

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR C**

SUNDAY April 7 2013

Divine Mercy Sunday

The disciples were afraid...

After Jesus was crucified, the disciples were afraid and locked themselves in a room 'for fear of the Jews'. When Jesus appeared to the disciples on the evening of His resurrection He calmed their fears with His reassuring words: "Peace be with you". In today's Gospel, Saint John tells us that the disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord and He said to them again: "Peace be with you".

Yesterday, I listened to an interview with a member of a United States Space Station flying thousands of kilometres above the earth. The interviewer asked the man, a former test-pilot, "what makes you afraid?" Immediately the man replied, "the unexpected". Next the interviewer asked; "when you were a pilot testing all those new planes, what made you afraid?" Again the man replied, "the unexpected". Then the interviewer asked his final question; "how do you deal with fear?"

I felt they were two very appropriate questions for me to ponder in this the first week of the Easter Season. "What makes me afraid?" and "How do I deal with fear?" Some people I know are afraid of spiders. Some people are afraid of heights. Some people are afraid of losing loved ones. Many people are afraid of losing their job or of losing their home. "What makes you afraid?" and "how do you deal with fear?"

A few days ago, I read Pope Francis' Easter homily. Our new Pope seemed to focus on how people respond when something completely new and unexpected happens! Pope Francis stated: "newness often makes us fearful, including the newness which God brings us, the newness which God asks of us. We are like the Apostles in the Gospel; often we would prefer to hold on to our own security...We are afraid of God's surprises! He always surprises us! The Lord is like that."

In his Easter homily, Pope Francis recommended his way for us to deal with our fears. "Let the risen Jesus enter your life, welcome Him as a friend, with trust: He is life! If up till now you have kept Him at a distance, step forward. He will receive you with open arms. If you have been indifferent, take a risk: you won't be disappointed. If following Him seems difficult, don't be afraid, trust Him, be confident that He is close to you, He is with you and He will give you the peace you are looking for and the strength to live as He would have you do."

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St Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade,
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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



YOU ARE NOW IN A PLACE OF SACRED SILENCE

Why there should be silence in church

The Church says so. Paragraph 45 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal states: "Even before the celebration itself, it is commendable that silence be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose of themselves to carry out the sacred action in a devout and fitting manner."

PLEASE RESPECT THOSE WHO WISH TO PRAY

ODD JOBS IN OUR PARISH

Each week we will make you aware of jobs in our parish that need a volunteer to undertake. Being the good stewards that you are, we call on your time and talent to volunteer for these jobs.

So far we have been successful in finding someone to look after the planters at the entrance to Mary Immaculate church. A Parish Photographer. A person to produce DVD's for each Sunday of the month at St Joseph the Worker church, and Sister Helen sends a very BIG thank you to all parishioners who volunteered for last weeks job of Data Entry. Sister now has sufficient volunteers. So watch this space for another way to help in our parish community.

MASS FOR YOU AT HOME

Network Ten presently broadcasts *Mass For You At Home* on Channel 10 on Sundays at 6.00am.

Network Ten has advised that from Sunday April 7 *Mass For You At Home* will be broadcast throughout Australia in both city and regional areas on Channel 11 at 5.30am.

The website for *Mass For You At Home* www.mfyah.com.au The most recent Sunday Mass is available for viewing at any time.

It is also timely to note our own Archdiocese has a weekly webcast of the Sunday 10.00am Mass at the Cathedral. To view this Mass on line go to

www.bne.catholic.net.au/webcast



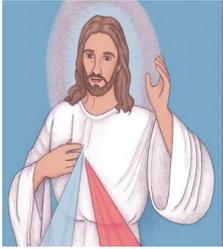
OPEN DAY AT THE MANOR

De Paul Manor OPEN DAY on Saturday April 13, from 9.00am to 1.00pm will be the last opportunity for the public to take

advantage of the \$50,000 reduction in price on selected 2 and 2.5 bedroom apartments. The apartments will move back to their original price on April 15. To find out more visit the website www.depaulmanorestate.com.au or come along to the OPEN DAY or contact the Sales Coordinator on 1300732 306 for a private inspection.

WOMEN HAVE ROLE AS WITNESSES SAYS POPE

Pope Francis spoke at his general Audience about the fundamental role of women in the Church. He said women have a particular responsibility to tell people about the Resurrection. He added that women were the first to encounter the risen Jesus, something he compared to the simple witness of the shepherds at the Nativity. He said women's roles in the Gospel narrative were often overlooked and that only the Apostles were remembered as witnesses to the Resurrection. "In the Gospel, however, women have a primary, fundamental role," he said. Pope Francis said Jesus decision to reveal himself first to women made gospel accounts of the Resurrection more credible because, at that time women's testimony would have been considered unreliable. "This is beautiful," he said. "This is the mission of women, of mothers and women to give witness to their children and grandchildren that Christ is risen! Mothers go forward with this witness."



THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, we are celebrating **Divine Mercy Sunday**.

The Feast of Divine Mercy, is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ as revealed by Christ Himself to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the

entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina. A plenary indulgence is granted on the Feast of Divine Mercy to all the faithful who go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father. The Lord is also sending us out to bring to everyone His peace, which is founded on Penance and Reconciliation. How deeply humanity needs to experience the effectiveness of God's mercy in these times marked by growing uncertainty and violent conflicts. May Mary, Mother of Christ... Help us be witnesses and apostles of His infinite mercy.

YOUR CHILDREN

Your children are the greatest gift God will give to you, and their souls the heaviest responsibility he will place in your hands. Take time with them, teach them to have faith in God. Be a person in whom they can have faith. When you are old, nothing else you've done will have mattered as much.

VACANCIES

Southport Catholic Parish Child Care Centre.

The Southport Catholic Child Care Centre aims to provide high quality care and education for children in their pre-school years that attend the service.

Currently they have vacancies in:

Toddler Room 15 months to 2 1/2 years. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Junior Kids Room 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 years; Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

Kindergarten Room 3 to 5 years; Monday, Wednesday and Friday (Government Approved Kindergarten Program)

Please contact the Director, Brenda Fabri on 55 648 537 to make appointment to visit the centre or for more information.

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

Five Excellent Presenters.

April 15: "It's all about Baptism" Sr Mary Franzmann PVBM

April 22: "Prayerful Discerning God's Gifts to You"

Sr Anne Surtees OSU

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

It seems that a PYX has gone missing from St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador. Would the person who borrowed it please return it to the church.



Today we welcome into our Parish Family

Levi Clinton McGoldrick, son of
Clinton and Karleylee McGoldrick

Sabistian Lee Streater Mc Pherson, son of
Dale Streater and Nicole McPherson

Maximillian Quinn, son of Maria and Daniel Quinn

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Alejandro Vallejo

ANNIVERSARY: Collene Cook, Peter Stanfield, Jim Whitefield, Divichi Burmingham

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Keith Smith, Angela Taylor, Tracy Howars, Michael Skinner, Tim Howard, John Henry, Gary O'Connell, Ross McApline, Will Connell, Arthur and Peter McConnell, Lyn Maranta, Natalie Silver-Oyarzun, Gloria Gaskin, Sharon Fraser, Lyn Cooper, Merv Warren, Christopher Mendoza, Kathy O' Neill, Mikki Holden, Simon Crestani, Jane Garcia, Patrick Guillon, Norma Bailey, Jacqueline Melvold, Fay James,

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

Parishioners are reminded that names of our friends who are sick will only remain on the Sick List for one month. If further prayers are required, please contact the Parish Office each month

THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

Monday, April 8 The Annunciation of the Lord

The Feast of the Annunciation, one of the most important in the Church calendar, celebrates the actual Incarnation of Our Saviour, the Word made flesh in the womb of his mother, Mary. In Luke 1:26-38 the Gospel writer describes the angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that she is to become the mother of the Incarnation of God: 'Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.' Mary's response to God's will 'Let it be done in me according to thy word.'

Thursday, April 11 St Stanislaus

St Stanislaus, as Bishop of Cracow, admonished the King of Poland, Boleslaw II, for his cruelty and immorality and eventually excommunicated him. The king was furious and ordered his guards to kill the saint. When the guards dared not to touch the Bishop, Boleslaw killed him while he was celebrating Mass.

"WORTH A SMILE"

Two Irishmen were waiting at the bus stop when a truck went past loaded up with rolls of turf. Jimmy said, "I'm gonna do that when I win the lottery." What's that then?" asked Mickey, "Send my lawn away to be mowed."

BIG BREAKFAST AT BERNIE'S PLACE

It's on again, on Saturday May 4.

The Big Breakfast at Burnie'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

GUIDES AND WELCOMERS

The Cathedral of St Stephens is conducting their annual request for volunteers to assist in guiding and welcoming at the Cathedral. Requirements are for approximately 3 hours a month, Monday to Friday, both morning and afternoon times are available. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn about the rich history of the Cathedral and the Cathedral Precinct. An information session will be held in the Francis Rush Centre on Saturday, April 27, commencing at 10.00am. Cathedral car park will be Available. If you are interested please contact Carmel Devery on 3336 9112 or email devery@bne.catholic.net.au

MINISTERS ROSTERS

We are about to prepare the rosters for the next three months, June, July and August. If you are not available to take your place on the roster during this time please let the parish office know before April 24

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Jesus said to them again, peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (John 20:21) peace—the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world to share His peace and Good News, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. We should look for opportunities to share His peace with our brothers and sisters not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well, in giving, each of us as Christian stewards will receive the peace of Christ.

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.

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

Sunday, **May 26**, Children will receive First Eucharist.

Sunday, **July 14**, Parish Gold day.

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

BIBLICAL QUIZ

Last weeks question: **Who was chosen to replace Judas as a disciple..** Answer: Matthias. Today's second reading is from Revelations. Question: **How many trumpets were held by the angels?**

DO YOU KNOW

There were only 4765 nuns in Australia last year compared with 12,619 in 1976 and a peak of 14,622 in 1966. The number of nuns has dropped to its lowest level since 1901, when there were 3622. Catholic Religious Australia surveys show the number of nuns has decreased by 63 per cent since the mid 1970s and about 70per cent since the peak in the mid 60s. Between 1997 and 2008 only 206 women became nuns and 42 of these resigned by 2009. An average Of 160 nuns died in each of these years. The current median age is 74 years and 94 per cent are aged over 50.

QUOTE

What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God.
Fr Hans Balthasar

HYMNS

BAPTIZED IN WATER

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit.
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise.
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit.
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
One with his rising, freed and forgiven,
Thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit.
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:
Born of one Father, we are his children.
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

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

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his
love is everlasting

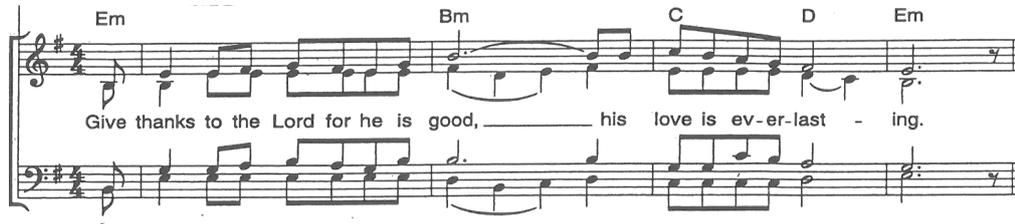
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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 5:27-32,40-41
Revelations 5:11-14
John 21:1-19**



GIFTS PROCESSION

GATHER YOUR PEOPLE (Bob

Hurd)

Refrain:

Gather your people, O Lord.

Gather your people, O Lord.

**One bread, one body,
one spirit of love.**

Gather your people, O Lord.

Draw us forth to the table of life:
Brothers and sisters, each of us called
to walk in your light. **R**

We are parts of the body of Christ,
Needing each other, each of the gifts
the Spirit provides. **R**

Wash us, Lord, in the waters of life;
Waters of mercy, waters of hope
that flow from your side. **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

WITHOUT SEEING YOU

Refrain:

Without seeing you, we love you;

Without touching you, we embrace;

Without knowing you, we follow;

Without seeing you, we believe.

We return to you deep within,
Leave the past to the dust;
Turn to you with tears and fasting;
You are ready to forgive. **R**

The sparrow will find a home, near to
you O God;
How happy, we who dwell with you,
for ever in your house. **R**

For ever we sing to you
of your goodness, O God;
Proclaiming to all the world
of your faithfulness and love. **R**

For you are our shepherd,
there is nothing that we need;
In green pastures we will find our rest,
near the waters of peace. **R**

WE WALK BY FAITH (Marty Haugen)

We walk by faith, and not by sight:
no gracious words we hear
Of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
Yet in his promise we rejoice and cry
"My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
To call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:

That when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
We may behold you as you are
in full and endless sight.

We walk by faith, and not by sight:
no gracious words we hear
Of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

RECESSIONAL

Refrain:

Behold the glory of God,

The Day Star a rising!

**Christ Jesus shines on the earth
with mercy enduring!**

O how wondrous the gift of your love,
Tender gift on our behalf:
To redeem a slave lowly born
You gave us the Christ. **R**

O my God, you are worthy indeed
To receive our grateful song.
We acclaim the deeds of your hand:
"Praise God ever more!" **R**

O remember your promise, O God
Let your mercy still remain:
Save your people who cry out to you,
"O God, set us free!" **R**

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