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#### **Weekday Mass**

Tuesday 24 January

05.30pm Boonah

Wednesday 25th January

6.00pm Peak Crossing

Thursday 26th January

8.00am Boonah (Australia Day)

Friday 27th January

8.00am Boonah

4th Sunday Ordinary Time

Saturday 28th January

06.00pm Harrisville

Sunday 29th January

09.30am Boonah

**Marriages** by appointment - at least six months notice is required.

Baptisms by appointment only.

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR A 22 January, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

We are at the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time and the readings of this Sunday tell us about the Christian vision and mission, which are intended to stir us into action. The vision is seen in the proclamation of the kingdom of God to all people and the mission of every person is to proclaim the word of God to all. The Gospel passage tells us that Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom. The Kingdom of God is the divine rule in the hearts of people.

The preaching of the Good News of Jesus begins with the word, Repent. His invitation to repent is to enter into a special relationship with God in response to his call. For 'repent' usually means to be sorry for, to regret some wrong actions we have done in the past. Jesus is asking for much more than that. It is a call, not to wipe out the past, which is really not possible for any human person, but for a change of direction from now on and enter into a new future. The Greek word, rendered by many translations as equivalent to 'repent', is metanoia. This word implies a radical change of heart, change in one's thinking, total transformation.

The Gospel tells us that the spread of Christ's kingdom depends on us today as it was with the Apostles during the time of Jesus. Paul's letter to the Corinthians counsels us today not to participate in the factions within our church and between the churches. Prophet Isaiah reminds us that God's light is always being offered to us as it was to a people who had suffered exile, oppression, fear and shame. We who practice our religion should walk as those faithful people of old walked, allowing ones whole being to become flooded with joyous light. Wishing you all a Happy Australia Day,

God bless you,

Fr. Raju Joseph CMI

### AUSTRALIA DAY PRAYER

We bless you, God of the universe, for this land, for its contrasts of landscape and climate, for its abundance of wealth and opportunity. We bless you for our history, with all its struggle in

adversity, its courage and hope, Give us in our diversity tolerance and respect for each other and

a passionate commitment to justice for all. Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



We pray with and for those who are sick in our parish and beyond: Chris Healy, Paul White, Arthur Devin, Liliana Toohill, Libby Shields, Marko Babic, Max Gardiner, Bernadette Pinchin, Cate Mitten, Bernice Brault, Paula Ebrington, Fletcher Casey, Jill Archer, Louisa, Lynne Nunan, Bea Bedard (USA), Carol Libke, Angela Kearney, Tony Pisani, Lorraine Bakon,



Maureen Wilson, Moira Lehmann, Robert Hensen, Wally Velasquez, Hans Mitterlechner, Sandra Skerritt, Dominic Vakaci, Robert Parkes, Kath Seymour and sick members of parish families and those beyond our parish boundaries.

## **Sacramental Program 2023**

Those Parents who wanted their children to be a part of the Sacramental Program please contact me during the coming weeks.

## **School Reopens**

We wish our staff and students of All Saints' Catholic School all the best as they begin their New Academic Year 2023.

## **Moogerah Passion Play**

Moogerah Passion Play Association had sent an email to the Parish with regard to this year's passion play and they look forward to the participation of all the Christian Communities in the locality. For those who are interested to be a part of it please contact the Theatre Manager Sarah on <a href="mailto:splatzy@hotmail.com">splatzy@hotmail.com</a> or President Bill on 04 992 777 63.



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They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

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