

BRUNSWICK AND MORELAND CATHOLIC MISSION

Weekly Newsletter



St Joseph



St Fidelis



Our Lady help of
Christians



St Ambrose

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

9 October 2022

MASS TIME

Our Lady's

Friday 10:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

Communion Service

Wednesday 10:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Saturday:
10:30am – 11:00am

St Ambrose's

Thursday 10:00 am
Sunday 10:30 am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Second Saturday:
10:30am – 11:00am

St Joseph's

Wednesday 10:00 am
Saturday 6:30 pm

(First Saturday only)

Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Italian Mass:

2nd & 4th Sunday at 10:30am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Third Saturday:
10:30am – 11:00am

St Fidelis'

Tuesday 9:15 am
Friday 9:15 am
Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 11:00 am

Italian Mass:

1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fourth Saturday:
10:30am – 11:00am

MISSION REVIEW PROJECT UPDATE

The Parish conversation dates as part of the review have now been confirmed.

Sunday 9 October after 11.00am Mass

St Fidelis

Sunday 16 October after 10.30am Mass

Brunswick Brunswick East

Sunday 23rd October after 9.00am Mass

St Joseph's

Further information regarding venue, arrangements, agenda, etc will be circulated shortly.

Please speak to a member of the Steering Committee if you have any enquiries.

SURVEY COMPLETION DATE

BRUNSWICK MORELAND CATHOLIC MISSION

Surveys are due back by Sunday 23, October 2022. We thank you for your time and trouble in completing the survey. If you have not completed the survey, please do so. This will help the priests and parish leaders to understand, listen to the thoughts and feedback from our parishioners. This will greatly assist the whole mission as we progress further, forming the Brunswick Moreland Mission. Pope Francis has said that parish structures should be thought of as flexible, doable and imaginative.

THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The Rosary is a repetitive prayer designed to calm us down, as we meditate. It was designed by St Dominic to assist the majority of people, during the Middle Ages, who could not read or write. Through the Mysteries of the Rosary, it enabled people to know important events in the Gospel.

Parishioners, in good numbers, have hosted the Marian Statue in their homes during October. Praying in small groups in homes builds the community and bonds parishioners in faith and grace. To pray through Our Lady and to understand her role in God's plan is a vital part of our Catholic tradition.

FOOTBALL RELIGION AND LEADERSHIP

Most of us this week would have followed the debate, after the resignation of Essendon Football Club's CEO, and the comments of Archbishop Comensoli concerning the freedom to hold faith, beliefs and values in the public space and not to be pressured to abandon them. The Archbishop's statements were very clear and supportive for many Christians in public leadership. We congratulate our Archbishop and pray for him.

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. **(R.)**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. **(R.)**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. **(R.)**

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

PRAYERS OF INTENTION:

For the Sick:

Leila Khattar, Doug Bracken, Lewis Calleja, Joyce Chong, Amy Lynch, Cynthia D'Souza, Patricia Belli, Pat Kelly (Moir's father), Jenny Gustin, Ingvar Larsson.

Recently Deceased: *Bishop Hilton Deakin, Antonio Salemi, Nikola Barac, Linda Santos, Francesca Corigliano, Domenica Catanzariti, Charlie Sciberras.*

Anniversaries: *Angelo Costanzo, Romilda Petracca, Maria Giovino, Antonia & Angelo Cananzi, Umberto & Vilma Sansico, Carmella Barca (1 month).*

Death of Bishop Hilton Deakin

Bishop Deakin was a resident for many years in Brunswick before his retirement. He was recognised in his work in East Timor and with Indigenous people of Australia.
May his soul rest in peace.

REFLECTION: by Dianne Bergant CSA

The leprosy of Naaman and the ten men in the gospel serves as a metaphor for sinfulness, the condition that makes us unfit for the presence of God and despicable in the eyes of others. Separated from God and alienated from society, we are truly in a deplorable state, a state out of which we are unable to extricate ourselves. Into these seemingly hopeless conditions step the prophet Elisha and Jesus. Each in his own way brings the healing power of God, the saving grace of God. Paul is such a mediator as well. He brings the gospel to those who are in need of salvation. When people are open to his preaching, they are transformed and made ready to receive eternal glory.

After healing come gratitude and praise. Both Naaman and the lone Samaritan are so filled with gratitude that they return to the one responsible for their healing. They are not so preoccupied with their good fortune as to forget that it came to them as a gift. Their response is the kind of thanks and praise that is proclaimed in the psalm and that is also celebrated at each Sunday Eucharist. We have been saved from our alienation from God and from each other so let us give thanks to the Lord.

Those who know that they have been healed, who realize that this was a gift freely given to them, and who return to give thanks have, by these acts of devotion, stepped over a threshold into a new way of living. Their thanks and praise usher them into a new age, the age of eschatological promise.

“JESUS our greatest and most faithful friend”

Jesus never abandons, coerces or blackmails anyone when they stray, rather, he patiently waits and is “our greatest and most faithful friend,” Pope Francis said.

“He remains at the door of the heart. We say, ‘No, I do not want to know anything about you.’ And he remains silent, he remains there within reach, within heart’s reach because he is always faithful,” the pope said.

“It is a grace we must ask for one another: to see Jesus as our greatest and most faithful friend, who does not blackmail, above all who never abandons us, even when we turn away from him,”

BUILD BRIGHTER FUTURES FOR FAMILIES IN EMDIBIR

In two weeks’ time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us the life-changing work of Fr Habte, the Church and community as they work to expand the current Deberety Farm to include a goat rearing centre, providing agricultural training and employment for the local community.

In walking with his community and experiencing their challenges, he is compelled to respond and invites us to join him in that mission.

We hope you will join us in supporting this life-changing program.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/families



ECUMENICAL ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE IN BRUNSWICK.

The United Nations will hold a meeting between forty nations in Egypt in November on Climate Change. Christians throughout the world will hold prayer and action vigils to support this United Nations venture. In our Brunswick Moreland Mission the following four gatherings are being organised. If you are passionate about Christianity and the nurture of the earth, please note these dates and join in these vigils.

Thursday 13 October:

A Multi-Faith Service at St Pauls Cathedral in the city, meet at 5pm.

Friday 21 October:

Gathering at Brunswick Uniting Church 212 Sydney Road, Brunswick. Meet from 6pm–7pm for quiet reflection.

Friday 28 October:

Gathering in the forecourt of St Ambrose’s Church BBE from 6pm–7pm for a reflective event

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

Upcoming World Youth Day Information Sessions in October. A life-changing trip to Lisbon, Portugal: Join 500 other young Catholics from around Melbourne on an epic journey to World Youth Day in 2023.

Find out more at :

<https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd>

SEEKING AND FINDING

Now is the time to seek out, ask and pray for people interested in finding out about Christ and joining the Church. Please go out to others and tell them we are inviting them to a series of gatherings, starting in November, for them to look, see and discuss the Catholic faith and consider initiation to the Church community and baptism through RCIA.

Contact Margaret on 0457906513

SACRAMENTAL LIFE:

The Moreland and Brunswick Catholic Mission welcome with joy through the sacrament this weekend.

Baptism: *Gabriella Rita D'Aloia*

Wedding Congrats: *Daniel Cormio & Alessia Villani*
John Di Meglio & Sabina De Petro

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION AND COMMUNION SERVICE



Celebrate at St Joseph's at 10am
ST PAUL TELLS US:
"WHAT MATTERS IS FAITH THAT MAKES
ITS POWER FELT THROUGH LOVE"
GALATIANS 5:6
"Let your loving kindness come to me, O Lord."
Psalms 118

ST AMBROSE AND OUR LADY'S

Tuesday 10:00am – 11:00am at St Ambrose Church Communion service and Rosary. Pray for peace in Ukraine.

Wednesday 10:00am – 11:00am at Our Lady's Community Room, communion service and gospel reflection in Italian.
"Cura di se con la Bibbia". All welcome!

ST AMBROSE PARISH ROSTERS - NEW VOLUNTEERS?

The parish rosters for readers at Mass, Communion ministers, welcoming before Mass and Children's Liturgy are soon to be renewed for the rest of the year. There are sign-up sheets in the gathering space today. If you are already on the roster you don't need to sign again. But if you wish to come off the roster, please indicate that on the sign-up sheet. We warmly welcome new volunteers who wish to contribute to these important parish ministries. The new rosters will be out by November.

MOVIE NIGHT AT ST AMBROSE'S LUBY CENTRE

FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER 7PM – "The Letter: Laudato Si"

The Pope has made a movie; it springs from his letter he sent to everyone around the world, to nurture and care for the Earth which is a gift to us from God our creator.

It will be a fitting conclusion to our Ecumenical action on climate change. The effects of climate change are felt today as we face floods this week from Queensland, Tasmania and South Australia. Christians from all over the world are witnessing to this important issue. This movie is suitable for all ages. All are welcome.

THE HEART TO HEARTS KITCHEN AT OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

The Heart to Hearts soup kitchen have lunch every Thursday at 12pm. All are welcome. If you are able to help with preparation of food on a Wednesday, please call Gerry 0418 849 527 or Di 0460 925 338

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Safety of Children and All Vulnerable People

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: bmcatholicmission.org.au