



All Saints' Catholic Parish

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 29 January, 2023

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[Weekday Mass](#)
Tuesday 31 January
05.30pm Boonah
06.30pm Parish Council
Wednesday 1 February
6.00pm Peak Crossing
Thursday 2 February
9.00am Boonah
Friday 3 February
9.00am Boonah (School Mass)

[5th Sunday Ordinary Time](#)

Saturday 4 February
04.00pm to 4.30pm (Reconciliation)
05.00pm Mass, Boonah

Sunday 5 February
7.30am Mass, Harrisville
09.30am Mass, Boonah

Dear Parishioners,

The readings of this Sunday tell us how we can pattern our lives according to the divine invitation. They call us to reflect upon the many ways in which we can respond to God and give him our total attention. God communicates with us in many ways and he seeks a response from us. The whole church always strives to follow faithfully in the footsteps of Christ.

The First Reading from the Book of Zephaniah suggests that if we obey the commands of the Lord, seeking righteousness and humility, then on the Day of Judgment, they will be hidden from the wrath of the Lord. Because of their simplicity, their humility, their righteousness, the Lord God will go easy on them, and overlook their faults. Zephaniah urges kings and people to value justice and humility. Humility before God is essential to realize the gracious gifts from God.

In the Second Reading Paul tells us that God's choice is unique and he chooses those whom the world considers weak. Obviously, some Corinthians thought that they were elite and superior to others. Paul puts them in their place by emphasizing that most who came to believe in Christ were the nobodies. He tells them that God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise. He chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.

In the Gospel, Jesus presents the disciples with his discourse, the Sermon on the Mount and begins with a series of eight Beatitudes. We need to respond to the challenge of the Beatitudes in daily life. The Beatitudes propose to us a way of life, inviting us to identify with the poor, those who mourn, the meek, and those who hunger and thirst after justice. They challenge us to be compassionate people, to be men and women who are pure in heart, and to become the peacemakers in our dealings with one another, in our families, and in the society at large, even when this approach to things exposes us to ridicule and persecution. So let us pray, today, that we learn to live the Beatitudes – and all that they imply. And may we, each day, become more and more the child of God that He has created us to be! .

God bless you,
Fr Raju Joseph CMI





We pray with and for those who are sick in our parish and beyond: Mary Wittman, 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 (Children from Year 3 to Year 6) please contact the Parish Office or All Saint's Primary School APRE during the coming weeks.

School Mass on Friday

Next week onwards every alternative Fridays our School Kids will be participating in the 9.00am Mass. We welcome in a cordial way our staff and students of All Saints' Catholic Primary School to celebrate Mass with us.

Laudato Si' Resources

Pope Francis released the landmark encyclical -Laudato Si Care of our common home, in2015,calling on Catholics to discern a response to the ecological crisis. Laudato Si defines seven goals, which are guiding the church's response. These goals are diverse and their holistic approach is designed to support a spiritual and cultural revolution as we strive for total sustainability n the spirit of integral ecology.

The agencies of the Archdiocese of Brisbane have collectively developed a Laudato Si Action Plan to demonstrate our commitment to taking action. I t was launched on June 5, 2022, both Pentecost Sunday and World Environment Day.

Please note the Archdiocese was also heavily involved in the development of the Laudato Si Action Platform, the Vatican auspiced website which allows parishes, schools, families or even individuals to register their plans and involvement.

If you are interested to know about more on Laudato Si Action Plan please check the websites or on social media: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/hhn6tacesvogukitj4g76/h?dl=0&rlkey=ykrmwm54zooc3zguna9mahva>

Word of God Sunday-February 5, 2023

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February, February 5 in 2023(Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God.

Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Notice

This is the fifth Sunday of the month so we have our Saturday evening mass will be at Harrisville at 6.00pm and on Sunday we have mass in Boonah at 9.30am. Next week onwards our Morning Mass on Thursdays and Fridays will be at 9.00am.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

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We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land on which the Boonah Catholic Parish is located. We acknowledge the Elders of the past, present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.