

## Thirty second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

12th November, 2017



Many “Self Help” publications will discuss areas in our lives to maintain “balance”. These may include Spirituality, mind, body, relationships and work. We are all different. Some of us like to get to the task at hand as soon as possible. Others are apt to put off until later what can be done right away. Today, Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish, teaching his disciples the importance of being prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus often refers to the Kingdom of Heaven as a banquet or wedding feast. Today the bridegroom represents Jesus. It’s one thing to miss a wedding reception, but it’s an entirely different issue to miss the second coming of Jesus at the end of time. We all want to be included at this banquet. Since Jesus tells us that we don’t know the time of his coming, we have to be prepared always – there’s no putting off readiness!

As with maintaining or improving other facets of our life, and as Jesus taught us and we are reminded today, it is important to keep ourselves ready. It is very easy for everyday practices to slip into occasional activities and hence leave us unprepared.

Some of these activities might include praying, receiving the sacraments, mindfully keeping the commandments, and being charitable. Let us pray that we will always keep God first in our lives so that we will all be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes.

### Act of Hope

O my God, relying on your infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of your grace and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

Leeanne

### **Masses for the deceased loved ones and parishioners**

Just like the previous year’s parishioners can offer Masses for their relatives, friends and other deceased parishioners by writing their names on the yellow envelopes which have been placed at the back of our three Churches. A special Remembrance Mass will be celebrated for our loved ones on **Thursday, 23rd Nov., 5:30pm at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore.**

**St. Joseph the Worker Church**  
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

#### Sunday Masses

7:00am & 8:30am

#### Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday  
7:00am

**Gold Coast University  
Hospital**

Friday 10:30am

#### **Guardian Angels’ Church**

99 Scarborough St., Southport

#### Saturday Masses - 6:00pm

#### Sunday Masses

7:00 & 10:00am

#### Mass in Korean

Sunday 5:00pm

#### Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30pm

#### **Mary Immaculate Church**

31 Edmund Rice Drive,  
Ashmore

#### Sunday Masses

8:30am - 6:00pm

#### Weekday Masses

Tuesday 9:00am  
Thursday 5:30pm

**NO Holy Hour  
for the Month of  
December**

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## Feasts and Saints of this Week

Sunday 12 Nov	Monday 13 Nov	Tuesday 14 Nov	Wednesday 15 Nov	Thursday 16 Nov	Friday 17 Nov	Saturday 18 Nov
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Feria	Feria	St Albert the Great	St Margaret of Scotland St Gertrude	St Elizabeth of Hungary	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul Apostles
<b>Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14 -30</b>						



**Sr Rani Maria of Kerala** the Vatican has proclaimed the murdered Kerala-born Roman Catholic nun with the title of 'Blessed' on last Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> of November. **Sr Rani Maria** was murdered in Madhya Pradesh in 1995.

On February 25, 1995, Sister Rani was stabbed more than 50 times on a bus in Madhya Pradesh. She was 41 at the time of her death. Singh (her murderer) was hired by some landlords in Indore. In our Parish, there is a large number of Catholics from Kerala. The martyrdom and beatification of **Sr Rani Maria** are a great sign that the faith of the Kerala Catholics is strong, and we are privileged to share the journey of faith with them in our Parish.

**The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which is the tittle of our church at Ashmore,** celebrates the solemn belief in the **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** It is universally celebrated on 8th December. This year on this feast, there will be Mass on **Friday, 8th December at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore at 5:30pm.** The Mass will be followed by a Parish Christmas BBQ. To facilitate planning for this gathering the Social Committee requires many hands to carry the load. Tasks that you may be drawn to are pre event (ordering, collecting and preparing food and drink, and set up); at the event (hosting, cooking at the BBQ, serving food and drink); post event (clean-up and stack furniture). To enable this event to occur, email Eddie DeMarco [marganded70@gmail.com](mailto:marganded70@gmail.com) or email John Wintour - [winlock1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:winlock1@optusnet.com.au) to let them know of your forte.



**The Loft Student Accommodation** - only few rooms left for 2018 intake. Affordable accommodation for tertiary students and apprentices in Brisbane. Current tenants attend QUT, UQ, CU and TAFE in Brisbane. Must book by 20<sup>th</sup> November. For further details pls contact 0468 515 130, (07) 3359 0239 or email: [theloftsa38@yahoo.com](mailto:theloftsa38@yahoo.com). [www.theloftsa.com.au](http://www.theloftsa.com.au) (Address: 38 Ferguson Road, Wavell Heights, QLD 3012)

**Fatima Day** - Please come to Marian Valley on **Monday, 13th November 2017** and help us celebrate the Fatima Day. The bus will pickup at 7 Lind Ave, Palm Beach at 7:45am and then at Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters at 8:15am. The cost for the bus is \$20 return. Please book your seat early with Paula on 0402 930 918 or 5582 7950 or Madeline on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573

**Angels Kitchen** will be holding a Christmas Raffle to raise much needed funds to feed the homeless. Tickets will go on sale at all parish Masses from the 11th to 19th November and will be drawn on Sunday 26th November 2017 at the 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate. **Prizes: 1st prize-Christmas Hamper, 2nd prize-70cms x 30cms hand made porcelain doll, 3rd prize-Bottle of French Champagne and an assortment of Wines and 4th prize-Two (2x) framed pictures.** Thank you for your continual support to Angels Kitchen.

**Youth Group on Sunday, 26th November, 4pm-6pm** at Mary Immaculate Church at Ashmore, Meeting Room, for High school students. Topics discussed would be Mary and the Saint. Mass at 6pm. For more information please contact and RSVP to Catherine on 0466 512 811.

**Brisbane Sings "MESSIAH"** Thrill to the exciting sound of Handel's inspirational oratorio "Messiah" performed by The Queensland Choir's 150 voice BSM Chorus, soloists and fabulous orchestra. **On Sunday, 3rd December at 2:45pm,** Brisbane City Hall. Tickets - \$55 A Reserve (Conc \$50), \$50 B Reserve (Conc \$45) and \$15 Student & Children. Available from 4MBS Ticketing, Call 3847 1717 or online at [www.4mbs.com.au](http://www.4mbs.com.au)

**Capuchin Franciscan Friars "Vocation Weekend"** Our annual vocation retreat will be held at St Joseph's Retreat centre at Marian Valley Shrine. It's for young men (18-35yrs) to come away and reflect on these most, important questions: "Lord, what are you asking of me? How are you calling me to give?" It's a fantastic opportunity to pray and reflect on the possibility that God may be calling them to the vocation of the priesthood &/or religious life. Cost is only \$30. **Begins 7:30pm Friday, 24th November. Concludes 3pm Sunday 26th November. At Marian Valley Retreat Centre, 2541 Beechmont Road,** 10km from Canungra in Gold Coast Hinterland. For more information please contact Fr Thomas on 0432 362 052, [vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au](mailto:vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au) or <http://capuchinfriars.org.au>

**Break Open the Word, Daily Mass Book & Ordo,** all ministers who have not collected their books please come and collect them at the Southport Parish Office.

**God's word** - has arrived for those who have ordered them please come and collect them at the office. Cost \$10 each.

**Christmas Puddings for Sale** please call Pat on 0404 805 819 to place your orders for Father Mac's Christmas Puddings.

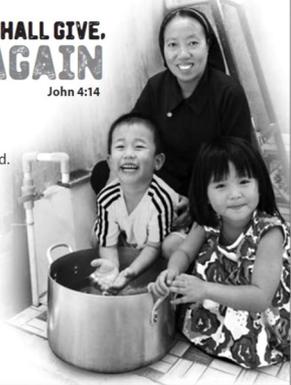
**WHOEVER DRINKS OF THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE,  
WILL NEVER THIRST AGAIN**

John 4:14

Thank you for your prayers and generous contributions for this year's Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal supporting the forgotten farming families of Vietnam, and throughout the world. Your considered gifts will help provide a new clean drinking water filtration system for the people of the coastal mountain region of Xuan Son. We invite you to consider partnering with us through a regular monthly gift and continue your support of the life-giving work of Catholic Mission.

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### Reminder - Hospital Visits

The world we live in today is more and more regulated and controlled by laws and policies. While we might not like it, the environment produced by privacy laws tends to close doors to visiting people in hospitals and other institutions, including nursing homes and aged facilities.

In dealing with bureaucracy, correctly filling in forms can help. On hospital admission forms, there is a box in regard to religion. This box says that the person is **catholic** and wants a visit from the parish (either a priest or a minister of Holy Communion). When a person fills out the form marked in this way it is easier for us to get to the patient and offer him/her pastoral care and the Blessed Sacrament.



## **Today We Welcome Into God's Family**

**Maria-Goretti Elizabeth Hemaloto** daughter of Paula Hemaloto and Emily Anae

**Mark Yi Hoang** son of Joseph Hoang and Jazz Yi Li

**Alexa Charlize Kearns** daughter of John Kearns and Lauren Breen

**Olivia Daisy Peers** daughter of Mitchell and Eliza Curtis

**Noah Van Priestley** son of Noel and Rebecca Priestley

## **Your Prayers Are Requested For Those In Need And Who Have Journeyed To The Father**

**Recently Deceased:** **Mary** Porrill,

**Anniversary:** **Donald** Shipman, **Victor** Pittendrigh, **Monica** Cross

**Sick and in Need:** **Patricia** Fisher, **Peter** Selby, **Sheryl** Fleet, **Patrick** Sullivan, **Teresita** Adrid, **Jean** Smith, **Barbara** Raymont, **Orlean** Subramanian, **Michael** Skinner, **Dulia & Lucio** Dumas, **Debbie** Poulton, **Stephanie** Alijahn, **Douglas** Bateman, **Robin** Bourke, **Christopher** Browne, **Jan** Buttigieg, **Matthew** Byrne, **Albert** Chandler, **Anne** Chandler, **Amado** Dizon, **Ely** Deganos, **Clare** Dobozy, **Bernadette** Douwes, **Narelle** Dwyer, **Patricia** Ferguson, **Candy** Guillon, **Patrick** Guillon, **Shirley** Harris, **Freda** Lyall, **Evelyn** Martinac, **Maureen** McCabe, **John** Morgan, **Mariel** Nicdao, **Maria** Pal, **Yvonne** See, **Angela** Taylor, **Mladen** Topic, **Joe** Tuesley, **David** Walters, **Alison**, **Marg** Pullen, **Harry** Hunter, **Bill** Phillips, **Victor** Williams, **Andrei James** Celes, **Mary** Achilles, **Bede** Lawner,

*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.*

## **Sacraments - Calendar 2017**

**Children's Liturgy** - Anyone interested in assisting with Children's Liturgy can contact Stephen Lunn on email at:

[StephenL@scp.org.au](mailto:StephenL@scp.org.au)

The dates for Term 4 are:

12th, 19th, 26th November, 3rd December

**Baptismal Preparation Classes** - Parents planning to baptise their children in our parish, note that the next Baptismal Preparation Classes will be held on **Thursday, 30th of November at 7pm** in the **Mary Immaculate Church**, Ashmore.

**Marriage Preparation** - For parishioners who are going to marry in the coming months, please contact [Abas Supeli](mailto:Abas Supeli) in order to obtain the **Marriage Preparation Course**. Contact by phone on: **0450 221 088** or email: [asupeli@gmail.com](mailto:asupeli@gmail.com) as the Registered Facilitator for the Ministry of Marriage Preparation in the Southport Catholic Parish.

**Advent Adventures Holiday Activity Day** - All primary school aged children from the Southport Catholic Parish are invited to Advent Adventures to be held during the school holidays (date to be confirmed) from 9:00am to 3:00pm at the Resource Centre, Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore. The day will be full of fun activities with craft, bible stories, songs, prayer, drama, plays and games. All activities are based on stories from the Advent season. Places are strictly limited to a maximum of 60 children. Please contact Stephen Lunn for a registration form at: [StephenL@scp.org.au](mailto:StephenL@scp.org.au).

We will also need high school students and at least 6 adults to assist with the day's activities. If you can assist, even for part of the day, please contact Stephen Lunn.

**Altar Servers** - Congratulation! Last Sunday the newly trained Altar Servers (**Samantha Cantos, James and Cameron Ransom-Waked**), served for the first time during the 8:30am Mass at Mary Immaculate Ashmore. We thank the children and parents for joining this ministry within our parish and encourage others to participate in the Altar Servers Ministry.

## **Parish Date Claimers**

**Holy Hour** - No Holy Hour for the month of December.

**Bridge** - Every Wednesday 9:30am to 12:30pm in the Meeting Room at Mary Immaculate. Beginners are most welcome.

**Craft** - Every Tuesday 9:30am to 11:30am in the Annex of St. Joseph. Beginners welcome. The Craft Class will end on the 14th of November. Next year's Craft Classes dates are to be advised.

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

**Rosary and Novena** - At 6:00pm every Wednesday at St. Joseph the Worker. On the **First Wednesday of the month**, they are followed by **Mass at 7:00pm.**

**Walking Group** - Our parish walking group meets each Saturday at Gold Coast Aquatic Centre Car Park, Marine Parade, at 6:30am. The walks are not strenuous and are followed by a fellowship breakfast. Interested persons wishing to join us should ring Janeece on 0408 763 772 for further details.

**Care & Concern** - volunteers are willing and available to provide transport for our elderly parishioners who have no family to assist them in getting transport to their medical, optical or dental appointments. Please call on 0421 507 554.

**Readers** - We are appealing for readers for the 6pm Saturday Mass at Guardian Angels Church. Please call the Parish office (5510 2222) if you are able to help out in this important ministry.

**Rosters** - we are preparing the rosters for **January, February, March 2018**. For any changes please contact the Office (5510 2222).

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God.**

### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#### **Gather Us In**

Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away,  
see in this space our fears and our  
dreamings brought here to You in the  
light of this day.

#### ***Refrain:***

***Gather us in the lost and forsaken,  
Gather us in the blind and the lame;  
Call to us now and we shall awaken,  
We shall arise at the sound of our  
name.***

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#### **Glory to God in the highest,**

***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.

### **GIFTS PROCESSION**

#### **Jesus Come To Us**

#### ***Refrain:***

***Jesus, come to us, lead us to your  
light.  
Jesus, be with us, for we need you.***

Lord, we come before you, listen to our  
prayer.

Fill us all with hope, and your love. **R**

Lord, we come to praise you for your  
faithfulness through night.  
You will be with us, this we know. **R**

Lord, you give us wonders, your glory to  
all.

We believe in you, come to us. **R**

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### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** (ICEL)

We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

### **COMMUNION PROCESSION**

#### **I am the Bread Of Life**

I am the bread of life,  
You who come to me shall not hunger  
And who believe in me shall not thirst  
No one can come to me, unless the  
Father beckons

***And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise, you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
on the last day!***

The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
And if you eat of this bread,  
You shall live forever,  
you shall live forever **R**

Unless you eat of the flesh of  
the Son of Man  
and drink of His blood,  
you shall not have life within you. **R**

I am the Resurrection I am the life  
If you believe in me even though you die  
You shall live forever. **R**

Yes, Lord, I believe, that you are the  
Christ,  
The son of God Who has come into the  
world. **R**

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#### **Be Thou My Vision**

Be thou my vision,  
O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me,  
save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought,  
by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping,  
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,  
and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven,  
my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, what ever befall.  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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### **RECESSIONAL**

#### **They'll know we are Christians**

We are one in the Spirit,  
we are one in the Lord  
we are one in the Spirit,  
we are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity may one day be  
restored

#### ***Refrain:***

***And they'll know we are Christians by  
our love, by our love  
Yes they'll know we are Christians by  
our love***

We will walk with each other, we will walk  
hand in hand  
We will walk with each other, we will walk  
hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news that God  
is in our land **R**

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