

Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B

SUNDAY May 10, 2015

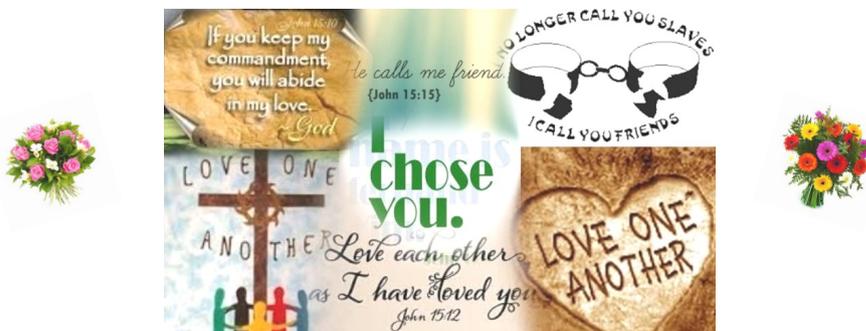
"Good on ya Mum! You're the one!"

Many parishioners will recognize that the above saying was adapted from an advertisement for a certain brand of bread! Whatever the origin of that saying, the sentiment is still very relevant today in Australia as we celebrate Mother's Day. When I was a child, my father always encouraged my siblings and me to have great respect for our mother. In our home, constant refrains were: "Listen to your mother" and "Go help your mother". Neither of my parents would agree with the over commercialisation of Mother's Day we now see in Australia.

In recent weeks, amid the constant advertising of gifts for mothers, I've pondered the possible meaning of Mother's Day for families in 2015. What images of women have been presented in many advertisements? How could we as a faith community offer more support for mothers throughout each year? What values and family rituals have each of us learnt from our mothers that we could pass to the next generation? Perhaps by the time most mothers in the congregation are reading this newsletter, they'll have enjoyed breakfast in bed or are dreaming of dinner being prepared by other members of the family! However your family decides to celebrate Mother's Day this year, please say an extra special prayer for your mother and all mothers. The following offers some suggestions for your prayer:

I thank you, Creator of us all, for my mother.
 I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years.
 She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and His ways.
 She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others.
 She taught me that it was ok to cry and that I should always tell the truth.
 Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today.
 Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her.
 Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace.
 Bless her this day with love. (Prayer from Ignatian Spirituality)

Sister Helen



St. Joseph the Worker Church

44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Masses

Sunday 7:00am
 Sunday 8:30am

Weekday Mass

Monday 7:00am
 Wednesday 7:00am

Gold Coast University Hospital

Weekday Mass

Friday 10:30am

Guardian Angels' Church

99 Scarborough St., Southport

Masses

Saturday 6:00pm
 Sunday 7:00am, 10:00am

Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30pm

(The Church is open
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 10.30am to 1.30pm.)

A priest will be in attendance for private prayer and pastoral needs.)

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Sunday Mass

8:30am, 6:00pm

Korean Mass

Sunday 3:00pm
 6:00pm

(Last Saturday of the month)

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 9:00am
 Thursday 5:30pm

Holy Hour

First Thursday of the month
 at 4:15pm

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Quote of the Week - Love

God doesn't look at how much we do but with how much love we do it. **Mother Teresa**

Saint of the Week

Tuesday May 12: St Pancras

St. Pancras was born in 289AD in Synnadh, a kingdom in central-west Anatolia now modern Turkey. He was orphaned at an early age and taken to Rome by his uncle. Pancras converted to Christianity after meeting Christians in Rome. He lived during the rule of the Roman Emperor Diocletian.

Emperor Diocletian mounted some of the fiercest persecutions of the early Church, especially in the East of the Empire. Converting to Christianity during this period was highly dangerous and at the age of 14, Pancras announced his Christian faith publically. He was arrested and then beheaded. Due to his youthfulness at the time he was martyred. St. Pancras is now the Patron Saint of Children.



Rosary will be recited every Sunday at 9:25am this May at Guardian Angels Church.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

This gathering offers a weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset ... your marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again!

Weekend date: 15th – 17th May 2015

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston

Contact: Maria and David Murphy, by phone on: 3342 1456, or email:

dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au for bookings and further information.

Website: www.wwme.org.au

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

The Archbishop has approved the new Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. Training in this policy is **mandatory** and **part of our strategy for educating and reducing risk for all people**, our volunteers as well as those whom we serve.



All parishioners who work with children, young people or vulnerable adults **are expected to attend** training in this policy and the associated procedures. Priests, religious and parish staff will also attend training. Training will be offered at two times on **Tuesday 26 May at 9:30 – 12:30pm** and **6:30 – 9:30pm** at Mary Immaculate.

RSVP

Please RSVP to Daloras at the office which session you will be attending.

Parish Pastoral Council Profile

Eddie Demarco is well known to our parish especially for his bubbly and friendly personality at St. Joseph the Worker where he nurtures and cares for our congregation. He was elected as a member of our Southport Parish Pastoral Council earlier this year. Here is what he has to share about his background.

I am 71 years of age and married to Margaret for 46 years. We have two daughters Rebecca and Melissa, as well as four grandchildren. Besides being a member of the Pastoral Council and Ministries at St. Joseph the Worker, I am currently the Chairman of our Parish Social committee and am involved with Red Cross at the Southport Branch. I have been involved with the Branch for 14 years and as President for the past 7 years. I thank all who nominated me on the Pastoral Council.



Pope Francis' Good News

Want some good reading in your faith? Check out Edition 3: 7 May 2015 at: <http://popefrancisgoodnews.com>

Truth and Charity -Formation in the Christian Faith

Dr. Ray Campbell presents the latest lecture, "Mercy and Life Issues" as part of their 2015 Series on **Tuesday 26 May** in the Hanly Room at Francis Rush Centre, Brisbane.

For further details, please refer to : www.facebook.com/TruthCharity

Fatima Day

Fatima day will be celebrated at Marian Valley on **Wednesday the 13th of May** and at Our Lady Help of Christians on **Saturday the 23rd of May**. For bookings, call: Viviane on 0755359623 or Paula on 0402930918

St. Joseph's Celebrations

Last Friday on 1st May in the middle of the heavy rain and fierce wind, many parishioners came to St. Joseph's, Labrador to celebrate two occasions: 45 years of the dedication of St. Joseph's Church (on March 15, 1970) and the liturgical feast of St. Joseph the Worker. I must admit that listening to the weather forecast and looking at the heavy dark clouds I was tempted to postpone the event. Thank God some parishioners came forward and encouraged me to go ahead with our fiesta; and what a wonderful celebration it was.



We didn't manage to have the procession but the rest was a wonderful experience of prayer, singing and socialising around the table with the food which was prepared and donated by the Filipino ladies. The fiesta of last Friday tells me that we need more, similar events in our Parish where we can meet and get to know each other better on our journey of faith.

I send a huge thank you to the Filipino ladies who prepared such superb dishes of food of their national cuisine. Ladies, you're wonderful. Singing was lead by the Filipino choir which sang with such energy that the next day the clouds were gone and we had a pleasant, sunny day. My thanks also go to the Social Committee which looked after the logistics of setting tables, chairs, lights, organising the birthday cake, and ... etc. Thanks to the parishioners, who driving through rain, came along to this fiesta and had a great time at St. Joseph's. It was a warm up to the golden jubilee that will come just in five years.



Father Jan



Today we welcome into God's Family



Emily Rose Da Silva, daughter of Andrew and Christina Da Silva
Serefina Hope Gillespie, daughter of Jason and Matilda Gillespie
Mikayla Janet Ikenasio, daughter of Benjamin and Josephine Ikenasio

Your Prayers are Requested for Those Who have Journeyed to the Father

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Mavis Atkinson, Flor Cordova, Julia Cordova, Manna Cordova, Anne Davenport, Elizabeth Di Leo, Pantieu Landly, Anne Maloney, John Maloney, Ofelia Quintanilla, Ljuba Zecevic

All Parishioners and Friends who are Sick and in Need: Gary O'Connell, Marion Phillips

Immaculate Heart of Mary we trust to your gentle care and intercessions those 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.



Next Social Event

Enjoy sipping champagne whilst being entertained outdoors on a Sunday afternoon.



Autumn Melodies

Sunday 31 May
2:00pm - 5:00pm

at **Mary Immaculate**
\$25 per entry includes:

champagne, nibbles, dessert
and **entertainment.**

Tickets only available at all Church Piety Stalls.



Parish Date Claimers For 2015

Morning Tea. On the first Sunday of each month, at the "Annex" after 8:30am Mass at St Joseph the Worker.

3C - The Catholic Connect Group. Our group meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 11:30am in Guardian Angels Church for prayer, bible sharing and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Allan and Eleanor Amores by phone on: 0438 724053.

Bridge. Every Wednesday 9:30am to 12noon in the Meeting Room at Mary Immaculate. Beginners welcome.

Rosary and Novena. At 6:00pm on the first Wednesday of the month, followed by Mass at 7:00pm 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 and lunch.

Care and Concern. Meet fourth Monday of each month, Mary Immaculate Meeting Room, 10:00am.

Young Adults Group. Meet in the Parish Resource Centre every second Wednesday at 7:00pm

Confirmation. Thursday, June 4 2015

First Eucharist. Sunday, June 7 2015



Lost and Found

This headline does not refer to the story of the Prodigal Son. It relates to items that have been found in Mary Immaculate Church and have been stored in the sacristy for some time making it look like a little, sun glasses shop. We have now put these items on the table next to the Blessed Sacrament chapel. So if you find something that is yours, please take it. **The display will be there for another week after which remnants will be given to Vinnies.**

Volunteers Week Australia

Volunteers week Australia is set down for **11-17th May** this year. It provides an opportunity to highlight the role of volunteers in our community and to say thank you to the more than 6 million Australians who volunteer.

St. Joseph's Annex Craft

Term 2 Craft commences on **12th May** for Eight (8) weeks. Persons interested in attending these classes, please contact Susannah Bishop by phone: 5577 5917 or email: suebisho@live.com.au

Collectors Needed

New collectors are required for the **6:00pm Vigil Mass** at Guardian Angels Church. On behalf of all parishioners, **we thank Peter, Bill and Mike** for their sterling efforts for many years of service at that Mass.

Position Vacant

We have a position vacant for a part-time Youth Facilitator (30.4 h/w) based at the Gold Coast office. See: <http://www.seek.com.au/job/28580308>



Also, please give generously to our Winter Appeal.

Little White Books

Little white books are now reduced to **\$3.00**. They still have reflections until Pentecost Sunday.

St. Vincent de Paul Date Claimer

Winter Appeal. 30/31 May at all Masses at all three churches. Guardian Angels and Mary Immaculate SVdP Conference.

Care and Concern Cleanout

Can you use a Cannon B155 Fax Machine? It takes a BX3 Cannon Print Cartridge, uses plain A4 paper and has a manual? Please phone: 0421 507554.

Rosters

The Minister Rosters for June, July and August are now ready and are on the tables at the back of each church.

Advance notice: Starting in September, the placement of ministers assisting for each Mass on rosters will be organised by a responsible, local parishioner.

Worth a Smile

- "I think your dog likes me Gladys. He hasn't taken his eyes off me all night." "That's because you are eating off his plate!"
- A Hollywood marriage is a great way to spend a weekend.



PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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.**

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord has revealed to the nations his
saving power.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and
my Father will love them, and we will
come to them.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

A New Commandment I Give Unto You

A new commandment I give unto you,
That you love one another as I have loved
you,
That you love one another as I have loved
you.

By this shall all know that you are My
disciples,
if you have love one for another.
By this shall all know that you are My
disciples,
if you have love one for another.

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, 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

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**

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**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

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.**

Parish Social Committee 2015 Coming Events	
<u>May</u> 31 st	Autumn Melodies
<u>June</u> 19 ^h	Volunteers Thank You BBQ
<u>July</u> 5 th 12 th	Golf Day Artico
<u>August</u> 15 th	Feast of Assumption (Mulled Wine Evening)
<u>October</u> 4 th	Low Tea (NRL Grand Final on the big screen)
<u>December</u> 4 th	Parish Christmas Party

THE WORD OF THE LORD FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13
Mark 16:15-20

Editorial Comment

Due to limited space, some items in this week's
newsletter have not had the prominence they
deserve. You are invited to further investigate:

- **Pope Francis' Good News** (excellent)
- **Truth and Charity** (catholic faith lecture)
- **Volunteers Week** (starting this week).

As a continuation from last week, I would
encourage you to check these out through their
internet apps or addresses. I am endeavouring to
put links on our own www.scp.org.au website to
such places and their articles. Hopefully, in this way
you will not only become familiar with the workings
of our own parish but also be in communication with
our wider diocesan and catholic community.

**Did anyone check out today's newsletter on our
website before coming to Mass?**

John Wintour (Newsletter/Website Editor)