

**Thirty-Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time
Year A**

SUNDAY November 16 2014

Pinocchio the Marionette who became a real Boy

Mangiafuoco (Fire Eater) called Pinocchio aside and asked him: "What is your father's name?" "Geppetto." "And what is his trade?" "He's a wood carver." "Does he earn much?" "He earns so much that he never has a penny in his pockets. Just think, that in order to buy me an A-B-C book for school, he had to sell the only coat he owned, a coat so full of darns and patches that it was a pity." "Poor fellow! I feel sorry for him. Here, take these five gold pieces. Go, give them to him with my kindest regards. "Pinocchio, thanked him a thousand times.



The well-known story of Pinocchio is about the adventures of a puppet made by a poor wood carver Geppetto. This animated marionette behaved like a cheeky boy and troublemaker. His nose grew longer every time he told a lie. One day, he sold his book to buy a ticket for a marionettes show instead of going to school.

Fire Eater (the marionettes' owner) was touched by Pinocchio's story and gave him five gold coins. On his way home Pinocchio met a lame fox and a blind cat. They tried to trick him because they wanted to steal his gold coins. The gullible Pinocchio did as they suggested to him. He went to the *Field of Wonders. He dug a hole and in the hole he buried the gold coins. During the night he dreamed that the gold pieces sprouted, grew, blossomed, and next morning he found a beautiful tree that was loaded with gold pieces.* During the night the fox and the cat stole the pieces of gold from the field. Pinocchio was tricked by his bad friends.

The two important figures in the story are Geppetto and the *Lovely Maiden with Azure Hair.* They are like the special parents of Pinocchio. They love him and searched continually for him.

After his adventure with the shark, Pinocchio changed his behaviour. He started to work hard to help his old and sick father and the Fairy with Azure Hair who was sick in hospital. One day after a long sleep Pinocchio woke up and to his surprise and joy saw that he was no longer a marionette, but that he had become a real live boy! Everything was new, his life and his house as well.

When bad boys become good and kind, they have the power of making their homes beautiful and new with happiness.

Pinocchio lost his talents when he tended to laziness and followed bad companions: like the fox and the cat. However, the love and the example of his humble father and his special mother taught him to use his talents in an appropriate way. When it happened all the strings of the marionette were cut and he became a real boy.

Our God loves us like a father and a mother. To save us He offered his beloved Son, Jesus: His dearest and best talent. Christ is a clear image of the Father because He loved us until his extreme sacrifice on the cross. Maybe sometimes we are like Pinocchio; we prefer to take short cuts and not to make sacrifices and invisible strings lead our lives. Maybe, we remain as we were and therefore lose our talents (God's gifts). We learn from God our Father, Jesus and all the men and women who sacrificed themselves for love. If we follow them, it makes a difference and we become free and more like God.

CIAO CIAO !!! Pinocchio

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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

**Each Friday-10.30am
Mass at Gold Coast
University Hospital**

**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

Last Saturday of the Month

6.00pm

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - 9.00am

Thursday - 5.30pm

Holy Hour. First Thursday
of the Month 4.15pm

Mass of Remembrance



The Annual Mass of Remembrance will be held next Thursday, November 20 at 5.30pm, Mass at Mary Immaculate. The families of those we have buried over the past 12 months (over 70 families) have been invited and all parishioners are welcome. If any of you have had relatives die in the past 12 months, and they have been buried from another church, you are invited to give their names to Sister Elisabeth and they will be added to the Roll of Honour. You are also asked to bring a photo and a single flower.

Do you have it?

The Organists copy of Mass Shalom is missing from the Music Cupboard at Mary Immaculate—there was no copy for the organist last Sunday. Please check your music and if you have mistakenly taken it, please put it back and no questions will be asked!!!

Sister Lis

Nudgee College Old Boys' Association

The Annual Memorial Mass to celebrate the lives of deceased Christian Brothers, Nudgee College Old Boys and Members of the Nudge family will be celebrated in the College Chapel on Saturday November 29 at 7.30am. All members of the Nudge Family are welcome. Breakfast follows.

Irish November Remembrance Mass

The Irish Australian Support Association of Queensland Inc. Invites you to their Annual November Remembrance Mass, **To be held today at 12 noon in Guardian Angels Church Southport.** This is an opportunity to join in prayer for the peaceful repose of deceased relatives and friends. Met new friends and renew old acquaintances. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards. For more information call 0432 087 328

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers

Would you like to adopt and shop for a family?

The Conference is still in need of a few more parishioners to "adopt and shop" for a family on the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper List. This act of giving to others helps make your own Christmas feel extra special and blessed. You are given the anonymous details of a family, so you can shop and make up your own food hamper with the goods you have chosen for the family. If you would like to adopt and shop for a family in need this Christmas, please contact Nerida Smith nerida.smith@bigpond.com 0417 606 639 or 55 006 547

Pope Francis appoints two new Melbourne Bishops

Pope Francis has appointed the Reverend Monsignor Terence Curtin and the Reverend Father Mark Edwards OMI as Auxiliary Bishops of Melbourne. Monsignor Curtin is currently Parish Priest of Greythorn and the Episcopal Vicar for the Eastern region of the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

Father Edwards is presently Rector of Iona College in Brisbane. The President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Archbishop Dennis Hart said: 'On behalf of the people of Melbourne, I welcome the Holy Father's care for us in appointing bishops elect Terence Curtin and Mark Edwards as auxiliary bishops.'

Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections



Redeem is a beautifully produced book containing Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas. The Advent program is an initiative of the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong and is highly recommended by all bishops. It assists the people of God to better understand their faith. Advent is a time of waiting, but also of preparation for the birth of the Saviour, a time to recognise the arrival of the

Redeemer as we all come into this world, in the form of a small defenceless infant. Definitely available today, until sold out, from the Piety Stall for only \$3.

Ministers Rosters for the next three months, December, January and February are now ready for collection from the table at the Church entrance.

Will you be Punished or Rewarded?

What can economics and productivity teach us about the kingdom of heaven? Jesus' story about a businessman who leaves town and entrusts his money with his workers made perfect sense to his audience. Wealthy merchants and businessmen often had to travel abroad and leave the business to others to handle while they were gone. Why did Jesus tell this story? Most importantly it tells us something about how God deals with us, his servants. The parable speaks first of the Master's trust in his servants. While he goes away he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the Master's workers would be industrious and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. The master rewards those who are industrious and faithful and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money.

The Francis Effect

We need to be able to link messages of a biblical text to a human situation, to an experience which cries out for the light of God's word. This instant has nothing to do with shrewdness or calculation; it is profoundly religious and pastoral. What we are looking for is 'what the Lord has to say in this or that particular circumstance.'"
Pope Francis

Sanctuary re-arrangement at Mary Immaculate

Those Parishioners who attend Sunday Eucharist at Mary Immaculate might have noticed that the celebrant's chair has been relocated behind the altar. There are a few reasons for this relocation. Firstly, it opens the Parishioners' right hand side of the sanctuary where during the liturgical seasons we have some decorations relating to Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and etc. Secondly, when children come to the altar for "Our Father" there will be more space and safety for them to be around. Then, when we have the Sacramental celebrations e.g. enrolments for the Sacraments and later the celebration of Confirmation, First Eucharist, again an extra space is needed to accommodate children.

In the General Instruction of the Roman Missal #310 we read as follows: "The chair of the priest celebrant must signify his office of presiding over the gathering and of directing the prayer. Thus the best place for the chair is in a position facing the people at the head of the sanctuary, unless the design of the building or other circumstances impede this: for example, if the great distance would interfere with communication between the priest and the gathered assembly, or if the tabernacle is in the centre behind the altar." GIRM 310.

These requirements of the GIRM 310 are met with the present and as with the previous arrangements. As I mentioned earlier the current arrangements, I hope, have some practical benefits.

Some Parishioners might say that the distance between people and us is now bigger by 3 or 4 meters but doesn't mean that we (priests) run away from you. I hope that in these 10 months our Parishioners have opportunity to learn that we want to be among you while praying, socialising and working together. So let's see how the new arrangement works and contributes to our Sunday gatherings of Eucharist and worship.

Father Jan

Catholics and Social Pressures

Real Talk is a website based on Catholic Christian values to help people with such topics as sex, relationships and personal identity. From a team of dynamic presenters. Real Talk provides up-to-date resources to help people understand God's amazing plan for love and life. It's worth a look.

www.realtalkaustralia.com



Today we welcome into God's Family

Scarlett Olivia Lawry,
daughter of Aaron Anthony and Marissa Lawry

Karlos Miguel Silvestre
son of Christopher and Marie Antonette Roxa-Silvestre

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mavis Boland, Elizabeth Lauenstein.

ANNIVERSARY: Michael Brennan

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Freddie Morgan, David Carter Wiktorja Stojanovic, Angela Taylor, Michael Skinner, David Reynolds, Noelene Owen, Margaret McGiness, Tony Bauer, Ben Howard, Laurin Bliss Beverley Wilson, Valerie Atkins, Paula Greco, Mary Weerasinghe, Anne Volp, Bong, Dannie, and Gie Ubaldo, Yvonne See, Babes Valenzuela, Vicky Smith, Loreto Macato Cabading, Patricia Saclamitao, Serioza, Fran Spiric, Doss O'Neil, Candy, Patrick, and Francis Guillon, Evelyn and Ron Martinac, Elizabeth Anderson, Gary O'Connell, Jack and Ross McAlpine, John Stowers, Ernest James, Leah Joy Layosa (baby) Jack Keniry, Noel Mahoney, Albert Bussac, Alex McKinnon, Joe Vohar.

Immaculate Heart of Mary we trust to your gentle care and intercession those who we love and those who are sick or lonely or hurting. Help all of us Holy Mother to bear our burdens in this life until we share eternal life with God

**An Important Instruction for
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Ministers taking Communion to those sick in hospital and to people in their own homes must collect their Hosts from the Altar following Mass and not from the Tabernacle. Some ministers are still taking the Hosts from the Tabernacle. Remember this Ministry is a service to the liturgy, the church and community, and requires a spirit of humility and fidelity, for which we should pray. Taking Hosts from the Tabernacle should only be done in an emergency.

This Week's Saints

**Monday, November 17,
Tuesday, November 18,**

**St Elizabeth of Hungary
The Dedication of the Basilicas
of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles**

Friday, November 21,

**The Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

Saturday, November 22,

St Cecilia

Worth a Smile

A lady inserted an ad in the classifieds: 'Husband Wanted.' The next day she received a hundred letters. They all said the same thing; 'You can have mine.'

A little boy asked his father, 'Daddy, how much does it cost to get married?' Father replied, 'I don't know son, I'm still paying.'

Just think, if it weren't for marriage, men would go through life thinking they had no faults at all.

Video Volunteer Required

We have an urgent request for two more Volunteers to join the roster, to video the 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate, to be played later to the residents of De Paul Villa Aged Care. All equipment and training will be provided. Please contact the Admin. at

De Paul Villa during business hours 8.30am to 4.00pm on 55 827 247. If you can help.

Catholic Women's League—Trade Table

The Catholic Women's League are holding a Trade Table on Sunday November 23, after the 8.30 Mass at Mary Immaculate. They will be selling a wonderful range of goods suitable for Christmas gifts, such as craft items, cakes, jams, preserves and as a special treat,

stained glass window cakes.



PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2014/ 2015

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.

Southport Parish Book Club, meets First Monday of the month 10.00am. Mary Immaculate meeting room.

Bridge, every Wednesday 9.30am to 12 noon in the Meeting Room at Mary Immaculate. Beginners welcome.

Rosary and Novena at 6.00pm every Wednesday, followed by Mass at 7.00pm on the First Wednesday of the month at St Joseph the Worker.

Catholic Women's League, Meeting Second Friday of each Month, 11.00am Guardian Angels Church, Meeting Room, followed by Mass

Care and Concern, Meet Fourth Monday of each month, Mary Immaculate Meeting Room, 10.30am

Young Adults Group, Meet in the Parish Resource Centre every second Wednesday at 7.00pm

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

Thursday, **November 20,** Annual Mass of Remembrance at Mary Immaculate, Ashmore 5.30pm.

Sunday, **November 23,** Catholic Women's League, Trade Table after 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate.

Thursday, **November 27,** Reconciliation for Children joining the Sacramental Program in 2015 7.00pm Mary Immaculate

Saturday, **December 20,** Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols 2.00pm at De Paul Manor.

Thursday, **June 4 2015,** Confirmation.

Sunday, **June 7 2015,** First Eucharist

Fr Mac Christmas Puddings



This year the Puddings will be sold at each church by St Vincent de Paul, with profits going to the Conference to help them when visiting people in need. Priced at **\$16.50 each.** We thank you so much for your support and generosity.

"Don't search for Jesus in far away lands; He is not there. He is close to you; He is in you."

Blessed Mother Teresa

HYMNS



THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME

This day God gives me strength of high heaven, Sun and moon shining, Flame in my hearth, Flashing of lightning Wind in its swiftness Deeps of the ocean, Firmness of earth.

This day God sends me strength to sustain me, Might to uphold me, Wisdom as guide Your eyes are watchful, Your ears are list'ning, Your lips are speaking, Friend at my side.

GLORLY TO GOD- Mass Shalom

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 Amen**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia

**THE WORD OF THE LORD FOR
NEXT SUNDAY**
Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28
Matthew 25:31-46

GIFTS PROCESSION

OH LORD HEAR MY PRAYER

Oh Lord hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer:
When I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.

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, 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

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

(Michael Joncas)

You who dwell in the shelter of the
Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

REFRAIN:

***And he will raise you up
on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his
hand.***

The snare of the fowler will never
capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. **Refrain**

You need not fear the terror of the
night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come. **Refrain**

For to his angels he's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.
Refrain.

BREAD OF LIFE CUP OF HOPE

(Bobby Fisher)

Bread of life and cup of hope
we come as gift to you
Change our hearts fill us with peace,
Transform our lives anew
Open our eyes so that we might see
Your presence in one another
Your life, poured out in love today
Unites us all in you

Loving Lord, Creator God
open our eyes to see
The good that lives in each of us
that called to world to be
And when we fail to see the good
When friendships falter and crumble
give us the courage to forgive
That we may live in peace

Living Word, O Son of God,
Your love shows us the way
That we may live in harmony
and from you never stray
Wipe all oppression from our midst,
give us a love for all people
Your song of justice sing in us,
to live for peace today

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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