

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B

SUNDAY May 3, 2015

“Bearing Good Fruit”

Paul was not welcomed into the early church community **because of** his past background, actions and attitudes against the Christians. In other words, Paul did not belong to Jesus Christ. (Acts: 9:26-31). Only after Barnabas' introduction and by his own active deeds guided by the Holy spirit, **was** Paul accepted as a real member of the Christian community. **He** then produced much good fruit. (Jn: 15,5)

“I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty.” (Jn: 15,5)

The purpose of our Christian life is to belong to Jesus Christ and to bear plenty **of good fruit**.

We feel happy to become part of a group. We are proud of our membership of a religious community, a political party or a Christian movement. A card, a medal or whatever official document **confirms** our membership and we are happy and active to be involved in any activities of that community that encourage others to join.

In the same way through Baptism, by sincere actions and good deeds in our daily lives our faith **tells** people that we belong to Jesus Christ, our Leader. We are really branches of the true vine, Jesus. The Spirit of Jesus inspires the Church to many forms of service, each different, but all the fruit bears witness to Christ.

Jesus said, “*Without me, you do nothing.*” (Jn: 15,5). The image of the vine and the branches is a description of how the life of Christ gives and supports the life of each of us – the branches.

With Jesus and his Spirit, we must speak out for human rights, the unborn, the poor, the marginalised and the refugees.... That is our vocation. Don't be timid, for we are in Christ and Christ is in us.

Father Huang



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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Parish Pastoral Council Profile

John Murtagh was elected as Vice-Chair with the formation of our Southport Parish Pastoral Council earlier this year. Here is what he has to share about his background.

John Murtagh is a parishioner at St. Joseph the Worker, Labrador. He and Judith Ann reside in Labrador while their three married daughters are scattered to the four (or should we say three) winds. Before moving to Labrador five years ago, they lived in Runaway Bay, and before that in northern NSW. John is a research scientist and has worked on a range of agricultural and environmental issues in both NSW and Qld.



Workshop – Liturgical Words and Music

The Australian Pastoral Ministers Network has put together a session on copyright which local network member and well-known musician and composer Michael Mangan has offered to present on the Gold Coast.

Michael is offering to do the following session:

Thursday 18 June 7:00pm - 9:00pm
at the Hall beside St Monica's Church,
485 Golden Four Drive, Tugun
Fee is \$15 (to help defray expenses)
Please register no later than 15th June.



A flyer with details and registration can be obtained from our Parish Office during working hours.

Faith Education Course



ife INSTITUTE OF FAITH EDUCATION
Archdiocese of Brisbane
Foundations for Lay Pastoral Ministry

Are you involved in a sacramental preparation team or RCIA ministries?
Is your parish team seeking formation for implementing the new Archdiocese of Brisbane Sacramental Policy guidelines?
Are you interested in strategies for ministering with families in the 21st century?
Then this course is for you!

A flyer for Foundations for Lay Pastoral Ministry with details and registration can be obtained from our Parish Office during working hours.

The Well – Exploring Faith Together

At Griffith University Gold Coast, the Well: Exploring Faith Together, is a group for people for staff and students to explore matters of faith and belief as they relate to life today. The group meets each Thursday at 1:00pm - 2:00pm (for 1:10pm - 1:50pm) in G11 4.27 above the library. See Griffith.edu.au/chaplaincy/events or chaplain@griffith.edu.au

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Come and experience the spiritual wisdom and dynamic words of Fr. Ken who shares Jesus' mission to bring the fire of God's Love to the earth.

Where: St. Mary Magdalene's Church,
Cecil Road, Bardon

When: 7:30pm, 24th May, Pentecost Sunday
Evening

Enquiries: Salvina 3843 5884

Everyone is welcome



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.



Life and Family Issues Newsletter

The April issue of Life and Family Issues is a collaboration between the Queensland Bioethics Centre and JPII Centre for Family and Life, agencies of the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Articles are selected from information we receive and which we hope are of interest to you. Views expressed are not necessarily those of the Queensland Bioethics Centre or the JPII Centre.

View issues on their websites by googling the titles above.

Winter Appeal



The 2015 Vinnies Winter Appeal is fast approaching from 1st May to 31st August. Please give generously, assist where possible and pray for those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Merida Smith

Vicar General

Two pieces of correspondence have been received from the Archdiocese of Brisbane entitled "Towards Healing Information 2015" and "Brochure on Real Care, Love and Compassion - the alternative to Euthanasia".

Accompanying the first memorandum were hard copies of brochures: "Qld Professional Standards Office, Catholic Church Queensland" and "Towards Healing Protocol". Please check their website for copies: <http://psoqld.catholic.net.au> Again with the second memorandum was a hard copy of the brochure for which a free download is available at: www.catholic.org.au/euthanasia



Holy Hour

Being the first Thursday of the month, remember that Holy Hour will be on this week on 07/05/15 at 4:15pm at Mary Immaculate Church.



Today we welcome into God's Family

Charlie Edmond Reid, son of Christopher and Alissia Reid
Coen Penn-Seufale, son of Andrew Seufale and Tanisha Penn

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

Recently Deceased: Fr. Des McQuaid

Anniversaries: Mark Galton, Thelma Kerwin, Dulcie McMahon, Barry Toomey,
Loris Westwood

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.

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.

De Paul Manor Social Club

The Social Club invites all to a Devonshire Morning Tea in aid of the Cancer Council. The tea will be held on **7th May** at **10:00am** with a \$10 entry. Highlights include a guest speaker, lucky door prize and a raffle. RSVP: 4th May to Joan on: 55827972.

Bernie's Big Breakfast

Bernie's Big Breakfast is being held at the Community Centre at Labrador opposite Charis Seafood, on Saturday May 9th from 7:00am to 10:30 am. It has outgrown the home venue. Same gourmet menu and entry by donation as well as a quilt raffle. All proceeds to the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady in Ethiopia for their schools and health centres. Thank you for your on going support. Katherine 5532 1939 or Judy 5679 5370.

St. Joseph's Annex Craft

As I will absent until the 7th May, this is advance notice for Term 2 Craft that commences on **12th May** for Eight (8) weeks. Would those persons who are 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.

Little White Books

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

Can You Help?

A lady who lives in a unit at the Grand Hotel, Labrador would like a lift to Mass. If you can assist, phone: 0412 670259.

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



St. Vincent de Paul Date Claimer

Mother's Day Cake Stall. 10th May after 8:30am Mass at Ashmore with remainders after 6:00pm Mass Ashmore. 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

- My wife converted me to religion. I never believed in hell until I married her.
- Women's faults are many but men have only two: Everything they say and everything they do!



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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

You Are Mine (David Haas)

I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice,
I claim you as my choice,
Be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light,
Come and rest in me.

Refrain:

***Do not be afraid, I am with you,
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.***

***I am strength for all the despairing,
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.***

***All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free,
And all will know my name. R***

I am the Word that leads all to freedom.

I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
Stand up, now walk, and live! **R**

One Bread One Body

Refrain:

***One bread, one body,
One Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
Throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.***

Gentile or Jew,
Servant or free,
Woman or man, no more. **R**

Many the gifts,
Many the works,
One in the Lord of all. **R**

Grain for the fields,
Scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all. **R**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Take The Word Of God With You

Take the word of God with you as you go.
Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.

Refrain:

***Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world.
Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.***

Take the peace of God with you as you go.
Take the seeds of God's peace and make them grow. **R**

Parish Social Committee 2015 Coming Events

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| <u>May</u> | |
| 31 st | Autumn Melodies |
| <u>June</u> | |
| 26 th | Volunteers Thank You BBQ |
| <u>July</u> | |
| 5 th | Golf Day |
| 12 th | 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 9:26-31
1 John 3:18-24
John 15:1-8

Editorial - Have Your Say

Our Parish Pastoral Council wishes to create an even more connected parish. Towards this end, we are keeping you up-to-date about issues, activities, events and other matters in our parish through our two most important media: the **newsletter** and our **website**.

Have your say in ways of improving both of these. Suggestions are most welcomed and your insights and comments will produce an improved newsletter and website, with better content, more pleasing style and higher quality. Email your ideas to the newsletter/website editor through the address on the front page under contacts. The deadline for the newsletter is 5:00pm each Wednesday while communiques for the website are always open.

While most people obtain a newsletter each week (which you should take home), more and more parishioners are online and can access our website. Because of your ability to download information, view files and watch videos, etc., this has huge advantages over a weekly newsletter. Through the website, you can even read your weekly newsletter before you arrive at church.

John Wintour
(Newsletter/Website Editor)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Sing a New Song

Refrain:

***Sing a new song unto the Lord;
Let your song be sung
from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
Singing alleluia.***

All God's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord.
And play for him on glad tambourines,
And let your trumpet sound. **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

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

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.