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5th Sunday of Easter

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15th May 2022

Pastor's Message

Was the Last-Supper commandment of Jesus to love one Monday 16th May another really all that new.

Is there not an Old Testament requirement to love my neighbour as myself (Lev 19:18). The really new ideal is that we are to love in the way that Jesus loves us, and that is totally, to the last drop of his blood, poured out in the sacrifice of Calvary.

Another sense in which his love-commandment is new is how he defines who is my neighbour, whom I should love. His parable of the Good Samaritan shows that everyone is my neighbour, even those of different nationality or religion. So now, love for our neighbour is very demanding, and goes beyond all racism or prejudice.

The really hard question is whether such love is possible. While giving a hesitant yes to this as a possibility, it is clear that most of us, most of the time clearly fail to live this new commandment fully. We can only love in this way by cooperating very generously with the grace of God. But the power to do is based on the new image of humanity given Friday 20th May us by Christ, and because we have his living presence with us, to help us love others in his way.

It is a very demanding ideal to love our neighbour as ourselves or even to love our neighbour in any way at all. In the face of Islamic extremism or any other form of terrorism, or in time of war, we are strongly tempted to dehumanise the enemy and regard them as no longer part of the human family, and so unworthy of any kind of love or respect.

But Jesus' commandment to love, and his own example of forgiving those who crucified him, constantly call us to reconsider things and seek for reconciliation rather than total victory.

It is only by living in spiritual contact with Jesus that we can love our neighbour deeply. It is by living close to him that we can love as Jesus taught. If not, we will be relying only on our human efforts alone, and we will love with some other type of love but not the unconditional love Jesus asked for when he said, "I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you."

God Bless, Fr Mark

Parish Diary

9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's, Moggill

Mahjong Group, St Catherine's, 1:00pm

Moggill

Tuesday 17th May

9:15am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Wednesday 18th May

9:00am Prep Liturgy, OLR, Kenmore

Craft Group, St Catherine's, Moggill 9:15am

Thursday 19th May

Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill 9:15am

Maranatha Prayer Group, OLR, 7:00pm

Kenmore

9:15am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Primary School Youth (Launch Pad), 3:00pm

CCC Hall, Kenmore

High School Youth (Magnify), CCC 6:30pm

Hall, Kenmore

Saturday 21st May

5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Sunday 22nd May – 6th Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill

9:45am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Workshop (Children's Liturgy of the 12:00pm

Word), Blessed Sacrament Chapel

5:30pm Mass, OLR, Kenmore

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Sunday Readings

2nd Reading Rev 21:1-5 1st Reading Acts 14:21-27 **Readings at Home**

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 5th Sunday of Easter: https://universalis.com/20220515/mass.htm

Prayer Requests

If your relative or friend has been removed from this list and you wish them to remain on it, please call the Parish Office.

Recently Deceased: Please remember **Ursula Gockel**, **Catherine Flanner** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember **Maureen Thomsen** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Terry Selva, Ted Dean, Lucas Reekes-Parsons, Mary Matthews, Ellen Farkas, Harry Deans, Ian and Denise Venebles, Brenda Carlos, John O'Dea, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Lara Dunn, Brian Rohweder, Madeleine Brown, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Kerry Lannoy, Nicole Dyer, Mary Robba, Clint Quinlivan, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Hans Gockel, Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, Theresa Crook, Judy Kocho, Pat Clohessy, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nadine Jones, Clare Hickey, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, Paul Cherian, John Green, Jackie Rutter, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Brian West, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Annette Boyle, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - Workshop

A workshop for Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held on Sunday 22nd May at 12noon at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Kenmore. The workshop will be lead by Chantale Wilson from Evangelisation Brisbane.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with Children's Liturgy of the Word and would like to attend the workshop, please contact the Parish office before the 18th May.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Open for Prayer

The Chapel is open during office hours (Mon - Fri from 8:30am - 2:00pm) for all to visit. For after hours access please contact the Parish manager who will happily assist you in completing the necessary formalities, including the Archdiocesan Safeguarding requirements, so you can make use of the Chapel safely and securely at other times.

Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel – first Friday of each month from 6:00pm – 9:00pm.

Sacrament of Baptism

Our Parish celebrates Baptisms by appointment. One Baptism per family on a Saturday or Sunday either at 11:15am or 12:00pm at OLR Church Kenmore.

If you would like to organise a Baptism in the Parish please contact the Office via Email or Phone.

The Catholic Leader – May Edition

Available at both churches this weekend - \$4.00 per copy

Parish Safeguarding Audit

This week Mr Mark Eustance, Director Safeguarding Services, visited for a Parish Safeguarding Audit. Mark inspected the Parish facilities and Churches and reviewed our practices and procedures. We thank Mark for his time and advice and especially thank parishioners, staff and clergy for your cooperation in Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults in our Parish by meeting the various requirements.

Youth News

Primary School (Yr. 4-6) - Launch Pad Youth Group is held on Friday afternoons from 3:00-4:30pm @ the Carroll Community Centre (CCC), OLR School.

High School (Yr. 7-12) - Magnify Youth Group is held on Friday evenings during the school term, 6:30-8:30pm @ the Carroll Community Centre (CCC), OLR School.

Young Adults (18+) YA Holy Hour is held on the last Thursday of each month, 6:00-7:00pm @ OLR Church

High School Youth Camp

I'm excited to share that on the 24th - 26th of June, we will be running a youth camp for our high-school youth! The camp will be held at Camp Moogerah, an hour's drive from Kenmore. I believe this will be an amazing opportunity for the vouth to encounter God, come to know themselves better and connect with each other. When I was in high school I was lucky enough to attend a few youth camps, where I can honestly say I had some life-changing experiences. I'd love to offer our youth something similar! There will be more information to come in the next week or so but if your child is in high school please consider sending them! We would love to make this camp as affordable for our youth as possible so if you would be interested in supporting the youth of this parish, soon we will be running some fundraisers to subsidise the cost! I also ask that you pray for this camp. I have seen how God moves powerfully in the lives of young people at events such as these so please ask that he would be with us as we prepare, and that he would bless all those who will attend! Peace, Matt Foxon - Youth Coordinator

Your Parish Offering

When attending Mass, you are welcome to place your giving in the collection boxes or on the collection plate.

If you prefer cashless giving please make use of the pay wave devices at both Churches to give \$10 per tap with eftpos or credit card. You may also make your parish offering through electronic means.

The Parish Account details are:

BSB Number: 064 786 Accnt Number: 100001192

Accnt Name: Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reserve (please include your name, planned giving number if applicable, or purpose such as "Parish Giving") Thankyou for your generosity.

St Vincent de Paul

To request assistance from Vinnies Qld, call our Helpline on 1800 846 643

Please note our volunteers may ask for personal details, such as address and date of birth, before assistance can be provided. Enter your suburb or postcode below to find your nearest Support Centre and their opening hours. If you live in Queensland and your town or region is not listed, we can still assist – call or visit:

https://qld.vinnies.org.au/services/housing/call-centres

Our Lady of the Rosary Education Ministry

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish has a number of education services, please contact these for further information

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