

# BRUNSWICK MORELAND CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

9 July 2023

### MASS TIMES

#### OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Friday 10am

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 9am

#### Communion Service

Wednesday 10am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Saturday:

10:30am—11am

#### ST AMBROSE'S

Thursday 10am

Sunday 10.30am

#### Communion Service

Tuesday 10am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Second Saturday:

10:30am—11am

#### ST JOSEPH'S

Wednesday 10am

Saturday 6:30 pm

(First Saturday only)

Sunday 9am & 5pm

#### Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00am

#### 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:

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 9:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fourth Saturday:

10:30am—11:00am

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### REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

The two verses of the first reading constitute a very rich oracle of salvation, one of the many passages memorialised by Handel's oratorio, *Messiah*. The oracle is an idealised picture of an Israelite king and the peaceful kingdom over which he will rule. Though this is a vision of the future, the verbs are prophetic perfect, indicating that in God's time the future is already present. The three-part description of the banishment of the armaments of war is balanced by a three part description of the future kingdom (v.10). This king will be the agent of God's blessings to all people. The extent of his reign reflects the broad scope of the ideal realm of the messianic king (see Ps 72:8).

The responsorial psalm opens with a declaration of praise, followed by the reasons for praising God. The opening acclamation is closely associated with the revelation of God and the acknowledgment of God's name revealed at the time of the re-establishment of the covenant (see Exod 34:6). Covenant language abounds here. God is described as gracious and compassionate and filled with lovingkindness. The works of the Lord include everything that God has made as well as everything that God has done as saviour. The faithful of the Lord are those who are bound to God in covenant loyalty. The final section of the psalm extols God's reign and God's care for those who are burdened.

Paul contrasts two ways of living: life in the flesh and life in the spirit. For Paul, flesh refers to human nature with all of the limitations that sometimes incline one away from God. Life in the spirit is a life attuned to God. Paul assures the Christians that they are in the spirit, if the Spirit of God dwells within them. The real point of this passage is the resurrection of those who are in union with God. Paul insists that those who live in the Spirit have Christ living in them – the same Christ who, through his own death, vanquished the powers of death. Though sin can still exact physical death, it cannot quench the spirit that lives because of righteousness.

In the gospel reading, Jesus addresses God as Father. Though the exclusively male characterisation of this title troubles many people today, it does reflect the intimate relationship that Jesus shared with God. God is further addressed as Lord of heaven and earth, a title that denotes universal sovereignty. Jesus then appeals to the wisdom tradition saying that the hidden things of God are not revealed to the worldly wise, but to those who are dependent on others and, consequently, receptive. Jesus' invitation is reminiscent of the invitation to submit oneself to Wisdom (see Sir 6:24; 24:19). He invites his hearers to take on his yoke, to accept the responsibilities that he will lay on them. If they do so, they too will be blessed with the revelation of God.

**FIRST READING**

Zec 9:9-10

A reading from the prophet Zechariah

The Lord says this:

‘Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!  
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!  
See now, your king comes to you;  
he is victorious, he is triumphant,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
He will banish chariots from Ephraim  
and horses from Jerusalem;  
the bow of war will be banished.  
He will proclaim peace for the nations.  
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,  
from the River to the ends of the earth.’

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever,  
my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,  
I will bless your name for ever.  
I will bless you day after day  
and praise your name for ever. (R.)

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
and declare your might, O God. (R.)

4. The Lord is faithful in all his words  
and loving in all his deeds.  
The Lord supports all who fall  
and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

**SECOND READING**

Rom 8:9.11-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans  
Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

**GOSPEL ACCCLAMATION**

Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Mt 11:25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  
Jesus exclaimed, ‘I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.  
‘Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.’

*thank you*

**ST JOSEPH’S FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

St Joseph’s Parish is undertaking a program of necessary maintenance work.  
We are running a special fundraising campaign to meet the cost of \$60,000. Please prayerfully consider how you can help.

Thank you to all who have graciously donated.  
Donations are gratefully accepted via direct debit or giving envelopes.

**Direct debit: ‘St Joseph’s Fundraising’  
BSB: 083 347 Account number: 4551 992 63**

**To date \$6,255 has been donated.**

*We thank God for those who have gone before us, and built the church, the school and the parish. May we gratefully follow in their footsteps.*

## PRAYERS OF INTENTION

**Sick:** Claria Modernesi and Valda D'Aprano

**Recently deceased:** Maria Curcio, Bruno Filardo and Vettina Duceline D'Cruz, Bruno and Maria Zumbo, John Conhan and Maria Cavallaro

**Anniversaries:** Teddy Hardstaff, Dot Hardstaff, Umberto and Vilma Sansico, Francis Kevin Baxter, Margaret Bennett, Gerry Biafotto and Giuseppe Papaleo

**RCIA....** We are welcoming enquiries for new members to join the Catholic Church.

RCIA workshops commencing in August 2023.

Enquiries: Margaret 0457 906 513



## END OF FINANCIAL YEAR RECEIPTS

If a receipt is required, please contact :

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## COLLEGE CONCERT-CHORUS ECCLESIAE PRESENTS:

**Byrd: Gradualia - The four-part Motets**

**SATURDAY 15 JULY AT 2.30PM**

Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Newman College,

**887 Swanston Street, Parkville**

**TICKETS: <https://.trybooking.com/CHKEF>**

## FESTA LITURGICA

**In Onore del Volto Santo di Gesù  
Domenica 6 Agosto alle ore 2pm.**

Rossario, Santa Messa e Benedizione  
Eucaristica sarà celebrata nella  
Chiesa di Sant'Ambrogio 287 Sydney  
Road, Brunswick



Cel: Padre Vito Pegolo Organista: Enrico Costantini

Per Informazione tel: Assunta 9404 2568,

Maria 9387 6839, Veronica 9387 2174,

Maria 9387 7160. Dopo la Santa Messa ci sarà  
un rinfresco. Tutti Benvenuti!

**A Mass in honour of the Holy Face of Jesus** will be  
celebrated on Sunday 6 August 2023 at 2pm at  
St Ambrose Church.

Mass will be celebrated by Fr Vito Pegolo.

Organist Enrico Costantini

After Mass there will be refreshments.

**ALL WELCOME!**



## GRAZIE:

**Domenica 11 Giugno 2023**

**Messa di Sant'Antonio di Padova**

Grazie a tutti per la vostra  
generosità in onore di  
Sant'Antonio. Un grazie  
particolare a Carmela di Bella,

Maria Barone, Assunta dal Volto Santo, Elisabetta  
Barriliaro.

Siamo entusiasti di annunciare che abbiamo donato  
\$660.80 all'nostra chiesa di Sant'Ambrogio. Il 19 Giugno  
\$650 sono stati inoltrati tramite Paypal all'Istituto  
Antoniano da Padova.

St Ambrose ha ricevuto una copia dell'e-mail dall'Istituto  
Antoniano di Padova con le loro riconoscente grazie.

Organizzata da Antonio Parisi.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

### WINTER APPEAL 2023

Please give by calling 13 18 12 or  
visiting: [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)

Envelopes available at the back of the  
Church. Thank you



## WORDS of POPE FRANCIS



"If you are the same at  
the end of Mass as you  
were at the beginning,  
something is wrong,"

"Let us pray that  
Catholics place at the  
centre of their lives the

eucharistic celebration," he said, "which transforms  
human relationships and opens up an encounter  
with God and their brothers and sisters."

"Each time we participate in the Eucharist," Pope  
Francis said, "Jesus comes, and Jesus gives us the  
strength to love like he loved, because it gives us  
the courage to encounter others, to go out of  
ourselves, and to open ourselves to others with  
love."

"In the Eucharist, it is Christ who offers himself,  
who gives himself for us. He invites us, so that our  
lives may be nourished by him and may nourish the  
lives of our brothers and sisters," he said.

"The eucharistic celebration is an encounter with  
the risen Jesus. At the same time, it is a way of  
opening ourselves to the world as he taught us."



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at ST AMBROSE'S

1. First Sunday 'cuppa of the month' roster.
2. Flower arranging in the church.

Two sign-on sheets are at the back of the Church today.

You can sign the sheet or contact the office.

**Thank You for your support**

## COMMUNION SERVICE and SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

on Matthew 9:32-38

***"The harvest is rich  
but the labourers are few."***

**St Joseph's at 10am on Tuesday.**

**ALL WELCOME!**



**Wednesday 10am at Our Lady's  
Community Room in Italian. 'Cura di se  
con la Bibbia'. ALL WELCOME!**



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT : St Joseph's Divine  
Mercy Prayer** is held each Friday  
at 3pm. You are invited to join us  
for a Holy Hour.

## TUESDAY MEDITATION

Tuesday Meditation sessions  
(both face-to-face and zoom) will  
break for the school holidays.



We will resume after the break on Tuesday, 11th July  
Jo Bennett (0401148133; [jbennett@joeb.com.au](mailto:jbennett@joeb.com.au))

**REMINDER— WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK**  
PLEASE CHECK EXPIRY DATE ON YOUR WWCC CARD AND  
RENEW WHEN NECESSARY .  
THANK YOU

## PARISH PRIESTS

Fr Linh Pham and Fr Tho Tran

## PARISH STAFF

Jenny Di Valentino  
*Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator*

Enza Cannizzo  
*Pastoral Care & Hospitality*

John Maulden  
*Facilities Manager*

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287 Sydney Road,  
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**Our Lady's East Brunswick**  
49 Nicholson Street,  
East Brunswick 3057

## 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:  
[bmccatholicmission.org.au](http://bmccatholicmission.org.au)