



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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Weekly Diary

Monday 27th June

No Mass

Tuesday 28th June

10.30am Mass - Riverview Gardens Hostel

Wednesday 29th June

9.00am Mass

Thursday 30th June

9.00am Mass

Friday 1st July

9.00am Mass - Followed by
Adoration & Benediction

Saturday 2nd July

4.00pm-4.15pm Reconciliation

4.30pm Vigil Mass - Booval

6.00pm Vigil Mass - Riverview

Sunday 3rd July

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.00am Mass - Booval

9.00am Mass - Booval

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

Baptisms by appointment.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25th/26th June, 2016



Year of Mercy

"... you don't come to God by doing it right; you come to God by doing it wrong, and then falling into an infinite mercy."

— Richard Rohr's Daily Meditation: *Saved by Grace*,
15 November 2015

Are You Looking Backward or Ploughing Forward?

I like visiting Illinois when I'm in the United States. I pass rows and rows of corn when I'm driving. As the season progresses, I watch spring's green sprouts turn into summer's tall stalks. It's a miracle. But it also depends on farmers who know how to plough.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus compares discipleship to ploughing. Christians are like farmers. They bring new life into the world because they plough forward with their faith – something you can't do if you're always looking back to the past.

Should you ignore your past? No.

I have a friend who made a lot of mistakes in life. He wanted to become more Christian but found it difficult. Why? He never learned from his mistakes or apologised to the people he hurt. As a result, he could never plough forward. By ignoring the past, he actually became stuck in it.

Following Christ doesn't mean forgetting past mistakes and moving ahead. That doesn't work. You can't move forward in life with Jesus until you learn from mistakes and reconcile broken relationships.

Deal with your past mistakes and shortcomings. It will help you set a hand to the plough, move forward, and bring new life into the world.

What past shortcomings or broken relationships hold you back? How has your past made you a better disciple?

The Action - Take a look at where your time is spent. Are you spending too much time doing things that don't matter? Do you spend enough time with people you love or perusing worthwhile opportunities? Spend time this week focussing on someone else's needs and not worrying so much about your own.

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POPE FRANCIS ON RECONCILIATION AND MERCY: In this Jubilee Year of Mercy an opportunity is being offered for people of the Ipswich Catholic Community and other parishes within the deanery to gather to listen to a presentation on the topic of Reconciliation and Mercy. The facilitator for this gathering will be Fr Anthony Mellor who is currently working as the Parish Priest of Clayfield, as well as Academic Dean of the Seminary and the Theological Advisor to Brisbane Catholic Education. Fr Anthony will open up the understanding of the Jubilee Year of Mercy and what it means for us today. **There will be two sessions to choose from and both will be held on Thursday 7th July in St Joseph's Church, Pine Mountain Road, North Ipswich. The first session is offered from 3.30pm to 5.00pm and repeated from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. We ask that you RSVP to the parish office on 3281 2133 by the 5th July so we have an idea on numbers attending.**

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 28th June at 9.30am: Craft Group
Friday 1st July at 9.30am: Meditation
Sat/Sun 9th/10th July: Catholic Mission Appeal



ADORATION & BENEDICTION will follow the 9am Mass on the first Friday of the month commencing this Friday 1st July.

WELCOME SUNDAY - This weekend is Welcome Sunday and there will be a cuppa after our masses. This is a good opportunity to become more acquainted with fellow parishioners.

FEEDBACK INFORMATION SESSION - MASS TIMES TRIAL

There will be a Feedback Information Session to look at how the trial on changes to our mass times has been going. This will take place in the Parish Centre on **Sunday 10th July at 10.30am**. Please come along and let us know how well you think it is working.

WALTZING MATILDAS visit the Maleny area, including a dairy visit, on **Tuesday 19th July**. We **MUST LEAVE EARLY 7.30am** from the Parish Centre. Bring cup, closed-in shoes and jacket. Cost \$40, incl. lunch. Bookings & cancellations ring Anne Hall 3288 9240 Mob. 0408 773 734.

VOLUNTEERS required for Meals on Wheels kitchen - Thursday mornings 6am to 9am. Duties: preparing vegetables and packing meals. Enquiries to Leila 3282 4884.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL - Conference members would like to thank student co-ordinators as well as all students who contributed to a special Vinnies Appeal by Sacred Heart Primary School. Donations received included blankets, warm clothing and money raised. A wonderful and enthusiastic effort by the students.

"For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather serve one another through love." GALATIANS 5:13

We like to celebrate the fact that we are free to "live the good life." But Jesus calls us to a different kind of freedom. St Paul reminds us that Jesus sets us free so that we can serve one another, share our gifts and promote God's work here on earth to glorify His name and not honor ourselves.

A VOCATION VIEW: Can you imagine Jesus, facing His fate in the Garden of Gethsemane, deciding, "No, I'll not go through with this?" No. Vocation means perseverance.

Vocations Novena (V9) Prayer Campaign 7

A: At the sight of the crowds Jesus heart was moved

B: For they were like sheep without a shepherd

A: "Jesus said: "the harvest is ready"

B: "But the labourers are few"

A: Ask the Lord to send out labourers for the harvest

B: O Lord we pray that young people will answer the call to become servants in Your harvest

A: And shepherds for Your people.

Amen.



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Sacred Heart School and Parish Fete 2016

Sunday 24th July 2016

10:30am – 3:30pm



Our parish will conduct the Catholic Mission Church appeal on July 9/10

Jesus was not received at a Samaritan village but continued on the journey to His passion and death to Jerusalem. Although He met volunteer followers along the way, He knew that following Him would cost more than what they think it was. In our present day and age, we may have missed out on the physical company of Jesus 2,000 years ago but we are blessed now with an amazing opportunity to encounter Him through the Scriptures and learn from the stories being shared with us. Jesus does not want us to make a decision which will lead us to failure. Jesus wants us to take it one step at a time, slowly, steadily but surely. Two weeks from now, our parish will hear about the good news of the work of the Catholic Church in Cambodia. Like the call to discipleship, we do not want you to rush into making a response. We invite you to pray about it and respond according to what you can share for the good news to continue to grow and serve many more people around the world, including us here in Australia. May our response allow us to experience true freedom leading us to depend on the Spirit who will keep us away from the dangers of yielding to self-indulgence (Gal 5:16).

Anna Jimenez, QLD Parish Appeal Coordinator

CWL - Hoy & Euchre will be held in the Parish Centre this **Wednesday 29th June at 10.00am**. All welcome.

A BIG THANK YOU to all involved in the Thanksgiving Mass at Villa Maria last Tuesday. In particular, thanks to all those who attended, the Sisters who were able to come from Brisbane, Fr Peter and Deacon Des, the musicians, the organisers, the staff and residents of Villa Maria. The cuppa afterwards did provide a great opportunity to share stories and renew acquaintances. All in all, a very enjoyable day.

Australian Christian Meditation Community Qld

Invites you to join us at our next Community Day

GUEST SPEAKER: **Rev. Linda Chapman**, Rector of the Anglican parish of Moruya, NSW. Linda will speak and lead us in discussion on Meditation and the Environment.

When: Saturday, 23 July 2016

Time: 9.30am–2.30pm. Morning tea served at 9.30am. BYO Lunch

Where: Holy Spirit School Hall, 36 Villiers Street, New Farm

Suggested Donation: **\$10 - \$15** (morning tea included)

Save our Earth: Please bring a mug/cup for your own use

Resources: Books, CD's, DVD's, other printed material

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