UPDATES AFTER PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:

- **Multicultural Mass** - looking a later date, probably in Spring.
- **Morning Tea** to commence soon - full details to be announced in the coming weeks.
- **Attendance** of parishioners during the weekday masses is too poor. Fr. Lucius is a bit concerned. Inviting more parishioners to join us in the week day masses is highly encouraged.
- The Parish Pastoral Council encourages parishioners to consider **A Gift In Your Will** for our parish. Kindly contact the office for more details.

PLANNED GIVING: Please only use only the new set of envelopes from next month, July 2022.

Planned Giving for 12 months (weekly donation) from July 2022 to June 2023. While others can still participate, remaining new sets of envelopes for existing and new participants could be collected from the Church or from office.

We are unable to meet the day-to-day expenses without your assistance. We encourage more people to participate in this essential financial support of our Parish. If you would like to have a set of envelopes or prefer to give by direct debit (weekly/fortnightly/monthly), please contact/visit the Parish Office.

UPDATES AFTER EVANGELISATION BRISBANE - INCLUSION TEAM MEETING:

"The mission of Evangelisation Brisbane is to work with, inspire and empower parishes and communities to encounter Jesus and live the joy of the gospel."

The Inclusion Team of seven members visited our parish on the 15th June 2022. Fr. Lucius and some parishioners welcomed them. The team members shared what the Inclusion Team role is about in a parish. They offer a range of initiatives, resources and workshops to strengthen the community life within the parish and assist in creating a more inclusive, Christ-centred Church with the Archdiocese of Brisbane. The inclusion team is involved in the aspects of Multicultural Pastoral Care, Justice and Peace, Laudato Si' / Ecological Spirituality, Archdiocese Reconciliation Action Plan, Christian Unity and Inter Religious Relations. More information can be sourced from the Archdiocese website. https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/inclusion/

HYMN FESTIVAL: This community event featuring The Melville Memorial Organ and Guest Organists Jason & Carien Pelcher will be held at St. Stephen's Uniting Church (Sussex St-Maryborough) on Saturday 9th July commencing at 2.00pm.

A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

"Be an Eternal Guardian of your faith

Your Will is an important legal document. It recognises loved-ones and reflects the values and causes closest to your heart; family, church, community and charity.

A gift made through your Will is often given from the proceeds of a lifetime of work and treated with great respect by the Archdiocese of Brisbane"/St. Mary's Church, Maryborough.

"Your Catholic faith is woven through the many milestones in your life providing guidance, hope and strength. Making a gift of any size through your Will can support the mission of your parish, the Catholic Church and the faith of future generations."

Source: A gift in your Will - Archdiocese of Brisbane (brisbanecatholic.org.au).

If you would like to make a bequest to the Parish in your Will, it is necessary to have the clause worded appropriately to ensure that your wish is honoured for the benefit of St Mary's Parish. Contact the office for more details.

ENTRANCE: I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

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I am the Bread of Life.
You who come to Me shall not hunger;
You who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No-one can come to Me
Unless the Father beckons.

Refrain:
And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give
Is My flesh for the life of the world,
And you who eat of this bread,
You shall live for ever,
You shall live for ever. R./

Unless you eat
Of the Flesh of the Son of Man.
And drink of His Blood
And drink of His Blood
You shall not have life within you. R./

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PSALM RESPONSE: (Read)

You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

COMMUNION: TABLE OF PLENTY

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Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.

O, come and sit at my table,
where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely,
to share the cup of my love.

O, come and eat without money;
Come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed your spirit,
with faith and fullness of life.

My bread will ever sustain you,
through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness,
to flood the depths of your soul.

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THANKSGIVING: ONLY A SHADOW

C. Landry

The love we have for you, O Lord.
Is only a shadow of your love for us,
Only a shadow of your love for us,
Your deep abiding love.

The bread we take and eat, O Lord,
Is your body broken and shared with us,
Your body broken and shared with us,
The gift of your great love.

Refrain:
Our lives are in your hands,
Our lives are in your hands.
Our love for you will grow, O Lord,
Your light in us will shine.

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RECESSIONAL: ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

Revelation 5:9; William Dix and others

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of ev'ry nation
Hath redeem'd us by His blood.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own.
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, Heaven Thy throne:
Thou within the veil has entered,
Robed in flesh our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both priest and victim
In the Eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia, to the Saviour
Who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
Font of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia
To the triune majesty.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those in ill health:
Denis Shield, Moira Hansen, David Brettell, Anna Pecar, Ame Cox and Laurel Dingle.

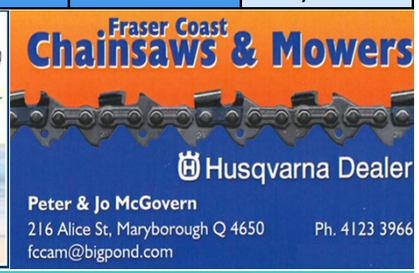
The Recently Deceased:
Fr. Fred Blasico Paulo, Liwayway Cameron, Josephine Vincent, Tony Camilleri, Fr. Pat Cassidy, Bernardita Cureton, Daphne Colefax, Josephine Smith-Cameron and Tony Maaran.

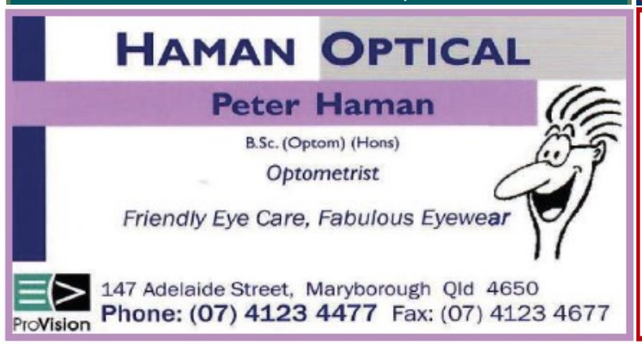
Anniversary of Death:
Eileen Hodda, Brian Deere, Bill Bartels, Marion & Arthur Bartels, Carmel Phillips, Valda Russell, Ellen Bradshaw, Zola Basubas, Alfredo, Pepito, Ellora Jao, Hope Russell, Richard Elmer and Aileen Mackie.

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. One could also check the catalogue and order any specific items.

ROSTER	Sat 18th June	Sun 19th June	Sat 25th June	Sun 26th June
Welcomer	Gerard	Michael	Mary	Susan
1st Reader	Beverley	Peter	Pilar	Eris
2nd Reader	**Need Help**	Pat	Tyson	Frank
Communion	Sue **Need Help**	Con **Need Help**	Judy Gerry	**Need Help** **Need Help**
Servers	Thu Han Chet	Georgia Isaac Xavier	Sarah Byron Stazio	Georgia Sophie Nicholas
Musicians	Rita	Robyn	Bong Jearen	Justin
Singers	Choir	Theresa	Filipino Choir	Theresa
Mass set up	Janette Sophie	Lita	Beverley Lou	Lita
Morning Tea				Perry & Team





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This Week's Mass Schedule

22/06/2022	Wednesday	**8.00am**
	Chelsea	**10.00am**
23/06/2022	Thursday	**12 Noon**
24/06/2022	Friday	**8:30am**
25/06/2022	Saturday	**6.00pm**
26/06/2022	Sunday	
	Maryborough	**8.00am**
	Tiaro	**10.00am**

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

This weekend's Readings: The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ (Corpus Christi) - Year C (p.827)
- **1st** - Genesis 14:18-20
- **Psalm** - 109 Response verse in hymns page (read).
- **2nd** - 1Corinthians 11:23-26
- **Gospel Acclamation** lyrics in hymns page (sung).
- **Gospel** - Luke 9:11-17

Next weekend's Readings: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C (p.882)
- **1st** - Kings 19:16, 19-21
- **Psalm** - 15
- **2nd** - Galatians 5:1, 13-18
- **Gospel** - Luke 9:51-62

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NEWSLETTER 19TH JUNE 2022

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) YEAR C

HE FED THEM WITH THE FINEST WHEAT AND SATISFIED THEM WITH HONEY FROM THE

We Become What We Receive

Why do we need a feast of the Eucharist? A feast like this affords us the opportunity to give God collective thanks for Christ's abiding presence with us which is made visible in the Eucharist. It is also an opportunity for us to seek a better understanding of the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ and to order our attitude to it accordingly, since the Eucharist is a sacrament of life which, if misused, could bring about the opposite effect. As St Paul wrote to the Corinthians, **"All who eat and drink in an unworthy manner, without discerning the Lord's body eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason, many of you are weak and ill, and some have died"** (1 Corinthians 11:29-30).

In order to arrive at a better understanding of the Eucharist we need to ask why Jesus gave us this sacrament in the first place. A closer reading of today's gospel or, better still, the whole of the Eucharistic discourse in John 6 from which it is taken, provides useful answers. From the reading we find that there are two main reasons Jesus gave us this sacrament. (1) Jesus promised to be with us until the end of time (Matthew 28:20). In the Eucharist he provides a visible sign and an effective means of him being present to us and us being present to him.

Secondly, as Jesus himself said, **"Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them."** Jesus also said that he came that we may have life and have it to the full (John 10:10). In the Eucharist he provides a visible means of communicating this life to us so that we can be fully alive both in this world and in the next. As Jesus said, **"Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day"** (John 6:53-54).

The Eucharist is true food and drink but at the same time it is very different from every other food and drink. The great difference lies in these words of Christ which St Augustine heard in prayer, **"You will not change me into yourself as you would food of your flesh; but you will be changed into me."** We transform ordinary food into our own bodies but the food of the Eucharist transforms us into the body of Christ. Ludwig Feuerbach's statement that we become what we eat is never truer than in the Eucharistic experience.

Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, on this great feast of Corpus Christi, let us ask Jesus the food of life to transform our lives as we come to His Eucharistic presence today to be nourished and to become more like Him, Amen

Happy Corpus Christi!

Fr Lucius