

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

SUNDAY May 5 2013

23,000,000 Australians and counting!

Last week, the Australian Bureau of Statistics nominated one baby born in a hospital at a specific time on a designated date to be the 23,000,000th Australian! All these Australians deserve a place to call 'home'.

Each week, hundreds of people from war-torn countries arrive in Australia searching for a new start in life and longing for a safe place to call 'home'.

Real Estate agents have many examples of different specifications couples describe when they are searching for a new 'family home'. What really constitutes a home? What meaning resonates with you when you hear the word 'home'? The age old question, "what makes a house a home?" is very relevant today as we ponder a story from the Gospel according to John.

I wonder what meaning Jesus intended when He used the word the 'home'? Jesus promised His disciples: "Those who love me will keep my word and my Father will love them and we will come to them and make our home with them".

Perhaps we experience being 'at home' with God when we are feeling at home with ourselves and feeling at home with the other people in our daily lives. Perhaps when we are reconciled within ourselves and with all the members of our family we will experience the peace Jesus promised when he gifted His disciples: "Peace I leave with you: my peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give".

In only two weeks' time Catholics throughout the world will celebrate Pentecost, the climax of the Easter Season. How could we prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives again this Pentecost? For which gifts of the Holy Spirit do we long? For which gifts of the Holy Spirit do we pray this year?

As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost 2013 let us all sing one of the children's popular hymns:

Let God's Spirit In

*Let God's Spirit in,
Oh won't you let God's Spirit in.
You'll be a walking talking disciple of Jesus
As you let God's Spirit in.*

*We think of all our friends in need,
We pray all shall be well,
We know the pow'r of prayer among us,
As we let God's Spirit dwell.*

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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

CALLING ALL GOLFERS 2013 PARISH GOLF DAY

COLONIAL GOLF CLUB—SUNDAY JULY 14 2013

Tee off at 12.noon sharp—Registration from 11.00

It's time to dust off those golf clubs, grab a partner and come along to the 2013 Parish Golf Day! Don't have a handicap? NO PROBLEMS. We can allocate you one on the day, it's all about enjoying the outdoors while playing golf at one of Australia's premier resort golf courses.

Here are the details...

Date: Sunday July 14 2012.
The Colonial Golf Course
Paradise Springs Avenue
Robina.

Competition: 4 person Ambrose
(single person entrees
will be paired into
Teams of 4)

Cost/inclusions \$60 per person
18 holes of golf
Electric Cart
Dinner—Presentation

EVERYBODY is welcome, please RSVP and pre-pay your place in the field with: **Roger Fish**
email: khfishandson@gmail.com Phone 0419 224 405

Entries close on Sunday, July 7 2013. The field size is limited, so it will be first in first served.

Prize Sponsorship: If you would like to sponsor a Hole or donate a Prizes for a range of competitions on the day, let Roger know what you would like to donate to help make this a special Parish Day.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

Children preparing for the sacraments in May are reminded of their final "Come and See" gathering in the parish resource centre. This essential session will be from 9.30am to 12 noon on Saturday, May 11. Children are invited to bring their "Confirmation and First Eucharist" books and a snack to "Come and See" on Saturday May 11.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

All Catholic single men and women aged 21-40 years.

Are specially invited to this Sunday's Charismatic Prayer Meeting at Guardian Angels Church, 11.30am to 1.30pm with lunch provided. This will be an information day for those who would like to be part of a weekend retreat called "Princess Diary" and "Knights Tale" which will be on the weekend of May 17 to 19, at the Parish Resource Centre, Mary Immaculate Church. Couples for Christ, provides prayer, support, real friendship and fellowship regardless of your age and status in life; a place for Catholics to connect. Contact Len or Allan on 0438 724 053 or 55 943 094

COMPUTER LESSONS FOR SENIORS

Aquinas College is offering beginner Computer Lessons for Seniors. over four Thursdays commencing **May 9 to May 30.** These introductory classes commence with turning on the computer and using some basic features. Participants will learn about the Internet, email, and even some hints if buying a computer, laptop or iPod/tablet. To register your interest please phone Bernadette Alexander, Aquinas College on 55 102 889 and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

Be Quick Places are limited.

MINISTERS ROSTERS

Ministers are advised that Rosters for the next three months June, July, and August are available for collection from the table at the church entrance.

PARISH MUSICAL PLAYGROUPE

The Play Group is seeking two more volunteers to join our roster on a fortnightly basis. One to WELCOME at the door from 8.30am to 9.15am, the other to help serve at morning tea about 9.45am. Also a few more people to provide baking on a fortnight or monthly basis would be wonderful. Any enquiries to Theresa Vossen tvossen@me.com 0423 743616

MAY—THE MONTH OF MARY



The Catholic practice of assigning a special devotion to each month goes back to the early 16th century. Since the best known of these devotions is probably the dedication of May as the month of the *Blessed Virgin Mary*. It might come as a surprise that it wasn't until the late 18th century that this devotion arose among Jesuits in Rome. It quickly spread throughout the Western Church, and by the time of Pope Pius IX's declaration of the dogma of the *Immaculate Conception* in 1854, it has become universal. The month of May is the month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to *Our Blessed Lady*, and it is an occasion for a moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pray to the *Queen of Heaven*. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance.

YOUR PARISH

The parish has an indispensable mission.

In our day the parish still enjoys a new and promising season. At the beginning of his pontificate, Paul VI addressed the Roman clergy in these words; "We believe simply that this old and venerable structure of the parish has an indispensable mission of great contemporary importance; to create the basic community of the Christian people; to initiate and gather the people in the accustomed expression of liturgical life; to conserve and renew the faith in the people of today; to serve as the school for teaching the saving message of Christ; to put solidarity in practice and work the humble charity of good and brotherly works".

We do have a wonderful Parish and incredible clergy and many events take place in our parish that are never mentioned.

In 2010 a young woman arrived in the Southport parish from India. Her name is Ponnu. She had achieved her Bachelor Degree in Pharmacy while in India and came to Australia to attend university to study for her Masters Degree. Ponnu approached the parish seeking suitable accommodation and a notice was placed in the Newsletter. At the same time a parishioner named June had lost her husband, she had a big house and rang the parish office offering accommodation. This association was 'truly made in heaven.' Ponnu is a devout catholic and said she had said 100 rosaries to find accommodation. Ponnu and June have shared Junes house now for over two years. In January Ponnu returned to India to marry. June also went to India to attend the wedding. In May Ponnu sits for her Masters Degree and her life may change, while her husband resides in London. Meanwhile Ponnu and June live happily together thanks to 100 rosaries.

AFRICAN FUNDRAISING DINNER AT THE MANOR

This is a first! The Manor is presenting a lovely dinner to raise funds for a kindergarten to be built at Fort Portal Uganda. There is such great poverty, but the people are so grateful and joyful despite their poverty. Let us try and help them through this fundraising dinner. You are all welcome at De Paul Manor for this occasion.

Saturday May 25. 5.30pm for 6.00pm

There will be a beautiful two course dinner for only \$15
RSVP call the Manor Reception on 55 827 999 by May 20.
For details call Sabina 55 827 913 or Robyn 0439771356



Today we welcome into our Parish Family

Jemma Jane Farrugia, daughter of Matthew and Jasmine Farrugia

Mia Ava Bankier, daughter of Michael Bankier and Sharna De La Cruz

Shakira Takai Gardner, daughter of Shanelle Gardner and Frances Takai

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mervyn Warren

ANNIVERSARY: Thelma Kerwin, Cesar Grant, Thomas Jewell, Luis Ruiz,

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Yvonne See, Gary O'Connell, Ross McAlpine, Jim Cliffe, Bong Ubaldo, Gie Ubaldo, Tanie Ubaldo, Vickey Smith, Babes Valenzuela, George Owens, Iris Rogers and family. Bernadette Gaspard, Matthew Byrne, Queenie Powers, Arthur Hocking, Glenda Donovan Helga Gaspar, Keith Smith, Angela Taylor, Tracy Howars, Michael Skinner, Tim Howard, John Henry, Will Connell, Arthur and Peter McConnell, Lyn Maranta, Natalie Silver-Oyazun, Gloria Gaskin, Sharon Fraser, Lyn Cooper, Christopher Mendoza, Mikki Holden, Simon Crestani, Jane Garcia.

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

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." (John 1 4:7)
When we let the daily pressures of life trouble us, we begin to believe that we are responsible for taking care of everything. This causes us to frantically cling to our time and treasure. Yet, Jesus tells us not to be troubled or afraid. Take a deep breath, pray and place your trust in God. When you do, you will be a better steward of all that God has placed in your care.

WORTH A SMILE

A woman went into the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. What denomination do you want? asked the lady at the counter. 'Good God!' she replied, has it come to this? I suppose you had better give me twenty Catholic and twenty Presbyterian.

MARIAN VALLEY CARUNGRA

Celebrate Fatima Day at Marian Valley, Canungra on Monday, May 13. Bus will leave Sacred Heart Church, Fairways Drive, Clear Island Waters at 8.15am. Please phone Viviane on 55 359 623 for booking. Also remember the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians on Saturday, May 18. Bus will leave at the same time.

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2013

1st & 3rd Thursday, each month Lectio Divina Canacles 6-7pm Mary Immaculate Church Library.

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.

Friday, **May 17**, Miller's Fashion Parade 10.00am at De Paul Manor. All welcome.

Tuesday, **May 21**, Aquinas Biggest Morning Tea Parklands Thursday, **May 23**, Confirmation will be celebrated.

Thursday, **May 23**, BIG MORNING TEA at De Paul Manor Saturday, **May 25**, Fund raising dinner at De Paul Manor

Sunday, **May 26**, Children will receive First Eucharist. Sunday, **July 14**, Parish Golf Day.

Sunday, **July 21**, ARTICO Ensemble will present a Concert in Mary Immaculate Church. 'M' for Mozart

BIBLICAL QUIZ

Last weeks question: **Who is named as refusing to acknowledge John's authority and talking wicked nonsense?** Answer: Diotrefes. What do we know about Mothers in the Bible. Question: **Who was Joseph's Mother**

ANOTHER BIG EVENT AT DE PAUL MANOR

On Friday, May 17, at 10.00am the Residents would like to invite friends and parishioners to a fun morning at the Manor Retreat. They are conducting a **FASHION PARADE**. with Morning Tea provided. The whole morning is free and all are most welcome. RSVP is essential, please call no later than Monday, May 13, 55 827 999. You only have eight days to let them know you are coming.

CROCHET CLASSES AT LABRADOR

A friendly reminder that Crochet Classes for beginners to experienced crafters commence this coming Tuesday May 7 9.30am to 11.30am in the "Annex" at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador. The term is for eight weeks, cost \$10, plus \$10 for manual.

AQUINAS COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Friday May 10, 2013—2.00pm to 5.00pm

Come and See:

Award Winning Performing Arts Precinct

Department Displays.

Various Band Performances Interactive IT Display.

Cultural Displays.

Tertiary Entrance and Vocational Opportunities.

Take a Guided Tour of the College.



AUSTRALIA'S

BIGGEST

MORNING TEA



Members of the Southport Catholic Parish and friends are invited to join with the residents of De Paul Manor for their 3rd Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. This year they are having a Mad Hatters theme.

Thursday, May 23, 2013. at 10.00am.

Price is \$10 per person. RSVP essential by May 12, 2013 Any extra donations are welcome to help make the morning a huge success. Whether it is a cash donation to the Cancer Council or by donating goods, vouchers or products, which can be auctioned off or raffled on the day; every donation will help. Please contact Jessica Ford 55 827 999 if you are coming or email; reception@depaulmanorestate.com.au

If Thursday, May 23 does not suit, you can try

AQUINAS COLLEGE BIGGEST MORNING TEA

at Parklands on Tuesday, May 21, 11.00am to 12,30pm

Cost \$10. RSVP to Kathleen French 0417 863 023.

Perhaps you might like to go to both.

HYMNS



GATHER TOGETHER- Brian Boniwell

Refrain:

**Gather together, gather as one,
Come as the body of Christ.
Gather to share in the Spirit of love.
Gather together as one.**

Open to all, we gather as one.
Drawn by the light of Jesus the Son. **R**

Called to be bread, now broken and shared.
Called to be one in the Spirit of love. **R**

Come with your gifts, the fruit of your lives.
Share in this life, the family of God. **R**

GLORY TO GOD

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**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, 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

Acts 1:11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Luke 24: 46-53

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GIFTS PROCESSION

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU

Antiphon:

**Peace I leave with you my friends.
My peace in all you do.
Peace I leave with you my friends
I give you so you can give to others**

To share His love is why I come
To show His kindness to us all
Go now my friends and do the same
until I come again. **A**

Take my hand and be at peace
The spirit of our love I send
And with this love you will be free
Until I come again. **A**

With this love we all will know
that loneliness is at an end.
Rejoice my brothers tho I go
For I will come again. **A**

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.

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

COME AND EAT THIS BREAD

Refrain:

**Come and eat this bread,
come and drink this cup,
Come and share the feast
our God has spread.**

You have promised us

**You are here with us
In the breaking of the bread.**

This is the bread of life, for all to
share, bread of hope and redemption,
Bread to feed a world of hungers. **R**

This is the cup of Christ's own
sacrifice,
Blood of love and compassion,
Blood to heal the world's divisions. **R**

Just as the scatter'd grains become one
bread,

Make us one in your Spirit,
all one Body in Christ Jesus. **R**

And as we share one cup of covenant make
us one in communion
At the table of Christ Jesus. **R**

Each time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
We remember your death,
Lord and we celebrate your rising. **R**

Now from this table to the ends of earth,
Gather all of your people in this feast of all
creation. **R**

Refrain:

**Praise the living God, praise to Christ,
the Son,**

Praise the mighty Spirit, Holy Breath.

For our whole life thru

We shall sing to you

God of life beyond all death.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Peace before us, peace behind us,
Peace under our feet.
Peace within us, peace over us,
Let all around us be peace.

Love before us, love behind us,
Love under our feet.
Love within us, love over us,
Let all around us be love.

Light before us, light behind us,
Light under our feet.
Light within us, light over us,
Let all around us be light.

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**

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