



The parable of the prodigal son (Lk. 15:1-3,11-32) is one of the most beautiful parables in the New Testament.

If there are times when we are feeling desperate or feel like losing heart about our particular situation; if there are times when we find it hard to believe or trust in God's love, we only have to look up to Jesus on the cross to understand the mercy and compassion God feels toward us.

The story of the generous and loving father and the prodigal son is a beautiful image about the generous love and tenderness of God. God loves us with an immense and deep love. That love is expressed in different ways, especially in unconditional forgiveness.

God always forgives us and God is always ready to forgive. He is never sparing, but is always very generous in His love towards us even though when we have sinned deeply against Him. If we are sincere, God always welcomes us into His open arms. God will not refuse to transform us into His image. Like the loving father in the parable, God is waiting patiently for us to return to Him.

We thank the Lord for His mercy and compassion. Let us be generous and merciful to all those who are part of our lives.

Fr Van Huong

## EASTER CEREMONIES

**HOLY THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
Mass of the Lord's Supper  
6:00pm - Mary Immaculate

**GOOD FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**Stations of the Cross**  
9:00am - St Joseph The Worker  
10:00am - Guardian Angels  
10:30am - Mary Immaculate

**Passion of the Lord**  
3:00pm - Mary Immaculate

**HOLY SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**Easter Vigil**  
5:30pm - Mary Immaculate

**NO 6PM VIGIL**  
**AT GUARDIAN ANGELS**  
**SOUTHPORT**

**EASTER SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL**  
**Mary Immaculate**  
8:30am & 6:00pm

**St Joseph The Worker**  
7:00am & 8:30am

**Guardian Angels**  
7:00am & 10:00am

**Mass in Korean**  
5:00pm

**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



**Before Mass speak with God**

**Guardian Angels' Church**  
99 Scarborough St., Southport  
**Saturday Masses - 6:00pm**

**Sunday Masses**  
7:00am & 10:00am

**Mass in Korean - 5pm**

**Weekday Mass**  
Friday 12:30pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4:30pm to 5:15pm



**During Mass, let God speak with you**

**Mary Immaculate Church**  
31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

**Sunday Masses**  
8:30am & 6:00pm

**Weekday Masses**  
Tuesday 9:00am  
Thursday 5:30pm

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



**After Mass, speak with others**

## LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE

Many Catholics in Australia are very familiar with Bernadette Farrell's hymn "Christ be our light!" A lot of people would know this hymn by heart and sing it on different occasions.

*Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.*

*Christ, be our light! Shine in Your church gathered today.*

The name of our new building refers to this hymn of Bernadette Farrell in a Latin version. **LUMEN CHRISTI** the Latin name which means **THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**.

This name points to Christ who brings unity and who leads us through the darkness in our lives.

I want to highlight clearly that the **LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE (this is the full name)** is a building of the Southport Parish and is going to be used by the whole Parish. The extension of the annex will make more and better space for the many Parish activities like; feast day celebrations, RCIA, Parish Pastoral Council, sacramental program meetings, catechism and faith groups discussions, refreshments after funerals as well as a place for gathering after Mass. I am confident that the **LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE** will help to bring more **light of Christ** into our parish life. The **LUMEN CHRISTI CENTRE (LCC)** will also commemorate the Golden Jubilee of St Joseph's church which was dedicated in March 1970.

Many months have gone and the first meetings which gave some direction in shaping the plans for this project. Today after more than 12 months of the intense work with the architects and the City Council office's, the plans are finalised and the needed permissions have been given. The construction of the building is around the corner, and I hope that the construction work will be completed by the end of this year. As the **LCC** will be a building for use for the whole parish it needs the support of all parishioners. Next **Sunday, 7th of April**, we are going to launch **Southport Parish Fund Raising**.

I have been at Southport Parish more than five years and in this time, I have witnessed many times Parishioners' big hearts. I am confident that **the LCC** will be supported with the same enthusiasm and generosity as other initiatives and projects in recent years. I have no doubt that after a few years of its existence more and more people will be familiar with **the LCC** in the same way as we are familiar today with the hymn "Christ be our light!"

Blessings - Fr Jan

**Ignite Youth** of every second month, on Friday nights, we're going to be flooding to the **Blind Eye Centre** with teenagers from all over Brisbane for a night of massive praise and worship and extraordinary encounters. **We'll be kicking off on Friday, 5th of April 6:30 with food and a festival before heading inside for our night rally at the new venue 19 Merivale Street, South Brisbane.**

This exciting and powerful night will include:

- Dinner and games in our festival area (cash & eftpos available)
- Live music from Emmanuel Worship
- Inspirational talk & testimony
- Prayer Experiences (Prayer Teams available each night)
- Sacraments (Reconciliation available each night).

**We're so excited to see where the night takes us - and we're so excited for YOU to be a part of it!**

**Parish Bus Trip** to Byron Bay, ride the Solar Powered Rattler to Bistro for lunch. **16th of May 2019**. Its about 6 weeks away and we have over 30 names. If interested and for more information please contact Pat on 55395849.

## PALM SUNDAY, 14TH OF APRIL 2019



The Palm Sunday celebration will open the door to Holy Week. An essential part of this celebration, which commemorates Jesus' entrance to the city of Jerusalem, is the procession with the palm and olive

branches. If any Parishioners have palm or olive branches please give the office a call 5510 2222 & we can arrange to collect them or **please deliver them in the Office on Thursday, 12th of April**. This will make it easier to provide enough branches for our three churches on this especial day.

**Palm Sunday Liturgy** on the 14th of April at Mary Immaculate Church 8:30am Mass. We invite the children to participate in the procession with the palms at beginning of the Mass. Parents please contact Maria on 5510 2222 or email her at MariaB@scp.org.au to confirm your child's involvement with the procession on Palm Sunday.

## PROJECT COMPASSION



**Michaela** is a 21-year-old trainee at Purple House, a dialysis center in the Central Desert for people suffering from kidney disease. With the support of Caritas partners, Michaela is helping to build a social enterprise, a connection to culture and a new outlook for the chronically ill.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela.**

**A one-day retreat** on "The Grace of Baptism" will be held at Kedron's Little Flower Church Hall, 80 Turner Road, KEDRON on **Saturday, 13th April 2019**, 9.30am to 4.30pm. Presented by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane Mission Team. Morning & Afternoon teas provided, BYO lunch. Everyone is invited. Enquiries: Len Airey 0421 977 849.

**De Paul Manor** Knit and natter group will be having a craft stall on **Wednesday 3rd April** from 2pm in their Retreat. All are Welcome.

**Footsteps of St Paul**, journey with St. Paul as you relive the Acts of the Apostles and the various letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece and Greek islands in this 14-day pilgrimage lead by Catholic Priests that features Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, Santorini, Thessaloniki, Philippi and Meteora for an all-inclusive price of \$5990. The group departs on 1st October 2019. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + 4 day cruise with Lunch + All Breakfast & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides + Entrances as per itinerary and more. For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or email us [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au).



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**Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year C**

**1st Reading - Isaiah 43:16-21, 2nd Reading - Philippians 3:8-14, Gospel - John 8:1-11**

## Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

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*Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.*

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

**Anniversary:** Peter Stanfield, Saneng David

**Sick and in Need:** Claire Keefe, Mary Achilles, Teresita Adrid, Stephanie Alijahn, Elias Arulappan, Matt Aquino, David Austin (priest), Sue Barker, Douglas Bateman, Nicolai Bicher, John Booth, Robin Bourke, Christopher Browne, Theresa Birmingham, Matthew Byrne, Andrei Celes, Anne Chandler, Dave Curran, Lynette Dillon, Amado Dizon, Ely Deganos, Leoncia Dizon, Mario Jose Dizon, Conchita Djosovic, Clare Dobozy, Patricia Dowde, Lucio Dumas, Narelle Dwyer, Patricia Fisher, Sheryl Fleet, Tootsie Francia, Bernadette Gaspard, Ron Gledhill, Marcelle Guillon, Karen George, Patrick Guillon, Norm Harding Harry Hunter, Semeon Illescas, Margaret Iringan, Veronica James, Linda Kerr, Mary Kerwin, Bede Lawner, Elena Lazaro, Maria Malate, Angelina Mandarino, Evelyn Martinac, Ron Martinac, Maureen McCabe, Nympha Mendoza, Morin Min, Elizabeth Morris, Merlyn Morris, David Mulligan, Terry Neal, Kevin Nicholason, Jerry Obe, Grace Ogilvie, Francisca Park, Debbie Poulton, Garth Rippin, Mervyn Francis Ryan, Yvonne See, Peter Selby, Michael Skinner, Arthur Smith, Jean Smith, Wiktorija Stojanovic, Patrick Sullivan, Pasqual Tantengo, Angela Taylor, Joe Tuesley, Christine Versace, David Walters, Victor Williams, Lorraine Wilson.

*Immaculate Heart of Mary we trust to your gentle care and intercessions  
those we love and those who are sick, lonely or hurting.*

*Help all of us Holy Mother to bear our burdens in this life until we share eternal life with God.*



### Sacrament of Baptism

Today, we Welcome into God's Family  
Caleb Bradley Jones  
son of Bradley and Melanie Jones

**Baptismal Preparation Classes at Mary Immaculate Church.** For Parents planning to baptise their children in our parish, our **Online Baptismal Registration is now available.** The next Baptismal Prep will be on **Tuesday, 9th and 23rd of April.** To book please Register Online <https://scp.org.au> (Baptismal/Baptismal Prep/Registration).

### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2019**

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion Online Registration will is now available (<https://scp.org.au>) and will close on the 18th April 2019.

This First Holy Communion programme is for children who have already celebrated the **Sacrament of Confirmation in 2018 or any child that turns 9 (year 4) this year.**

The First Holy Communion Mass will be held at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore **on Saturday 1st of June 5pm or Sunday, 2nd of June 2019 at 11am.** These Masses are in addition to the usual Sunday Mass.

The Candidates for First Holy Communion must be a **Baptised Catholic.** Those candidates who are unsure if they qualify, please contact Maria Blanca on 5510 2222.

### Children's Liturgy

The dates for Children's Liturgy in Term 2, 2019 are: **28th April, 5th, 12th, 26th of May and 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd of June 2019.** Anyone interested in assisting with Children's Liturgy can contact Maria Blanca on **5510 2222** or email her at: [MariaB@scp.org.au](mailto:MariaB@scp.org.au).

**\*19th of May - Guardian Angels School Family Mass**

### 2019 Parish Date Claimers

**Wednesday, 10th and Thursday, 11th of April** all priests will be away for the Convocation of Clergy 2019. Therefore there will be no 5:30pm Mass at Mary Immaculate Church.

**RCIA** at 7pm, Mary Immaculate Meeting room every **Thursday.**

**Craft** at **9:30am to 12pm every Thursday** at Mary Immaculate Church (Library) Ashmore. We welcome new members to join us.

**Rosary and Novena** at **6pm every Wednesday** at St Joseph the Worker Labrador. On the First Wednesday of the month, followed by Mass at 7pm.

**Filipino Mass** at **12pm every First Sunday** of the month at Guardian Angels, Southport..

**Young Adult Group** meet every Friday at Guardian Angels Church, Southport, at 6:30pm. For more information or enquiries please contact Lynn on 0425182049 Or Juan on 0406705349.

**Walking Group** our parish walking group meets each Saturday at **St Joseph the Worker, Imperial Parade, Labrador at 6am.** Interested persons wishing to join us should ring **Janece on 0408 763 772.**

**Cherish Life Gold Coast** is seeking letter box drop-pers to Fight for Life this Federal Election. Please contact Fiona on 0457 781 513 - leave a message if not available.

**A new set of the Planned Giving Envelopes** are available for collection at our three Churches. Those Parishioners who contribute to the **1st and 2nd** collection through the envelopes can collect their envelopes which have been placed on tables at the back of our three churches.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#### **Our Father, We have Wandered**

Our Father, we have wandered  
and hidden from your face,  
in foolishness have squandered  
your legacy of grace.

But now, in exile dwelling,  
we rise with fear and shame,  
as distant but compelling,  
we hear you call our name.

And now at length discerning  
the evil that we do,  
behold us, Lord, returning  
with hope and trust to you.  
In haste you come to meet us  
and home rejoicing bring,  
in gladness there to greet us  
with calf and robe and ring.

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### **PENITENTIAL ACT**

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I  
have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-  
Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Priest:** May almighty God have mercy  
on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.  
Amen.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus***

I will rise and go to my father and tell  
him: Father I have sinned against heaven  
and against you.

***Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus***

### **GIFTS PROCESSION**

#### **From Ashes to the Living Font**

From ashes to the living font  
your Church must journey, Lord,  
baptised in grace,  
in grace renewed  
by your most holy word.

Through fasting,  
prayer, and charity  
your voice speaks deep within,  
returning us to ways of truth  
and turning us from sin.

We sit beside the road and plead,  
“Come, save us, David’s Son!”  
Now with your vision heal our eyes,  
the world’s true Light alone.  
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### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**<sup>(ICEL)</sup>

When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O  
Lord, until you come again.

### **COMMUNION PROCESSION**

#### **Seek, O Seek the Lord**

**Refrain:**

***Seek, O seek the Lord,  
while he is near;  
trust him,  
speak to him in prayer,  
and he will hear.***

God, be with us in our lives,  
direct us in our calling;  
break the snares  
the world contrives,  
keep us from falling. **R**

God, increase in us the life  
that Christ by dying gave us.  
Though we faint with mortal strife His  
blood will save us. **R**

Strengthen in our hearts the love  
we owe to one another.  
How can we love God above  
and not our brother? **R**

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### **REFLECTION HYMN**

#### **Come As You Are**

Come as you are,  
that’s how I want you.  
Come as you are, feel quite at home.  
Close to my heart  
loved and forgiven;  
come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits,  
no need to fear, love never ends.  
Don’t run away  
shamed and disheartened.  
Rest in my love, trust me again.

I came to call sinners,  
not just the virtuous.  
I came to bring peace,  
not to condemn.  
Each time you fail  
to live by my promise,  
why do you think  
I’d love you the less?

Come as you are,  
that’s how I love you.  
Come as you are, trust me again.  
Nothing can change  
the love that I bear you.  
All will be well, just come as you are.  
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### **RECESSIONAL**

#### **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!

**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.**  
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### **LENTEN RECONCILIATION 2019**

**Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April**  
Ashmore (6pm 2nd Rite)

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April**  
Ashmore  
(4:15pm during the Holy Hour)

**Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 5**  
Southport (during 12.30 Mass)

**Guardian Angels Church, during  
Lent every Wednesday from 12  
noon till 1pm** Parishioners and  
Visitors are welcomed to celebrate  
the Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Every Saturday afternoon at  
Guardian Angels Church** the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation is avail-  
able from **4:30pm – 5:15pm**. As per  
time table on the front page.

#### **Aquinas College**

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#### **Guardian Angels**

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#### **De Paul Manor Estate**

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