

**Thirtieth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
YEAR C**

SUNDAY October 27 2013

Blessing the Hour

In the Catholic School of yesteryear, the teacher would stop the class on the hour, every hour of the school day and pause the class work briefly in order that both teacher and children would honour God with a short prayer. On the hour, the Christian Brother would lead his boys in a Hail Mary or the Memorare. The De La Salle Brother would pause to exhort his boys: "Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God", to which all responded: "Live, Jesus, in our hearts". A Sister of Mercy who taught me in primary school would stop us and we would pray on the hour. At Noon, this particular Sister would actually kneel on the front platform of the classroom to bless the hour with a short prayer, the hour when Our Lord hung upon the Cross. A brief dwelling on the abiding presence of God, even during the mundane and prosaic times of life, the consecration of all time, each hour, each day, each passing year.

As the Year of Faith and Grace nears its end, it is good and useful to our spiritual growth to ask ourselves what will be different about our lives now that the Year of Faith has ended. What practices do I include in my daily life that grounds my faith in the present moment? Perhaps a good start might be to cultivate your awareness of God's presence in the present moment. In a culture which tries its best to hide or even ridicule reference to things of faith and to avoid the mention of God and the spiritual, the person of faith who consciously turns to acknowledge and adore the Creator and Saviour adds to the light which Christ has brought to humanity, the light Jesus intended would brighten each passing hour of our pilgrimage through life. With the psalmist, we pray, 'You make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.' Psalm 65:8b

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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

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE



*With
Deepest
Sympathy*

The Mass of Remembrance will be held on Thursday, November 14 at 5.30pm; this is a Mass where we invite the families of those we have buried during the past 12 months to bring a photo of their loved one and a flower to place in front of the altar during the reading of the Roll of Honour.

If any parishioner has had loved ones die in the past 12 months and would like to take part in this ceremony, please contact Sr Elisabeth on 55 102 222 or email lis@scp.org.au

MESSAGE FROM THE HOLY FATHER ON THE BUSHFIRES

From the Vatican, October 19, 2013.



His Holiness Pope Francis has asked me to express his concern for the people of New South Wales and all who are suffering the devastation wrought by the extensive fires in the region.

He prays especially for those who have died and for those who have lost their homes and workplaces, as well as for the numerous personal workers to combat the fires and provide comfort and care for those who are suffering. Invoking the spiritual gifts of solidarity and perseverance upon the communities touched by those trying events, The Holy Father sends his blessing.

Archbishop Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State

MINISTERS SIGN-ON



Father Peter and the Stewardship Committee wish to sincerely thank all parishioners who completed and returned the Sign-On Card for new ministries over the past two weeks.

The response was much greater than expected.

All parishioners who signed the card and those taking on a ministry for the first time are invited to join all the other ministers at the Ministers Commissioning Mass next Thursday, October 31, at 5.30pm in Mary Immaculate Church.

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM—WEEK 2

All mature women from age 21-85, (single, widowed, divorced or married but husband unable to join), are invited to a Christian Life Program that started last Sunday at **Guardian Angels Church, 11.30am to 1.30pm**. The Christian Life program is an integrated course intended to lead the participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them leading to their spiritual renewal. The meeting includes a talk, group sharing and fellowship over light refreshments. The Charismatic Prayer meeting will give way to this 8 week program and will resume on December 15 for the end-of-year Praise and Worship Day. For more information contact Team Leader: Neila on 0430 240 033 or Len 0438 724 053

There is no cost involved, just come as you are.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Thank You to those who have answered the invitation to accompany our new parish members through the RCIA process. So far we have received generous offers from two men and two women, we still need another three women to offer. It is not an onerous task, and it is one way to introduce new members into our life-giving parish. If you would like to help, please contact Sr Elisabeth, 55 102 222 or email her at lis@scp.org.au.

NSW DISASTER APPEAL

With the devastating fires burning across NSW, St Vincent de Paul State Council has launched a Bushfire Appeal.

The Appeal is now live at www.vinnies.org.au/nsw-bushfire and people can also call 13 18 12. If you receive enquiries in your communities about how people can support people affected by the fires, please direct them to those avenues.

GRANDMOTHERS

No one... Who has not known that inestimable privilege can possibly realise what good fortune it is to grow up in a house where there are grandparents.

INVITATION TO ALL MINISTERS

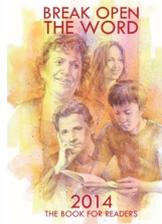
To the Ministers Commissioning Mass and Supper This coming Thursday, October 31, at the 5.30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate Church

Southport Catholic Parish invites you to our annual Commissioning Eucharist and Supper

This is an opportunity for all parishioners involved in ministries in our parish to be acknowledged for sharing their time and gifts with our community.

Eucharist will be followed by supper in the Meeting Room Please RSVP immediately to Parish Office 55 102 222

BREAK OPEN THE WORD



The new Church year begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2013, and the readings will change from Year C to Year A.

Of particular importance for Readers is 'Break Open the Word' which is an excellent help in your preparation for the Sunday Readings. We strongly urge all readers to obtain a copy.

Readers you have one week left.

This is your last chance to order a copy.

If you purchase it through the Parish it will cost you \$14, otherwise it will be \$20. If you wish to order a copy, please contact Sr Elisabeth at the Parish Office .**NOW** (55 102 222) or email lis@scp.org.au

FUNDRAISER FOR ETHIOPIAN MISSION

Gold Coast Little Theatre, Saturday November 30, at 8.00pm A British comedy "**Don't Just Lie There Say Something**" Supper provided. Cost \$30. Raffles. Must have exact numbers by Tuesday, November 12.

Phone Trish Litfin 55 285 644 or Kathryn, 55 321 969 to book. Funds raised help send desperately needed baby wraps and cloths and basic underclothes for the mothers who attend the remote health centres run by Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady. Thank you all for your support.

GOLD COAST CITY WIND ORCHESTRA

Concert with Guardian Angels School Band



All members of the Parish Community and their friends are invited to enjoy an evening of great concert music performed by Gold Coast City Wind orchestra with guest appearances by members of the Guardian Angels School—Senior Band.

The concert is being held in the Guardian Angels School Hall. **Saturday, November 9 at 7.00pm.** Refreshments available for purchase. Concert will conclude at 9.00pm

Tickets at the door \$30 per family (2x2), \$15 Adults, concession \$10, primary school children \$5.

SCHOOL MASS

Next Sunday at the 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate, we will be joined by Year 1 students from Guardian Angels School together with their parents and friends.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

- That priests who experience difficulties may find comfort in their suffering, support in their doubts, and confirmation in their fidelity.
- That as fruit of the continental mission, Latin American Churches may send missionaries to other Churches.



Today we welcome into God's Family

Chloe Camilla Haslam, daughter of
Stuart and Camilla Haslam

Bella Marie Holloway, daughter of
Blake and Jessica Holloway

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

ANNIVERSARY: Donald Shipman, Robert Whipps.

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Brandon Wray, Cita Hoersch, Mary Jensen, Ross Alpine, Gary O'Connell, Carter Family, Jack McAlpine, Joe Buttigieg, Phillis Elshaug, Peter Platell, Barry Sharp, Cal Zinkel, Marie Hancock, Marie Stevenson, Natasha Byrne, Ron and Evelyn Martinac, Laurie, Emelita and Adam Woodley, Mathew Byrne, Caroline Pember, Michael Skinner, Tim, Tracy and Vicki Howard, Angela Taylor, Gary Burdett, Janice Keating, Christopher Lewis, Zenaida Irisary, Joan Smith, Joan Martin, Marie Allen, Colette Shevlin, Cyndy Fenner-Smith, Sam D'Abreo, Robert Perren, James, Jack Keniry, Lee Henry, Ann Hammond, Olive Shannon, Ed Hands, Bong Ubaldo, Gie Ubaldo, Tanie Ubaldo, Babes Valenzuela.

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

WORTH A SMILE

A minister was completing a temperance sermon. With great emphasis he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." With even greater emphasis, he said, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he said, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river." Sermon completed, he sat down. The organist stood and announced for our recessional hymn, let us sing Hymn No. 365,

"Shall We Gather at the River"

MARIAN VALLEY CANUNGRA

Celebrate "Fatima Day" at Marian Valley Canungra, on Wednesday, November 13. Bus will leave Sacred Heart Church, Fairways Drive Clear Island Waters at 8.30am.

For bookings please call Viviane on 55 359 623.

FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK

Monday, October 28 Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles

The name Simon occurs in all passages of the Gospel and Acts where a list of the Apostles is given. To distinguish him from St Peter he is called the Zealot, meaning that he had Zeal for the Jewish law which he practised before his call.

Jude, known as Thaddeus, was a brother of James, son of Alphaeus. Jude was the one who asked Jesus at the Last Supper why he would not manifest Himself to the whole world after His resurrection. He is the author of a short letter which forms part of the New Testament. Tradition has it that Simon and Jude preached in Persia where they were martyred.

Friday, November 1, All Saints Day

The feast day was instituted to honour all the Saints, known and unknown, and, according to Pope Urban IV to make up for any deficiencies in the faithful celebration of saints' feast days during the year. In the early days the Christians were accustomed to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr's death for Christ at the place of martyrdom. In the persecution of Diocletian the number of Martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each. But the Church, feeling that every martyr should be venerated, appointed a common day for all. Pope Gregory IV extended the celebration on November 1, to the entire Church. The vigil, known as 'Hallowe'en' seems to have been held as early as the feast itself.

Saturday November 2, All Souls Day

'All Souls Day' commemorates the faithful departed, those baptized Christians believed to be in purgatory. Purgatory still exists in Church teaching—it is "the state of those who die in God's friendship, assured of their eternal salvation, but who still have need of purification to enter into the happiness of heaven."

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2013—2014

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.

Bridge, every Wednesday 10.00am to 12noon. Meeting Room at Mary Immaculate. Beginners welcome.

SPY. Southport Parish Youth. Meet in the meeting room at Mary Immaculate on the last Friday of each month. 6.30pm



Sunday, **October 27**, Family Mass of Enrolment for children preparing for Reconciliation. 8.30am Ash-

more.

Thursday, **October 31**, Ministers' Commissioning Mass 5.30pm Mary Immaculate.

Friday, **November 1**, All Saints Day

Saturday, **November 2**, Guardian Angels School Fete

Thursday, **November 14**, Mass of Remembrance, 5.30pm Mary Immaculate.

Sunday, **November 24**, Catholic Women's League Trade Table, after 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate

Friday, **December 6**, Parish Christmas BBQ

Thursday, **December 19**, Children's Advent Adventures Day

Thursday, **June 12, 2014**. Confirmation

Sunday, **June 15, 2014**. First Eucharist.

CARE AND CONCERN

Members, it's time again for your monthly meeting. In the Meeting Room at Mary immaculate Church, tomorrow Monday, October 28 at 10.30am. Make sure you come even if it's only for the great morning tea.

IRISH AUSTRALIAN SUPPORT ASSOCIATION

The Irish Australian Support Association Invites you to their Annual November Remembrance Mass.

To be held at St James' Church,
165 Old Cleveland Rd Coorparoo

on Sunday next November 3 at 1.00pm

November is the month of the Holy Souls and traditionally a time to pray for the peaceful repose of the deceased.

The Remembrance Mass is an opportunity for everyone to join in the great prayer of the Church in praying that all our deceased relatives and friends may enter into the eternal Kingdom of God.

QUOTE

It is pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men as angels.

Saint Augustine



HYMNS

ALL THE EARTH (Lucien Deiss, CSSp)

Refrain:

**All the earth proclaim the Lord,
sing your praise to God.**

Serve you the Lord,
heart filled with gladness.
Come into his presence singing for joy! **R.**

Know that the Lord is our creator.
Yes, he is our Father; we are his own. **R.**

We are the sheep of his green pasture.
For we are his people; he is our God. **R.**

Enter his gates bringing thanksgiving,
O enter his courts while singing his praise.
R.

Our Lord is good, his love enduring.
His word is abiding now with us all. **R.**

Honour and praise be to the Father,
The Son and the Spirit,
world without end. **R.**

GLORY TO GOD:

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.

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.
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.
Amen, Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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**
Wisdom 11:22-12:2
2 Thessalonians 1:11-22
Luke 19:1-10

GIFTS PROCESSION

THE CRY OF THE POOR (John Foley S.J.)

Refrain:

**The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
Blessed be the Lord.**

I will bless the Lord at all times,
with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
who will hear the cry of the poor. **R.**

Let the lowly hear and be glad:
the Lord listens to their pleas;
And to hearts broken God is near,
who will hear the cry of the poor. **R.**

Ev'ry spirit crushed God will save;
will be ransom for their lives;
Will be safe shelter for their fears,
and will hear the cry of the poor. **R.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts.
Heav'n 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, 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

BLEST ARE THEY (David Haas)

Blest are they, the poor in spirit,
theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow, they
shall be consoled.

Refrain:

**Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!**

Blest are they, the lowly ones,
they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst,
they shall have their fill. **R.**

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Blest are they who show mercy,
mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart,
they shall see God! **R.**

Blest are they who seek peace;
they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith,
the glory of God is theirs. **R.**

Blest are you who suffer hate,
all because of me.
Rejoice and be glad,
yours is the kingdom:
Shine for all to see. **R.**

THE SERVANT SONG

Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are travellers on the road;
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you
In the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
'Til we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
We shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

RECESSIONAL

WE ARE CALLED

Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
To live in the freedom of the city of God! **R.**

Refrain:

**We are called to act with justice,
We are called to love tenderly,
We are called to serve one another;
To walk humbly with God!**

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
So hatred and blindness will be no more! **R.**

Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers united in love. **R.**

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