



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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Weekly Diary

Monday 22nd October

9.00am Mass

Tuesday 23rd October

No Mass

Wednesday 24th October

6.00pm Mass

Thursday 25th October

9.00am Mass

Friday 26th October

9.00am Mass

9.30am Exposition

Saturday 27th October

4.00pm-4.30pm - Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass - Booval

Sunday 28th October

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6.30am Rosary - Riverview

7.00am Mass - Riverview

9.00am Mass - Booval

5.00pm Mass - Booval

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

Baptisms by appointment.

Rosary will be recited half an hour before week day mass during the month of October

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 20th/21st October, 2018

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Today's Gospel places before us two beautiful themes. The trust and confidence of James and John, the sons of Zebedee, in the glory of Jesus and the teaching of Jesus to be practiced in his kingdom to attain glory. James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus with a request: "Master, allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory. James and John witnessed many times the opposition that Jesus faced from the religious leaders; they experienced the bitterness of the clergy against Jesus; they sensed the dangers that awaited Jesus on his way ahead; in spite of them all they could still connect glory with a Galilean carpenter. This is an amazing confidence and loyalty.

The challenges James and John had continued to be the challenges of every Christian in every age, but they made their appearance in their contemporary forms – like challenges of dogmas, challenges raised by philosophies, challenges caused by political systems, challenges by attitudes and so on. The confidence of James and John in the Ultimate Triumph of Jesus should inspire us also to seek for greatness.

This passage also tells us about the standard of Greatness in the Kingdom of Jesus when Jesus places before us the concept of the servant leader. In the kingdom of Jesus the standard was that of service. Greatness consisted, not in reducing other men to one's service, but in reducing oneself to their service.

Jesus told his disciples plainly what his mission was, how he was going to accomplish it and what should be the criteria of greatness among his disciples. He summarized his mission in one sentence: **"The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."** According to Jesus, greatness consists not in what we have, nor in what we can get from others but in what do we give to others. Jesus thus overturned all our values, teaching us that true greatness consists in loving, humble, and sacrificial service. For Jesus, true service means putting our gifts at the disposal of others. For our contemporaries Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King and Mother Teresa, greatness lay in the giving of their whole self to the very lowest, treating them as brothers and sisters and living close to them. This is the lesson that the church places before us today. This is the lesson that the Saints have put into practice, and achieved greatness. This is the lesson that the world expects from the followers of Jesus. This is the only lesson that can take us to greatness. In order to achieve this genuine greatness we should have confidence in ourselves. James and John expressed that confidence when they requested Jesus to grant a place to them on his right and left. Today the world needs people whose ideal is service. Let us be among them.

May God Bless us.

Fr. Joji



The Parish Office will be closed this Monday 22nd October due to staff in-service.

DIARY DATES



Tuesday 23rd October - 9.30am: Craft Group
Friday 26th October - 6.15pm: CFC Group
Sat/Sun 27th/28th October - WELCOME SUNDAY



BAPTISM - This weekend we welcome into the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Baptism **Harrison Kremmer**.

WANTED FOR THE SCHOOL

Used religious Christmas cards



NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS - The envelopes for the November Mass offerings are available at the doors of the Church.

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

MARK 10:45

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God's love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from "I want more" to "thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share". This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others.

A VOCATION VIEW: Life's rewards are tied up in the spirit of service. Just as the Son of Man came to give His life, so too are we then called through our profession of faith to serve others. Lord, we pray, 'let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You to do your will.'

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH - Tuesday 6th

November 12.30pm at the Parish centre. Tickets \$20.00 which includes light lunch, punch/wine and lucky door prizes. \$2 & \$1 sweeps available on the day. To book either write your name on the sheet at the front of the Church or phone the Parish Office on 3282 1888. Bookings need to be made by **9am Monday 5th November**.



WALTZING MATILDAS - Last trip for the year "Break-up" **Tuesday 4th December** leaving Parish Centre at **8.00am**. Going to the Gold Coast and buffet lunch at Tweed Coolangatta Golf Club - Cost: \$45.00. Bookings and cancellations - Anne Hall asap please on 0408 773 734

Reflected Love - a Weekend Silent Women's Retreat

Encounter with God is an encounter with Love. It is enveloping "If I can but touch his cloak". It is transforming. We have been sealed with God's love. This weekend retreat is an opportunity to sink into the enveloping love of God, and to explore how that same love is reflected in each one of us.



A weekend of shared silence in community with others who seek encounter with God. Draw away from the rest of life for a short time and walk gently, slowly and with purpose, knowing that you are held within a supported and compassionate community of women.

Facilitated by Grace Harwood of Dragonfly Ministries
Friday 7 December 2018 to Sunday 9 December 2018 at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston
Enquiries to: grace@dragonflyministries.net.au or 0409 524 283. Registrations close **23 November**.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.

Amen.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



1ST SACRED HEART P&F GOLF TOURNAMENT

CHECK IN TIME FROM 6.30AM
4 PERSON AMBROSE TEAMS
\$30 pp Entry (50% of proceeds to the school)
Ages 18+ only
Lunch 12.30pm \$6 Burger

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2018
Sandy Gallop Golf Course
Dads, Mums, Aunts, Uncles, Friends.

We are seeking prizes for the raffle. If you can donate please contact Sonya Morrissey 0408 756 288. Contact Jacqui Manders to register your 4 person team. Individuals can register interest. Phone or text 0417 745 389

Time for a Smile: -

Working in a library, one of the tasks we have to do twice a week is call patrons about their overdue items. One day I had to call someone about a late book entitled *Don't Forget: Easy Exercises for a Better Memory*.

