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This Week's Mass Schedule

15/07/2025	**Wednesday**	**8:00am**
	Fair Haven	**10:00am**
16/07/2026	**Thursday**	**12:00pm**
17/07/2026	**Friday**	**9:15am**
18/07/2026	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
19/07/2026	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8:00am**
	Tiaro	**10:00am**

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

READINGS

- **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A** (p.419).
- 1st - Isaiah 55:10-11
- **Psalm** - 64 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - Romans 8:18-23
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel** - Matthew 13:1-23

Next weekend: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A (p.419).

- **1st** - Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
- **Psalm** - 85
- **2nd** - Romans 8:26-27
- **Gospel** - Matthew 13:24-30

Our Parish Prayer

Heavenly Father, Maryborough's St Mary's Parish and School Family are Earnestly in need of Your Loving Care more than ever before. Through Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Grant that Your Holy Spirit may Enlighten the Eyes of our Minds. To guide us all to believe more and to Deepen our Faith, Hope and Trust in you. ***Amen***

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NEWSLETTER 12TH JULY 2026
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

AS FOR ME, IN JUSTICE I SHALL BEHOLD YOUR FACE;
I SHALL BE FILLED WITH THE VISION OF YOUR GLORY.

LISTENING AND UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WORD

(Key words and phrases
Imagine a Sower going out to sow.
Some seeds fell ... some seeds fell ... some seeds fell
Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop,
some a hundredfold,
some sixty,
some thirty…
Listen, anyone who has ears!
Happy are your eyes because they see).

The seed is the word of God; Christ is the Sower; all who come to him will live for ever. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Saint Matthew's account of the Parable of the Sower likens the teaching of God's word to the sowing of seeds. The seeds fall on different types of soil, the pathway soil, the rocky soil, the thorny soil, and the good soil. Each of these types of soil is said to represent a certain type of heart with which hearers receive the word of God. The question each of us must ask ourselves today is, "What type of soil for the word of God do I represent?

Am I like the pathway where the seed cannot even sprout, or like the rocky ground where the seed sprouts but has no roots, or like thorny ground where the word of God is choked to death by worldly cares, or like the good soil that bears much fruit? Comparing our different dispositions to different types of soil has one crucial limitation. Soil cannot help being what it is. But for us, We can. And so, the question that follows is: "How can I improve the disposition of my heart so that the word of God can bear fruit in my life or bear fruit more abundantly.

I think our problem lies in the hearing and understanding of the word of God. We often assume that people will accept the Good News if only they could understand, but the reverse is also true that people cannot really understand God's word until they first accept God in their lives and enters a personal relationship with Him. A firm resolve to do God's will in our lives is the best disposition for hearing and understanding God's word.

Peace be with you!
Fr Lucius

Discernment Programs in the Archdiocese

- **The Canali Program** is the official discernment program of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, helping men discern the call to the Priesthood. https://vocationbrisbane.com/canali

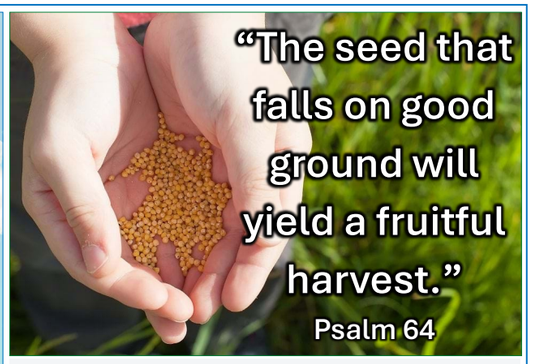
- **The Gratia Program** is a discernment program that helps women discern the call to Religious Life. https://vocationbrisbane.com/gratia

- **The annual**

⇒ **Quo Vadis for Men** - 31 July 2026 – 2 August 2026
https://vocationbrisbane.com/calendar/quo-vadis-for-men

⇒ **Quo Vadis for Women** - 8 August 2026 – 9 August 2026
https://vocationbrisbane.com/calendar/quo-vadis-for-women

This retreat warmly invites participants to spend a guided weekend reflecting on their vocational calling through talks, small group discussions, and prayer. It also offers time to share the journey with others who are discerning in a similar way.
Contact: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au



Safeguarding in the Archdiocese

Safeguarding includes actions undertaken to promote the protection and well-being of those who engage with the Archdiocese and to prevent abuse.

Please follow the link for more Information:
https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

All are welcome for the Mass on Saturday August 15th at 10am.

Please note that there will be
NO MASS - Saturday 15th August 6pm at St. Mary's.
NO MASS - Sunday 16th August 8am at St. Mary's.
NO MASS - Sunday 16th August 10am at Tiaro.

Parish Feast Day Mass will be on Sunday 16th August 10am at St. Mary's.

PIETY STALL: Please visit our piety stall if you wish to buy some religious articles. Piety stall is situated on the right side of the church as you enter through the main entrance.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION 2026

First Holy communion is open to those who already had their Confirmation

- **Session 1 & Parent Information Meeting:** Saturday 8th August, 5pm at St. Mary's.
- **Session 2**: 15th August, 5pm.
- **Session 3**: 22nd August, 5pm.
- **Session 4**: 29th August, 5pm.
- **Session 5**: 5th September, 5pm.
- **Session 6**: 12th September,5pm.
- **Celebration of the Sacrament:** Sunday 13th September at the 8am Mass.

(Candidates are requested to arrive by 7:45am).

All sessions will be followed by 6pm Mass.

Please contact the Parish Office or St. Mary's Primary for the enrolment forms.

The Rite of Commissioning and recommitment

for **Sacristans, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**.

Training/Retraining:

1) **Sacristans:** Training/retraining for all new and existing Sacristans will be on ***Saturday July 25th - 5pm at St. Mary's.***

2) **Readers:** Training/retraining for all new and existing Readers will be on ***Saturday August 1st - 5pm at St. Mary's.***

3) **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Training/retraining for all new and existing Communion Ministers will be on ***Saturday August 8th - 5pm at St. Mary's.***

4) **The Rite of Commissioning and recommitment:** The Rite of Commissioning / recommitment after training for all new and existing Communion Ministers and Readers will be during the Mass on Parish Feast Day, ***Sunday 16th August 10am Mass.***

If you are interested to be part of the Communion Ministers or Readers, please contact Fr. Lucius or Parish Office.

Entrance: Tree of Life

Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry,
In Your death we are reborn,
Though You die in all of hist'ry,
Still You rise with er'ry morn,
Still You rise with ev'ry morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory,
May we see ourselves in You,
If we learn to live Your story
We may die to rise anew,
We may die to rise anew.

We remember truth once spoken,
Love passed on through act and word,
Ev'ry person lost and broken
Wears the Body of our Lord,
Wears the Body of our Lord.

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
Come inflame our hearts anew,
We may all your joy inherit
If we bear the Cross with You,
If we bear the Cross with You.

Christ, You lead and we shall follow,
Stumbling though our steps may be,
One with You in joy and sorrow,
We the river, You the sea,
We the river, You the sea.
We the river, You the sea.

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Psalm Response:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Communion: Unless a Grain of Wheat

Refrain:
Unless a grain of wheat shall fall upon the ground and die,
It remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with Him then we shall live with Him,
If we hold firm we shall reign with Him. R/.

If any one serves Me then they must follow Me;
Wherever I am My servants will be. R/.

Make your home in Me as I make Mine in you;
Those who remain in Me bear much fruit. R/.

If you remain in Me and My Word lives in you;
Then you will be My disciples. R/.

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Thanksgiving: Be still and know

Be still and know that I am God,
there is none beside me.
Be still and know that I am God,
And there is none beside me.

I am the one who calls you my friends,
there is none beside me.
Be still and know that I am God,
And there is none beside me.

I am the one whose love never fails, And
there is none beside me.
Be still and know that I am God,
And there is none beside me.

I am the one who says, "Follow me," And
there is none beside me.
Be still and know that I am God,
And there is none beside me./

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Recessional: City of God

Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

Refrain:
Let us build the City of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love,
Has turned the night into day!

We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The one Who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
A light for His people to set their hearts free. R/.

God is light; in Him there is no darkness.
Let us walk in His light, His children, one and all.
O comfort My people; make gentle your words.
Proclaim to My city the day of her birth. R/.

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Patricia Burkett, Ma Brock, Sandra Brock, Sister Lyn Freestone, Jocelyn Schuh, Denis Cahil, Maria Lucia Foz Lopez, Andrew Ready, Michael Dessousa, Trevor Spencer, Josephine Toriaga, Chona Hall, Ewa Danda, Christine Waerner, Christine Chu, Vince Dollisson, Leo G. Amar, Alfonso Diaz, Bohdan Pastuch, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Vince Del Popolo and Peter Corfield.

Anniversary of Death: Jean ("Bonnie") Andersen, Bill Bartels, Denise Elmer, Marion & Arthur Bartels, Kath Hogan, Erik Kreskas, Erin Mallet and Michael Paul Bryant.