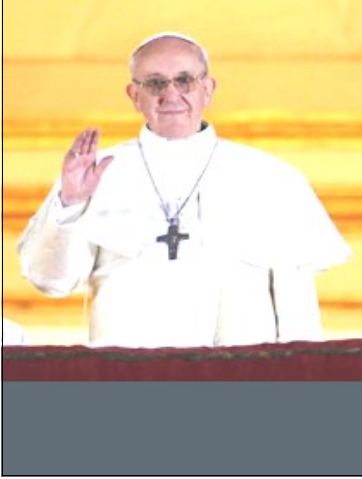


**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
YEAR C**

SUNDAY March 17 2013



**We have a new Pope. My first thoughts.**

Like many of you I was surprised, pleasantly so, to hear of the announcement of Pope Francis 1<sup>st</sup> in the early hours of Thursday morning.

When some of the excitement settled down I started to feel a sense of joyful hope about what this new leader of the universal Church might bring to our Catholic faith, which we must admit have been under a great deal of public scrutiny and conjecture in recent days. Some of the factors that caused my hopefulness were the fact that the new Pope, the 76-year old Argentinean Jesuit, Jorge Mario Bergoglio, comes from a strong Catholic country in a diverse continent, one which knows both the poverty and riches associated with modern living. He will be no stranger to the contemporary questions confronting society, and in his simple, yet astute, way he will think through the issues carefully and be decisive when required.

I was heartened to know that Pope Francis does his own cooking (does that include shopping in the supermarket?) as well as taking public transport (does that include standing when the bus is crowded?), lives in a small apartment by himself (does that include doing laundry and vacuuming?), simple ordinary things which must keep him in contact with the simple ordinary things of people's everyday lives. If the Pope doesn't know how we live then it is difficult for him to know how to help us live better.

I was a little worried that at 76 years old he might find the weight of the office too heavy. Some of us 20 years younger have trouble keeping up with smaller local concerns. Still he has the greatest theological and administrative minds in the world to consult.

I think we all understand the symbolism of his taking of the name Francis, which should remind him, and us, to stay focussed on the goal of Christ: to be simple and child-like and not to store up earthly treasures.

I really like the fact that he comes from a Jesuit background, making him one who cannot ignore the need for justice at all levels of society, especially the poor, as well as having as his constant model, Saint Ignatius.

My greatest hope that he will be a listener, not just a talker. The voice of the God's people is increasing in volume and the noise is not always a contented one.

I think he will be courageous in the face of criticism, careful in the way he speaks to the 1.3 billion Catholics of the world, and wise in the way that he draws together the various cultures and ideologies of the Catholic faith.

Although we will most likely never meet each other, I hope Pope Francis will know that many thousands of priests and many millions of the laity will be working beside him to bring God's word alive.

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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  
Every last Saturday 6pm

**Weekday Mass**

Tuesday - 9.00am  
Thursday - 5.30pm



## YOU ARE NOW IN A PLACE OF SACRED SILENCE



### **CEREMONIES**

#### **Holy Thursday, March 28.**

Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore  
Mass of the Lord's Supper—6.00pm

#### **Good Friday, March 29.**

Guardian Angels Church, Southport  
Stations of the Cross—10.00am  
St Joseph the Worker Church Labrador  
Stations of the Cross—10.00am  
Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore  
Passion of the Lord—3.00pm

#### **Holy Saturday, March 30.**

Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore  
Easter Vigil—6.00pm

#### **Easter Sunday, March 31.**

Mary Immaculate Church Ashmore, Mass, 8.30am— 6.00pm  
St Joseph the Worker Labrador, Mass, 7.00am—8.30am  
Guardian Angels Church, Southport Mass, 7.00am-10.00am

**The Easter Vigil at Ashmore on Holy Saturday Night, begins outside the Church. The Church will be closed. So we will gather on the lawn at the front of the Church.**

**Note: No 6.00pm Vigil Mass at Southport**

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**Make sure you collect a Book Mark advertising all the Easter Ceremonies from the table at the entrance to the Church**

### **RECONCILIATION FOR EASTER**

A Mass for Reconciliation will be held at Mary Immaculate, Ashmore at 5.30pm, Tuesday March 19. Reconciliation will be each Saturday at 4.30pm at Guardian Angels in Southport. A further opportunity for this Sacrament is offered at 10.00am on Saturday March 23, at Labrador

### **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

**Your new Planned Giving Envelopes are ready for collection from the table at the entrance to the church. Please make sure you collect your envelopes, having to post them to you is a drain on parish resources. If you see envelopes belonging to someone you know, that have not been collected, please take and deliver to them.**

### **HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

Children in primary school are invited for  
**EASTER CAPERS**



In our parish resource centre on **Friday, April 12.** This will be a wonderful opportunity for children to have fun and be involved in informative sessions about the great Easter Season. Please register your child's name with Sister Helen [helen@scp.org.au](mailto:helen@scp.org.au) before the end of March as places are limited.

**All families with children preparing for Confirmation and First Eucharist are reminded to join the parish community at the Mass for Reconciliation at 5.30pm on Tuesday, March 19 in Mary Immaculate church Ashmore.**

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

For the remaining Thursdays of Lent, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered at Mary Immaculate Church, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel from 4.30pm until the beginning of Mass at 5.30pm. This may assist those parishioners who are looking for some extra spiritual exercise during the last weeks of Lent

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador at 7.00pm.

### **CARE AND CONCERN**

The March meeting of Care and Concern will be held in the parish meeting room, **tomorrow, Monday, March 18** at 10.30am. All members are encouraged to attend. The fabulous morning tea after the meeting, should be enough to make this meeting a great social outing. If you are looking for a ministry or would like to find out more about the work of Care and Concern you would be most welcome to attend this meeting.

### **RECEIVING COMMUNION IN OUR PARISH**

We welcome all to our Parish and ask that you respect the local practice of receiving the Lord's Body and Blood.

- When the priest and ministers are in their customary place, move out of the pews starting from the front pew. Stand in line and walk up, do not skip people. During this time you should be preparing yourself to be handed the host.
- Approach the Eucharist with reverence, **bow** just before you reach the front of the line.
- The Body of Christ is received on the hand or on the tongue. The Blood of Christ is received by drinking from the chalice. We kindly ask you to refrain from dipping the host into the chalice.
- Listen to the priest as you approach to receive the Eucharist. He will hold it up and say "**The Body of Christ**" You respond with an "**Amen**" and make the Sign of the Cross as you move away from the priest.
- If you are receiving the Blood of Christ from the chalice the procedure is the same.
- You should swallow the host before you leave the Sanctuary, then return to your pew and pray until the priest is finished offering the Blessed Sacrament. Talk to God he is with you. You may say a number of prayers or pray in your own words.



This year our parish ceremonies on Palm Sunday will begin on the lawn under the trees near the car park at Mary Immaculate church. After the blessing of the palms, children from the Children's Liturgy groups will lead the procession of all parishioners into the church. Parishioners are invited to gather on the lawn and not in the church before 8.30am Mass on Palm Sunday.

### **PRESENTATION OF BIBLES.**

Children preparing for Confirmation and First Eucharist are reminded to gather in the parish resource centre on Saturday, March 23 from 1.30pm to 4.00pm for their "Come and See" sacramental preparation activity, and Presentation of Bibles.



**Today we welcome into our Parish Family**

Thomas William Achermann, son of  
Christian and Kelly Achermann

Jake Samuel Feeney son of  
Matthew Feeney and Gil Hae Jeong

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Stephen Clarkson, Bernard Amedee, Garrett Fitzgerald, Fredrick Bassani, Sheila Wallace

**ANNIVERSARY:** Noel Clifford, Paolo Dileo, Lauvival Sabino De Oliveira, Lucas Jaca, James Porter.

**ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED:** Tracy Howard, 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 Ron Grice, Noelen Grice, Lyn Cooper, Merv Warren, Christopher Mendoza, Kathy O’Neill, Mikki Holden, Simon Crestani, Jane Garcia, Patrick Guillon, Norma Bailey, Jacqueline Melvold, Narelle Bickerstaff, Lyn-Marie Tuivasa, Fay James, Marc Ramirez, Elena Sercombe, Neil Comick, **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**

**AQUINAS COLLEGE—ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**



Applications are invited for Academic Scholarships for Students entering Year 8 in 2014. These scholarships provide a full or part remission of tuition fees, usually for the duration of the student’s secondary education.

Examinations will be held at Aquinas College on Saturday, June 1 2013

Application and payment must be made via our College website: [www.aquinas.qld.edu.au](http://www.aquinas.qld.edu.au)

Applications close Saturday, May 25, 2013

Applications for Enrolment of Students entering Year 8 in 2014 and Year 7 and 8 in 2015 are also being accepted.

**Today at the 8.30 Mass at Mary Immaculate church at Ashmore we welcome families with babies who have been baptised in our Parish in recent months.**

**REPENT THIS LENT**



Paul tells us that knowledge of Christ is not sufficient. This knowledge must be deepened by being in constant communication with him. Paul wants us to know Christ by experiencing him. He wants our lives to be flooded by the power of Christ’s resurrection, that is with the life giving force of the Holy Spirit. God sent his son to save the world, not to condemn it. If some are condemned it is because they choose to reject Jesus. Jesus himself does not judge anyone. Nobody hates sin as much as Jesus, because nobody loves us more than he does. Yet he does not condemn those who make mistakes, nor add more ruin to what sinners have already brought on themselves. What God wants is the salvation of all. For those who repent, forgiveness awaits.

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**WORTH A SMILE**

Three priests from the Gold Coast were having lunch at a surf club. One said, “You know since summer arrived I’ve been having trouble with bats in my loft and attic of the church. I’ve tried everything, noise, spray, cats, nothing seems to drive them away”. Another said, “Me too. I’ve got hundreds living in the belfry and attic. I’ve even had the place fumigated, and they won’t go away” The third said “I baptise all mine, and made them members of the church. Haven’t seen one back since”

**THE MERCY OF GOD—a quote**

**‘In your life you will make mistakes. But there is one thing you must never do. Never set a limit to the mercy of God’**  
**Elderly Jesuit priest**

**THIS WEEKS SAINTS**

**Monday, March 18.**

**St Patrick**

Kidnapped from the British mainland around the age of 16, and shipped to Ireland as a slave. Sent to the mountains as a shepherd, he spent his time in prayer. After six years of this life, he had a dream in which he was commanded to return to Britain; seeing it as a sign, he escaped. He studied in several monasteries in Europe and was ordained. Then as a Bishop he was sent by Pope Saint Celestine to evangelize England, then Ireland. In 33 years he effectively converted Ireland. In the Middle Ages Ireland became known as the *Land of Saints*, and during the Dark Ages its monasteries were the great repositories of learning in Europe, all as a consequence of Patrick’s ministry.

**Tuesday, March 19. St Joseph husband of Mary**

Descendant of the house of David, a carpenter, and earthly spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, foster father of Jesus Christ. A visionary who was visited by angels, Joseph was not noted for his willingness to immediately get up and do what God told him. Pope John Paul II describes him well: “Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he spoke his own words ( scripture does not record even one word spoken by him), but above all because he listened to the word of the Living God. He listened in silence. And his heart ceaselessly preserves in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God”

**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.

Sunday, **March 31** Easter Sunday.

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

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

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

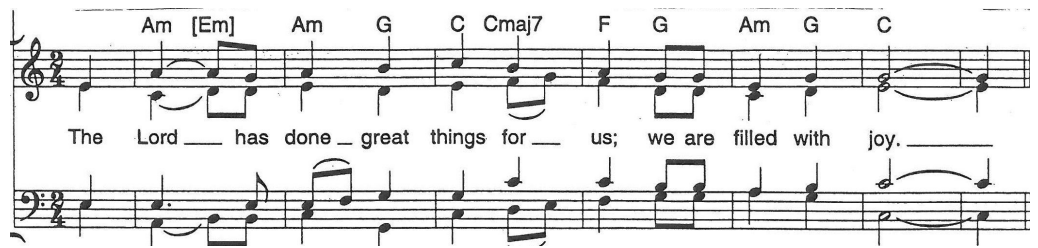
Sunday, **July 14**, Parish Golf Day.

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

**BIBLICAL QUIZ**

Last weeks question: **Who lead Israel into the Promised Land.** Answer: Joshua. This weeks first reading is from Isaiah. Question: **Who was the father of Isaiah?**

# HYMNS



## **GOD OF MERCY AND COMPASSION**

God of mercy and compassion,  
Lord of life and blinding light.  
Truth whom creatures would refashion,  
Force on us the gift of sight. **R**

**Refrain**  
*Truth insistent and demanding,  
Love resented and ignored,  
Life beyond all understanding,  
Give us peace and pardon Lord*

God most holy and forgiving,  
Penetrate our pride and sloth;  
On a people partly living,  
Force the gift of life and growth. **R**

Lord, who out of love consented  
To the worst that we could do;  
Lord, abandoned and tormented,  
Let us love and suffer too. **R**

## **PENITENTIAL RITE**

**Cantor:** Lord, have mercy.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

**Cantor:** Christ, have mercy.

**All:** Christ, have mercy.

**Cantor:** Lord, have mercy.

**All:** Lord, have mercy.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

The Lord has done great things for us we  
are filled with joy.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus:**

**Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!**

With all your heart turn to me, O Lord,  
for I am tender and compassionate.

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus:**

**Praise and honour, Lord Jesus Christ!**

## **GIFTS PROCESSION**

### **WE REMEMBER**

**Refrain**

*We remember how you loved us  
to your death,*

*and still we celebrate, for you are with  
us here;*

*and we believe that we will see you  
when you come in your glory, Lord.*

*We remember, we celebrate, we believe.*

Here, a million wounded souls  
are yearning just to touch you and be  
healed.

Gather all your people,  
and hold them to your heart. **R**

Now we recreate your love,  
We bring the bread and wine  
to share a meal.  
Sign of grace and mercy,  
The presence of the Lord **R**

Christ, the Father's great "Amen"  
to all the hopes and dreams  
of every heart,  
Peace beyond all telling,  
and freedom from all fear. **R**

See the face of Christ revealed  
in every person standing by your side,  
Gift to one another, and temples of  
your love. **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**

We proclaim your death O Lord, and  
profess your Resurrection 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**

### **I HAVE LOVED YOU**

**Antiphon:**

*I have loved you with an  
everlasting love,*

*I have called you  
and you are mine:*

*I have loved you with an  
everlasting love,*

*I have called you  
and you are mine.*

Seek the face of the Lord and long  
for him;

He will bring you his light  
and his peace. **(A)**

Seek the face of the Lord  
and long for him;

He will bring you his joy  
and his hope.. **(A)**

Seek the face of the Lord and  
long for him:

He will bring you his care  
and his love. **(A)**

## **LORD TO WHOM SHALL WE GO**

(Michael Herry)

**Refrain:**

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You are our bread, broken and shared.**

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**Yours are the words of life.**

Our fathers ate, yet their hunger remained.  
Their hearts were not satisfied. **R.**

O Lord, you feed us with the finest of wheat,  
Our pledge of eternal life. **R.**

The bread you give is the living bread,  
Your flesh for the life of the world. **R.**

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp for my steps,  
A light for my path of life. **R**

## **RECESSIONAL**

### **LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS**

**Refrain:**

*Lift up your hearts to the Lord,*

*praise God's gracious mercy!*

*Sing out your joy to the Lord*

*Whose love is enduring!*

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth  
Praise the name above all names!  
Say to God, "How wondrous Your works,  
How glorious Your name! **R**

Let the earth worship, singing Your praise  
Praise the glory of Your name!

Come and see the deeds of the Lord,  
bless God's holy name! **R**

God's right hand made a path through the  
night,

Split the waters of the sea.

All creation lift up your voice:

Our God set us free. **R**

Listen, now, all you servants of God  
As I tell of these great works.

Blessed be the Lord of my life!

Whose love shall endure! **R**

**THE WORD OF THE LORD  
FOR NEXT SUNDAY**  
Isaiah 50:4-7  
Philippians 2:6.11  
Luke 22:14-23:56

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