



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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Weekly Diary

Monday 18th September

NO Mass

Tuesday 19th September

NO Mass

Wednesday 20th September

NO Mass

Thursday 21st September

NO Mass

Friday 22nd September

NO Mass

Saturday 23rd September

4.00pm-4.30pm - Reconciliation
5.00pm **Vigil Mass** - Booval

Sunday 24th September
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.00am **Mass** - Booval
8.15am **Mass** - Riverview
9.30am **Mass** - Booval

Marriages by appointment - at least six months notice is required.

Baptisms by appointment.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 17th September, 2017

Parish Visit

Fr Morgan Batt and Patrick Ransom from the Vocation Brisbane Office will be visiting our parish community this weekend of 16th / 17th September 2017 to celebrate Mass with us and to promote Vocations.

Constantly, we are told in the Scriptures that God is merciful towards us and that we, in turn, should be merciful towards others. Given its centrality in our faith, it is important that we understand what mercy is. The Hebrew word for mercy – ruah – is based on the word for womb. It is not just a sense of common feeling with another or even of compassion. Rather is a deep relationship with a person, akin to the experience a mother has with her child, especially one in the womb. When we feel mercy towards another it is as though that person is carried under our heart, flesh of our flesh. We feel mercy like this towards others because God has been merciful to us.

Lack of mercy in our lives doesn't come about because we have closed our hearts to other people but rather because we don't recognise and appreciate the mercy shown to us by God. Maybe some reading this have not committed serious sin and do not have the experience of being forgiven by God in that situation. That does not mean they have not experienced God's mercy. In mercy, we have been created. Made in God's image and likeness to be children of God, we are carried under God's heart. God took on our human flesh in the person of Jesus that we may see how close and loving God wants to be to us. Simply by meditating on the wonder of our being we can realise the mercy in which we are immersed. This realisation lets the floodgates open in our hearts and lives and allows mercy to flow to others. It is not a feeling we 'work up' in our selves, judging the rights and wrongs in the situation, but rather a grace we allow to flow through us. As we allow it to flow, we become 'like God' giving salvation and hope to our broken world.

Material written by Sr Kym Harris OSB and downloaded from www.prayasyoucan.com.au

NEW MASS TIMES AND MINISTRIES - With the new mass times commencing the first weekend in November we will need to make some changes to our present rosters. Could please indicate the mass you will be attending and your ministry on the clip board in the foyer of the church.

The Archbishop's letter on Towards the Marriage Vote is available this weekend.

Our new mass times commence the first weekend of November
Saturday - 5pm (Booval)
Sunday - 7am (Riverview)
9am (Booval)
5pm (Booval)

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 19th Sept at 9.30am: Craft Group
Sat/Sunday 23rd/24th - Welcome Sunday
Sunday 24th Sept. - Social Justice Sunday

Saint Mary's Garden Party will be held on **Saturday 14th October 2017 at 10am-2pm**. Address: 129 Wildey Street, Raceview. There will be entertainment throughout the morning. Enjoy a Devonshire Tea and visit our several stalls that will be operating, this includes Resident's stall, cake and sweet stalls, trash and treasure, sample bags, hamburgers and while you are here come along and visit our baby farm animals. Donations of baked goods are welcome. All baked goods must be labelled with all ingredients, and if they have been frozen please include the letter "F" on the label.



The Sacred Heart Craft Group are selling craft items [quilted Christmas stockings, table runners, place mats and lots more] to raise funds for much needed new carpet in the Parish Centre. The Stall times are as follows - **Sunday 1st October, Sunday 5th November, Sunday 3rd December**. This will take place after the 9.30am mass. The Stall will also be open each Tuesday 9.30am-12noon at the Parish Centre.

A VOCATION VIEW - "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Make a stand for mercy, empathy, forgiveness and selflessness!

Your gift is the answer to someone's prayer

Thank you!

It's a great joy to see the support coming in from generous people like you all across the Archdiocese. You are helping to grow those ministries that are central to the Church's mission of mercy.

On behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, we hope that your life is enriched, knowing your gift is far greater than your donation.

Your prayers and your gifts are a shining light to others.

A special thank you to those who were able to make an ongoing commitment at this time - your faith in the future of the Church will bear fruit for many.



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CWL - Hoy & Euchre will be held in the Parish Centre on **WEDNESDAY 20th September at 10.00am**. All welcome.

WALTZING MATILDAS are going to visit Larsens Bulbs (near Fernvale). Morning Tea at Wivenhoe Dam and lunch at Forest Hill Pub. **Tuesday 17th October** leaving Parish Centre at **8.00am**. Cost \$40.00. Bookings and cancellations ring Anne Hall 3288 9240 or mob. 0408 773 734.

REPORT FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL Booval-Riverview Conference for the eight months ended 31st August 2017. Our members attended 455 home visits comprising some 633 adults and 671 children with food vouchers amounting to \$29,104 and in kind assistance of \$16,940 totalling some \$46,044.

"Kind Deeds Change Lives"
"Life is Good - Live to Give"

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS - Are you celebrating your 10th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th etc. Anniversary of Marriage this year. We would like to invite you and your family to the **5pm mass on Saturday 14th October** to join with the parish in celebrating your special occasion. Please phone the Parish Office on 3282 1888 if you would like to be part of this celebration. Parishioners are asked to bring a plate to share.

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass - Couples celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary (or longer) and their family and friends, are invited to the annual Mass with Bishop Brian V. Finnigan at the Cathedral of St Stephen. The Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday 7th October, commencing at 10.00am**. Light refreshments will be served in the Hanly Room, following the Mass and for catering purposes you are asked to RSVP to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or telephone 3324 3030 by Friday 29 September. The Cathedral car park will be available.

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's". ROMANS 14:8



This is the essence of stewardship - everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

PARISH SCHOOL FETE 2018 (22nd July 2018)
what you can do to help right now

* **BOOK STALL** - Go through your book shelves and find any good quality books that you no longer need. Donate them to school to help make up our book stall.

* **TRASH AND TREASURE** – Go through your cupboards! If you have any good quality second-hand items (think, garage sale) that you no longer need, don't throw them away! Donate them to our fete. We can sell them at our trash and treasure stall.

* **CRAFT STALL** – Start collecting the following items: fabric scraps (or buy a metre of quilting fabric to donate), buttons, elastic, cord, thread, velcro and other sewing supplies.

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