



All Saints' Catholic Parish

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Second Sunday of Lent- Year A
05 March, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

The common theme of this Sunday's readings is transformation. The readings invite us to work, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, to transform and renew our lives during Lent, that we may radiate the glory and grace of the transfigured Lord which we have received, to all around us by our Spirit-filled lives. We encounter a God who speaks to us and we are called upon to listen to him and respond to him. Now as we enter the Second Week of Lent, our task is to continue to examine our hearts and to repent in order to prepare ourselves for the glorious paschal mystery. We know that we are pilgrims on a journey to a place of total union with our God of Truth and Love.

Today's First Reading from the Book of Genesis involves the Divine calling of Abraham to become the spiritual father of the people of God. The appearance of Abraham in history marked a new era. The Lord called Abram to take his relatives and to depart from his country and his father's house to the land that the Lord would show. He was asked to sacrifice all familiar places and the people he knew and move to a new place shown by God himself. His trust in God led to his blessings.

Today's Second Reading from the Second Letter of Timothy is a reminder that God calls each person and he has not stopped communicating to people. God wants everyone to be holy, reminding that all believers have received their life and immortality through the Gospel. Therefore, a special call is given to join in the suffering for the gospel. In the midst of sufferings, a person is called to rely on the power of God.

The Gospel of today gives us the beautiful story of Transfiguration. When he was transfigured before them, his face shone like the Sun and his garments became white as snow. Jesus wanted his sonship to be revealed to them with the voice of the Father telling them that Jesus is his Beloved Son in whom he is well pleased and they ought to listen to him. Secondly, when his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white, the event may have testified to the fact that Jesus was the true Light which enlightens everyone. Thirdly, the transfiguration foreshadowed the eternal reign of Jesus as God and King in Heaven.

God bless you,

Fr Raju Joseph CMI



Weekday Mass

Tuesday 07 March

05.30pm Boonah

06.00pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 08 March

5.40pm Stations of the Cross

6.00pm Peak Crossing

Thursday 09 March

9.00am Boonah

Friday 10 March

9.00am Boonah

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday 11 March

04.00pm to 4.30pm (Reconciliation)

05.00pm Mass, Boonah

Sunday 12 March

7.30am Mass, Peak Crossing

9.30am Mass, Boonah

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

Baptisms by appointment only.

We pray with and for those who are sick in our parish and beyond:

Jim Stanton, 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.



ARCHDIOCESAN SUMMIT 23

SUMMIT 23 is a three-day gathering of clergy, religious, educators, catechists, lay leaders and communities from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane for keynote presentations, workshops, panel discussions, prayer and encounter with Jesus. The Summit is a key moment in the implementation of the decrees of the Plenary Council. Though we do not yet have papal approval, there is much we can do. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will share his vision for the Archdiocese alongside a number of other leading voices, including Sherry Weddell (author of *Forming Intentional Disciples*). The Summit will create a place where each person can encounter Christ, be formed in faith, and equipped for the mission we are called to. When: 6pm Thursday 18th to 3pm Saturday 20th May 2023 Where: RiverlifeCentre (47 Jennifer St, Seventeen Mile Rocks, QLD) Cost: Early bird is \$170pp | \$150pp for groups of 10+ (ends 12 March) After early bird is \$200pp | \$170pp for groups of 10+ Find out more and register at brisbanesummit.com



All Saints' Catholic Parish – Sacramental Program 2023

Members of the Boonah-Harrisville-Peak Crossing catholic community are invited to contact Fr Raju Joseph to enroll for the 2023 Sacramental program. This would include the sacraments of Confirmation, First Communion and Reconciliation. Email: boonah@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 07 5463 1057.

INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY LIFE NETWORK

Does your parish have any inclusion ministries focused on Justice and Peace, Reconciliation with First Nations Peoples, Laudato Si? (Care for our Common Home), Multicultural Pastoral Care, or Ecumenism and Inter-Faith Relations? Perhaps there is a Care and Concern, SVDP Conference, or other outreach ministry in your parish? If so, the Evangelisation Brisbane's Inclusion Team are here to support them through the Inclusion & Community Life Network, which will be officially launched on Thursday 23 March in the Cathedral Precinct. Dinner with Bishop Tim Norton and find out more about the network. Date: Thursday 23 March 2023 Time: 6:30 to 8:30pm Location: Hanly Room RSVP Due Date: 16 March 2023 Cost: free. Register at https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/ICLN_launch23

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.