

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR C**

SUNDAY April 28 2013

ALL WILL KNOW YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

Most of us get a pile of junk mail every week. Included among these is usually a pile of catalogues. Open them up, and frequently sprawled across a product will be the letters NEW! –often printed in bright red, very large letters. The advertising ploy is that by simply being new, customers will be enticed to buy. Some people have a drive to ‘keep up with the Jones’s.’ Whatever the newest gimmick is, they have to have it. The computer industry is fond of telling us that our brand new computer is really obsolete by the time we get it home and set up. So how long does ‘new’ really last? This Sunday’s gospel tells us that some new things last forever!

The ‘new’ commandment Jesus gives will last as long as Jesus himself loves. Last Sunday’s Good Shepherd gospel assures us his love will last through eternity. In this Sunday’s gospel Jesus speaks of his impending departure (‘I will be with you only a little while longer’), but his love for us and his command that we love one another in the same way remain forever.

There are two characteristics to the love with which disciples are to love one another. First, the standard and model of love is Jesus himself: ‘As I have loved you...’ and Jesus ‘loved his own in the world and he loved them to the end’: ‘the end’ is his death. The love demonstrated in the washing of the feet anticipates Jesus’ ultimate act of love on the cross. This is what is ‘new’ about the command: it is Jesus himself, in his life, service and self-giving unto death, who models what it means to love one another. Second, on a practical level, disciples express love in service to one another. This is different from the once-for-all love of Jesus on the cross and, in a sense, is harder because such service requires a daily laying down of one’s wishes, needs, and desires for the sake of the other.

‘This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another’. By our own self-sacrificing love, we are the presence of the risen Christ for others. Christian living is to love as Jesus loved, to be the risen Christ for others. By loving as Jesus did, we are transformed, and so is all the world. And this newness will last forever.

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St Joseph the Worker Church
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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
Every last Saturday 6pm
Tuesday 7pm

Weekday Mass
Tuesday - 9.00am
Thursday - 5.30pm

CALLING ALL GOLFERS 2013 PARISH GOLF DAY

COLONIAL GOLF CLUB—SUNDAY JULY 14 2013
Tee off at 12.noon sharp—Registration from 11.00

It's time to dust off those golf clubs, grab a partner and come along to the 2013 Parish Golf Day! Don't have a handicap? NO PROBLEMS. We can allocate you one on the day, it's all about enjoying the outdoors while playing golf at one of Australia's premier resort golf courses.

Here are the details...

Date: Sunday July 14 2012.
The Colonial Golf Course
Paradise Springs Avenue
Robina.

Competition: 2 person Ambrose
(single person entres
will be paired into
Teams of 2)

Cost/inclusions \$60 per person
18 holes of golf
Electric Cart
Dinner—Presentation

EVERYBODY is welcome, please RSVP and pre-pay your place in the field with: **Roger Fish**
email: khfishandson@gmail.com Phone 0419 224 405

Entries close on Sunday, July 7 2013. The field size is limited, so it will be first in first served.

Prize Sponsorship: If you would like to sponsor a Hole or donate a Prizes for a range of competitions on the day, let Roger know what you would like to donate to help make this a special Parish Day.

STEWARDSHIP—EXPLORE THE CALL TO MISSION

What's Stewardship?

It's what you do after you say 'I Believe'

A series of presentations on Discipleship, preparing people of faith for the challenges of being the Church in the modern world. Grow in understanding of our faith and the call to do something about it.

Mondays 9.00am to 11.30am or 6.30pm to 8.30 pm at the Hospitality Centre, Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters

Last Monday's Adult faith Formation sessions were well attended, and those present were treated to an excellent presentation by Sr Anne Surtees OSU on the prayerful discernment of God's call.

Our series continues tomorrow Monday with.

April 29: "Embodying Truth Welcome and Inclusion"

Dr Anthony Gooley

Wednesday May 1. Theology of Ecology. One session 7-8.30pm

May 6: "The Call to Social Justice" Mr Peter Arndt.

May 13: "The New Evangelisation" Fr Anthony Melior

Register for any or all of these sessions.

Surfers Paradise Parish 55 725 433 or

email surfers@bne.catholic.net.au

PARISH MUSICAL PLAYGROUP

How grateful we are for the extra room in the Parish Resource Centre at Ashmore. Our first session for Term 2 was a happy group of 21 parents, and 25 children. It was wonderful to welcome so many new faces. Many thanks for all the donations. We still would love a highchair, couch/armchair, children's chairs and tables. The focus of the group is on music and play but just as important is building a warm community. It would be great if we could have an intergenerational team to welcome and serve parents and in turn be blessed by the little children whom Jesus loved so much. To this end we seek two more volunteers to join our roster on a fortnightly basis. One to WELCOME at the door from 8.30am to 9.15am, the other to help serve at morning tea about 9.45am. Also a few more people to provide baking on a fortnight or monthly basis would be wonderful. Any enquiries to Theresa Vossen ctvossen@me.com 0423 743616

WELCOME—Father Robert Doohan

Father Doohan will be joining us next week on loan from the Archdiocese of Sydney. He is one of six children, born in Sydney, raised in many different parts of Australia and Malaysia as part of an Army family. He completed his education in Brisbane and studied to become a Primary School Teacher. Over the next 20 years he worked as a teacher in Queensland, New South Wales and the United Kingdom. Father has family living in Brisbane. He started to prepare for the Priesthood in 2005 and was ordained at the age of 47, on June 11 2010, at St Mary's Cathedral Sydney by Cardinal George Pell, along with five other men. Cardinal Pell noted that this was the highest number of ordinations in one day since 1985. His initial appointment was to Mortlake but in recent time has been the Administrator of St Finbar Catholic Parish, San Souci.

YOUR PARISH

The family of God

It is necessary that in light of the faith all rediscover the true meaning of the parish, that is, the place where the very "mystery" of the Church is present and at work, even if at times it is lacking personal means, even if at other times it might be scattered over vast territories or almost not to be found in crowded and chaotic modern sections of cities. The parish is not principally a structure, a territory, or a building, but rather, "the family of God, a fellowship afire with a unifying spirit", "a familial and welcoming home", the "community of the faithful". Plainly and simply, the parish is founded on a theological reality, because it is a Eucharistic community.

NEVER CEASE PRAYING

"I pray every day for perseverance in the faith," said my elderly neighbour. Mrs Jamison. This was puzzling, because why would a lovely woman who has been devoted to her family and her Catholic faith all her life, a daily communicant and a member of the Rosary Society who still gave money to the missions, be worried about losing her faith? Surely at the age of 90, with a track record like that, you can start to take some things for granted.

Years later, appreciating the wisdom of this holy woman and with the zeal of youth we never doubt that our faith would carry us through for life. We make that commitment every day. Or do we?

With the passage of time and the strain of trials, we are more conscious now of our own vulnerability. The key to faith is not our own effort but God's grace. It is not self-reliant strength but our utter dependence on God that will keep us faithful to the end. Which is why – whether we are 19 or 90 – we must never cease praying for the gift of faith.

Thank you Mrs Jamison for your wisdom

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

PREPARATION

Children preparing for the sacraments in May are reminded of their final "Come and See" gathering in the parish resource centre. This essential session will be from 9.30am to 12 noon on Saturday, May 11. Children are invited to bring their "Confirmation and First Eucharist" books and a snack to "Come and See" on Saturday May 11.

MARIAN VALLEY CANUNGRA

Come and celebrate Fatima Day at Marian Valley, Canungra On Monday, May 13. Bus will leave Sacred Heart Church, Fairways Drive, Clear Island Waters at 8.15am. For bookings please call Viviane on 55 359 623. Also remember the feast of Our Lady Help of Christians on Friday, May 24.



Today we welcome into our Parish Family

Ava Roberta Cassar, daughter of, Peter and Amanda Cassar
Adrian Thomas Moore, son of Shane Moore and Nerise Lee.
Gabriel Karl Meinhold, son of Peter Stephen Meinhold and
Adeline Charnley.
Riley James Carlson, son of James and Julie Coe

Romana and Kiera Karavaeva, children of Alex and Valerie Karavaeva

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ellen Brewer, Keith Smith, Bishop William Murray, John Morris, Frances Ouston

ANNIVERSARY: Francisca Rico, Dulcie McMahon, Jack Sheppard, Philip and Carmen Zammit, Muriel Ranger.
Sarah Ellen Morrow.

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Gary O'Connell, Ross McAlpine, Jim Oliffe, George Ovens, Iris Rogers and family. Bernadette Gaspard, Matthew Byrne, Queenie Powers, Arthur Hocking, Glenda Donovan Helga Gaspar, Keith Smith, Angela Taylor, Tracy Howard, Michael Skinner, Tim Howard, John Henry, Gary O'Connell, Ross McAlpine, Will Connell, Arthur and Peter McConnell, Lyn Maranta, Natalie Silver-Oyarzun, Gloria Gaskin, Sharon Fraser, Lyn Cooper, Merv Warren, Christopher Mendoza, Mikki Holden, Simon Crestani, Jane Garcia.

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

THIS WEEKS SAINTS

Monday, April 29 St Catherine of Siena

A fiery young lay Dominican of great personal charm, a theologian and a mystic (who had visions beginning at the age of seven), and a gifted, highly influential woman of her time. Suffering great physical pain, she lived for long intervals on practically no food save the Blessed Sacrament. Catherine counselled popes and emperors before dying at the young age of thirty three years.

Thursday, 6, May 2 St Athanasius

Born in Alexandria, Egypt, Athanasius has been acclaimed as the greatest champion of Catholic belief on the subject of the Incarnation that the Church has ever known and in his lifetime earned the title of 'Father of Orthodoxy'. He attended the Council of Nicea in 325 where he fought for the defeat of Arianism and acceptance of the divinity of Jesus.

Friday, May 3 Sts Philip and James

Philip is listed in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke as one of the Apostles. He was called by Jesus himself and brought Nathanael to Christ. Philip was present at the miracle of the lives and fishes, when he engaged in a brief dialogue with the Lord, and was the Apostle approached by the Hellenistic **Jews** from Bethsaida to introduce them to Jesus.

James was a Galilean fisherman working with his brother, John, and his father, Zebedee, until called by Jesus. Apart from Simon Peter, James and John were the only apostles to whom Jesus gave a special name: Sons of Thunder. James, with Peter and John, held a special place among the Apostles, being chosen by Jesus to accompany him on a number of occasions including the raising of the daughter of Jairus, The Transfiguration, and in the Garden of Gethsemane.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A weekend away for married couples in peaceful picturesque surroundings—away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset...Your Marriage!

This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again.

Weekend May 24-26 at Santa Teresa, Ormiston

For bookings and details contact:

Tamara and Scott Menteith, Phone 4634 3559 or email stamen@aapt.net.au

MIGRATION SERVICE

St Vincent de Paul Migration Advice Service offers free visa advice to needy people. Call 0487 374 858 between 6.00pm and 9.00pm, Monday to Friday for an appointment.

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2013

1st & 3rd Thursday, each month Lectio Divina Canacles 6-7pm Mary Immaculate Church Library.

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

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

Monday, **April 29**, Aquinas College new enrolment meeting.

Friday, **May 17**, Miller's Fashion Parade 10.00am at De Paul Manor all welcome.

Thursday, **May 23**, Confirmation will be celebrated.

Thursday, **May 23**, BIG MORNING TEA at De Paul Manor Sunday, **May 26**, Children will receive First Eucharist.

Sunday, **July 14**, Parish Golf Day.

Sunday, **July 21**, ARTICO Ensemble will present a Concert in Mary Immaculate Church. 'M' for Mozart

BIBLICAL QUIZ

Last weeks question: **Many of what have "entered into the world"** Answer: Deceivers. Today's Gospel is from John Question: **Who is named as refusing to acknowledge John's authority and talking wicked nonsense?**

BIG BREAKFAST AT BERNIE'S PLACE

It's on again, on Saturday May 4.

The Big Breakfast at Bernie's Place.

commencing at 7.30am at 8 Reynolds Avenue, Labrador.

Funds raised go to the Hamlin Fistula Hospital and the Franciscan Missionaries of our Lady, centres in Ethiopia.

Call Judy on 56 795 370 or Katherine on 55321 939

WORTH A SMILE

While shaking hands with the priest after Mass, Mrs Jones noticed that he had a rather bad cut on his face. "Why Father what happened? How did you cut your face?", she asked. "Well I was thinking about my sermon this morning while I was shaving," the priest replied. "I guess I wasn't concentrating and cut myself in the process." "That's too bad," Mrs Jones replied, "Next time you should concentrate on your shaving and cut your sermon."

ROSARY AND NOVENA

There will be Rosary and Novena at 6.00pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador next Wednesday, May 1.

May God bless you, keep you strong and help you with your crosses. Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Capo 3: (A) C (Asus4) Csus4 (A) C (D) F (G) Bb (Em) Gm (A) C

I will praise your name for ev - er, my king and my God.

HYMNS

A NEW

COMMANDMENT I GIVE UNTO YOU

A new commandment I give unto you,
That you love one another
as I have loved you,
That you love one another
as I have loved you.
By this shall all know that you are
My disciples,
if you have love one for another.
By this shall all know that you are
My disciples,
if you have love one for another.

GLORY TO GOD

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**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise your name forever, my king
and my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Your Words, lord, are Spirit and life; You
have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**THE WORD OF THE LORD
FOR NEXT SUNDAY
Acts 15:1-2.22-29
Revelations 21:10-14.22-23
John 14:23-29**

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GIFTS PROCESSION

TO BE YOUR BREAD by David Haas;
Arrangement by Marty Haugen)

Refrain

**To be your bread now,
be your wine now,
Lord, come and change us,
to be a sign of your love.
Blest and broken,
poured and flowing,
Gift that you gave us,
to be your body once again.**

We come to your table with our lives
as they are.

Heal us, Lord, for we are broken,
Make us one again. **R**

Lord, we stumble through the
darkness of night,
Lead us now, O Lord, we follow,
Bring us home to you. **R**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world,
For by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

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

OUR SUPPER INVITATION

Take of my bread and eat,
drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live,
branch of my vine.
Let me befriend you now;
eat, take your fill.
Don't be afraid to dream;
love has its will.

Take up your burden now,
walk 'til you find
Just what the journey means;
walk while there's time.
Food for the journey will answer
your need.
Don't be afraid to walk;
love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat,
drink my new wine.

Be a sweet nourishment
to good friends of mine.
Let me befriend you now;
eat, take your fill.
Share with your people,
that love has its will.

Take of my bread and eat,
drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.

COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY

Refrain:

**We are companions on the journey,
Breaking Bread and sharing life;
And in the love we bear is the hope we
share
for we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God.**

No longer strangers to each other,
No longer strangers in God's House;
We are fed and we are nourished
by the strength of those who care,
By the strength of those who care. **R**

We have been gifted with each other,
And we are called by the Word of the Lord:
To act with justice, to love tenderly
And to walk humbly with our God,
To walk humbly with our God. **R**

We will seek and we shall find;
We will knock and the door will be opened;
We will ask and it shall be given
For we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God. **R**

RECESSIONAL

A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD.

Refrain:

**Create a new heart, Holy Lord,
beckon our lives through your word,
Open our eyes to your call,
united as one for your world.
Heighten our minds to your thoughts,
heal us of pride and of hurt,
May we go forth in your name.
We pray our hearts change.**

The heart of the cross, lowly and poor,
calls us on.

Lord, it is you promising hope,
promising truth. **R**

Restless, the hearts who yearn
for your peace in this land.
Deepen the dream. Justice brings life,
justice redeems. **R**

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