

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

13th August, 2017

In today's Gospel, we see Peter's boat in the middle of the stormy water of the Sea of Galilee. One of the features of the Sea of Galilee is that its waters can become stormy and wild "out of the blue." Today St Matthew tells us about one of these storms which "surprised" disciples. Describing the events of that dramatic night, at the same time, St Matthew gives a powerful image of the Church.

Let's try to read the symbolism of the scene described by the Evangelist. The boat beaten, by the waves, symbolizes the Church that for centuries has experienced, and continues to experience, different adversities and difficulties. The church, all of us, the followers of Jesus, we are making our way through the stormy waters of history towards eternal life. All these struggles, sometimes coming up very suddenly and unexpectedly throughout history, can stand for persecutions, martyrdoms, institutional corruption, violence, stupidity and in recent years for the sex abuse scandal. These stormy waters that surround the boat on its way to eternal life can generate doubts and fear.

Peter's fear, and fears and doubts of Christians living in the past, express also our fears and doubts. But in the middle of this we must not forget that from the moment of baptism we belong to the Church and we are a part of its community. We are in this boat that makes its way to the other side of the sea, to eternal life. We make this journey with Our Lord because without his presence we are powerless in the face of stormy winds in our lives and in the life of the Church.

When we make the error to think of the Church without Christ, life becomes subject to every violent wind. "He is the measure of true humanism. An "adult" faith is not a faith that follows the trends of fashion and the latest novelty; a mature adult faith is deeply rooted in friendship with Christ. It is this friendship that opens us up to all that is good and gives us a criterion by which to distinguish the true from the false." (Card. J. Ratzinger, Homily of the Holy Mass Pro Eligendo Romano Pontifice)

Fr Jan

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Assumption is a holy day of obligation

Monday, 14th August,

Vigil of the feast - Mary Immaculate, Ashmore 5:30pm

Tuesday, 15th August,

St Joseph's, Labrador **7am**, Mary Immaculate, Ashmore **9am** Mass
with the school participation, Guardian Angels, Southport **12:30 noon**

St. Joseph the Worker Church
44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

Sunday 7:00am & 8:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday
7:00am

**Gold Coast University
Hospital**

Friday 10:30am

Guardian Angels' Church

99 Scarborough St., Southport

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 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

**1st Thurs of the Month,
Holy Hour 4:15pm**

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Feasts and Saints of this Week

Sunday 13 Aug	Monday 14 Aug	Tuesday 15 Aug	Wednesday 16 Aug	Thursday 17 Aug	Friday 18 Aug	Saturday 19 Aug
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Maximilian Maria Kolbe	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	St Stephen of Hungary	Feria	Feria	St John Eudes
Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7, Romans 11 :13-15 , Matthew 15 : 21-28						

Parish Bus Trip Thursday, 21st September. We will be travelling up the Lockyer Valley to Mulgowie Hotel, for the special tasting of home grown delicacies and lunch. We were last there in 2010. Since then there have been many changes in the Lockyer Valley.

The following are times and places the bus will pick you up.

8:00am The Manor

8:15am opposite Ashmore Plaza,

8:30am St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador.

Please ring Pat after 4pm on 55 395 849 for bookings.

Cost \$50 per head

Ministers Rosters I have started to prepare the rosters for October, November, December, for all ministries. Cut off date to let the parish office know of any changes is **Monday, 20th August**. If you have a new email address please let us know. Phone: **5510 2222** or Email dalorash@scp.org.au

Deanery Youth Event Join youth from across the Gold Coast as they come together for a fun night of games, pizza, inspirational guest speaker, live and dynamic praise and worship lead by our local worship team. Meet new people, feel empowered in your faith, and grow stronger in community. Open to all high schoolers.

Date: 6pm to 9:30pm Friday, 18th August

Venue: St Michael's College, Merrimac

Contact Steph for more info or RSVP hello@venireyouth.com or on 0411 669 876, Facebook and Instagram: venireyouth

Video Volunteers are requested to help in the recording of the Mass for De Paul Villa Aged Care every Sunday (Based on the Roster). If interested please send a text message with your phone number to Janet Ferguson on 0437 644 768 and she will call you back. (Training will be provided).

Ignite Conference is a national Catholic youth conference held in Brisbane for adults, students, kids, ministry leaders, teachers, priests and religious. It's about encountering Jesus Christ and the Church, experiencing dynamic faith, being equipped for living the Christian life, and being empowered to impact the Church and the world. Thursday 21st - Sunday 24th September 2017 Brisbane Australia. Those parishioners who would like to attend the conference please contact the parish office on 5510 2222.

Invitation To volunteers, key leaders in youth and children's ministries, pastoral associates, parish pastoral and finance council members, safeguarding representatives and parishioners to attend a session with Fr Hans Zollner SJ *World-renowned expert on Safeguarding Minors & Child Sexual Abuse Prevention* on **'The emerging theology and spirituality of the priesthood and the world view of the Ecclesial significance of clerical abuse.'**

When: Saturday, 2nd September 9am to 4pm

Where: Clairvaux MacKillop College Auditorium
24 Klumpp Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt

RSVP: ASAP to Vicar for Clergy's Office at clergy-support@bne.catholic.net.au or phone **3324 3324, 3324 3365** (morning tea, light lunch and refreshments provided.)



Together we can rebuild lives

Thank You

From the Ashmore and Southport Conferences
of St Vincent de Paul.

To the parishioners of the Southport Catholic Parish, for the success of the **"Winter Appeal"**.

The funds raised from this year's appeal allows the conferences to continue their work of a **"Hands Up"** to single people, families, or a single parent family in the local community who are in need of assistance. The reasons for assistance are many including job loss, illness, domestic violence or family breakdown.

As usual all funds raised are used to help these families in the local areas of Southport, Ashmore, Labrador, Molendinar, Chirn Park, Arundel and Parkwood.

The commitment you make to support our Winter Appeal **so generously** is always gratefully appreciated as it allows us to make a **"real difference"** to those we assist.

Thank You

Barry Litfin (President Southport)
Sharne Lord (President Ashmore)

Did you know?

Thanks to your generosity in the past you have helped to care for our retired priests...

"The Priests Foundation is a little like my walking stick - helping me to stay on my feet," says Father Denis Long.

"It's difficult to put into words the many ways that you

have supported us - there's healthcare, travel assistance, accommodation, and much more.

"We're deeply grateful for this care. I'd like to say a heartfelt thank you to all our benefactors and assure you that we remember you in our Masses and our prayers."

The Priests Foundation is one of the vital Catholic agencies that is supported through your gifts to the Annual Catholic Campaign. In the coming decade, a large number of priests will become eligible for retirement - your contributions will go a long way toward providing for the increasing demand on these critical services.



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Today We Welcome Into God's Family

Omar Knight son of Damien & Nehal Knight

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

Recently Deceased: **Joseph Mandile**, **Mrs Shaofen Li** (*Mother of Fr Baiyi Gong*), **Mr James Joseph Harris** (*Father of Bishop Timothy Harris*) **Keith McDonogh**, **Danny Albachiette**

Anniversary: **Benjamin Gilbert**, **Joseph Zammit**, **James Gordon Irwin**, **Wiktorja Dzemieszko**

Sick and in Need: **Peter Barker**, **June Doherty**, **Oscar Ramos**, **Teresita Adrid**, **Jean Smith**, **Barbara Raymont**, **Orlean Subramanian**, **Michael Ward**, **Jim Kiely**, **Michael Skinner**, **Dulia 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**, **Michael Jamrich**, **Freda Lyall**, **Evelyn Martinac**, **Maureen McCabe**, **John Morgan**, **Mariel Nicdao**, **Maria Pal**, **Lorraine Pledger**, **Yvonne See**, **Angela Sannen**, **Angela Taylor**, **Mladen Topic**, **Joe Tuesley**, **Fr Vince**, **David Walters**, **Alison**, **Marg Pullen**, **Harry Hunter**, **Bill Phillips**, **Victor Williams**, **Emily Valenzuela**, **Mary Ann Boehme**, **Andrei James Celes**, **Mary Achilles**,

*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

IMPORTANT: Confirmation enrolments have closed.

Any enquiries contact Stephen Lunn via email at StephenL@scp.org.

Family confirmation meeting Saturday, 19th August.

Confirmation practice Monday, 28th August.

Confirmation Thursday, 31st August.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is available to those candidates who are 8 years of age (Year 3) or older. **Candidates must be baptised Catholics and at least one parent must be a baptised Catholic.** Anyone who is unsure if they qualify should contact **Stephen Lunn** on StephenL@scp.org.au.

Children's Liturgy

Anyone interested in assisting with Children's Liturgy can contact Stephen Lunn on email at: StephenL@scp.org.au.

Term 3 Children's Liturgy dates are: the 20th of August and the 3rd and 10th of September.

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

Baptismal Preparation Classes Parents planning to baptise their children in our parish, note that the next Baptismal Preparation Classes will be held on the **Tuesday, 15th of August at 10:30am and 24th August at 7.00pm** in the hall next to **Mary Immaculate Church**, Ashmore.

RCIA - Thinking of Becoming a Catholic



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process developed for adults who consider joining the Catholic Church. Through the RCIA program candidates are gradually introduced to beliefs, teaching and practices of the Roman Catholic Tradition. At Easter, those who have participated in the programme, receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation: **Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.** On

Thursday, 17th August, an RCIA Inquiry Night will be held at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall, Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore. If anyone is interested in becoming a Catholic, please let us know by contacting the Parish Office on 5510 2222. If you know someone who has expressed some interest in becoming Catholic, please let these people know about the RCIA program.

The Monthly Meeting of the Gold Coast Lay

Carmelites will be held at **Surfers Paradise Parish Hospitality Centre, Clear Island Waters** at **10:30am Sunday 20th August, 2017**. All are welcome especially those enrolled in the tradition of the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. Please contact Norm Harding 0421 125 575 (ave.olmc@outlook.com) to either confirm your attendance or to make enquiries generally.

Feast of Christ the Redeemer

The Maltese Community would like to invite everyone to help celebrate the Feast of Christ the Redeemer. We are holding a pilgrimage to Marian Valley on **Saturday the 19th of August 2017**. The bus will pickup at 7 Lind Ave, Palm Beach, at 7.45am and then pickup again 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 930918 or 5582 7950 or Madeline on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573.

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Lord let us see your kindness and grant us
your salvation

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We Walk By Faith

We walk by faith, and not by sight:
no gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
Yet in his promise we rejoice and cry
"My Lord and God!"

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Glory to God in the highest

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.

*Glory to God in the highest and on earth
peace to people of good will. Amen*

GIFTS PROCESSION

Open My Eyes

Open my eyes, Lord
help me to see Your face
open my eyes, Lord
help me to see

Open my ears, Lord
help me to hear Your voice
open my ears, Lord
help me to hear

Open my heart, Lord
help me to love like You
open my heart, Lord
help me to love

I live within you
deep in your heart, oh, love

I live within you, rest now in me

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We proclaim your Death, o Lord,
And profess your Resurrection until you
come again.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

You are Mine

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**

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As Gentle as Silence

Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence of
all that I love here on earth.
All the beauty I see has been given to
me, and his giving is gentle as silence.

Every day, every hour, every moment
has been blessed by the strength of his
love,
At the turn of each tide he is there at my
side, and his touch is as gentle as
silence.

There've been times when I've turned
from his presence, and I've walked other
paths, other ways.

But I've called on his name in the dark
of my shame, and his mercy was gentle
as silence.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safe-ty,
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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Honouring Our Lady at St. Joseph Church Labrador



On **Friday, 18th of August at 5:30pm**
there will be a celebration of the Holy
Mass in honour of Our Lady. As in
recent years, with this Mass we thank
God for his blessings that he has
given us through the intercession of
the Blessed Virgin Mary. Those
parishioners who previously attended
these Masses might remember that
after Mass we enjoyed mulled wine
with finger food. This year we are
going to continue this tradition and
after the 5:30pm Mass we are going to
serve mulled wine with nibbles at the
annex of St Joseph.

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