INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA

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

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Morning Tea				SMP
Floral Arrgmt	Sue, Geraldine Ward and Lisa Baker/**Sep**: Sue Flavel & Jennifer Williams			

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This Week's Mass Schedule

04/09/2024	**Wednesday**	**8:00am**
05/09/2024	**Thursday**	**12.00pm**
06/09/2024	**Friday**	
	(No Mass at 8:30am)	
	Year 6 - SMP	***9:30am***
	Maryborough Community Aged Care	**1:00pm**
07/09/2024	**Saturday**	**6:00pm**
08/09/2024	**Sunday**	
	Maryborough	**8.00am**
	Tiaro	**10:00am**

READINGS

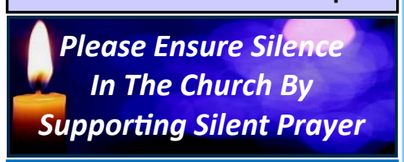
22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year B (p.682) in St Pauls Missal.

- **1st** - Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
- **Psalm** - 14 Resp. hymns page
- **2nd** - James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
- **Gospel Accl.** hymns page
- **Gospel**- Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Next weekend: 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year B (p.687)

- **1st** - Isaiah 35:4-7
- **Psalm** - 145
- **2nd** - James 2:1-5
- **Gospel** - Mark 7:31-37

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm



First Holy Communion:
Session 5: Saturday 7th September 5pm at St. Mary's.

Celebration of the Sacrament:
Sunday 8th September 8 am

ST MARY'S MARYBOROUGH

NEWSLETTER 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR B

TURN YOUR EAR, O LORD, AND ANSWER ME;
SAVE THE SERVANT WHO TRUSTS IN YOU, MY GOD.
HAVE MERCY ON ME, O LORD,
FOR I CRY TO YOU ALL THE DAY LONG.

GOOD AND BAD SINNERS

A story was told of a father who was terribly concerned that his family watched too much television. While the children spent too much time on Facebook and the Cartoon Networks, the wife was hooked to the "Australian got talent" and other TV reality shows. So, the man came up with a "brilliant" solution: "As soon as the A League football season is over, I will cancel the cable television subscription."

This is hypocrisy 101! It is at the heart of Jesus's teaching today as he continues his long-running dispute with the scribes and the Pharisees. These people had broken the Law into bits and pieces, highlighting the tiniest of details just to suit themselves. No wonder why Jesus warned us that our good deeds must exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees for us to enter into the kingdom of heaven. In the above story, the man was clearly a big fan of football and cannot afford to cancel their television subscription while the A league season was still on, but was quick to complain about his wife and children's addiction.

Jesus wants us to be true and real in all our dealings with one another. As he warns the Scribes and Pharisees today in the gospel that, "It is not through the ritual of washing hands before eating and praying that makes a person clean or unclean. Eating with hands that have not been washed cannot make a person unclean. What makes a person unclean comes from within a person's hearts. And from the hearts come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly, etc. (vv. 21-23). Maybe the question we should ask ourselves today is "what kind of things do we always think about? Good or Bad?

Finally, dear friends, let me end this Reflection with a little story about this two Monks, maybe we might learn some lessons about our actions and inactions. There were two monks who were of the monastery on an errand. On their way back, they saw a beautiful woman by the riverbank. She asked if they could help her cross the river so her clothes would not get wet. The first monk vehemently refused. He said that he had a vow of chastity and had not touched a woman. The second monk told her to get on his back and without saying anything carried her across the river. The two Monks returned to the monastery in silence. But after some time, the second Monk was summoned by the Abbot and asked to explain the 'indecent' incident. The Monk replied that he indeed carried the woman on his back and then forgot all about it. In the end, the Abbot then realized that it was the first Monk who has not forgotten the incident and even went ahead to report it to him was the one who has a problem of chastity. Again, what kind of things do we always think about? Good or Bad?

Peace be with you!
Fr Lucius

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY • 8 SEP 2024

"Every conversation matters"

catholic.au/s/article/safeguarding-sunday-2024

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

Every first Thursday at St. Mary's Church from 11:15am to 11:45am followed by Holy Mass at 12:00 PM.

Gracious God,

you love and care for all of your children, especially the smallest and most vulnerable. We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, neglected or exploited and whose trust and innocence has been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken. Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support,

So that now and in the future, their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

Help us all to listen with open hearts, so that when children and adults at risk speak, they are truly heard.

We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirt, God forever and ever,

Amen

Multi-Cultural Mass and Celebration

"Come Sit at My Table"

St Mary's Parish Multicultural Celebrations
Sunday
October 20th 2024
Commencing 10am

Dear People of Faith,

The Multicultural Mass brings joy and celebration to us as a Family of Faith.

What we would like you to be part of:

1) The choir for the Mass and/or entertainment after mass on the front lawn.
2) Contributing a prayer of Intercession to reflect your country's or families' intercessions.
3) Contribute a food platter of your national treat to share, at morning tea/lunch after the mass. It will be set up like previous years on the front lawn of the Church pending weather.
4) Come dressed in your colourful and/or national dress and if you have a flag, please bring it along to join in the colourful celebration.
5) Consider joining the committee to assist in the organising one of the following the entertainment-decorations and food contributors.
6) Setting up prior to mass on the Sunday - early 8am start as Mass will be at 10am (lots of people required for this job byo ladder).

If there are any ideas that you would like to share, please contact a member of the Parish Council or Father Lucius (who will pass the idea on). We are looking forward to another wonderful day of celebration.

Next meeting – Will be determined from the response to this invitation.
Unfortunately, I will not be here for the celebration as I will be away from the Parish from late September until mid-December, so we will need to have things in place before I leave. If you are willing to assist from now till the day, please let Antony know and we will contact you with arrangements. I thank you all in anticipation of your assistance to organise this wonderful event of celebration. Eris Duffy (coordinator)

St Mary's Church Gardens: The weekly working bees on a Tuesday from 2.30 – 4pm are attended by between 4 and 7 people on average so we are keeping up with the weeding and other chores very well. You may have noticed that we have re-planted lots of agapanthus around the jacaranda tree nearest the church and propose to do the same with the other one in coming weeks. Stephen and Rob have just finished tidying up the rose bushes so that we now have two rows in each garden near the Presbytery and office. With lots of TLC we hope they will be blooming in no time. At some time, we will move the timber edging to reduce the size of these gardens which will then be lawn. We plan to take out all the shrubs except the ixoras in the two gardens at the front entrance to the church. Perhaps natives to attract the birds which will also be low maintenance. We have received a very generous donation from a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous to purchase new shrubs. There is still lots of work to do so please consider helping if you are able when the next general working bees is held on a Saturday. Date to be advised. - Mary

Entrance: How Shall I Call You?

How shall I call You? Maker of Heaven,
Poet of sunset and painter of sky;
Father Almighty Who's running to find us.
Giving His Son Who must suffer and die. R/.

Refrain:
Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again.
Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,
For ever and ever. Amen.

How shall I call You? Lover of children,
Shepherd and teacher and brother and friend;
Healer of blind man and healer of leper:
You are beginning and middle and end. R/.

How shall I call You? Spirit of comfort,
Cloud in the daytime and fire in the night;
Guide as we wander, protector in danger,
List'ner and helper and giver of sight. R/.

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Psalm Response: (said)

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruit of his creation.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Communion: Only A Shadow

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.

Our own belief in you, O Lord,
Is only a shadow of your faith in us,
Only a shadow of your faith in us,
Your deep and lasting faith.

The dreams we share today, O Lord,
Are only a shadow of your dreams for us,
Only a shadow of your dreams for us,
If we but follow you. R/.

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Thanksgiving: Micah's Theme

Refrain:
Hear, then what [God] asks of you:
To live justly, to love tenderly,
And to walk humbly with your God.

I have come that you may have life
And have it to the full. R./

Ask and you shall receive;
Knock and it shall be yours. R./

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Recessional: They'll Know We Are Christians

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
We are one int he Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Refrain:
And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. R./

We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. R./

All praise to the Father from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one. R./

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Jenny Camilleri, Aurora Perez, Hazel Wolstencroft, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

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Anniversary of Death: Dermot Mallet, Mrs Moyna Caines, Mr. Nev Caines, David Bertram, Carmelita Garlitos, Colin Hogan and Terry Tappin, Ron & Eileen Tappin.