bedding that gave warmth and nourishment to the many families in need that we visited over Winter. More projects are underway!

You are good stewards putting your faith into action through your practical support of St Vincent de Paul good works. We thank you and keep you and your families in our prayers.

Catholic Charismatic Prayer Meeting

It's 3rd Sunday and it's time to gather after the mass! 11:30AM-1:30PM at Guardian Angels Church, Southport. Enjoy and be connected with God through singing praise & worship songs, be nourished with Christian teachings and be connected with others by sharing your faith & experiences during group discussion & fellowship over a light lunch. Contact Len (CFC) -0438724053 for any inquiries.

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations

On **Sunday, 16th September** at the 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate, Ashmore, we will be having a special blessing for those celebrating a significant Wedding Anniversary. If it is your **1st, 25th, 50th, 60th, 65th, 70th, or 75th** Wedding Anniversary this year, please contact Sr Elisabeth at the Parish Office (5510 2222 or lis@scp.org.au) We would love to share in your celebration.

Annual Catholic Mission Appeal

On the weekend of September 8/9.

In a few weeks, when you make your donation, please remember that you are being asked to give, just as Jesus gave of Himself. On behalf of those who will receive assistance with your generosity, we give thanks. David McGovern, Director, Brisbane Archdiocese.

From the Pews

Julanne Shearer, one of our long term parishioners is currently directing the musical **Fiddler on the Roof** at the Gold Coast Little Theatre. This marks the 50th year Julanne has been a director for community theatre in Queensland. Well known for her theatrical productions she has devoted many years of her life to the development and advancement of community theatres in several towns in Queensland because she believes having a creative outlet enriches and enhances people's lives. In this production of Fiddler on the Roof, the leading role of Tevye, the poor Jewish milkman is led by Stuart Lumsden from Guardian Angels School, and Tevye's wife Golde is played by Surfers Paradise parishioner, Suzanne Randazzo. Fiddler on the Roof is playing at the Gold Coast Little Theatre in Scarborough St, Southport from **1 September 2012 to 29 September 2012**.

Sharing as a Community

Australian Christian Meditation Community Qld invites you to join them on **Saturday 8 September 2012**

9.30 am – 2.00 pm

An opportunity to share with each other and discuss various aspects of the Community with:

Pauline Peters on what is happening in the World Community at the moment;

Kath Houston what the Community can provide to enrich your spiritual journey;

Gabby Nelson with an overview of Father Laurence's “Vision of the Community”.

Morning tea will be served at 9.30am. Please bring a plate of finger food to share for lunch.

Where: Holy Spirit School hall, 36 Villiers Street, New Farm.

Parking: is in the streets around the school – there is none in the school grounds.

Suggested donation: \$10 (morning tea included)

For any queries contact: Gabby Nelson Email:

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Catholic Women's League

The monthly meeting of the Southport Branch of the Catholic Women's League will be held on Friday 7th September at 11am in the meeting room at Guardian Angels Church, Southport, followed by Mass and lunch. New members welcome. Tel. 55392707

The members of the Catholic Women's League wish to thank all who supported our cake stall on Sunday last, a special thank you to those non members who donated baking. We are thrilled to report we raised over \$300.



Today we welcome into our Parish Family

George Rupert Alderson son of James & Alison Alderson
Bailey Grace King daughter of Toby King & Belinda Lark

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE JOURNEYED TO THE FATHER.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Joan Murphy, Sr Mary Benignus rsm, Norah Baker, Francesca Stack, Danny Byrne, Lynnette Collins

ANNIVERSARIES: Roy Bevan, Kurian Abraham, Mary Osborne, Bob Sullivan.

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Matthew Davidson, Dianne Wilkinson, Patricia Davitt, Garry O'connell, Sue Stewart, Belinda Boucher-Smith, Bob Amos, Monica Donaghy, Alice Ferrero, Pamela May, Graham Patterson, Paul Millgate, Christine Wheldon, Eddie Doherty, George Owens, Jacob Redman, Isla Dodge, Ken Knowles, Jacinta Crohan, Margaret Young, Sheila Grieve, Ray Jarrett, Carmel Donnelly, Anne Volp, Bill Farmer, Pricilla Bussac, Andrew McCurdy, Nicole Elliott, Lisa Magill, Marie Hancock, Michael Hammond, Brent Pratt, Carol Little, Joan Martin, Vickie Hall, Teresa Taylor, Angela Taylor, Gie Ubaldo, Mary Ng, Harry Gordon, Frank Bosmans, Tim Howard, Brian Kerwin, Bernadette Towson, Terry Buggy, Tracy Howard, Don Hautz.

Lord Grant your people your protection and grace. Give them health of mind and body. Amen.

Art Religion and Spirituality in Australia

On Sunday October 7 (after the holiday break) at 2pm at the Francis Rush Centre, distinguished art identity and author of **THE BLAKE BOOK, Art Religion and Spirituality in Australia** will give a public lecture. Sister Rosemary Crumlin RSM AOM will discuss with illustrations what Art can reveal about our social history in **THEY TELL US OUR STORIES**. Booking at \$10 from bethbel@bigpond.com OR Ph 33433289. Seating is limited so early booking is advised. Charlotte Street car park will be open. Copies of The Blake Book will be available for signing.

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR—2012

1st-3rd Thursday each month Lectio Divina

Cenacles 6pm in the Mary Immaculate Library.

First Sunday of each Month: Morning Tea at the "Annex" St Joseph the Worker, Labrador after 8.30am Mass

Each First and Third Sunday of the Month: Charismatic Prayer Meeting, Guardian Angels Church, 11.30am Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

September 16, Sunday: Wedding Anniversary Mass 8.30am Mary Immaculate.

October 18, Thursday: Ministers Commissioning Mass, 5.30pm Mary Immaculate.

November 18, Sunday: Fr Keith Turnbull's 60th anniversary of ordination Mass, Mary Immaculate 8.30am

November 29, Thursday: Mass of Remembrance, 5.30pm Mary Immaculate.

Novena and Mass

There will be Novena at 6.00pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador on next Wednesday, September 5.

Know Your Parish

Make sure you check the Parish website www.scp.org.au

Under the heading of **Ministries**—these pages hold a wealth of information and you are strongly encouraged to find a ministry that you think you could contribute to in the service of the parish and wider community.

COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS: If you have a cold or flu symptoms (or any other communicable disease, cold sores etc.) you **MUST NOT** receive communion from the Chalice and it would be advisable to receive the host in the hand and not on the tongue, while your symptoms persist.

Prayer for the Protection of all Children

Lord,

You asked that the little children

Be allowed to come to you;

For it is such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

You entrust them to the care and protection of our communities of faith. Guide us as we strive to ensure that our Catholic communities

Provide a safe environment for each child.

We pray especially for all those who have been harmed In their childhood.

Give them the courage in facing the past and lead them To your healing protection.

Our Lady's Birthday

"Saturday 8th of September Birthday of Our Lady" celebration at the Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians Marian Valley and, Thursday the 13th of September (Fatima day). Bus will leave Sacred Heart at 0815am. For bookings please call Viviane on 07 55 359623.

Come to the Movies

Cherish Life Qld has 20 tickets available for the movie 'October Baby' - showing at Loganholme cinemas on **Monday 3rd September, 6:30pm.**

More tickets can be ordered if you want to bring a large group 'October Baby' is a movie with a pro-life message and it is only showing for one night

Tickets are \$15 - (\$1 donation from every ticket goes to Cherish Life) Please pre-purchase (if possible) your tickets with Jade or RSVP as soon as possible 0423 372 338 let me know you will bring payment on the night.

check out the link http://www.fiveoavesmedia.com/index.php/title/view/october_baby

KOREAN MASS

During September the Korean Masses at Mary Immaculate 3pm will be celebrated by Frs. Peter, Jose or Jason

Bus Trip

On Wednesday the 10th October, Northern Rivers of NSW. Tickets will be available at all Masses on the 23rd & 30th Sept, please bring correct amount. Cheques made to Catholic Women's League. Price: \$45 inclusive. Please call Pat for bookings 55395849

HYMNS



PRAISE TO YOU O CHRIST

(Bernadette Farrell)

Refrain:

***Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

You are the Word who calls us out
of darkness;
You are the Word who leads us into light;
You are the Word who brings us through
the desert:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **R.**

You are the one whom prophets hoped
and longed for;
You are the one who speaks to us today;
You are the one who leads us
to our future:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **R.**

You are the Word who calls us
to be servants;
You are the Word whose only law is love;
You are the Word made flesh who lives
among us:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **R.**

GLORY TO GOD (Mass Shalom)

Refrain:

***Glory to God in the highest, and on
earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father. **R**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand
of the Father, have mercy on us. **R**

For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father. **R** **Amen**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The one who does justice will live in the
presence of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE

(music only)

HOLY HOLY HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your
glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

When we eat this bread and drink
this cup, we proclaim your Death, O
Lord, until you come again.

AMEN

Amen, Amen,

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION PROCESSION ON EAGLE'S WINGS (Michael Joncas)

You who dwell in the shelter
of the Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

REFRAIN:

***And he will raise you up
on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his
hand.***

The snare of the fowler
will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. **R**

You need not fear the terror
of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come. **R**

For to his angels he's given
a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will
bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone. **R.**

GATHER US O GOD

Gather us, O God,
Body, spirit, soul and mind.
Gather us, O God.
One in union now with You.

RECESSIONAL

LOVE IS HIS WORD

Love is his word,
Love is his way,
Feasting with all,
Fasting alone
Living and dying, rising again,
Love only love is his way.

Refrain:

***Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
Better than splendour and wealth.***

Love is his way,
Love is his mark,
Sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at his table host to the twelve
Love only love is his mark. **R**

Love is his mark,
Love is his sign,
Bread for our strength,
Wine for our joy.
'This is my body, this is my blood.'
Love only love is his sign. **R**

Love is his sign,
Love is his news,
'Do this,' he said, 'lest you forget
All my deep sorrow, all my deep blood.'
Love only love is his news. **R**

**THE WORD OF THE LORD FOR
NEXT SUNDAY
Isaiah 35:4-7
James 2:1-5
Mark 7:31-37**

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