

SUMMARY - PARISH INFORMATION NIGHT

My dear parishioners

On 10 August 2022, the parish held an information night at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore to give parishioners an opportunity to be informed of the parish pastoral plan since COVID-19, and to our future direction. The night took on a Q & A format which gave parishioners a chance to ask questions.

I sincerely thank the 70 plus parishioners who attended, in particular Maria and Judy, who provided the delicious charcuterie platters and wine.

I would also like to acknowledge the work of our Finance Committee for organising the evening, our Chairperson Terry Naug, Kerri Kleidon, Joe Thompson (Joe, I'm sorry I didn't stick to your fantastic power point presentation, I went off on my usual tangent, instead of looking back I went sideways, I'll try better next time!), Francis Cueva our accountant, as well as Danny Higgins, the Regional Hospitaller from the local region of the Order of Malta.

Danny was able to clarify the relationship between the Order and the parish, of the new Homeless Centre, that being the Order of Malta will assist me in the supervision and governance of our Homeless Centre. Recently Danny and I had a meeting with the Archdiocesan Chancellor and Solicitor to draft a Memorandum of Understanding between the Parish and the Order on the duties and responsibilities of all entities in the new Centre. The centre's kitchen when completed, will bear the name Angels Kitchen in recognition of the incredible work by the volunteers over the past 25 years.

Just recently I attended the Clergy Convocation in Brisbane with our Archbishop. Even though COVID-19 had a negative effect on all parishes across the Archdiocese, it has also opened up new opportunities to be Church and community.

It is important that we acknowledge the past and the tremendous work of our previous Priests, staff, Finance Committee and parishioners who have contributed to the enviable position we, as a parish, find ourselves in today.

We are one of the few parishes in the Archdiocese to emerge from COVID-19 in a strong pastoral and financial position.

As you are aware, Daloras, our long time Parish Secretary, retired recently. The parish office has become superfluous to our parish needs (a building with 17 rooms and virtually only 2 people working out of it). With this in mind, and in consultation with our Parish Finance Committee, and the approval of the Building and Property Committee of the Archdiocese, we made the decision to downsize the parish office as we already have another office opened in Southport.

With COVID-19 came a huge downturn in parish revenue, with many parishioners no longer coming to Mass. It was decided that by leasing the parish office space, we could offset some of the shortfall in lost income.

Moreover, the majority of work of parishes these days is done online. Also, we are no longer responsible for the de Paul Villa and Manor, as the Parish and Archdiocese has entered into a 99 year lease agreement with Ozcare, a Catholic entity (St Vincent de Paul Society) to manage and run the aged care facility. This is another reason the office space is no longer needed.

In light of the above, the priests' sacristy in the church has been renovated to accommodate the new parish office and the sacristy has been relocated to a smaller room next to the reconciliation room.

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Fr Stephen Camiolo

*(Parish Ministry
& Hospital Chaplaincy)*

OFFICE OPENING HOURS

ASHMORE:

**TEMPORARILY CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

SOUTHPORT OFFICE:

(ANGELS ON SCARBOROUGH)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9.00AM TO 4.30PM



Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.

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

Rosary 10.00am

Friday Mass 10.30am

Guardian Angels Church

99 Scarborough Street, Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday Reconciliation 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm

Sunday 7.00am & 9.00am

Sunday 3.30pm Korean Mass

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Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon -1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12.30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm

Sunday 9.00am & 5.30pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday 4.30pm

We are employing a replacement for Daloras, who will work in the new office next to the church 3 days per week. In addition to this, I would like to welcome Lisa Perkins, who is our new Sacramental Co-ordinator. Lisa and her family are long time parishioners and we are excited for her to join our parish team. Lisa will be working the other 2 days per week in the parish office also. This will enable the parish office at Ashmore to be opened 5 days per week, Monday to Friday and on a positive note, our church will also be opened during these hours.

In the past 2 years, the parish has achieved much, namely:

- The Lumen Christi Centre (thanks to the vision of Fr Jan and the previous Finance Committee and Project Manager Terry Naug)
- The internal renovation and external painting of Guardian Angels Church
- The internal renovation of Mary Immaculate Church
- The internal renovation of Fr Vince's residence
- The internal renovation of the Presbytery
- The purchase of the gift/piety shop and office in Southport

Furthermore, the parish purchased the existing offices above Angels on Scarborough, as well as 2 properties in Davenport Street, Southport, the site of our new Homeless Centre.

This has all been made possible through the leasing agreement of the aged care facility. In addition to this, the parish has also received a substantial amount of money from the lease, which comes under the Australian Taxation Office Public Benevolent Institution (PBI).

This money can only be used under strict ATO guidelines for the relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, distress or disability. Some of these funds will be used to set up the Homeless Centre, the rest will be re-invested to support the Centre and people in need.

Furthermore, we are in consultation with Centacare (an Archdiocesan entity), who manages our After School and Child Care Centres at Ashmore. We aim to make these Centres more welcoming and family and child friendly.

Recently, I met with Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OS.S.P.P.E, Bishop of Wilcannia-Forbes. His diocese is one of the poorest in the country as well as being one of the largest rural dioceses. Many of his parishes are struggling to survive financially. His priests are required to travel vast distances to dispense the sacraments and minister to the outlying catholic population.

In light of this, I thought we, a large affluent coastal parish, could support one of the poorest parishes in his diocese. We are currently negotiating with the parish and the diocese on how best to assist and support Our Lady of Good Counsel, Hillston and we would like to twin our parish and school in a mutual bond of support and friendship. More information will be made available on how best we proceed with this project.

In conclusion, thank you all for your support and understanding over these last 2 extraordinary years, in particular our parish staff, volunteers, parishioners and clergy.

This is not the time to be looking back but forward. In the words of our Divine Master, "no one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God". (Luke 9:62)

Yours sincerely in Christ

FR GERARD McMORROW
Parish Priest



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21st August 2022

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Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year C/2
1st Reading – Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29 2nd Reading – Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24
Gospel - Luke 14:1, 7-14

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PHONE: 1300 304 550 EMAIL: A0B@stopline.com.au ONLINE: www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Southport Catholic Parish
Kerri Kleidon

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.



RECENTLY DECEASED

BRIAN MOONEY, RENE FRIPPIAT, LULLA BALLAM

By request the names of our sick and deceased family & friends will be recorded in these books in each church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE NAMES APPEAR IN THESE BOOKS

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2022

Rosary is held every **Monday and Wednesday at 6.00am** at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador and every **Tuesday and Thursday at 8.00am** at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore

Eucharistic Adoration is held every **Thursday from 7.45am until 8.45am** at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore (rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy and private prayer), followed by Mass

Holy Hour is held every **Wednesday at 12noon until 1.00pm** at Guardian Angels Church, Southport (silent prayer, hymns, rosary, spiritual reflections and benediction). Confessions are available on Wednesday only. Adoration every **Friday from 11.30am**

Novena is held every **Wednesday at 6.00pm** at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador

1st Wednesday Rosary 6.00pm at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador followed by Mass at **7.00pm**

1st Saturday Rosary at 8.30am at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador followed by Mass at **9.00am**

1st Sunday Filipino Mass at 12noon at Guardian Angels Church, Southport

Every Saturday Walking Group meets at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador at **6.30am**. Contact Janeece on 0408 763 772

Brisbane City Pops Orchestra - SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, 4 December 2022 at 4.00pm at Guardian Angels Church, Southport

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA

In October the Southport Catholic Parish will begin the RCIA for 2022 - 2023. The Catechumens (RCIA members) will be welcomed into the Church at the Easter Saturday Vigil.

Preparation will start in October with a journey through the book - *At Home with God's People*.

If you or your family and friends are interested please call and speak to Fr Stephen at the Parish office on 5510 2222.

If you are interested in being a sponsor for the RCIA and journeying with these people, please contact Fr Stephen at the Parish office on 5510 2222.

~QUOTE~

Faith sees the invisible, believes the unbelievable, and receives the impossible...

- Corrie ten Boom

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2022

The online registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year is now **CLOSED**. If you require any further information in regard to this matter, please contact Lisa Perkins or Maria Blancia on 5510 2222.

ALL OF THE BELOW WILL HELD AT MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH, ASHMORE.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES AND CREED

Saturday, 20 August @ 4.30pm

Sunday, 21 August @ 9.00am

Sunday, 21 August @ 5.30pm

CONFIRMATION MEETING

Thursday, 1 September @ 4.00pm

Sunday, 4 September @ 10.15am (after 9.00am Mass)

FAMILY CONFIRMATION MEETING

Saturday, 10 September @ 9.00am-12.00pm

PRACTICE

Wednesday, 14 September

4.00pm (for the 9.00am Celebration)

6.00pm (for the 11.00am Celebration)

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

First Session - Saturday, 17 September @ 9.00am or

Second Session - Saturday, 17 September @ 11.00am

Gold Coast Parishes - 24 hours Adoration

Tuesday 1pm to Wednesday 1pm every week



at Guardian Angels Church
99 Scarborough Street, Southport
parking onsite, church secured from 6pm to 8am

We are joining the effort to have Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. To make this a success we need 2 people per hour.

Please indicate your availability for a one hour commitment. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of your local church, alternatively email brisbane.adoration@gmail.com. We will be in touch mid-October to confirm your exact time and other details. We expect to start our Adoration cycle on the first Tuesday in November 2022.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Are Welcome

Let us build a house
where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions
rock of faith and vault of grace,
here the love of Christ
shall end divisions.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house
where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to
dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace,
here as one we claim
the faith of Jesus.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.
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THE GLORIA:

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – SUNG

Let All the Peoples

Refrain:
Let all the peoples praise you,
O Lord,
let all the peoples praise you.
Let all the peoples praise you,
O Lord,
let all the peoples praise you.

Nations shall fear
the name of the Lord
and all the rulers of earth your glory,
when the Lord shall build Sion again,
coming in glory. Alleluia!

Let this be written for ages to come,
peoples unborn may praise the Lord,
who has come down
from the sanctuary on high
to set the prisoners free. Alleluia!
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord lasts for ever.
What is the word that is living?
It is brought to us
through his Son Jesus Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

We Remember
Refrain:
We remember how you loved us
to your death,
and still we celebrate,
for you are with us here,
and we believe that we will see you
when you come in your glory, Lord.
We remember,
we celebrate, we believe.

Here, a million wounded souls
are yearning just to touch you
and be healed.
Gather all your people,
and hold them to your heart. **R**

Now we recreate your love,
we bring the bread and wine
to share a meal.
Sign of grace and mercy,
the presence of the Lord. **R**
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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Seed, Scattered and Sown

Refrain:
Seed, scattered and sown,
wheat, gathered and grown,
bread, broken and shared as one,
the living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land,
wine, work of our hands,
one cup that is shared by all,
the living cup,
the living bread of God.

Is not the bread we break,
a sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless,
the blood of Christ outpoured? **R**

The seed which falls on rock
will wither and will die,
The seed within good ground
will flower and have life. **R**

As wheat upon the hills
was gathered and was grown,
so may the Church of God
be gathered into one. **R**
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REFLECTION

A New Commandment

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 others know
that you are my disciples,
if you have love one for another.
By this shall others know
that you are my disciples,
if you have love one for another.
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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Go Now You are Sent Forth

Go now, you are sent forth
to live what you proclaim,
to show the world you follow Christ
in fact not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth
to walk this troubled earth,
to share your faith with everyone,
and prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth
as God's ambassador,
by serving him in those we meet,
we love him more and more.

Go now, you are sent forth
and Christ goes with you, too.
Today you help his kingdom come
in everything you do.
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“I was
sick and
you visited
me ...”
Matthew 25:36