



# BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



† Sacred Heart Church, 19 Cothill Rd, Booval

† Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 10 Old Ipswich Rd, Riverview

Sacred Heart Primary School, 25 Cothill Rd, Booval

St Peter Claver Secondary College, 10 Old Ipswich Rd, Riverview

## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 26 FEBRUARY 2023

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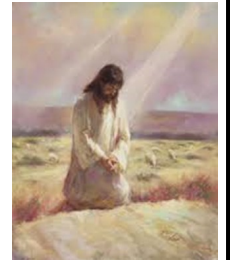
### It is Written

Jesus was offered three shortcuts for his ministry. Firstly, exceptional powers to satisfy his own needs (bread out of stones). Secondly, when he needed to take risks, angels to keep him safe. Thirdly, when he wanted to change the world, absolute political power.

These were the Temptations of Christ, but also for us. If you or I are tempted to sin, we will find the marks of this threefold pattern. We want the whole world to change to satisfy us, or we want to take stupid risks and come out unscathed, or we want to exercise total power over others.

How can we try to follow Jesus without the shortcuts of the fantasy world which the Devil may offer? Note that Jesus resisted each temptation with: 'It is written'. The forty days of Lent are a perfect opportunity to read what 'is written' in the Gospels about the episodes and pattern of the life of Jesus Christ.

We could pause for a moment to find what is written and to imitate what we find. That is how the Devil is defeated.



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### Newsletter via email :

Our Newsletter is available via Email. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know requires access to the newsletter. **If you are not receiving the email and believe you should, please contact the office to confirm your address.** Some emails are being rejected each week. You are also able to view our weekly newsletter on our website: [www.boovalcatholicparish.org.au](http://www.boovalcatholicparish.org.au)

### Project Compassion

Envelopes and boxes are available at the entrance of the church. Please collect either one and take home. The envelopes can be placed in the collection bag each week.

### Weekday Mass

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 9:00am Mass

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb No Mass

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Mar 5:30pm Rosary

6:00pm Mass

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 9:00am Mass

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 8:30am Stations of the Cross**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 9:00am Mass

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Lent

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Mar 4:00pm Reconciliation**

5:00pm Mass—Booval

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Mar 7:00am Mass—Riverview**

9:00am Mass—Booval

Children's Liturgy

5:00pm Mass—Booval

**Marriages** by appointment only at least 6 months notice is required.

**Baptisms** by appointment & Preparation the 1st Thursday of every month at 6:30pm in the parish centre.



### First Sunday of Lent 25 & 26 February



Laxmi, 16, lives in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.

With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at her school.

Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.



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**Newsletter Submissions Cut-off:** Tuesday COB for Friday publishing

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:** Rodney Potts, Veronica Forsythe, Margaret McEniery, Francis Klein

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOM WE REMEMBER:** Marie Noon, Bernard Graham, Denis Muir, Nora Muir, Soundar Rajan, Donna Gabriel, Bob Cole, Dorothy Walsh, Rita Vanderbyl, Tom Brown, Bernie Kinnane, Chris Garton, Ken Adkins, Frank Van Gestel, Lorraine Murphy, David Samson, Jack & Eileen McMahon, Bob Massey, John & Mark Skippington, Phyllis Cook, Thomas Boyle, Margery Boyle, Ellie & Ossie Cody, Rob & Margaret Kane, Mike Cody, Helen Cody, Roy Folan, Alfred & Stella Grech, Moira Murphy, Melinda & Arthur Murphy, Bernice & Clement Goan, Arthur, Brian & Dane Bracey, Grahame Coultas, Noreen Lund, Ta Thi Thin, Paul Armstrong, Giao Ngoc Tran, Peter Joseph, Geoffrey Crocker, Mieu Thi Nguyen, Ban Ngoc Nguyen, Louis Phipps-Ellis, Mary Phipps-Ellis, baby Lou Phipps-Ellis, John Malone, Raymond Gale, John Malone, James Hogan,

**LET US PRAY** for those who are sick or recovering from surgery: Helena M Siczek, Desmond Daly, Patrick Phipps-Ellis, Pat Schroni, Patrick Jones, Desoley MacDonald (Jill Short's niece), Karen Cooper, Pauline Peters, Patricia Eade, Rebecca Eade, Geoff Frost, Kathy & Graeme Smith, Kath King, Lynne Connors, Declan Simmonato, Grace Thompson, Lilian Morrison, Joana Ambrad-Isip, Desolie King, Graeme Peters, Trish Rowlands,

**We also include in our prayers all the aged and sick to whom we take Communion.**

**We pray for the safety and good judgement of those serving in our defence forces overseas**

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE ANNIVERSARIES :26 FEBRUARY —4 MARCH**

Frank Blumke, Eric Cross, Alexande Elliott, Richard Galligan, Catherine O'Donohue, Bill Stanley, Mary Schwede, Carmel Diete, Vanessa Edbrooke, Joyce Kelly, Aileen Wegener, Irene Bowen, Albert Colch, Agnes Colless, John James, Patrick Spillane, Peter Wake, Steve Weir, Brian Hartfiel, Des Heisler, Greg Elliot, Joan Flanagan, Hugh Gribbin, Patrick Hockins, Peg Jones, Margaret Mendez, Mary Jane Donohue, Joan Duncan, Heather Baker, Elsie Hollworth, George Scott, Fr Dominic Burke, Paul Crane, Jim Corbett, Annie Gough, Fr Brian Horton, Norris H. Smith, Concettina Alderuccio, Margaret Costello, Betty Ingram, Bill McNeven, Charles Wheatland,

Day	Date	Time	Group
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6:00pm	RCIA
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9:30am	Craft Group
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	7:00pm	Pastoral Council
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	10:00am	Liturgy Team Meeting
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7:00am	St Josephs Garden
Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9:00am	Children's Liturgy

### CHILDRENS LITURGY

The children heard from the Gospel how Jesus expects them to be forgiving, generous and loving - even when others treat them badly. Not so easy, even for us adults!

#### Little Kings Movement Annual Appeal

Envelopes are still available for this valuable appeal to aid the disabled and as there is no government funding and the movement is staffed by volunteers. Please place the envelopes on the collection plate or return to the parish office.



#### RCIA

Please continue to pray for our new catechumens and candidate as they proceed on their journey of faith building. This weekend they will attend the Rite of Election at St Stephen's Cathedral.



#### Sacrament of Penance 2023

Children involved in the Sacrament of Penance programme had their first workshop on Monday night, revisiting their previous Sacraments, talking about letting their light shine for Jesus which involved making a special lantern and learning about God's love and forgiveness. It was a special night with parents and grandparents sharing the faith journey with their children/grandchildren. I hope all parishioners will join the Sacramental Team in continuing to pray for the children who are making their way through the Sacrament of Penance.



#### World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer for this year will be held on Friday, 3rd March commencing at 10:00am at Glebe Road Uniting Church, Booval. It would be great if Sacred Heart parishioner could attend.



#### Lenten Adoration

On 24th March all-day Adoration from 9:00am—4:00pm.

#### Are you new to the Parish?

We warmly welcome you and your family. If you have recently moved into this area and would like to join the Parish, please contact the Parish Office on 32821888 or email [booval@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:booval@bne.catholic.net.au)

#### EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE:

Choir practice to prepare for our Easter ceremonies will be held on four Thursdays during March as follows:

- ◆ Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm (Palm Sunday and Holy Thursday)
- ◆ Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm (Holy Thursday and Good Friday)
- ◆ Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7pm (Easter Vigil)
- ◆ Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm (Revision)

You are warmly invited to come along and help us prepare to celebrate Easter with our wonderful choir. All Welcome.

Anne Scott 0414 528 387



#### Stations of the Cross

To help us in our preparation for Easter, during Lent there will be Stations of the Cross each Friday at 8:30am before Mass.



**STOPline Service.** STOPline is an external service provided for the Archdiocese to receive confidential disclosures.

Archdiocese of Brisbane's Office for Safeguarding - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity

We respectfully acknowledge the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul people, as the traditional owners and caretakers of the land which is the Booval Catholic Par-