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NEWSLETTER 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A
I AM THE SALVATION OF THE PEOPLE,
SAYS THE LORD.
SHOULD THEY CRY TO ME IN ANY DISTRESS,
I WILL HEAR THEM,
AND I WILL BE THEIR LORD FOR EVER.

This Week's Mass Schedule

27/09/2023	Wednesday	8:00am
	Chelsea	10:00am
28/09/2023	Thursday	12:00pm
29/09/2023	Friday	8:30am
30/09/2023	Saturday	6:00pm
01/10/2023	Sunday	
	Maryborough	8:00am
	Tiaro	10:00am

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

Multicultural Celebration
Sunday 15th October
Commencing - 10 am.

Please Ensure Silence In The Church By Supporting Silent Prayer

READINGS
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A (p.459)in St Pauls Missal)
• 1st- Isaiah 55:6-9
• Psalm - 144 Resp. hymns page
• 2nd - Philippians 1:20-24, 27
• Gospel Accl. hymns page
• Gospel - Matthew 20:1-16
Next weekend: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A (p.463)
• 1st - Ezekiel 18:25-28
• Psalm - 24
• 2nd - Philippians 2:1-11
• Gospel - Matthew 21:28-32

My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways

Last Sunday, the gospel invited us to reflect on how often we can forgive our brothers or sisters. This Sunday, the question is on how much love, not time, we give to our Christian obligations. Bearing in mind that what is paramount is not the amount of time or service that we render but the love in which the service is carried out. In God's eyes, a thousand years is like a day, all services, big or small are important and will be rewarded according to God's plan. As the First Reading says: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways" (Isaiah 55:8).

The Lord gives this warning because he wants us to have interior peace. Nothing upsets our peace of mind more than the craving for affirmation and esteem. When we are always comparing ourselves to others, we are prone to worries, envy, stress, anger, and uncertainty. But if we simply try to give our best in life for Christ, thinking more of the glory of God than of self, and recognizing the abundant generosity of God's love towards all, then our trust in him will grow, those selfish motives will shrink, and we will begin to experience that peace that the world cannot give.


A story was told about Greg an engineer who works in a construction firm that builds houses. He told himself: "I have been working hard for this company and what do I get? "I'm about to retire all my life, I am only making beautiful mansions for the rich people."

One day the owner of the construction firm said to him: "I want you to construct a large and lovely house. I don't care about the budget. I just want it done well." But since Greg was filled with envy and resentment to his work, he wanted to embarrass the owner. "Anyway," he said to himself, "I would be retiring soon." So he built the house with sub-standard materials: rusty steels and roofs, old wood and fixtures. The façade was so impressive but he knew it would not last because of the poor quality of work and materials.

Finally, the time came for him to retire. During his retirement party, the owner said to Greg: "As my gratitude to you for your services in the company, I'm giving you the house that I instructed you to build. It was meant as a surprise for you." Regrettably, Greg wanted to complain but at that time it was too late.

Dear friends, let us recognise that each one of us is uniquely made and gifted by God, and each is equally important in the eyes of God. let us not allow envy to destroy all that we have laboured for in this world. Because it is not so much about the time we spent, but the measure of love in which the service is carried out. Therefore, let everyone enter into the joy of the Lord!" AMEN.

Peace be with you!
Fr Lucius

 **St Vincent de Paul Society** *good works* If you would like more information about the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Maryborough there are some postcards on the table near the rear entrance. Please take one if you are interested.




Working Bee

- 1) **Saturday 7th October 8am**
Requesting all to come and help to prepare the Church ground and Garden for future events, especially Multicultural Celebration in Oct & Christmas Bazaar and Carols in Nov.
- 2) **Monday 9th October:**
The SMC students will help with cleaning the benches in the Church ground.

ROSTER: The Roster for Welcomers, Readers and Communion Ministers for Saturday and Sunday Mass is available at the Church if you need a hard copy. This is for the month of October, November and December 2023.

We will have a separate list to fill in by December for 24th Christmas Vigil Mass, Christmas Midnight Mass & 25th Monday Christmas Mass at 8am.

 **Choir Practice:** Everyone is invited to sing at the Multicultural Mass. We will have Choir Practice for Multicultural Mass on Tuesday 10th October at 4pm.



FUNDRAISER: If you like to contribute to Parish through Containers For Change, the recycling centre is on Kingston Drive off Walker St. Quote ID C10151538 for the funds to be paid directly to the Parish.



Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.


Most Rev Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

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In March 2020, Pope Francis announced that the theme for the Synod of Bishops in 2023 would be "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The General Assembly of the Synod on Synodality 2023 is in October. An Ecumenical Prayer Vigil will take place on Saturday, 30 September before the opening of the General Assembly.

Prayer for the Synod:
Adsumus Sancte Spiritus
(We stand before You, Holy Spirit)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Please check the below links for more information:
<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/synod-2021-23/#process>
<https://www.prayforthesynod.va/en/>

Safeguarding Prayer

Lord Jesus
May we welcome the kingdom of God
anew into our hearts and lives,
embracing discipleship and openness to
others.

You call us to walk with integrity
in the service of others.
May our service be filled with kindness,
and respect for all God's people,
giving special protection to children and the
vulnerable.

May we seek the truth,
Listen to those wounded by abuse,
and choose to act with compassion and justice.

Give us the strength,
to serve humbly and faithfully,
and to love one another
as we are so loved by You.
Amen.



ENTRANCE: LIKE A SHEPHERD

Refrain:

Like a shepherd He feeds His flock
And gathers the lambs in His arms,
Holding them carefully close to His heart,
Leading them home.

Say to the cities of Judah:

'Prepare the way of the Lord.'

Go to the mountain top, lift your voice:

'Jerusalem, here is your God.' R./

I Myself will shepherd them,
For others have led them astray.
The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds
And pasture them, giving them rest. R./

Come unto Me

If you are heavily burdened,

And take My yoke upon your shoulders.

I will give you rest. R./

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PSALM RESPONSE: (said)

The Lord is near to all who call him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,

to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

COMMUNION: WE HAVE BEEN TOLD

Antiphon:

Jesus, we bring to You our bodies.

We have been told, we've seen His Face

And heard His voice alive in our hearts;

"Live in My love with all your heart,

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you."

"I am the vine, you are the branches,

And all who live in me will bear great fruit." A/.

"You are My friends, if you keep my commands,

No longer slaves, I call you friends." A/.

"No greater love is there than this:

To lay down one's life for a friend." A/.

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THANKSGIVING: OPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see Your Face.
Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear Your Voice.
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like You.
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

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RECESSIONAL: BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
Love is the Kingdom of God!

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INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA

Each Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.



Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Brian Hawken, Margaret Twomey, Betty Hove, Brian Hodges, Brenda Dreger, Evelyn Keys, Karl Guerin, Carmel Bird, Patricia Thackeray, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Trevor Nayler, Lucita Comandante, David Bertram, Paul Massingham and John Murphy.

Anniversary of Death: Ma Dulce Obina, Shelly Rutland, Josefina & Jean Smith, Jennifer Nayler, Alan Bartels, Raymond Proctor, Matthew Rahe, Don Wright, Frances Steemson, Mrs. Patricia Baker, Paterna, Alfonso, Magdaleno, Cirila, Teresita, Rustico, Sabiniana, Marie McGinley, Mrs. Moyna Caines & Mr. Nev Caines, Frank & Mollie Walker, Roslyn Wilson, Anunsacion Tuazon, Alfredo, Dionisia, Luisa Josefina and Ellora Jao.