

**Thirty Third Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
YEAR C**

SUNDAY November 17 2013

**The Fruit of a Life Well-Lived in Christ**

It's a common feature of Catholic Parishes to witness married couples who have managed to stay in love and commitment to each other through all the ups and downs of life, and having reached their senior years, have become holy, warm and contented people, still trying to find ways to serve God in others. Equally so in the case of many single people, sometimes not single by choice, who have reflected God's love to those around them and have become holy, warm and grateful people, still alert for ways to serve God in people. The same for Religious and Priests who have become for us examples of the effects of humble, attentive service of others and God. And then, of course, there are those who haven't been able to reach such a place of peace in their lives.

This year, a US Sister of Mercy, Christian Molidor, died having worked for many years with the Catholic Near East Welfare Association which works in solidarity with the poor of India, Africa, Eastern Europe among other places. Sister worked as an administrator of this association but when she made regular visits to places like India, she did ordinary things like cooking, cleaning, washing and hanging the laundry. She had been a professional photographer before her life as a Religious and when she went overseas, she photographed. Her portraits of people's lives in these places showed people back home that there is joy and light amongst people who have such struggles for very survival. She wrote regular emails about it all which reached tens of thousands of people, and when she retired a couple of years ago, her last email revealed a great deal of what she had learnt and grown to understand from living her life. As the Church Year comes to an end next weekend, you might like to cut the following out and post it on the fridge or as a bookmark in your Bible, filled as it is with wisdom. Sister Christian wrote:

*"As a heartfelt gift to you, ... I end with a few suggestions for all: Mend a quarrel, seek out a forgotten friend, dismiss judgments and replace with trust. Write a love letter, share some treasure, give a soft answer and encourage youth. Manifest your loyalty in word and deed, keep a promise, find the time; forgo a grudge, forgive an enemy; listen, try to understand, examine your demands on others and think first of someone else. Appreciate. Be kind. Be gentle. Laugh a little, then laugh a little more, deserve confidence, fight malice and decry complacency.*

*Express your gratitude, go to church, welcome a stranger; brighten the heart of a child. Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth. Speak your love; speak it again. Speak it still once again.*

*There, I think I've covered my parting thoughts. Let's pray together always; and if you remember, please tuck a prayer in your pocket for me. Farewell and peace"*

*Fr Robert*

**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  
Tuesday 7pm

**Weekday Mass**

Tuesday - 9.00am  
Thursday - 5.30pm

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## **LITURGICAL YEAR**

**We are almost at the end of the Liturgical Year, next Sunday, is the Feast of Christ the King. It will be the last Sunday of Year C. Nest Sunday will also bring to a close the universal Year of Faith which extended from October 11, 2012, to November 24, 2013.**

## **NEWS OF GREAT JOY**

After a great deal of searching for the ideal man, I am happy to announce that the next parish priest of Southport Catholic Parish is FATHER JAN BIALASEWICZ, who is presently the parish Priest of Saint Columba's Parish, Wilston in Brisbane. Polish by birth, Father Jan has been in Australia for 21 years, mostly spent as a priest in our Archdiocese. This will be Father Jan's second position as parish pastor, although he has been the popular Associate Pastor at Burleigh Heads, Beaudesert, Ipswich and Maroochydore. Some of you may have seen Father Jan already, when he was the principle celebrant at the funeral of Daniel Morecome earlier this year. I have already spoken to Father Jan and assured him that he will be fondly welcomed here in Southport and he will enjoy the hospitality and support that has been offered to all the priests who have ministered here in recent years. He is well aware of the substantial administrative challenges of this busy parish, but he understands this is not a task he undertakes alone. He will have hundreds of willing and gifted parishioners and dedicated staff to walk beside him.

## **DIAMOND JUBILEE OF A LOVING CARING PRIEST**

On Tuesday, November 26 Father Jim Maloney CM will join with family and friends to celebrate this momentous occasion with Mass at St Stanislaus College, Bathurst. Father Jim was stationed at Southport with the Vincentian Fathers on a couple of occasions, in the 70's and again in the 90's and the turn of the century. As parish Priest, Father Maloney was always a caring influence on Parishioners and staff. He had a "wicked" sense of humour, which endeared him to all. The parish office staff in particular, enjoyed his endless "anecdotes", which made him a favourite at the morning tea table. Father Jim was sorely missed when he left Southport. But most years we see him when he comes back for some fishing and to spend time with family here. He usually drops in for morning tea. Father Jim will move to Sydney at the end of this year.

## **TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR NEW MINISTERS**

**Thank you to those who offered to help to be a Reader or Minister of Eucharist.**

The workshop will be held at Mary Immaculate Church, on **Saturday, December 14** at the following times:

READERS: 9.00am to 10.00am

MINISTERS OF EHCARIST: 10.00am to 11.00am

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST TO THE SICK: 11.00am to 12 noon. Please contact the Parish Office if you are attending, as information material will need to be prepared.

Those who signed on recently for Ministries have been included in the next roster, (December, January, February) but you must attend a workshop before you begin a ministry. If you have any questions please contact Sr Lis 55 102 222 or email [lis@scp.org.au](mailto:lis@scp.org.au)

## **NUDGE COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION**

The Annual memorial Mass to celebrate the lives of deceased Christian Brothers, Nudgee Old Boys and Members of the Nudgee Family will be celebrated in the College Chapel on Saturday, November 30 at 7.30am. All members of the Nudgee Family are welcome. Breakfast to follow.

## **CARE AND CONCERN**

Members you don't need a reminder for this one, but we thought we would give you one anyway. Your November meeting will be at the Ashmore Tavern tomorrow **Monday, November 18, at 11.00am**. It will be a quick meeting because we are booked for our Christmas Lunch at 12.noon. Our regular clients are advised that our final jobs for the year will be on Friday, December 13, and we will be available for transport again on Monday, January 20, 2014. We hope this short break doesn't incur any hardship.

## **CHRISTMAS PARISH BBQ**



### **OFFICIAL FAREWELL TO OUR THREE PRIESTS**

Join in an evening of sharing and reminiscing as we farewell our three priests who have contributed to the life of our Parish.

**Friday, December 6 at 5.30pm in Guardian Angels School Grounds.** To make this a momentous occasion we need your help. So email the parish office at [info@scp.org.au](mailto:info@scp.org.au) or phone 55 102 222 as soon as possible. We also need to know who is coming, so RSVP well before Monday, November 25.

## **CHILDREN PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS IN 2014**



Parents wishing their children to prepare for Sacraments in 2014 are invited to contact Sister Helen [helenw@scp.org.au](mailto:helenw@scp.org.au) before the end of the school term. In Southport parish children are usually in their 10<sup>th</sup> year when they prepare for the Sacraments. Parents decide the readiness

of their child to begin preparation. Early next year information sessions for parents will be held at Mary Immaculate church. During February children will begin our family/parish based preparation for sacraments.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday June 12 and First Eucharist on Sunday June 15 2014.

## **ADVENT ADVENTURES 2013**



**All children are invited to join in our parish activity day Advent Adventures on Thursday December 19, from 9am -3pm in the Resource Centre Ashmore. During Advent Adventures children who will celebrate Christmas in our parish will be receiving their parts in the Christmas Story at Christmas**

**Eve Mass at Mary Immaculate church.**

**To receive a registration form for Thursday December 19 please contact Sister Helen [helenw@scp.org.au](mailto:helenw@scp.org.au) and return the completed form by 10<sup>th</sup> December.**

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL FUNDRAISER—VOLUNTEERS**

**Saturday, December 21, Bunnings Crestwood, 8am to 4pm** help to run our BBQ.

**Christmas Eve, Dan Murphy's Tavern, Varsity Lakes 10am to 6pm:** help us collect donation—stand at the door with a collection tin or return trolleys. Or you might prefer to do the same job on **New Years Eve, Dan Murphy's, Harbour Town, 10am to 6pm.**

These fundraisers bring in several thousand dollars to help us out for 2014. If you can help call Nerida 0417 605 639 55 006 547 [nerida.smith@bigpond.com](mailto:nerida.smith@bigpond.com)

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

The Mary Immaculate Conference invites Parishioners, family and friends to volunteer to help us undertake the sorting and packing of our Christmas Hampers.

**Saturday, December 21, 9.00am to 12noon**  
**at Guardian Angels School**

Please contact Nerida Smith [nerida.smith@bigpond.com](mailto:nerida.smith@bigpond.com) or phone 0417606639, 55 006 547.

This is a great opportunity to put your faith to work.



## Today we welcome into God's Family

Winter Rose Tiernan daughter of Stephen and Julann Tiernan

James Peter Chong son of Michael and Peta Chong

Tanner Darren Wallace Jack son of Troy and Rachel Jack

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Vigil Pender

**ANNIVERSARY:** Benita Labra

**ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED:** Dean Lewis, Kitty McIntosh, Susanne Howarth, Patrick Guillon, Phyllis Miller, Jim Donaldson, Julie Rowen, Janine Wharton Doris O'Neill, John Stowers, Ross McAlpine, 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, Jack Keniry,

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

### **FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK**

**Thursday, November 21,**

#### **Presentation of the Virgin Mary**

Even though Mary's presentation in the temple has no basis in history, the Feast stresses an important truth about Mary. From the beginning of her life, she was dedicated to God. God came to dwell in her in a marvellous manner and sanctified her for her unique role in God's saving work.

**Friday, November 22, St Cecilia**

Although Cecilia is one of the most famous of the Roman martyrs, the familiar stories about her are apparently not founded on authentic material. An inscription of the fourth century refers to a church named after her. She has become a symbol of the Church's conviction that good music is an integral part of liturgy.

### **WORTH A SMILE**

The new minister in the local congregation learned that one of the wealthiest members on the roll was not a regular contributor or attendar, so he made a phone call. "From all appearances your business is doing quite well, Yet you haven't given a cent to your church," the pastor began. "Wouldn't you like to help us in ministry this year?" The lapsed member replied, "Did you know that my mother is ill, with extremely expensive medical bills?" "Um, No" Mumbled the pastor "Or that my brother is blind and unemployed? Or that my sister's husband died, leaving her broke with four kids?" "I...I had no idea" "So", said the member, "if I don't give them any money, why should I give any to the church?"

### **FR. MAC'S HEAVENLY PUDDINGS**



Fr Mac's Heavenly Puddings are on sale at all churches They make a great Christmas gift for a friend. Price is the same as last year only \$15

### **MINISTERS ROSTERS**

Ministers Rosters for the next three months (December, January, and February) are now ready for collection from the table at the entrance to the church

### **LABRADOR PIETY STALL**

**Have you lost anything.**

We are currently holding a pair of OSIRIS sunglasses, and a gem stone which is a Diamond look alike. A name badge for Arnold. Please collect after the 8.30am Mass.

### **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.

**Mary Immaculate Book Club.** Meet in the meeting room at Mary Immaculate on the 1st Monday of the month.



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

Sunday, **November 24,** Catholic Women's League Trade Table, after 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate Monday, **November 25,** First Reconciliation in Mary Immaculate Church 7.00pm

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

### **PALMS AUSTRALIA**

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# HYMNS

## HERE I AM LORD

I the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send? **R**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.**

I the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send? **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 comes to rule the earth with  
justice.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you  
have the words of everlasting life.  
**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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## GIFTS PROCESSION MY PEACE BE UPON YOU

**Refrain**  
**My peace be upon you for ever.**  
**My love be within your heart.**  
**My Spirit will keep you safe all your  
days.** (Repeat)

## 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

### THE BODY OF CHRIST (Brian Boniwell)

This is the body of Christ,  
blessed and broken for us,  
Blessed and given for us.  
This is the body of Christ.

This is the bread of my love.  
How I long to fill you with my life. **R**

Drink from the cup of my blood.  
Let my Spirit heal you deep within. **R**

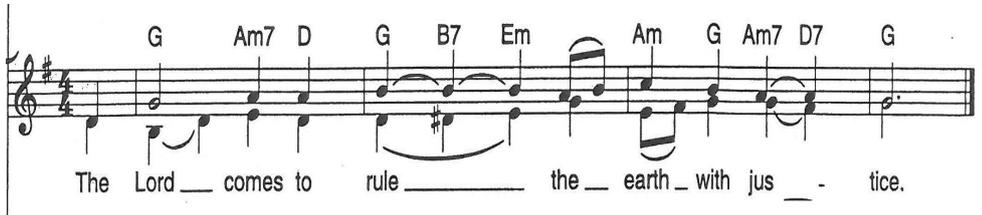
If you would live in my love,  
Hold my word, my promise  
in your heart. **R**

Gathered as one in my name,  
Take my joy, my freedom  
to the world. **R**

## OUR SUPPER INVITATION

(Kevin Bates)

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.

## RECESSIONAL BE NOT AFRAID

You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety,  
though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands,  
and all will understand,  
You shall see the face of God and live.

### Refrain:

**Be not afraid,  
I go before you always,  
Come follow Me,  
and I will give you rest.**

If you pass through raging waters  
in the sea, you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you, through it all. **R**

Blessed are your poor,  
for the Kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blest are you that weep and mourn,  
for one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you,  
all because of Me,  
blessed, blessed are you! **R**

**THE WORD OF THE LORD  
FOR NEXT SUNDAY**  
2 Samuel 5:1-3  
Colossians 1:12-20  
Luke 23:35-43

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